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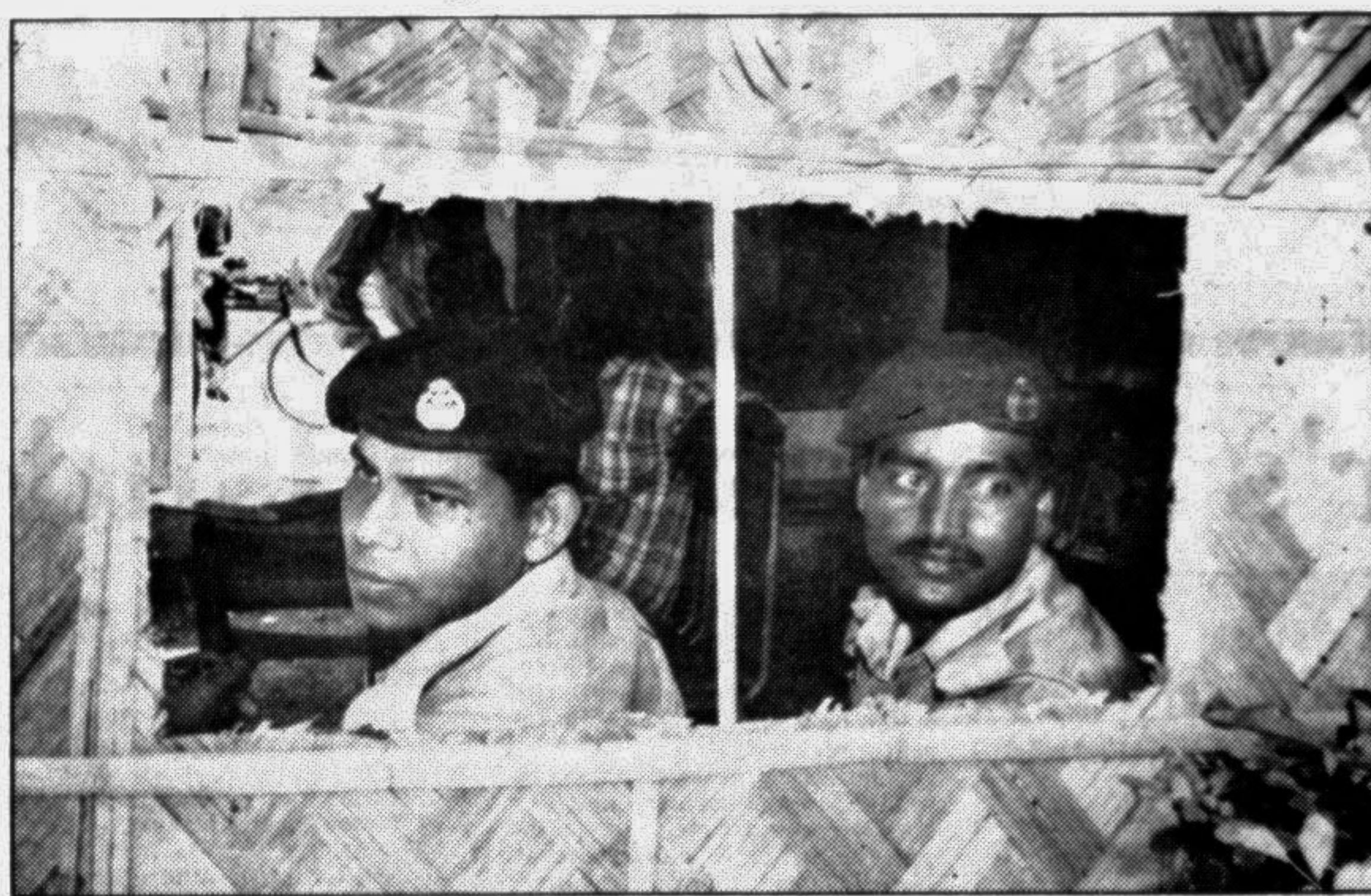
Obituary
Former provincial council member Mohammad Islam Mia died of old age ailment in Chittagong yesterday. He was 85, reports BSS.
The deceased, fourth son of Khan Bahadur Abdul Hakim Mia of Chittagong, left behind two sons and a daughter.

Dhaka reelected UNHRC member

Bangladesh has been re-elected member of the Commission on Human Rights of the United Nations securing the highest vote among nine Asian candidates, reports UNB.
Out of the total 54 votes of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), Bangladesh received 51 in a secret ballot. The new three-year term commences January 1, 1998, according to a message received yesterday.
Others elected from the Asian regional group are India, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Philippines and Nepal.

In October last Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's speech at the UN General Assembly covered extensively the human rights issues, particularly focusing on right to development. Bangladesh's prominent role at the recently concluded Human Rights Commission session earned admiration of delegations. The commitment of the government of Bangladesh to establish National Commission on Human Rights was reiterated at that session by Law and Justice Minister Abdul Matin Khasru.

Following the assumption of the present government, Bangladesh has been able to occupy three prestigious membership of the important bodies of the UN system — UNICEF Executive Board, UN Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations and now, in the Commission on Human Rights.



Police have been deployed at different Dhaka University residential halls to deter terrorism on campus. The photo shows a make-shift police box set up at the main entrance of Jagannath Hall yesterday. — Star photo

Dhaka WASA Tender Notice

Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class mechanical & electrical contractors for rewinding of 2 (two) 100 HP Motors as well as repairing work of High-Lift Pump of Godnail Water Works at an allotted cost of Tk 2,16,169/-. Tenders will be received up to 12:00 Noon of 12/5/97 and will be opened on the same day at 2:00 PM before the tenderers or their representatives (if any) present. Schedule of tender will be available at the office of the Chief Accounts Officer of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka and all MODS Zone offices of Dhaka WASA. Other details will be available at the office of the undersigned.

Address:
21, Nawab Salimulla Road N'ganj
WASA-P.I.-150/97
DFP-10033-26/4
G-1256

Zahidul Arif
Executive Engineer
Narayanganj Water Supply
Division, Dhaka WASA.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Police Super Natore Tender Notice

Tenders are invited from suppliers/bonafide traders/contractors for supply of uniform & musical instruments of Police Band Party subject to approval & grant of fund by the higher authority during 1996-97 financial year. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the undersigned up to 12:00 Noon of 11-5-97. The tender box will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers. Schedule for band party uniform & musical instruments can be purchased at Tk 400/- (four hundred) only (non-refundable) from the office of the undersigned. The authority is not bound to accept the lowest tender and reserves the right to declare any or all tenders rejected without assigning any reason. Last date of selling schedule is 10-05-97 up to 4:00 PM. Details about the tender may be known from the office during office hours.

Serial No	Name of tender	Earnest money	Security	Price of schedule	Last date of selling schedule
01.	Supply of uniform materials & musical instruments for Natore District Police Line Band Party.	5,000/-	5,000/-	400/-	10-05-97

DFP-10098-27/4
G-1254

Police Super Natore

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-5 2nd 12-storey Government Office Building Segunbagicha, Dhaka

Memo No R-R/2006 Dated: 20-04-97
07-01-1404BS

Tender Invitation Notice No 159(96-97)

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are invited from Public Works Directorate's enlisted special 1st Class/E/M 1st, 2nd class contractors having valid A, B, C/B, C class contractory & supervisory licence from Bangladesh Electrical Licensing Board for the undermentioned work. Tenders will be received in the prescribed tender box of Public Works E/M Division-5/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/Public Works E/M Workshop Division/Timber Workshop Division/Public Works E/M Building Division, Dhaka up to 12:00 Noon of 12-05-97 and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM before the interested tenderers/their approved representatives (if any) present. No schedule of tender/terms & conditions etc will be supplied on the date of opening tender. Schedule of tender and terms & conditions with related papers may be collected on cash payment of Tk 425/- (non-refundable) from Public Works E/M Division No 1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/Public Works E/M Workshop Division/Timber Workshop Division/Public Works E/M Building Division, Dhaka. 2% of the estimated cost of the tender as earnest money (refundable) should be submitted with the tender through Bank Draft/Pay Order/CD/SDR from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh Bank in favour of the Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-5, Dhaka. The authority reserves the right to accept any or reject all tenders without assigning any reason. Contractor himself or his authorisation letter carrying representative can purchase tender on production of registration book as well as necessary papers. Last date of selling tender is 11-05-97.

Sl No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed
1.	Servicing of equipment and supply and installation of one new LT Switch Gear at 500-KVA, Electric Sub-Station at AGB 4,60,001/- Building premises, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.	Tk 4,60,001/-	2% of the estimated cost	30 (thirty) days

DFP-9956-24/4
G-1257

Md Khurshid Alam
Executive Engineer
Public Works E/M Division-5, Dhaka.

Local Government Engineering Department Office of the Project Director LGED Bhaban, Agargaon Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207

Memo No-PD/RDP-7/LGED/T-04/96/853 Dated: 24-04-97

International Tender Notice Invitation of Bids for Supply of Universal Tensile Testing Machine

No: ICB-02 Dated: 24-04-97

1. The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has applied for a credit from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of the Second Rural Roads and Markets Improvement and Maintenance Project (RRMIMP-2). It is intended that part of the proceeds of this credit will be applied to eligible payments under contracts for supplying, commissioning and testing of the following equipment for which this invitation of bids is issued.

2. The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for supplying, commissioning and testing of the equipment as stated below:

Bid Package No	Brief Description	Quantity	Schedule of supplying, commissioning and testing	Training required
1	2	3	4	5
ICB-02	Universal Tensile Testing Machine 1 (one)		Within 16 weeks	yes

3. Interested eligible bidders who wish to obtain further information and who wish to inspect the bidding documents may contact the office of the Project Director, RRMIMP-2, Local Government Engineering Department, LGED Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka, Bangladesh. Facsimile No: 880-2-9122435. Tel: 880-2-9122435, 880-2-9122432.

4. A complete set of bidding documents can be purchased by the interested bidders on the submission of written application to the undersigned and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Tk. 1000.00 up to 7-6-97 during office hours from the office of the undersigned.

5. The provisions in the instructions to bidders and in the General Conditions of Contract are the provisions laid down in the World Bank's "Standard Bidding Documents: Procurement of Goods".

6. Bids must be delivered to the office of the undersigned on or before 1400 hours on 9-6-97 and must be accompanied by a bid security of at least 2 (two) per cent of the bid amount.

7. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders representative who choose to attend at 14:30 hours on 9-6-97 at the office of the undersigned.

8. The authority reserves the right to accept any bid or to reject any or all bids.

Memo No: LGED/PD/RRMIMP-2/T-04/96/853/1(3)
DFP-10230-28/4
G-1252

Md. Abdul Karim
Project Director

'Flourish latent talent of children'

State Minister for Social Welfare Women and Children Affairs Dr Mozammel Hossain has emphasised on flourishing the latent talent of children for building a happy and prosperous country, reports UNB.

He was addressing an Eid reunion, organised by Bangladesh Shishu Academy, at its auditorium in the city yesterday.

Termining children future leaders of the nation, the state minister said the children should be brought up properly to help the nation reach its desired goal.

He advised the guardians to be more conscious about flourishing children's talents. Presided over by Joint Secretary of Education Ministry Siraj Uddin Ahmed, the function was also addressed by Shishu Academy director Gollam Kibria.

The function was rounded up with a cultural programme.

Bangladesh News Service launched

State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed yesterday called upon the country's newspapers and news agencies to uphold Bangladesh's rich heritage and the spirit of the Liberation War, reports BSS.

He was speaking at the launching ceremony of Bangladesh News Service (BNS), a Dhaka-based news agency, at a city hotel yesterday.

State Minister for Health and Family Welfare Prof Amanullah attended the function as the special guest, while editor of the agency, Syed Samadul Haque, British High Commissioner David Walker and resident editor of the agency Shahabuddin Ahmed also spoke.

Prof Sayeed said the present government believed in the freedom of the press.

"But freedom of the press does not mean yellow journalism which may destroy the country's prestige and image abroad," he said.

Press Freedom Day today

More than 600 journalists were killed in past 10 years which pointed out that news-gathering is still a dangerous business in about half of 185 countries with seats in the United Nations, reports UNB.

This was stated in the annual report of Reporters Sans Frontieres published ahead of the 7th International Press Freedom Day to be observed across the world today.

The report showed that 28 journalists were killed in 1996. Reporters San Frontieres pointed to several Asian countries such as China, Singapore and Malaysia, which have taken a resolutely repression attitude to the Internet in the name of the famous "Asian values".

The annual report, an overview of infringements of press freedom in 149 countries, is divided in five chapters, one for each world region — Africa, the America, Asia and the Pacific, Europe and the former Soviet Union, and North Africa and the Middle East.



Bangladesh Telecommunications Casual Workers and Employees Association brought out a rally in support of its 7-point demand in the city on the occasion of May Day Thursday. — Star photo

HERE and THERE

FEJB
The annual general meeting of the Forum of Environmental Journalists of Bangladesh (FEJB) was held at the Jatiya Press Club yesterday, reports UNB.

FEJB chairman Ahmed Nure Alam presided over the meeting which was addressed, among others, by M Quamruzzaman, Elahi Newaz Khan, Sarwar Jahan, Ali Mahmud, Abdul Jalil Bhuiyan and Shamima Chowdhury. General secretary Qamrul Islam Chowdhury and treasurer Md Mofizur Rahman presented their reports at the AGM.

BPS
The election of the central executive council of Bangladesh Pharmaceutical Society (BPS) was held yesterday at the premises of Teachers Students Centre of the Dhaka University, says a press release.
Prof Dr Muniruddin Ahmed, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, DU, was elected as the president. An eighteen-member executive council was also elected for a tenure of three years.

Bangladesh Cultural Development Assoc

A 13-member executive committee of Bangladesh Cultural Development Association for the year 1997-98 was formed at a special meeting at its office in the city recently, reports UNB.

Office bearers of the newly elected committee are: president — Zahir Alam, general secretary — Hemayet Hossain, assistant general secretary — Faruque Ahmed and organising secretary — Shoma Chowdhury, said a BCDA release.

Union Parishad Secretary Samity

CHITTAGONG, May 2: Shamsul Huq and Farid Ahmed were elected president and general secretary respectively of the Chittagong district chapter of Bangladesh Union Parishad Secretary Samity at the triennial council session of the samity, held here yesterday, reports BSS.

According to a samity press release here today, other office bearers elected to a 13-member committee include: Senior vice-president — Gopal Sen Gupta, vice-president — Mreduul Kanti Dey, organising secretary — Nesar Ahmed, joint secretary — Gita Rani Dey and treasurer — Sumon Biswas.

Seminar

By Staff Correspondent
A seminar on "Public Examination Method in Bangladesh: Crisis and Suggestions" was held at the Atomic Energy Commission auditorium in the city on Thursday.

Noted intellectuals including Prof Abdullah Al-Muti Sharifuddin, Prof Ajay Roy, and Prof Muzaffar Ahmed participated in the seminar, inaugurated by Deputy Minister for Education Zinnatunissa Talukdar.

A N Rasheda, editor of Shikha Barta, presented the keynote paper.

IAB
An 11-member executive committee of the Institute of Architects of Bangladesh (IAB) was elected at the biennial meeting of the institute yesterday at a city hotel, reports BSS.

Shamsul Wares and A S M Ismail were elected president and general secretary respectively.

Vested quarters hatching conspiracy against me: Ershad

NARAYANGANJ, May 2: Jatiya Party chairman H M Ershad has said that his party was playing the role of a constructive opposition and would not support the present government even for a minute if it failed to fulfill the aspiration of the people, reports UNB.

The party's views on the burning national issues like the Ganges water, transit, Asian highway and Chittagong Hill Tracts are clear, the JP supreme said but did not elaborate.

He was addressing a rally at Dhaka Baju Sramik Kalyan field at Adamjee Jute Mills here Thursday afternoon.

JP secretary general Anwar Hossain Manju was the special guest at the rally, organised by the party-backed Adamjee Jute Mills Sramik Union.

"Scared by the Jatiya Party's popularity, the vested local and foreign quarters are hatching conspiracy against me," said Ershad.

"No conspiracy will stop the forward march of JP," he added.

Referring to the press statements being issued by three dissident leaders of the JP, Ershad said these were devoid of truth.

Another report adds: Jatiya Party Chairman Hussain Mohammad Ershad will pay a six-day visit to five districts of greater Rangpur from today. His tour itinerary includes Domar, Dimla and Dalia of Nilphamari on Saturday; Patgram, Hatibandha, Kaliganj, Aditmari and Sadar of Lalmonirhat on Sunday; Ulipur and Sadar of Kurigram on Monday; Mithapukur, Pirganj and Sadullapur of Rangpur on Tuesday; and Sundarganj, Palashbari and Sadar of Gaibandha on Wednesday.

Ershad will return to Dhaka on Thursday, said a party press release.

CPIFA team calls on Khaleda

A delegation of Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs led by its president Liu Su Qing called on BNP Chairperson and leader of the Opposition Begum Khaleda Zia at her residence yesterday, reports UNB.

Liu, who was the Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh from 1980 to 82, expressed satisfaction at the progress the country achieved in various sectors since his tenure.

Liu appreciated Bangladesh's support to China in various international fora on various issues like Taiwan and human rights situation.

Begum Zia lauded the Chinese assistance to Bangladesh in different sectors of economic development and its role in maintaining peace and stability in the region.

Water experts meet Razzak

A delegation of water experts of India, Nepal and Bangladesh called on Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak at his residence in Dhaka on Thursday, reports UNB.

The experts, who attended a seminar on "Use of rivers of the East Himalayan region and regional co-operation" in Dhaka, held a discussion on expansion of co-operation among the three countries in various fields, including water resources.

The delegation included former Water Resources Secretary of India Ramswami R Yar, former adviser to Indian prime minister B G Targeez, renowned politician Indrajit, former speaker of Nepal parliament Damon Nath Durgana, former finance minister Ramsharan Mahatt, IIDS executive chairman M M Sainju,

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| a) Accounts & Finance Department Head Office, Sylhet Gas Fields Limited
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Post Office: Gopalganj, Sylhet |
| c) Accounts Section Rashidpur Gas Fields Sylhet Gas Fields Limited
Post Office: Bahubal, Hobiganj | d) Dhaka Liaison Office Sylhet Gas Fields Limited, House No-85, Road No-11/A, Dhanmandi, Residential Area, Dhaka |

Tenders should be dropped in the tender box kept at the above-mentioned places at 12:00 Noon of 21/5/97. Tenders will be opened on the same day at 12: 15 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any present). Tenders will be received/opened at the same time on the next working day if the office remained closed for any reason on the prescribed date.

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders without assigning any reason.
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General Manager (Administration)