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PM accorded reception in Tokyo

Expatriates urged to invest in country's productive sectors

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has urged expatriate Bangladeshis to uphold the country's image abroad and invest in a bigger way in productive sectors at home, reports UNB.

"I hope the expatriate Bengalees will contribute more to our effort to increase investment in the productive sectors," she said addressing a reception accorded to her in Tokyo yesterday by the Bangladeshis living in Japan.

Sheikh Hasina said every Bangladesh citizen working abroad is an envoy of the country.

Termining Japan as one of the best development partners, she said close ties with Japan had been established during the time of Bangabandhu government.

Mentioning the contribution of Japan to various major development projects, including the under-construction Jamuna bridge, she said the friendly country has also extended cooperation in building the economic infrastructure and industrialisation process.

"I'm visiting Japan this time to consolidate and increase further the cooperation and assistance in our development process," she told the function.

The Prime Minister said the government had already implemented timely policies to remove the stagnancy in commerce and industry. "Positive steps have been taken to solve the problems of export-oriented garment industry."

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Mohammad Hanif, Mayor of Dhaka City Corporation, inaugurating a newly built road near Bangabhaban yesterday. —Star photo

Law Minister tells CEDAW workshop

Laws to eliminate discrimination against women being considered

Speakers at a workshop on "Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)" in the city yesterday called for taking effective measures against women repression in the country, reports UNB.

Law Minister Abdul Matin Khasru said it is a constitutional duty of every government to preserve equal rights of men and women.

He said the Law Ministry is actively considering enactment of laws to eliminate discrimination against women.

"Economy is the main cause of the discrimination and it cannot be removed until women achieve financial stability," the law minister observed.

Termining discrimination against women as a fundamental problem, Home Minister Rafiqul Islam said it could not be solved only by laws, rather there is a need for creating consciousness among the people.

"To eliminate the problem, we have to find out the main causes of discrimination and take effective measures against them," he said.

The minister, however, said that appropriate action would be taken to eliminate the discrimination against women.

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State Minister for Social Welfare and Women and Children Affairs Dr Mozammel Hossain presided over the inaugural session of the workshop, organised by his ministry at Shishu Academy auditorium.

Among others, Secretary of Women and Children Affairs Ministry M Akmal Hossain, president of the CEDAW Sulana Shafi and Jatiya Mohila Sangstha chairman Alvee Rahman spoke on the occasion.

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DU Senate forms committee for elimination of terrorism

Dhaka University Senate Monday formed a 10-member committee for elimination of terrorism to make the campus violence free, reports UNB.

The committee was formed following acceptance of a proposal from a senator at the University's annual senate session on the campus.

Shahajalal Mojumder was made the convener of the committee while Akhteruzzaman (MP), Prof Hossein Monsur, Sayeed Ahmed, Prof M Mostafa Chowdhury, Prof Saad Uddin, Prof Sirajul Islam and Ismat Kadir Gama became members.

Two senate members will also be included in it as DUCSU representatives. The DU senate also selected three syndicate members unopposed. Advocate Sayeed Ahmed was selected member as a registered graduate. Prof Shahadat Ali as a renowned educationist and advocate Gazul Haq as an eminent citizen.

Besides, several more committees were also formed — committee for medicine centre, academic excellence committee, academic exchange committee and committee to bring the university property under DU control.

Meanwhile, a six-member tribunal panel was also formed, which will ultimately form an enquiry committee to probe any complaint against the teachers.

Dhaka University Senate Monday incorporated three new members for the university syndicate, reports BSS.

The Senate elected advocate Gazul Haq, as eminent citizen, Prof Shaadut Ali, as eminent educationist, and advocate Syed Ahmed as registered graduate.

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2 workers hurt

Two construction workers were injured as they fell down from the third floor of a building in the city yesterday, reports UNB.

The injured — Abdul Halim, 35 and Matlab, 28 — were admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital in critical conditions.

Hospital sources said they fell down while working at 11-story Manikganj House at Tophkhana at about 5 pm.

Mannan acting AL chief

By Staff Correspondent
Awami League presidium member, Abdul Mannan, will discharge responsibilities of the party chief during Sheikh Hasina's visit to Japan, says a press release yesterday.

Admission into M Ed of IER begins July 6

The procedure for admission in M.Ed (Day) of the Institute of Education and Research (IER) under Dhaka University will begin from 9 am on July 6, reports UNB.

It was earlier scheduled to start on July 3, but the university authorities, due to unavoidable circumstances, changed the date.

Besides, the MSS examination (course no 401) of the students of 1995-94 session of Social Welfare and Research Institute, scheduled for Thursday will now be held on Friday at 9 am.

UNB launches newsphoto graphics service

A new international news-photo and Graphics service was launched yesterday by the United News of Bangladesh (UNB) in cooperation with the Associated Press of America (AP), reports UNB.

UNB, the first computerised news agency of the country, has installed the necessary equipment for satellite reception and distribution of AP photo and Graphic service.

AP, which has the largest worldwide network providing news and pictorial coverage for the press and electronic media, extended its photo and graphics transmission to South Asia recently.

With the inauguration of the AP photo and Graphic service, the UNB, which has been running the Reuter and AFP photo service, has become the largest and the only international news photo distributor in the country.

Confce on career opportunities in Bangladesh July 4-5

A two-day 'Global Deshi and Opportunities at Home Conference' aimed at exploring the opportunities for Bangladeshis living abroad and at home, especially recent graduates, to live and work in Bangladesh, will be held at BUET auditorium in the city July 4-5, says a press release.

There is a global demand for the best and brightest Bangladeshis. For these global deshis, career and lifestyle options are available worldwide. Yet, they have a lot to contribute to the development of Bangladesh, in terms of investment, cutting-edge technical know-how and entrepreneurship. It is a common lament among local companies that the best trained Bangladeshis are lost to companies overseas, the release said.

This conference has been organised to explore opportunities for those here, and those returning from overseas, to live and work in Bangladesh. Participants will have direct contact with local companies and professionals who have succeeded here. For returning Bangladeshis, the conference will provide a forum to discuss the gender dimensions of living and working in Bangladesh, the challenges of re-entry, and the opportunity to meet peers to share common concerns and forge social and business networks.

The conference will include career services workshops on opportunities for entrepreneurs, business professions, development practitioners, careers in science and technology, and creative professions. Speakers invited include Mahfuz Anam of The Daily Star, Runa Alam of Peregrine Investments, Manzur Elahi of Apex, Nasreen Haq of Naripokkho and Ruby Ghuznavi of (Aranya).

Small group discussions on social and business networking in Bangladesh, workshops on exploring gender dimensions of re-entry and general re-entry issues, and a career fair, profiling employment opportunities in Bangladesh, will also be held.

The career fair is open to recent graduates returning to Bangladesh, and students and graduates of BUET, business schools and science faculties of local universities.

Registration will be from 8:30 am to 9 am at the door of BUET auditorium.

Companies and recent graduates interested in participating, have been requested to contact organising committee members Gemini Wahhaj, Sonia Ahmed or Elora M Chowdhury at the following address: C/o Abdul Mannan, House: 26, Rd: 3, Dhanmondi, Dhaka 1205; Tel: 9660136; e-mail: fgazi@oneworld1.com.

Corrigendum

North South University Employment Opportunities

There are corrections in the above announcement published in The Bangladesh Observer and The Daily Star, both on July 1, 1997.

1. Pay scale for Systems Manager would be Tk 8,000-1,800-40,000.
2. All applications should be addressed to the Administrative Officer, NSU.

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Remuneration will be comparable with those of other leading employers of the country. Executives and Officers will be based in Dhaka. Female candidates are encouraged to apply.

Please indicate the title of the position applied for on top of the application. However, we may consider the application for a higher or lower position depending on suitability. Applications will be treated in strict confidence. Last date for receiving applications is 13 July, 1997.

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What's on today . . .

Meeting: The weekly meeting of Rahimul Haque Welfare Foundation will be held. Venue: House: 1, Rd: 14-B, Sector: 4, Uttara. Time: 4 pm.

Symposium: Servier International (France) has arranged a scientific symposium on 'Diabetes, diatics and diamicron'. Speaker: Emeritus Professor SM Rab (SI). Venue: Surma Hall Room, Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 12:30 pm.

Exhibition: 2-day exhibition of products, sketches, story boards and documents produced by participants of a training programme in design and marketing, organised by ECOTA Forum, will begin. Venue: British Council auditorium, 5 Fuller Road. Time: 9:30 am-11:30 am and 2 pm-7 pm.

Zoological Society: The silver jubilee celebration of the Zoological Society of Bangladesh and the annual general meeting of the society will be held. Venue: Teacher-Student Centre (TSC) of the Dhaka University. Time: 10 am



A procession was brought out by the landless in support of their 9-point demand in the city yesterday. —Star photo

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