

**Metropolitan**



Vehicular movement in Mirpur area was disrupted due to a dais set up in the middle of the main thoroughfare at Mirpur Section 10 yesterday. — Star photo

**President opens digital telephone exchange at Srinagar**

President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed yesterday said that opening of digital telephone exchange at the thana level is a laudable step towards developing the telephone communication system in the country, reports BSS.

The president was talking to the Attorney General Barrister K S Nabi, who talked to him over telephone after opening a 512-digital telephone line exchange at Srinagar thana yesterday.

President Shahabuddin thanked the officials of Bangladesh rural telephone authority for establishing the digital telephone exchange at Srinagar and hoped that such exchange would be established in more thanas in future.

Chairman of the Telegraph and Telephone Board M H Chowdhury and other officials of the board were present on the occasion.

**Mohiuddin presents credentials to King Birendra**

The newly appointed Bangladesh ambassador to Nepal, Mohiuddin Ahmed, presented his credentials to King Birendra Bir Bikram Shah Dev at the Royal Palace in Nepal on Friday, reports UNB.

While receiving the credentials, King Birendra said that he was very happy with the close relationship between the two countries.

"We are happy to note that the friendly and neighbourly relations existing between our two nations have been growing steadily over the years to our mutual satisfaction," the King said.

He also expressed the hope that the ties based on mutual goodwill and understanding will lead to further expansion of the areas of bilateral cooperation including the exploitation of natural resources.

**Power suspension**

Power will remain suspended at different parts of the city on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 am to 5 pm for essential maintenance works, reports UNB.

On Tuesday: Bhasantek Bazar, Din Mohamad Colony, National Museum, Shahbagh, DU Suriya Sen and Shamsun Nahar, and Kurzon halls, Bani roads 16, 18 and 23 to 27, North Kamal Ataturk Avenue, WASA Bhaban, Panthapath, Rajabazar, Indira Road, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar T&T Exchange, Islamia Eye Hospital areas from Sonargaon Hotel of FDC new gate, Central Road, Circular Road, North Road, Hatirpool Bazar and Free School Street.

On Thursday: Lane by lane of Babani Road, 23, Tejgaon IA, Tajgaon 33 KV DESA Staff Quarter, Raja Bazar, Tallabagh, Sukrabad, said a DESA press release yesterday.

On Friday: Motijheel Colony area partly, Bangladesh Betar office at Kallyanpur, Dilkusha, The Independent office, Gopibagh, RK Mission Road, KM Das Lane, A Das Lane, Banglar Bani office, Sangbad office, Purana Paltan, Fakirapool, Naya Paltan, HBFC, Bangladesh Bank, GPO, Stadium, Osmani Smriti Auditorium, T&T Colony, AGB Colony, Bangladesh Bank Colony, Kamalapur Station, TBC Road, Bangabhaban (for 5 minutes only).

**Rotarian freedom fighters' reception**

Rotarian Freedom Fighters Reception-96 will be accorded at CIRDA auditorium in the city on December 31 in observance of the Silver Jubilee of Independence of the country, reports UNB.

LGRO and Cooperatives Minister Zillur Rahman will inaugurate the function which will be attended by Telegraph and Telecommunications Minister Mohammad Nasim as chief guest.

Governor of Rotary Club Jamal Uddin will be present as special guest.

**What's on today . . .**

**Drama:** As part of ongoing Theatre Art Drama Festival '96 the drama *Iblish* will be staged. Time: 6:30 pm. Venue: Mahila Samity Auditorium. The drama has been produced by Arunayak Nattya Dal.

**Shilpakala Academy:** The certificate awarding ceremony of the competitions of music, dance will be held. Venue: Academy auditorium. Time: 6 pm. It will be followed by a cultural function to be participated by the competitions.

**Russian Cultural Centre:** The centre will hold a function marking the English New Year '97. Time: 5 pm. Venue: Auditorium of the centre.

**Golden Jubilee of DMC:** As part of the programmes a scientific session will be held. Venue: IPGMR auditorium. Time: 9 am.

**Workshop:** Bangladesh Shishu Adhikar Forum will hold a national level workshop on prevention of child trafficking. Time: 4 pm. Venue: Caritas Development Institute (CDI) auditorium at 2, Outer Circular Road.

**Solo art exhibition:** The 5th solo art exhibition by artist Shamiran Chowdhury will begin. Venue: Divine Art Gallery (inside Sonargaon Hotel). Time: 4 pm. It will continue till Dec 30.

**BISS seminar:** The concluding session of the 3-day BISS Int'l seminar will be held. Venue: BISS auditorium. Time: 9 am.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka North-West:** The regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North-West will be held. Venue: 23 Green Road (residence of PDG Iqbal Ansari Khan) instead of Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 6:30 pm.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka Central:** The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka Central will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club. Time: 1:30 pm.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka North:** The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

**BUP discussion:** A two-week roundtable discussion organised by Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad (BUP) on key development issues will begin. Chief guest: Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury. Venue: Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) auditorium.

**Discussion:** A discussion meeting organised by Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD) on 'Transit Highway Debate and Indo-Bangladesh Relations' will be held. Venue: Photo Journalist Association auditorium. Time: 4:30 pm.

**Rotary Club of Dilkusha:** The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dilkusha will be held. Venue: Hotel Purbani International. Time: 5:30 pm.

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D-1440 Secretary

**OBITUARY**

ABU RASHED NIZAM, SECOND SON OF LATE MR O R NIZAM OF CHITTAGONG AND SON-IN-LAW OF LATE MR SHABIB AHMED, DIED OF HEART FAILURE ON FRIDAY DEC. 20TH IN ST MARY'S HOSPITAL, LONDON (INNA LILLA-HE WAH INNA ELAI-HE RAJEE-UN).

HE WILL BE BURIED IN LONDON BESIDE HIS LATE WIFE, MUNAWAR NIZAM, ON THE 23RD OF DECEMBER.

HE LEAVES BEHIND HIS SON RAAD NIZAM WHO RESIDES IN BANGLADESH AND A DAUGHTER, ZOYA, WHO LIVES IN LONDON WITH HER HUSBAND, SIBTAIN ALIK AND GRAND DAUGHTER, SAAMIA. ALSO LEFT BEHIND ARE HIS 5 BROTHERS AND 3 SISTERS.

THE FAMILY REQUESTS ALL WHO KNEW HIM TO PRAY FOR THE SALVATION OF HIS DEPARTED SOUL.

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