

**Russia welcomes water treaty**

Government of Russia has welcomed the Indo-Bangla on Ganges water sharing treaty, reports BSS.

According to a message received here yesterday Russian Foreign Office in a statement to the press giving government's views on the 30-year treaty signed by the Prime Ministers of Bangladesh and India said that the agreement has resolved the problem that created complications in India-Bangladesh relations for many years and stood on the way of their forward movement.

**Grand confce of NGO workers tomorrow**

A grand conference of the representatives and workers of various voluntary organisations of the country will be held at the parade square adjacent to Rokeya Sarani on January 2 on the occasion of laying of the foundation of social welfare complex, reports BSS.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is expected to lay the foundation of the complex. An exhibition on activities of different social and voluntary organisations has been arranged by the Social Welfare Directorate in this connection.



Five freedom-fighter poets and writers were accorded reception at the children's auditorium of the National Museum in the city yesterday. —Star photo

**President, PM greet Arafat**

President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed has greeted Palestinian President Yasser Arafat on the occasion of the National Day of Palestine to be observed today, reports UNB.

In a message to Yasser Arafat, the President said the existing friendly relations between Bangladesh and Palestine will further be strengthened in the years to come.

In a separate message Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina congratulated Palestinian President Yasser Arafat on the same occasion.

In the message to Yasser Arafat, the Prime Minister renewed the support of Bangladesh to the struggle of Palestinian people in realisation of their cherished goal under his wise and able leadership.

"I am confident that the fraternal relations that so happily exist between the two brotherly peoples will further be developed and strengthened in the time ahead," she said.

**AGM of OCAB held**

The annual general meeting of OCAB (Overseas Correspondents Association Bangladesh) was held yesterday at the Jatiya Press Club, reports BSS.

Ihsanul Karim, the outgoing president of the association was in the chair.

The meeting approved the report of the general secretary presented by M Shafiqul Karim.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka Mid-Town:**

The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: White Castle Restaurant at 20, Kemal Ataturk Avenue. Time: 5 pm.

**Tafsirul Quran:** A three-day Tafsirul Quran organised by the Islami Pathagar O Samaj Kallyan Parishad will begin. Venue: Motijheel Govt Boys High School ground.

**Jalsa:** A salona jalsa organised by the Mohammadpur Quaderia Tayyabia Alla Madrasa will be held. Venue: Madrasa premises. Time: 3 pm.

**Lecture:** A lecture on Nutrition and development of brain organised by the National Museum of Science and Technology (NMST) will be held. Venue: Auditorium of the NMST. Time: 4 pm.

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

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

**Kachi Kanchar Mela:** A recitation competition for children on the occasion of the 94th birth anniversary of poet Jashim Uddin will be held. Venue: Auditorium of the Kachi Kanchar Mela at Segun Bagicha.

**Nagorik festival:** A ten-day drama festival organised by Nagorik Natyangan will begin. Venue: Shilpakala Academy auditorium. Time: 5 pm.

**BUP discussion:** The Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad (BUP) will hold a discussion on Agriculture of Bangladesh. Venue: Auditorium of the parishad.

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

**Exhibition:** The inaugural ceremony of the first Bangladesh International Exhibition of Colour Slide organised by Aalok group of photographers will be held. Venue: German Cultural Centre. Slide show will be held at 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 pm today and tomorrow.

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

**ADG of ILO due Saturday**

Ms Mitsuko Horiuchi, Assistant Director General (ADG) responsible for ILO activities in Asia and Pacific arrives Dhaka Saturday for a six-day official visit to Bangladesh.

During her stay here, she will call on the State Minister for Labour and Manpower, Abdul Mannan, Secretary of the ministry and other senior government officials.

She will also meet with the President of the Bangladesh Employers Association (BEA), members of its executive committee and national level trade union leaders.

She will speak as a special guest at the inaugural ceremony of the National Workshop on Child Labour jointly on January 5.

Ms Horiuchi's discussions with the government, employers and workers will focus on important social and labour issues in Bangladesh and further strengthening of ILO activities in Bangladesh including its technical cooperation projects, says a press release.

**Postgraduate Diploma in Library Science results**

Results of the Postgraduate Diploma in Library and Information Science-1996, conducted by the Institute of Library and Information Science, The Library Association of Bangladesh, says a press release.

A total of 92 candidates appeared at the final examination. Seventy-five of them have passed. The percentage of pass is 81.52. Results (in order of merit) are as follows:

First Class: Roll No 37D — SM Rezaul Karim.

Second Class: Roll Nos: 54D, 60D, 59D, 4C, 26D, 15D, 75D, 1C, 16D, 32D, 38D, 31D, 83D, 7C, 41D, 84D, 99D, 42D, 43D, 33D, 76D, 61D, 74D, 90D, 85D, 20D, 48D, 70D, 91D, 56D, 17D, 53D, 96D, 100D, 8C, 14D, 25D, 11C, 27D, 68D, 93D, 77D, 82D, 30D, 97D, 72D, and 81D (Total 47).

Third Class: 3C, 47D, 34D, 67D, 22D, 46D, 95D, 44D, 64D, 87D, 92D, 19D, 39D, 51D, 58D, 80D, 36D, 2C, 13C, 57D, 18D, 98D, 69D, 50D, 9C, 76D, and 63D (Total 27).



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**Kulaura Thana AL leader dead**

Kulaura Thana Awami League president and Moulvibazar district Awami League executive member Abdul Latif Khan died of a heart attack at Dhaka Suhrawardy Hospital yesterday. He was 72, reports BSS.

The deceased, who was a close associate of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, left behind his wife, four sons and three daughters.

**Books donated to JTI**

By Staff Correspondent

The Asia Foundation has donated 342 books to the Judicial Administration Training Institute (JTI) recently, according to official sources.

Out of these 342 books one series consisting of 45 books relates to Words and Phrases, another series consisting of 90 books relates to Cyclopedias and the rest relates to the American Law report, sources added.

**Hanif greets city dwellers**

Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) Mayor Mohammad Hanif has extended his sincere greetings to the dwellers of the metropolitan city of Dhaka on the occasion of the new year, reports BSS.

In a message the Mayor wished happiness, prosperity, welfare and security of the Dhaka city dwellers and called upon them for extending cooperation to the city corporation in the development of the city.

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