

Metropolitan

LAB to hold seminar on Grameen Library Friday

Library Association of Bangladesh (LAB), in collaboration with BANSDOC and Dhamrai thana administration, will organise a seminar on Grameen Library on Friday, says a press release.

M Zillur Rahman, Minister for Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives, will attend the function as the chief guest at the TTDC auditorium, Dhamrai, at 10 am.

Sirajul Hossain quits JP

Former minister and president member of Jatiya Party Sirajul Hossain Khan resigned from the party in protest against JP's present political stand, reports UNB.

In a statement issued Tuesday night, Khan, also president of Jatiya Krishak Party, said JP by extending unconditional support to the ruling Awami League made it clear that the party "joined hands with those who are out to jeopardise country's sovereignty."



A rally by the International Dance Council on the occasion of the World Dance Day in the city yesterday.

ODA grants \$2.5 lakh to help repatriate Rohingyas

Britain's Overseas Development Administration (ODA) has recently granted 250,000 US dollars (approximately Tk 1 crore 9 lakh) to assist Rohingyas refugees in Bangladesh, a British High Commission press release said in Dhaka yesterday, reports BSS.

The grant has been made in response to an appeal by the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) and World Food Programme.

The grant will be used to help repatriate and resettle the remaining Rohingyas refugees in Myanmar, the press release added.

BCL (pro-JSD) DU unit confce today

The annual conference '97 of Bangladesh Chhatra League (pro-JSD), Dhaka University unit will be held today at 11 am in front of the Arts Faculty building of the university.

Dramatist and artist Mamunur Rashid will be present as the chief guest while Shirin Akter, Mustaq Hossain, Nazmul Haq Pradhan will attend the conference as special guests.

General secretary of the organisation Obaidur Rahman Chunnun will inaugurate the conference while DU unit convenor Mizanur Rahman will preside.

NDI team calls on Speaker

The visiting delegation of US-based National Democratic Institute (NDI) called on Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury at his Sangsad Bhavan office yesterday, reports UNB.

The NDI delegation, led by Leo Mcleay, MP, showed keen interest in different aspects of functioning of Bangladesh parliament.

Two killed in road mishap

Two persons were killed when trucks ran over them at Mirpur and Moghbazar in the city yesterday.

Sheikh Abdur Rahman, a rickshawpuller, who was injured near Mirpur-1 inter section early yesterday succumbed at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) in the morning, hospital sources said.

In another accident Kofil-uddin, an auto-rickshaw driver, was killed on the spot at Moghbazar road crossing at about 5 am.

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What's on today

- Rotary Club of Dhaka Buriganga:** The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.
- Rotary Club of Dhaka South:** The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Hotel Purbani International. Time: 5:30 pm.
- Dance performance:** A dance performance by *Shristi Dance Company* will be held. Venue: Goethe-Institute auditorium. Time: 6:30 pm.
- BCS (General Edn) Association:** The annual general meeting of the association will be held. Venue: Dhaka College auditorium. Time: 3 pm.
- Aranayak Nattya Dal:** On the occasion of *Silver Jubilee* of *Aranayak Nattya Dal* a dance programme titled *Aaj Hartal* and drama *maxim Gorky's 'Ma'* will be staged. Venue: Muktiyudha *Jadughar*. Time: 7 pm.
- Memorial lecture:** The National Professor Atwar Hussain Memorial Lecture '97 organised by Asiatic Society of Bangladesh will be held. Venue: ASB seminar room. Time: 4:30 pm.
- Seminar:** The Centre for Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific (CIRDAP) and Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) National Seminar on 'Poverty Monitoring' will be inaugurated. Venue: CIRDAP auditorium, 17, Topkhana Road. Time: 9:30 am.
- Indonesian envoy calls on Ershad**
Indonesian Ambassador to Bangladesh Hadi Ahmed Warabi Alhadar made a courtesy call on Jatiya Party Chairman H M Ershad at his Baridhara office yesterday, reports UNB. During the meeting, they exchanged greetings and discussed matters of common interests of the two countries.
- Bangladesh-Korea Friendship Hospital to be opened in Nov**
Bangladesh-Korea Friendship Hospital in Savar is scheduled to be inaugurated by November next, reports UNB. This was stated by the Ambassador of South Korea Tae Kyu Han while he met the Health and Family Welfare Minister Salahuddin Yusuf at the latter's office yesterday.

Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority
Office of the Executive Engineer, Aricha
Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority's Engineering Division enlisted contractors for the undermentioned work. Tenders should be submitted in the tender box kept at the office of the Executive Engineer, Aricha/Dhaka Division, Sadarghat up to 12:00 Noon of 6.5.97 and will be opened on the same day at 12:15 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any) present. Papers related to the tender will be available during office hours (except on opening day of tender). Amount of earnest money mentioned against the work should be attached with the tender in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank in favour of "BIWTA". Schedule should be collected, on depositing the amount (non-refundable) mentioned against the work as price of schedule, from the Authority's Accounts Office, Aricha/Sadarghat.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason.

Sl No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Price of schedule	Time
1)	Construction of sweepers' quarters at Aricha Ferry Terminal.	Tk 4,25,000/-	10,625/-	600/-	45 (Forty-five) days.

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Jahuddin Ahmed
Executive Engineer
BIWTA, Aricha

JS body discusses audit objections

A meeting of the Parliamentary standing committee on public accounts was held yesterday at the Jatiya Sangsad Bhavan with its president S M Akram in the chair, reports BSS.

The meeting discussed eight audit objections of Housing Department for the 1985-86 and 1986-87 fiscal, seven of Rajdhan Unnayan Kartipakkha (RAJUK) for the 1986-87 fiscal, two of Chittagong Development Authority for the 1987-88 fiscal and one of Khulna Development Authority for the 1987-88 fiscal.

The meeting took some decisions to dispose of the audit objections.

Members of the committee Mohammed Saifur Rahman, Col (ret'd) Shawkat Ali, M K Anwar, Abul Kalam Azad, Mustafizur Rahman, Khondker Asaduzzaman and Abdul Mannan attended the meeting. Director General Audit and Accounts M Hafizuddin Khan was also present.

Autarky in salt production likely this year

The country is expected to achieve autarky in salt production this year as 6 lakh metric tons of salt, which is 75 per cent of the current year's production target, were produced by April 24, reports UNB.

As the climate was in favour of salt production, the growers produced some 82,000 metric tons of salt from April 18 to 24 and the year's production target fixed at eight lakh metric tons is expected to be achieved by the first two weeks of the next month, said an official hand-out.

It said salt is produced on 43,500 acres of land in Kutubdia, Moheshkhali, Banshkhal, Teknaf and Chokoria areas under Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation.

The faculty of Nutrition Science and UNICEF had fixed the production target at eight lakh metric tons considering the country's demand for salt, the handout said.

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