

**Metropolitan**



Speakers at a discussion meeting on local government, organised by the Fair Election Monitoring Alliance (FEMA) in collaboration with the Study and Research Group of Manobik Shahajya Sangstha, at the WVA auditorium in the city yesterday. — Star photo

**Commonwealth CECs' workshop begins today**

A four-day workshop for senior Commonwealth election officers in Asia and the Indian Ocean will begin in the city today, reports UNB.

Organised by the Commonwealth Secretariat in cooperation with the Bangladesh Election Commission, the workshop will consider ways of strengthening practical cooperation and improving organisation of elections.

President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed will inaugurate the workshop at Hotel Sheraton at 9 am today.

Sources said the officials will consider all the key phases in the electoral process — preparations for elections, conducting of polls, vote counting and appraisal after elections — in an effort to promote good practice in election management.

Chief Election Commissioners and other senior electoral officials from India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, the Maldives, Malaysia, Mauritius, Pakistan and host Bangladesh will participate in the workshop.

**New project to enhance women's status launched**

A project named Traditional Media as a Change Agent to Enhance the Status of Women was launched in the city yesterday by the National Bahai Centre, reports UNB.

The launching took place at a press conference, arranged at the centre yesterday. It was addressed by Lee Lee LOH Ludher, member of Continental Board of Counsellors of the Bahais of Asia, and Dr IS Ludher, member of National Doctor's Cooperative in Malaysia.

Lee Lee LOH Ludher, who is involved in gender-development projects in many countries of Asia, introduced the project which aims at imparting training to men to enhance the status of women in Bangladesh.

The two-year project, designed for rural areas of the country, will start with a fund of 2,000 US dollars.

**Last date for paying phone bills Apr 15**

Bangladesh Telegraph and Telephone Board has already issued the digital telephone bills by post for the month of February to the subscribers of Dhaka Multi Exchanges, reports UNB.

The bills, which were posted on March 27, will be payable to specific branches of Agrani, Krishi, Janata, NCC Bank Ltd and BASIC Bangladesh Ltd within the deadline on April 15, said an official handout yesterday.

In case of non receipt of the bills by April 10, the subscribers are requested to collect the duplicate bills from the concerned telephone revenue offices and make the payment within the deadline.

**DUDS polls postponed**

By DU Correspondent

Election for a new Executive Committee of the Dhaka University Debating Society (DUDS) has been postponed as allegations of corruption were raised against the past committee.

A caretaker committee, headed by Harun-Ur-Rashid Swapan, was formed to investigate into the allegations, adopt a constitution and conduct a free and fair election.

Allegations against the past committee includes misappropriation of DUDS funds, nepotism and irregularities in giving memberships and misuse of power.

The committee, led by Mohammed Anis, was dissolved earlier.

**Malaysian HC calls on FM**

Malaysian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Dato Mahayuddin Bin Abdul Rahman made a farewell call on Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad at the letters office yesterday, reports UNB.

The Malaysian envoy stayed with the minister for some time and discussed matters relating to mutual interests.

**Army Chief leaves for Hawaii**

Chief of Army Staff Lieutenant General Muhammad Mahbubur Rahman left Dhaka for Hawaii, USA, Saturday at the invitation of the US Army Chief, reports BSS.

He will attend the Pacific Armies Management Seminar being held there from April 5 to 12.

**Presentation on IELTS exams**

The British Council, Dhaka will hold a presentation on the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) Examinations on Wednesday 4.00 pm at the BIRDEM auditorium, Shahbag.

This presentation has been arranged particularly for the doctors who are intending to take PLAB test for working in the UK, wishing to go to the UK for further studies, or emigrating to other countries requiring IELTS, says a press release.

For further information, interested doctors are requested to contact the Examinations Services at the British Council, Fuller Road (Tel: 868905-7) or Teaching Centre at 754b Satmasjid Road (Tel: 9116171, 9116545), Dhanmondi, during office hours.

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