

FOCUS Law and Our Rights

Environment and the Law

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At the global level, the main thrust on universal commitment to combat environmental issues emerged out of the Stockholm Declaration on Human Environment in 1972...

the ratified laws/conventions/protocols. 5. Institutional Arrangements. 5.1 The Ministry of Environment and Forest would coordinate the implementation of this policy...

Table with 2 columns: Sector or Issue, Number of laws. Rows include Pollution & Conservation (2), Health (30), Food & Consumer Protection (13), etc.

tomarily overdependent on western laws (coming with the aid and loan) which fails miserably in case of enforcement. The history of amendment and law making is anti-people as indicated by experience.

18. Over politicization of mal environmental and ecological issues especially of those having transnational origin. The Constitution & The Judiciary: The Constitution: The Constitution of Bangladesh do contain basic principles and essential spirit to cover environmental aspects...

the Court to mitigate of environmental pollution was written down in a judgment (46 DLR). 3. Dr Mohiuddin Farooque vs Bangladesh & Others, WP No 92 of 1996 (48 DLR): In this case 'right to life' has been expanded by the High Court Division to include everything supportive to an expected normal longevity...



Are they ready to start where tradition ends?

When a group of young people assemble for a gossip, can you guess which subjects they discuss or which they shrug off? You will see, they sit by the street or in an open space (if available) mainly to pass the idle evening. Can you think that they would recite from Shakespeare or Tagore, or critically discuss politics or economics or culture?

National Environment Policy: The Policy was adopted by the Cabinet in November, 1992 which provides some general guiding statements and then goes on to describe essential sectoral policies for the concerned Ministries.

Major Environmental Issues Facing Bangladesh: A. Regional/Global: Ecological changes due to shared water disputes. B. National: Population and Poverty, Degradation of Resources (anti-people and uncoordinated).

1. Resource management as well as public and government functions are carried out through different ministries. Therefore most of the laws which have bearing on environment and ecology are sectoral enactments either as substantive legislation and/or as statute on institutional framework...

10. Non-formulation of subordinate legislation to materialise the objectives of the parent law. 11. Inter-sectoral and intra-sectoral incompatibilities of laws and institutional framework.

The Judiciary, especially the highest judiciary of the country, that is the Supreme Court has not been reactionary to appreciate the emerging need to conserve environment and human health.

7. Dr Mohiuddin Farooque vs Bangladesh & Others, WP No 891 of 1994: In this actions against 993 industries have been sought upon direction of relevant statutory authorities. The matter is pending for hearing in the High Court Division.

Law Scape

HC Show-Cause on Pepsi Why its License Should not be Cancelled

Division Bench of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court comprising Mr. Justice M Mozammel Haque and Mr. Justice Abdul Matin issued Rule Nisi on the Secretary, Ministry of Industry, the Bangladesh Standard and Testing Institute, the Institute of Public Health, and Bangladesh Beverage Industries Limited which manufactures Pepsi Cola.

The Daily Star Entertainment Guide

Sunday 16th February (All programmes are in local time. There may be changes in the programmes). BTB: 3:00 Opening Announcement, Al-Quran Programme Summary, 3:10 News in Bangla, 3:15 Patriotic Songs, 3:20 Recitation from the Bible, 3:25 Rerelease of Drama, 4:50 Marami, 5:00 News in Bangla, 5:25 Sports Programme, 6:30pm Getma, 6:35 Maveydar Janmyo, 6:39 Open University, 7:00 The News, 7:25 Documentary on Freedom Fighting, 8:00 News in Bangla, 8:25 Women in Freedom Fighting, 9:00 Film Series: Akbar The Great, 10:00 News in English, 10:25 Those Days of Freedom Fighting, 10:30 Shonga Anaban, 11:30 News in Bangla, 11:35 Monday's programme, 11:40 Close down.

World Headlines 2:05 World Focus: Assignment 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Time Out: The Clothes Show 4:00 BBC World Headlines 4:05 World Focus: Heart Of The Matter 5:00 BBC World News 5:20 Window On Europe 6:00 BBC World Headlines 6:05 World Focus: The Giant Headlines 7:05 BBC World Headlines 7:05 Breakfast with Frost 8:00 BBC World News 8:30 Time Out: Holiday 09:00 BBC World Headlines 09:05 World Focus: Horizon 10:00 BBC World News 10:20 Earth Report 10:30 Time Out: Film 97 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 Time Out: Top Gear 12:00 BBC World News 12:20 On The Record 01:00 BBC World News 01:20 Window On Europe 02:00 BBC World Headlines 02:05 World Focus: BBC Global Report 03:00 BBC World News 03:30 Time Out: Tomorrow's World 04:00 BBC World Report inc. World Business Report/24 Hours 05:00 BBC World Report inc. World Business Report/24 Hours

3:00 Asian Top 20 VJ Trey 5:00 The Vibe Weekend VJ Luke 6:00 The Vibe Weekend 7:00pm Fashion Police 8:00 The Indian Top 10 9:00 Launch Pad VJ Samira 10:00 House Of Noise VJ Luke 11:30 Rewind VJ Sophia 12:00mm Big Bang VJ Alessandra 1:00 The Ride 2:00 By Demand VJ Trey 3:00 Big Bang VJ Alessandra 4:30 Launchpad VJ Sophia 5:30 [V] VJ Alessandra

6:30 Voltron 7:00 Aerobics Oz Style 7:30 Spideeman 8:00 The Mighty Thor 8:30 Alaap 9:30 Buiyaad (Hindi Serial) 10:00 Janata Ki Adalat (Hindi Serial) 10:30 Chandrakanta (Hindi serial) 11:30 Amul India Show 12:00noon The Great Escape 12:30 India Business Week 1:30 Star Trek 2:30 Hindi Classic Film 5:30 Batman 6:00 Charles Angels 7:00 The Amul India Show 7:30 Preview 8:00 Pritva Tandulkar Show 9:00 Reporter (Hindi serial) 9:30 Chandrakanta (Hindi serial) 10:30 STAR News Sunday 11:30 Dynasty 12:30 India Business Week 1:30 Amul India Show 2:00 BBC Documentary: Around the World in 80 Days 3:00 Movie Classic 5:00 Backup

7:00 Suno Bhai Sadho 7:30 Maa 8:00 Zed 8:30 Disney Hour 9:30 Casper Kya Scene Hai 10:00 Ghoomta Aaina 10:30 Aap Ki Adalat 11:00 Saryam's Cine Magic 11:30 Lakme Khoslaat 12:00 Aur Ek Movie 12:30 Bommitta Quiz Contest 1:00 Haathi Cement Ashiana 1:30 Asian Sky Shop 2:00 Dream Merchants 2:30 Hindi Feature Film 5:00 Dhak Ghar Apna Ghar 6:00 Helpline 6:30 Disney Hour 7:30 Adamiya Pradhan Mantri 8:30 Insight 8:30 Suno Suno Tring Tring 9:00 Hi Zindagi Bye Zindagi 9:30 Chahat Aur Nafrat 10:00 Zee Horror Show 10:30 News 11:00 9 Malabar Hill 11:30 The Top Ten 12:30 Action Hindi Feature Film 1:30 Raahat 2:00 Campus 2:30 TMM 4:00 Daraar 4:30 Through The Gears 5:00 Jagran 5:30 Surtal

STAR MOVIES: 7:30am Family: The Goodby Birdy PG (Hindi Subtitles) 9:30 Comedy: Drop Dead Fred 15 (Hindi Subtitles) 11:00 The Bhaskar Ghose Show 11:30 Classic: Oh Mr Porter! PG (Hindi Subtitles) 1:30 Comedy: Without a Clue 12 (Hindi Subtitles) 3:30 Sunday Show Time: Preeti: Night Of The Provler 18 (Arabic Subtitles) 4:00 Comedy: Blame It On Rio 18 (Hindi Subtitles) 5:45 Film Club: Life Is Sweet 15 (Arabic Subtitles)

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