

Metropolitan

604,918 slum teenage girls deprived of growth facility

Dhaka's slums have about 604,918 teenage girls who do not get minimum facility for healthy growth, reports UNB.

They are deprived of education and healthcare facility, and often fall victims to sex abuse, according to Dhaka Adolescents Working NGOs (DAWN), a forum of 20 non-government organisations working for the slum people.

DAWN's executives told newsmen here today that it had undertaken a three-year package programme for the development of teenage slum girls.

Initially, it set up a medical centre in the city to provide medicare facility at nominal fees and medicine at cheaper price.

Director of Urban Adolescents' Unit Mukhlesur Rahman said DAWN will set up six more medical clinics at different parts of the city by the year-end. Eleven more clinics will be set up in 1997.

The clinics will provide both preventive and curative treatment facilities to the deprived and poor teenage girls. There will be lady doctors in the clinics so the adolescent girls can freely talk to the physicians.

Side by side, DAWN will provide educational facilities and lend money for income generating projects.

Mostafizur Rahman Tito, executive director of Maitree Parishad, said the forum will take up a coordinated adolescents development programme to integrate the disadvantaged adolescents with other classes of the society.

Notice

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



President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed placed wreath and offered feteiha at the mazar of Moulana Abdul Hamid Khan Bhashani at Santosh yesterday. — PID photo

UK Impact Foundation chief meets PM, President

By Staff Correspondent. Sir John Wilson CBE, DCL, head of the Global Impact programme and chairman UK Impact Foundation accompanied by his wife Lady Jean Wilson, met President Shahabuddin Ahmed Tuesday.

They also called on the Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. The Prime Minister appreciated the initiative of Sir John, for establishment of a floating river boat hospital, by impact and for offering clinical treatment and surgical intervention in the riverine areas of the country and assured full support and cooperation from her government for successful implementation of the programme.

Sir John also had also met the Speaker, Humayun Rashid Chowdhury and cabinet ministers Abdus Samad Azad, Salahuddin Yousuf, S A M S Kibria.

He also held discussions with the Mayor of the Dhaka City Corporation, Md Hanif and addressed the members of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industries, Dhaka besides visiting the English medium school established in Gulshan after his name last year.

BSD founding anniversary today

The Bangladesher Samajtantrik Dal (BSD-Khalequzzaman) will observe its 16th founding anniversary today.

On the occasion, the party has taken an elaborate programme including hoisting of party flag, discussion meeting and public meeting, said a press release.

The public meeting will be held at Bangabandhu avenue on Saturday at 3 pm. Convenor of the party Comrade Khalequzzaman will address the meeting as chief guest.

127 rounded up

Police rounded up 127 people from different parts of the city on various charges in last 24 hours till 8 am yesterday, reports UNB.

Seminar on 'empowerment of women' Nov 9

A day-long seminar on 'Empowerment of Women' will be held on Saturday at the WVA auditorium, Dhanmondi at 9 am, says a press release. Matia Choudhury, Minister of Food, Agriculture, Disaster Management and Relief, will be present as chief guest, the release added.

Discussion on Nov 7: Col Taher Sangsad has arranged a discussion meet on 'November 7 soldiers' revolution in light of the Liberation War.' Venue: In front of National Press Club. Time: 4 pm.

**Muktokantho Abritti Academy:** A certificate-distribution ceremony for child participants of a poetry-recital training course, conducted by the Academy, will be held. Venue: Russian Cultural Centre, House: 510, Rd: 7, Dhanmondi. Time: 3:25 pm.

**Painting exhibition:** A week-long solo painting exhibition by Jamal Ahmed will begin. Venue: Divine Art Gallery, Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 4 pm.

**Anirban Jubo Samity:** An emergency meeting of Anirban Jubo Swakarma Samabay Samity will be held. Venue: Ramna Restaurant, Ramna Park. Time: 10 am.

**Lions Club of Dhaka Pallabi:** The regular and board of directors meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Kayinshi Chinese Restaurant, Darus Salam Rd, Mirpur. Time: 7 pm.

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**Bangladesh History Society:** The 3-day 11th national conference of the Society and an international seminar on 'History of Bangladesh: 25 years of independence' will be inaugurated. Chief guest: President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed. Venue: National Museum auditorium, Shahbag. Time: 10 am.

**Ananda mela:** Bangladesh Federation of University Women has organised an 'ananda mela' fair to raise funds for its charity projects at Uttarkhan. Venue: Dhaka Business and Professional Women's Club, 1 Bally Road. Time: 10 am to 6 pm.

**Theatre:** The play, 'Garib Keno Morey' by Sri Nirmal Kumar Mukhopadhyaya, will be staged under the aegis of Philips Club. Venue: Engineers Institute auditorium. Time: 6:10 pm.

**Bangladesh Academy of Family Physicians:** The first annual conference of the academy will be held. Chief guest: National Professor N Islam. Venue: Hotel Razmoni Ishakha, Kakrail. Time: 9:30 am.

**Opening of brachy-therapy unit:** Delta Medical Centre's new brachy-therapy unit will be inaugurated. Venue: 26/2 Darus Salam Road, Mirpur (near Bangla College). Time: 10 am.

'Govt striving to improve rural infrastructure'

Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Lt. Gen. (ret'd) M Noor Uddin Khan said yesterday that the present democratic government was making all-out efforts for improving the rural infrastructural facilities to increase the standard of life of rural people, reports BSS.

Addressing a spontaneous gathering of Jubo League, Krishak League and Awami League leaders and workers at Monohardi under Narasingdi, the minister said people of the country had given their verdict in favour of Awami League in the last parliamentary polls for materialising the dreams of Bangabandhu, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

He said the government had already taken epoch-making steps for alleviating poverty and eradicating violence from the society.

UNAB seminar held

The United Nations Association of Bangladesh (UNAB) held a seminar in the city yesterday to observe the 50th founding anniversary of UNESCO, reports UNB.

Education Minister ASHK Sadeque was the chief guest at the seminar with Prof. Salahuddin Ahmed in the chair. The Secretary of the Education Ministry Abdullah Haroon Pasha attended the programme as special guest.

Prof ASHK Sadeque highlighted the programmes of UNESCO towards the development of education, literacy campaign in particular.

The Education Minister urged UNESCO to continue its programme in the country.

Zillur tells JS Tubewells allocated in ratio to population

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Zillur Rahman yesterday told the Jatiya Sangsad that the government follows a specific policy for distributing tubewells in the rural areas on the basis of the population and the existing number of water pumps in a particular area, reports BSS.

Replying to a question by BNP member, Mohammad Shahidul Islam, the minister said those areas get priority which have fewer tubewells.

Awami League member, Abdul Latif Mirza, placed the question on behalf of Islam as the BNP members were absent during the time.

The minister said according to the policy, generally one shallow tubewell is allocated for 75 persons, one deep tubewell for 85 persons and one 'tara' tubewell for 150 persons.

PRO of French Mission honoured

The Public Relations Officer (PRO) of the French Embassy to Bangladesh Renee Veyret has been honoured by one of the most highest distinctions of France, reports UNB.

The PRO, Sheikh Nuruzzaman, was honoured with the Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Merite (Knight of the National Order of Merit).

French Ambassador to Bangladesh Renee Veyret handed over the certificate of the award to him at her residence here on Tuesday.

Sheikh Nuruzzaman joined the Consulate General of France in the then East Pakistan as its first ever PRO in May 1965.



French Ambassador to Bangladesh Renee Veyret, handed over Knight of the National Order of Merit yesterday to Sheikh Nuruzzaman, Public Relations Officer of the French embassy. — Star photo

Star Fashion '97 Entry by Nov 25 and Let Our Readers Judge Your Product

The Daily Star is pleased to announce its 2nd ever Fashion Competition organised for designers and boutiques in Bangladesh. The competition is not only an attractive opportunity for designers to show-case their creations before Eid, but an exciting event for readers too. Readers will be the judges and select the best dresses for Eid 1997.

Details of the competition are:

- Categories of Entries: There will be ten categories of fashion wear in the competition, namely:
  - Saree: Casual wear up to Tk. 1,000
  - Semicalual Tk. 2,000
  - Party wear Tk. 4,000
  - Salwar Kameez: Casual Tk. 1,501
  - Party Tk. 3,500
  - Ladies dress: Casual wear (not Salwar Kameez) Tk. 1,500
  - Party wear (not Salwar Kameez) Tk. 1,501
  - Men's traditional wear
    - Cotton Panjabi up to Tk. 1,000
    - Silk Panjabi from Tk. 1,001 up to Tk. 2,500
  - Children's dress:
    - Boys up to Tk. 1,000
    - Girls up to Tk. 1,000

2. Rules

a) Who can participate: Any Bangladeshi individual or organisation in the business of producing fashionable clothes in the above categories.

b) How many entries: No limit to entries in any category. Separate entry form will have to be filled with fee for each item. Sufficient supply of the item has to be ensured.

Entry Fee: Tk. 200/- (two hundred) for each item.

3. Criteria for assessment: creativity, comfort and elegance.

4. Selection Process:

a) All entries will be catalogued and participants will be given a receipt, with the value of their entry mentioned.

b) The Daily Star will pre-select 10 entries from each category with its own panel of judges.

c) The pre-selected entries will be worn by models, photographed and published along with fabric & design details, prices and names of participants in special issue of The Daily Star inviting the readers to send in their judgement.

d) There will be a coupon in this special issue in which the readers will be invited to indicate their choice of the best entry in each category.

e) The selected items will be given as gifts to the models.

f) Items not selected will be returned to the participants.

g) The entries adjudged best by the readers in each category will be published within 27th of Ramadan in The Daily Star with the name of the winners.

5. Entries will be received up to 25th Nov 1996 between 3 pm and 6 pm at The Daily Star Office, House-11, Road-3, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka. For further details please contact: Ms Katna, Tel: 863036 between 2 pm and 5 pm except Fridays.

Weather

Rain with gusty wind likely

Rain or thundershower with temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at many places over Chittagong, Barisal and Khulna, at a few places over Sylhet and Dhaka, and at one or two places over Rajshahi divisions in next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

The Met office said day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country during the period.

The sun sets today at 5:16 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:09 am. The country's highest temperature was recorded 33.6 degree Celsius at Jessore and Bogra and the lowest, 19.5 degrees, at Dinajpur.

Maximum and minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature		Humidity	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	32.1	24.5	75	84
Chittagong	31.8	24.8	82	85
Rajshahi	32.6	22.0	77	77
Khulna	33.5	25.4	75	-
Barisal	32.8	23.0	95	92
Sylhet	32.0	23.7	77	80
Cox's Bazar	31.2	24.6	92	97

Star Fashion '97 Prospective Models Are Encouraged To Apply

A comprehensive presentation of your looks, physique & personality. If you are:
 

- A young man between 18 and 30 years of age
- A young woman between 16 and 25 years of age
- A child between 7 and 15 years of age

 Please apply with full name, age, father's name, address, telephone number and 3 copies of colour photographs taken from different angles (Profile, Bust & Full Front, all 3R size) by Wednesday, 13 November 1996 to the following address:

Star Fashion '97  
The Daily Star  
Road No. 3, House No. 11,  
Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka 1205

Conditions:

Selected models will be required to obtain written permission from their legal guardians for participation and for publication of their photographs in the Fashion Magazine. Decision of the judges shall be deemed to be final and objections or protests will not be entertained. There will be no entry fee. Photographs will not be returned but all information will be treated with utmost secrecy.

Agrani Bank Shastapur Branch Narayanganj Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from the intending purchasers for sale of the following goods on as is where is basis. The undermentioned description of the goods have been furnished as per bank's record and without any responsibility on the part of the bank. The tenders must satisfy themselves in respect of quantity, quality and weight of the goods before they participate in the tender and the bank shall not be responsible for any consequences whatsoever in this respect and no complain or excuse of the tenderers will be entertained.

Name of Branch	Name of the borrowers' address	Description of goods	Quantity	Place of storage
Agrani Bank, Shastapur Branch, Narayanganj	Pirkashampur Iron & Steel Corporation, Kutubail, Fatullah, Narayanganj.	M.S. Flat Bar	About 229 tons.	Kutubail, Fatullah, Narayanganj.

Conditions:

- Tender must be dropped in the tender box kept in our Zonal Office, 50/1, Sayed Ali Chamber, Narayanganj on or before 2.00 PM of 17-11-96. Tender will be opened on the same day at 2-30 PM in presence of the tenderers, if any.
- Earnest money 5% on the quoted amount by Bank Draft/Pay Order of any scheduled bank in favour of Agrani Bank must be submitted along with the tenders failing which the offer shall be summarily rejected.
- The goods may be inspected during office hours of any working day on prior contact with the undersigned.
- Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reason whatsoever.
- Earnest money of the unsuccessful tenderers will be refunded within 20 (Twenty) days of the opening of tenders.
- The goods will have to lift by the successful tenderers within 10 (Ten) days from the date of acceptance of the offer by depositing balance 95% of the quoted amount at their own cost and responsibility failing which the earnest money shall be forfeited.