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near Dhanmondi lake By Staff Correspondent A portion of the lake-side

WASA setting up pump-house

green area of Dhanmondi has been taken over by the Dhaka WASA to construct a pump-

Construction of the proposed pump-house is underway on the northern side of the mosque at Road 7. Mechanised earth removers and other equipment were seen on the site.

The workers on the site said that, the WASA was carrying out the construction work which would take up an area of the lakeside green space and some portion of the mosque, as well.

When contacted, an engineer of the WASA said that the site covering an area of 40X38 feet was given to them by the Public Works Department in view with the prevailing water crisis in the

The engineer of the WASA

said that, the project would

"We want the water crisis to go, but why should they take up the lake-side area to build a pump-house?," asked Harun, a resident of the

Others said that, by building the pump house, the authorities were encouraging settlement there as in the case of other pump-houses in

"People working in the pump are accommodated at the pump site. So some accommodations are bound to come out on the same site." said another.

A senior official of the PWD said that, many lakeside residents of Dhanmondi have illegally occupied a large portion of the lake against whom the PWD would soon take action.

Weather

Rain, squally wind likely

Occasional moderately heavy rain or thundershower accompanied by squally wind is likely at most places over Khulna and Barisal divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met Office says, intermittent moderate or moderately heavy rain or thundershower accompanied by gusty or squally wind may occur at many places over Chittagong. Dhaka, Rajshahi and Sylhet divisions.

Night temperature is likely to rise by 1-2 degree Celsius over the country.

The country's highest temperature 33.0 degree Celsius was recorded at Cox's Bazar and the lowest 20.8 degrees at Dinajpur.

The sun sets today at 5:15 pm and tomorrow at 6:11

Japanese film festival Nov 20

The Embassy of Japan will host a Japanese film festival from November 20, at the Japanese Embassy, says a press release.

A total of six films will be screened during the festival. Tickets will be available at the cultural section of the embassy on November 17 from 1:30 pm to 4 pm. and on November 18-20 from

A maximum of two tickets will be sanctioned to each person on first-come, first serve basis

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The British High Commission is seeking an Associate Economist to work in its Aid Management Office in Dhaka. Requirements:

Potential candidates should have a master's degree in economics and several years experience of development

Applications, including a current CV, a recent written piece of economic analysis and a letter explaining why the candidate would be suitable for the job, should be sent to the following address no later than Monday 27 November 1995 :

First Secretary (Economic)

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35 years

By Staff Correspondent Thai International Airlines yesterday celebrated its 35th anniversary in the city.

Thai celebrates

Since its launching in 1960 as a small regional airline serving just ten destinations, Thai has grown rapidly and now operates a fleet of 69 aircrafts and serves 72 destinations in 37 countries across four continents.

The number of passengers carried last year reached a record 11.5 million and revenues exceeded US 2.5 billion dollars.

Thai Airways employs over 20,300 staff.

The anniversary programme held at Sheraton Hotel was attended by executives of the airlines from Thailand.

The programme included cultural performances by both Bangladeshi and Thai artistes and a raffle draw.

Dhaka chapter of CJA formed

The Bangladesh chapter of London-based Commonwealth Journalists' Association (CJA) has been formed to promote Commonwealth ideals such as peace, democracy and press freedom, reports UNB.

An executive committee of CJA. Bangladesh was also elected last week at a general meeting of journalists with the AP Dhaka Bureau Chief Hasan Saeed in the chair. a press release said yesterday.

Hassan Shariar, special correspondent of Ittefaq, was elected president of CJA. Bangladesh and Farid Hossain, correspondent of The Associated Press (AP), the general secretary.

DRU workshop concludes

By Staff Correspondent A workshop on 'Present Trend of Reporting in Bangladesh' was held yesterday at the Jatiya Press Club, under the aegis of the Dhaka Reporters Unity (DRU).

Journalists Ataus Samad Jawadur Rahman, Mahfuz Ullah and Motiur Rahman Chowdhury conducted the workshop.

DRU president Shafiqul Kabir and general secretary Mostafa Firoz were also present at the workshop.

Bangla Academy publications

The Bangla Academy has published a book titled Bangladesh: Prakritik Bhugol O Poribosh (Bangladesh Natural Geography and Environ-

ment), says a press release. The book, written by Mahbub Hasan, Abdul Matin Akand and Ishtiaque Hossain, illustrates distribution of natural resources and the extent of environmental pollution as a result of men's insensible behavior, from a geologist's point of view. The book also depicts the relationship between natural resources and environment

The cover design of the book has been done by Nurul Islam. The price of the book is Tk 140.

Notice

Our regular feature Dhaka Day by Day could not be carried today due to space constraint. The inconvenience for the readers is regretted.

Call for lifting embargo on Iraq

Secretary-General of Bangladesh Iraq Friendship Society Md Shahjalal Mazumder urged the international community to lift the sanction on Iraq, says a press release.

Mazumder who witnessed the recent Iraqi referendum, as an official guest from Bangladesh, said more than 6000 observers and 500 journalists monitored the referendum

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A reception was held on the occasion of the 35th anniversary of Thai International Airways at the Sheraton Hotel - Star photo yesterday.

Shopowners protest BTV news

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh Dokan Malik Samity, an association of shopowners, yesterday issued a strong protest against the BTV's coverage of the 15minute token strike, observed by business commu-

The association said that, BTV in its news on Wednesday dubbed the programme as an 'anti-hartal protest' The 15-minute token strike was actually aimed at ensuring for security to the businessmen and the common

The Dokan Malik Samity also slated the attack on a meeting organised by the Mohammadpur Dokan Malik Kallayan Samity at Mohammadpur Town Hall on November 7.

• What's on today

Bangladesh Photojournalists Assoc: The association has organised a function to accord reception to seven elderly photojournalists and to distribute prizes among the winners of the Rupashi Bangla Photo Competition. Venue: Office of the association at 58/1 A, Purana Paltan. Time: 6 pm.

Human chain: Nagorikbrinda will organise the programme. Venue: Manik Mian Avenue. Time: 4 pm.

Gono Forum: The party will organise a discussion on Nur Hossain. Venue: Gono Forum office. Time: 5 pm. BELA award ceremony: The Bangladesh

Environment Lawyers' Association (BELA) will award the successful journalists of the training programme on investigating reporting of environmental: issues. Venue: VIP lounge, Jatiya Press Club. Time: 4 pm. Chief guest: Akbar Hossain, Minister for Environment and Forest.

Press conference: The residents of Working Women's Hostel has arranged the press conference. Venue: Hallroom, Jatiya Press Club. Time: 11 am.

Zonta Club (III): The annual fashion show of the club will be held. Venue: The Winter Garden Marquee, Sheraton Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm. The show is open to ladies and children only.

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