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Dhaka proposes SAEC

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of regional cooperation, particularly in trade and investment.

She underlined that the future of the Association would depend to a large extent on the degree of support it can generate from the peoples of the region.

"We must involve our peoples in the SAARC process," she said. "We must be able to create an environment conducive to free and easy movement of the peoples and ideas within the region."

Hasina also observed that non-governmental organisations could play key-role in involving the people in SAARC activities. Subject-specific NGOs should be encouraged to form apex bodies for which established guidelines and procedures have to be simplified.

Bilateral problems

The Bangladesh Prime Minister urged for commitment to make South Asia a peaceful region free from all conflicts and expressed firm belief that with the concerted efforts of all "we will be able to fulfil this commitment."

"A conflict-free politically constructive environment is essential for meaningful regional cooperation."

Sheikh Hasina advocated addressing bilateral problems and resolving them through ne-

gotiations and dialogue. She also suggested confidence-building measures and earnest efforts to generate goodwill, understanding and promote people-to-people contacts.

In this context, she mentioned the historic Ganges Water Sharing Agreement between Bangladesh and India, which she said will have a far-reaching and favourable impact on bilateral relations.

Hasina informed that her government had given special attention to strengthening relations with countries in South Asia and promoting regional cooperation particularly under the framework of SAARC.

Hasina said, the region possesses a vast reservoir of human talent, enormous natural resources and a treasure of scientific and technical knowledge.

"Their prudent and optimal utilisation through regional mechanisms, including growth triangles, which provide for collaboration on specific projects, can usher in a new era of sustained economic growth, peace and prosperity for the peoples of the region," she told the function.

Tourism

Hasina said the SAARC countries possesses enormous tourism potential that should be properly utilised for the benefit of the people. Bangladesh, for one, would certainly benefit from the experiences of Maldives and other countries.

In this context, the Prime Minister proposed that the civil aviation authorities of all the countries should meet in the very near future with a view to establishing direct air services between SAARC capitals.

As a first step, she said, Bangladesh would be willing to participate in a pool service encompassing airline companies of the Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh. This pool could initially introduce a twice-a-week service linking Kathmandu, Dhaka, Colombo and Male.

Simultaneously, she suggested, the SAARC countries can launch a pool service linking Islamabad, Delhi and Dhaka. Thereafter, the two pool services could be merged into one.

Gender issue

The Prime Minister raised the women issue, saying as a major force for social change, the women in South Asia can play a crucial role in socio-economic development in the countries.

"We have, therefore, sought to empower women, protect and promote their right through commitments at Ministerial and Summit levels," she said. Hasina observed that South Asian nations are yet to completely eliminate gender-disparity and discrimination.

She said Bangladesh had also initiated some imaginative measures to address the problem of child labour. It had a Memorandum of Understanding with the ILO and UNICEF to eradicate child labour from the garment industry. "We would be happy to share our experience with other SAARC countries who face similar problems."

Gas condensate spilled out of stoves in city

Star Report
Spilling of the oil-like substance from gas stoves in some areas of the city which started yesterday may stop today. Titas Gas officials said.

The officials described the substance as condensate, a liquid form of gas stored in the gas pipeline.

The flow of 'condensate' with normal gas supply was due to resumption of gas supply through the Ashugan-Bakhrabad (AB) pipeline. Gas supply through the AB pipeline began on Friday last.

Condensate remains mixed with the gas and tends to take a liquid form when there is no gas flow, they said.

Many residents in Nakhla, Gandaria, Dhaka University and Azampur areas on Sunday noticed in awe that their gas stoves were emitting 'black oil' instead of gas.

Groups of Titas Gas workers visited different areas of the city and dismantled gas regulators outside the buildings of the users and released the condensate from the pipeline.

The officials have requested residents to contact telephone nos 9563667 or 9563668 in case of any spilling out of condensate from gas stoves.

FAO DG lauds commitment to agri sector

Director General of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) Dr Jacques Diouf yesterday lauded the government's commitment to deal with agriculture sector by increasing budget to fight poverty, reports BSS.

"I am impressed with the desire of the government to increase budgetary allocation in the agriculture sector to eradicate rural poverty," he told the journalists at a press conference in the city before ending his three-day visit to Bangladesh.

Dr Diouf said Bangladesh was passing through a difficult situation in the past due to production short-fall needing import but the projection for the current fiscal was encouraging. "Production was not enough always," he added.

Agriculture Secretary Dr AMM Showkat Ali and FAO representative in Bangladesh Konuma were present during the press conference.

Dr Diouf said he had an extensive discussion with the ministers for agriculture, foreign, and state ministers for jute and textiles, fisheries and livestock and concerned high officials about carrying forward the integrated pest management (IMP) programme and introduction of eco-friendly agriculture in Bangladesh.

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Appointments to vacant JP posts
By Staff Correspondent

Jatiya Party chief HM Ershad has announced appointments to the vacant posts of the presidium and the working committee, according to a party press release issued last night.

Fazle Rabbi, MP, Mahbubul Huq Dolon and Shah Mohammad Abu Zafar have been appointed presidium members while Asadul Huq Khairu, Mia Musa Hossain and Sharfuddin Ahmed Jhantu vice chairmen of the party.

Appointments to the 13 vacant posts of organising secretaries Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna, Sylhet and Rajshahi divisions were also made. However, the list did not include any appointment in Barisal Division.

The new organising secretaries include Nasim Osman, Delwar Hossain, Tayebur Rahman, Feroze Kabir from Dhaka, SMM Alam, Jahangir Alam, Abu Sufian from Chittagong, Maksud Ibne Aziz Lama, M Nasiruddin, MP from Sylhet and Mojiur Rahman Sentu and Abdul Matin Khan from Rajshahi. The JP chief has also appointed nine joint-secretaries.

According to the press release, Sinha MA Sayeed has been appointed secretary and Sadek Siddeky joint secretary, press and publicity. Golam Mosih, Kamran Hossain Chowdhury and Golam Parvez Dider, have been appointed secretaries for International Relations, Foreign Affairs and Sports respectively.

HSC Bangla exam 700 students, invigilator in DB expelled
By Staff Correspondent

A total of 700 students and an invigilator under the Dhaka Board were expelled during the Bangla first paper examination of the Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC) yesterday, according to official sources.

Officials said no student from the metropolitan area, however, was expelled on the day.

Asked about the expulsion of an invigilator, officials said, one of the teachers on duty at the Tolaram College centre in Narayanganj, was found assisting students in adopting unfair means.

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2. The tender schedule with detailed specification will be available at given rate (non-refundable) on any working day between 0800 hours to 1200 hours. The tender will be opened at 1000 hours on the abovementioned date in presence of the present tenderers.

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G-1371

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for Director General

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Sealed tenders are invited by the Managing Director, Jalalabad Gas T&D System Ltd., Pathantula, Sylhet-3100 from bonafide suppliers/firms as per the stated terms & conditions for purchase/procurement of the undermentioned speed boat:

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Earnest money at the rate 2% of the quoted price must be enclosed with the tender in the form of Pay Order/Demand Draft in favour of "Jalalabad Gas T&D System Ltd." Besides, attested copy of Trade Licence, Income Tax Certificate should be enclosed with the tender, otherwise tender will be treated as cancelled outright.

Original catalogue of the speed boat should be enclosed with the tender. Photocopy is not acceptable. Tender (in sealed condition) with detailed specification of the engine & hull of the speed boat should reach the "Managing Director", Jalalabad Gas T&D System Ltd., Purchase Section, Pathantula, Sylhet and Jalalabad Gas, Liaison Office, House No 5, Road-20B, Sector-4, Uttara, Dhaka by 24-05-97 within office hours. If, under unavoidable circumstance, official activities remain closed on the date of receiving tender, then the tender will be received on the next working day.

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JS snippets
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said, "I think there should a mental hospital somewhere around the Sangsad Bhaban."

At this, Faruk was heard asking the Chair, "Who will be treated there?"

Another BNP MP, Akbar Hossain, then rose to request the Deputy Speaker to take the initiative which, he said, would benefit him (Deputy Speaker).

"If diagnosis suggests, I'll go there along with you," retorted Abdul Hamid.

Later, Sharif Khashruzzaman of Awami League suggested that such a hospital should be set up near the Opposition Bench because its members destroyed microphones, tore papers and hit desks with folders.

Given the floor to ask a supplementary question to State Minister for Religious Affairs Nurul Islam on Hajj, AL lawmaker M A Bari gave a lengthy statement on the malaria-affected people of his area.

The Chair interrupted him saying that he should ask the minister something on Hajj but Bari continued to say that the malaria-hit people were also starving.

Then Bari demanded that the people of his area be sent to perform Hajj.

In reply, a smiling state minister said, "What can I do for the malaria patients? At best, I can pray for their early recovery." About the demand concerning Hajj, he advised the member to apply to him.

Hasina holds talks
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The assurance was given when President Chandrika Bandarnake Kumaratunga of Sri Lanka and Sheikh Hasina met here today.

They also discussed issues like establishing joint venture projects in jute sectors. Exploration of markets for Bangladesh jute mat and jute carpets in Sri Lanka and direct air link between the two countries also came up for discussions during the meeting.

They expressed optimism that the direct airtank, when established could contribute in developing trade and business between the two countries.

Later Nepalese Prime Minister Lokendra Bahadur Chand, called on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at the Kurumba village resort.

They discussed matters of mutual interest. The two leaders expressed the hope that close cooperation between the two countries would benefit the peoples and the SAARC as well.

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