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Shahabuddin underlines

need of modern navy

Biennial confce of Itihas Samity ends

The 11th biennial conference of Bangladesh Itihas Samity and a four-day seminar on "Bangladesh: 25 years" concluded in the city today with a call to historians to play more effective role in writing objec-

tive history, reports BSS. President Justice Sha habuddin Ahmad inaugurated the conference and the seminar on November 8 at the auditorium of Bangladesh National

Speakers at the seminar expressed their regret that a his-

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tory research centre could not be established even after 25 years of the country's indepen-

The samity has sought cooperation of the government in this regards.

A 35-member executive committee of the samity was elected unanimously for the next two years with Prof Sirajul Islam of Dhaka University as the president and Prof Sharifuddin Ahmad as the general secretary.

Momen Choudhury made envoy to KSA

The government has decided to appoint Abdul Momen (houdhury, at present Ambas sador of Bangladesh to the republic of Indonesia as the Ambassador of Bangladesh to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, i was officially stated in Dhaka vesterday, reports BSS.

Choudhury was High Com-missioner of Bangladesh to Kenya from May 1985 to June 1987 and Ambassador of Bangladesh to Bahrain from August 1987 to September 1991.

President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed underlined the need of a modern and expanded navy for the country in accordance with demand of the time and age to keep the sea safe, reports UNB.

"As a developing and peaceloving country, we should be attentive to our self-defence. said the President, who is the supreme commander of the

armed forces Addressing the officers of various ranks of Bangladesh Navy at Naval Headquarters he said there is no alternative to a trained and effective navy for accelerating the country's economic activities through making the sea safe and free from

The valuable wealth of our vast economic zone and territorial waters should be protected at any cost," Justice Shahabuddin told the function.

In this context, the President underlined the need for an organised and modern navy for safeguarding the sea wealth and as vigilant force for our vast sea areas. He said the government would do everything possible for making the Navy strong and self-dependent.

President Shahabuddin recalled the sincere efforts of the

then Prime Minister, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, for building a prospective infrastructure of the Bangladesh Navy in spite of limitations and said the present self-dependent navy had been built on that infrastruc-

On arrival at the Naval Headquarters, President Shahabuddin was received by Chief of Naval Staff Rear Admiral M Nurul Islam and given a guard of honour by a smartly turned out contingent of the navy. The President took salute and inspected the parade.

Later, President Shahabuddin was introduced to the principal staff officers and area commanders of the Navy. He signed the visitors' book and planted a sapling in the head quarters' compound.

Notice

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

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CHITTAGONG, Nov 11: M Com(preliminary) examination-1994 of the Department of Accounting, Chittagong University will begin from December 12 next, a university press release said here today, reports

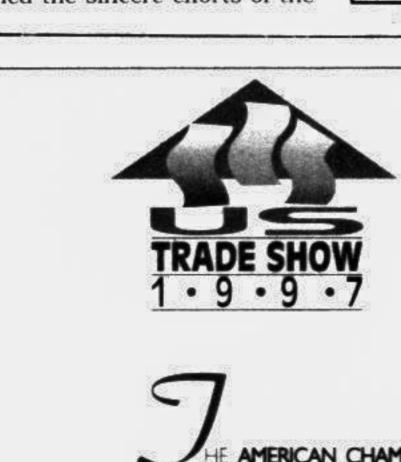
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