

Metropolitan



Environment Minister Sayeda Sajeda Chowdhury (R) presented Dr Nileema Ibrahim (C) with the 'Mahila Forum Gold Medal '96 on the occasion of International Women's Day in the city on Saturday. Ferdousi Sultana (L) chairperson of the Forum was also present.

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What's on today....

- South Asian Theatre Festival:** Swapna Sandhani will present 'Tiktiki'. Venue: Shilpakala Academy auditorium. Time: 7 pm.
- Indian Film Festival:** 'Mirch Masala' by Ketan Mehta will be screened. Venue: Indian High Commission auditorium. Time: 3:30 pm.
- Dance Festival '97:** The folk dance drama, 'Kanchonmala', will be presented by Jago Art Centre. Venue: National Museum auditorium. Time: 7 pm.
- Prize-distribution ceremony:** Prizes will be distributed among the winners of a children's painting competition, organised by Nadi Sangskriti Sangsad on March 1. Venue: TSC auditorium. Time: 3 pm. Chief guest: State Minister for Cultural Affairs, Youth and Sports Obaidul Kader.
- Launching ceremony:** 'Nanapur Melaye Ekjan Kamalundari O Ekti Bagh Ashay', a book by Badruzzaman Alamgir, will be launched. Venue: Children's auditorium, National Museum. Time: 4 pm.
- Rotary Club of Ramna:** The weekly meeting will be held. Venue: Family lounge, Dhaka Club. Time: 5 pm.
- Rotary Club of Dhaka New City:** The weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 5:30 pm.

FRANCO-BANGLADESH ROCK FUSION CONCERT "RICHARD ET LE GANG" WILL PERFORM WITH LRB
13 March 97, 6 to 9pm (gate opens at 3pm) DHANMONDI WOMEN'S COMPLEX (Rd 10A)
 ◆ **PARKING** available at DHANMONDI CLUB FIELD (between road 7 & 8)
 ◆ In addition to the 33 sales points mentioned on the poster of the concert, tickets will **also** be available at the following branches of **THE CITY BANK:** Gulshan, Kawran Bazar, New Market, Imanganj, Bangabandhu Avenue, Foreign Exchange Branch (Dilkhusha C/A)
 ◆ on the day of the concert, tickets will be sold at **ALLIANCE FRANCAISE** until 12.00.



Members of Richard and the Gang, a rock music group from France, and LRB from Bangladesh held a press conference, organised by the Alliance Francaise de Dhaka, yesterday. The two groups will perform at an open air concert in the city on March 13. — Star photo

Bangladesh evokes great interest at Berlin Tourism Fair

Bangladesh pavilion at Berlin International Tourism Fair, the world's largest tourism exhibition, has evoked great interest among thousands of visitors and the local tour operators, reports UNB.
 Bangladesh Embassy in Bonn in collaboration with the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism have set up the pavilion at the fair.
 Eminent folk singer Abdur Rahman Bayati and his group took part in a cultural function at the pavilion while Bibi Russel and her models presented a colourful fashion show and dances, said a PID handout yesterday.
 Leading Berlin newspapers have given the Bangladesh programme a front-page coverage with coloured photographs depicting the country as an attractive tourist destination.
 Bangladesh Parjaton Corporation, Biman Bangladesh and the participating private tour operators like Guide Tours, Allure Tours and Travels, and Tour Planners have sold attractive package tours to a large number of German tour operators and individual visitors.
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Kiet visits Bangabandhu Museum

Vietnamese Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet yesterday visited the Bangabandhu Museum and paid homage to Bangladesh's independence leader Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, reports UNB.
 Kiet stayed at the museum for about 40 minutes. He was visibly shocked seeing various memorabilia of Bangabandhu and signs of the August 15 tragedy.
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Commonwealth Day observed

Speaker of the Jatiya Sangsad Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury yesterday called for greater economic collaboration among the Commonwealth countries so that less developed nations within the group could be benefitted, reports BSS.
 "This will help forge greater solidarity in the 53-nation Commonwealth group and strengthen the bonds of fraternity," he told a seminar, organised by the Commonwealth Society of Bangladesh, marking the Commonwealth Day in the city yesterday.
 Prof Muzaffar Ahmed, senior president member of the Society, presided while former minister M K Anwar, MP was a special guest.
 Prof M Shahiduzzaman presented the keynote paper and the discussants included Maj Gen (ret'd) K M Shafiqullah MP, British High Commissioner David Walker, Sri Lankan High Commissioner S B Atugoda.
 The speaker termed the theme of this year's Commonwealth Day 'Talking to one another' as appropriate in the fast growing world for bringing people closer to each other.
 UNB adds: Commonwealth Student and Youth Organisation observed Commonwealth Day yesterday with much enthusiasm.
 The day's programme included a colourful rally, distribution of educational materials among the children of different slums and a discussion.

Chemical risk assessment training course concludes

A nine-day training course on 'risk assessment and management of chemicals' was held recently in the city, says a press release.
 The training course was conducted within the framework of the joint International Programme on Chemical Safety (IPCS) of ILO and WHO. The training course was jointly sponsored by ILO and WHO in collaboration with the Department of Environment, Government of Bangladesh. The course started off with a one-day intensive briefing session for senior government, employers, trade union and NGO officials.
 The training course was inaugurated by Abhab Ahmed, secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests.
 The inaugural session was also addressed by K M Ehsanul Haq, joint secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forest, Paul J Bailey, Director, ILO Dhaka and Dr W Hardjotonojo, WHO representative in Bangladesh.

Qulkhwani

The qulkhwani of Nasima Keramat Ali, wife of ex-minister Muhammad Keramat Ali, will be held today after Asr prayers at the residence of the deceased at 38, Indira Road, says a press release.

First class first

Firoz Mahmud stood first class first in BFA (Bachelor of Fine Arts) final examination in oil painting department held in 1996, says a press release.
 He also stood first class first in pre-BFA final examination of 1989-90. He was awarded the Shilpacharya Zaimul Abedin Gold Medal 1995. Besides, he received best award in water colour, pencil sketch, pens-ketch.

VACANCY

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 Starting salary is Taka 11,153 per month rising, subject to satisfactory performance, by annual increments to Taka 17,843 per month.
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Govt of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
 Office of the Executive Engineer
 PWD Division, Chandpur
Tender Notice
 No-40 (Civil)/1996-97

1. Sealed tenders in BD Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the PWD enlisted Special Civil Class-I & II of PWD Zone Chittagong for the undermentioned work and will be received by the undersigned & the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Comilla, B'baria, Noakhali, Feni, & Lakshimpur in their respective office up to 12.00 Noon of 24/3/97 & will be opened on the same day at 12:15 PM in presence of the contractors who may like to remain present. Each tender will be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it to be submitted in the tender box preserved in the offices of the Executive Engineer.

Sl No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed to complete work
2.	Construction of 45 Nos New District Head Qrts one at Chandpur (Sub-Head: Site Improvement) 14.92.310/97	Tk 29,850/-	Tk 2,985/-	60 (sixty) days

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 5. a. The contractor/firm shall have to submit "VAT Registration Certificate which must be attested along with the tender failing which their tender will be summarily rejected. The intending tenderer shall have to produce their registration book of enlistment letter bearing the photo & full signature of the contractor duly attested by the Executive Engineer of this Deptt. along with challan for depositing the current fees at the time of purchasing of tender form as in absence of which no tender form will be sold. No complain in this respect will be entertained.
 b. In case of lowest equal rate the contractor will be selected by lottery. Lottery will be held on 31/3/97 at 12.00 Noon in the office of the undersigned.

Abdur Rob Nistar
 Executive Engineer
 Chandpur PWD Division, Chandpur
 DFP-5171-5/3
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 Directorate of Food Movement, Storage & Silo Department
 16, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka
 Memo No 42 MSS/Silo-554/80 Part-9 Dt 18/02/97(6/11/1403 BS)
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HERE and THERE

Voluntary Health Services Society
 A discussion on "Heart disease: Prevention and Cure" was held at Voluntary Health Services Society (VHSS) auditorium in the city yesterday, reports UNB.
 Senior consultant of Birla Heart Research Institute of India Dr Tarun Kumar Prohraj delivered a lecture at the discussion meeting.
 VHSS executive committee president Mahbul-ul Karim presided over the programme, jointly organised by VHSS and BFES.

UNAB
 In observance of International Women's Day, the United Nations Association of Bangladesh (UNAB) arranged a symposium yesterday evening at the meeting room of UNAB. Eminent writer and a leader of the women's movement and former director, ADAB Rasheda Chowdhury was the main speaker.
 Senior educationist Professor Husna Banoo Khanum, Afia Khatun, a leading member of Women for Women and Fazilatunnessa, general secretary, Bangladesh National Blind Women's Welfare Association participated in the discussion.

Malaysian Palm Oil Promotion Council
 On the occasion of Malaysian Palm Oil Week 97, a painting competition for children, sponsored by Malaysian Palm Oil Promotion Council was held at the premises of Bangladesh Shishu Academy on Wednesday, says a press release.
 The function was inaugurated by Golam Kibria, Director of Shishu Academy, Belvinder K. Sroon, Head, Public Relations and Promotion and A K M Fakhru Alam, Country Representative of Malaysian Palm Oil Promotion Council were also present.
 About 250 children divided into 4 groups, participated in the competition. In each group, 4 participants were selected for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and special prizes. All other participants were given consolation prizes.

Weather

Dry weather likely
 Dry weather is likely to prevail across the country in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.
 Met office says no appreciable change in day temperature is expected throughout the country.
 Country's highest temperature 35.5 degree Celsius was recorded at Kutubdia and the lowest 15.2 degrees at Srirangal. The sun sets today at 6:06 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:10 am.

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