

Buddhist fed submits memo to President

A joint delegation of the members of Bangladesh Buddhist Federation and Bangladesh National Buddhist Youth Federation called on President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban yesterday, reports UNB.

Srimath Shilalankar Mohathero, the highest religious leader of the Buddhist community in Bangladesh, led the delegation. The members of the delegation submitted a memorandum to the President requesting him to look into their problems. These included representation in government service and educational institutions.

They also requested the President for providing them government land for extension of the Buddha Bihar at Badda.



A joint delegation of Bangladesh Buddhist Federation and Bangladesh National Buddhist Youth Federation led by Srimath Shilalankar Mohathero called on President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban yesterday. —PID photo

New Treasurer, Registrar of East West University



Manzur Elahi Nousher Ali

President Shahabuddin Ahmed has appointed Syed Manzur Elahi as the Treasurer of the East West University for a period of four years with immediate effect. The Board of Directors of the university had earlier recommended Elahi for the honorary position, says a press release.

The Board of Directors of the university has also appointed SM Nousher Ali, 53, former Chief Engineer of BTV and a well known educationist as its Registrar for a four year period.

Navy chief returns

Chief of the Naval Staff Rear Admiral Mohammad Nurul Islam returned home on Wednesday concluding an official visit to the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea, reports BSS.

172 arrested

Police rounded up 172 people, including 38 wanted criminals, from different parts of the city in last 24 hours on various charges, reports UNB.

The charges against the arrested included murder, dacoity, snatching, extortion and terrorist activities, and a DMP press release yesterday.

What's on today . . .

Int'l Music Conference: An international music conference organised by Shetu-Bandh, a socio-cultural organisation, will be held. Chief guest: State Minister for Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs Obaidul Quader. Venue: National Museum Auditorium, Shahbagh. Time: 5-30 pm.

Open Air Concert: An open air concert of 4-bands — Feedback, LRB, James and Winning, organised by Right Social Welfare Organisation, will be held. Venue: Bangladesh Army Stadium.

Sarnali-'73 meet: An emergency meeting of Sarnali-'73, a cultural organisation, will be held. Venue: Gandaria Kisholaya Kachi Kachar Mela office. Time: 5 pm.

Bangladesh Mahila Parishad meet: A review meet on 'Current perspective of women movement and the role of Mahila Parishad,' will be held. Venue: Liberation War Museum auditorium.

Seminar on human rights: A national seminar on 'Human Rights: Different Dimensions,' sponsored by the Bangladesh Institute of Islamic Thought (BIIT), will be held. Venue: Sundarban Hotel. Time: 9 am.

Birth anniversary function: On the 91st birth anniversary of National Professor Dewan Mohammad Azraf, DMA Foundation has organised a function. Venue: 12-K/G, Shyamoli, Rd. 2. Time: 10 am.

Weather

Dry weather likely

Weather is likely to remain dry with temporary partly cloudy sky across the country in the next 24 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met Office says no appreciable change in day temperature is expected throughout the country.

Country's highest temperature 34.6 degree Celsius was recorded at Chittagong and the lowest 20.0 degrees at Srimangal.

Sun sets today at 05:24 pm and rises tomorrow at 06:02 am. Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Mor	Even
Dhaka	33.5	22.0	64	77
Chittagong	34.6	23.5	76	70
Rajshahi	31.6	21.4	74	81
Rhulana	33.7	22.6	71	72
Barisal	34.8	22.5	82	80
Sylhet	34.7	22.2	78	75
Cox's Bazar	34.5	25.0	73	74

'7.5 pc people infected with hepatitis B virus'

About 7.5 per cent people of the country are infected with hepatitis B virus while 8 per cent of the patients admitted to different units of medical colleges have been suffering from various liver diseases, reports UNB.

This was revealed by a recent survey conducted by the Department of Hepatology of the Institute of Postgraduate Medicine and Research (IPGMR) which organised a day-long symposium on liver disease here yesterday.

Another alarming finding is that some 29 per cent professional blood donors of the country are infected with hepatitis B virus, the most dangerous hepatitis virus which can cause complicated liver diseases.

Fullmoon watching programme

By Staff Correspondent

Reammaya Bina, a cultural organisation, will organise the fullmoon watching programme at 8 pm tonight at the auditorium of Kendriya Kachi-Kacha at Segunbagicha in the city.

The programme titled 'Purnimat Bhijbo Bole' will continue throughout the whole night, says a press release.

The entire programme will be devoted to the memory of Michael Madhusudan Dutta.

Besides, renowned artistes will present songs to make the programme more lively.

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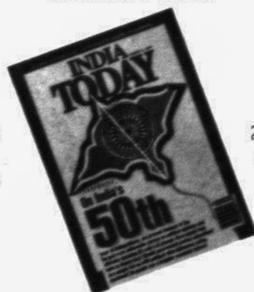
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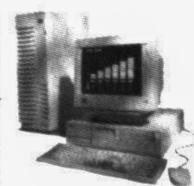
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