

Relief Bhaban to be constructed soon

A multi-storied Relief Bhaban will be constructed at Makhali soon, State Minister for Relief and Disaster Management Talukder Abdul Khaled said in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

Speaking at a conference at Speaker visits Rafiq at CMH

Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury visited ailing Home Minister Maj (retd) Rafiqul Islam at Combined Military Hospital (CMH) yesterday, reports UNB.

He inquired about the health of the Home Minister.

Russian envoy meets Quader

Russian Ambassador to Bangladesh Yevgeny P Ivanov called on State Minister for Youth and Sports and Cultural Affairs Obaidul Quader at his secretariat office yesterday, reports BSS.

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the Relief Directorate officers and employees engaged in building rural infrastructure the state minister said that the government had taken a massive programme for the development of rural infrastructure. Khaled said that the Relief Ministry was implementing about 12 thousand rural reform projects every year.

All necessary rural infrastructure and the construction of roads, bridges and culverts could be completed within the next few years if works are done properly, he added.

The state minister urged the officers and employees to work with honesty and sincerity in aid of the distressed and those affected by disasters.

Relief Secretary I U Malik and Director General of Relief Directorate M A Jabbar also spoke on the occasion.

The state minister for relief and disaster management visited the fire-affected Baraiahat Bazar under Mirsara thana in Chittagong yesterday morning.

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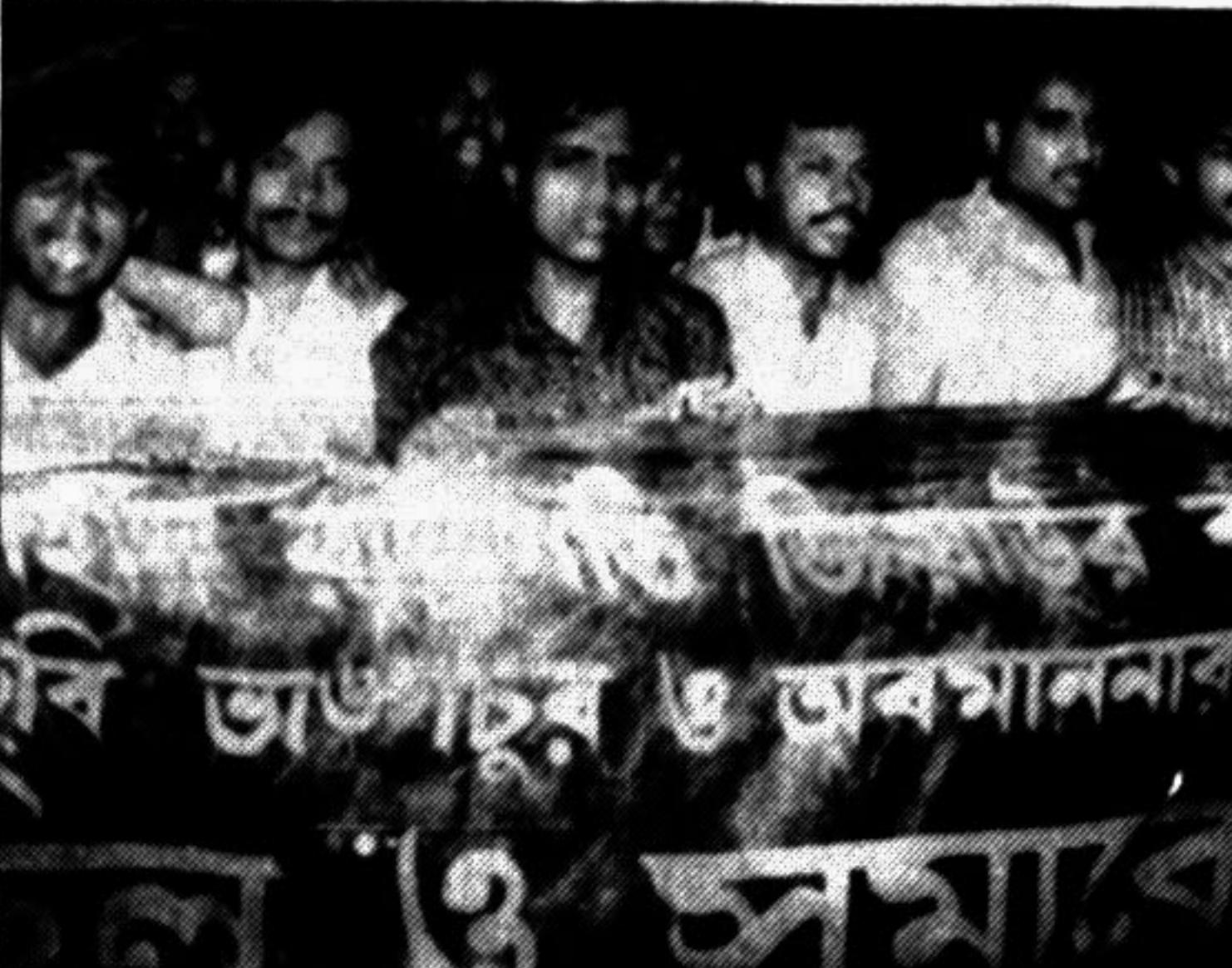
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Jatiyatabdhi Chhatra Dal brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting the act of damaging the portraits of Ziaur Rahman and Begum Khaleda Zia in Narayanganj.

— Star photo



Dr Sheikh Abdus Salam, Director General of the Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB) giving away certificate to a participant of a workshop for public relations officers at the institute yesterday.

NSC request

By Staff Correspondent

The National Sports Council (NSC) has requested the public to contact immediately with its lottery cell if anybody finds fake tickets of its ongoing sports development fund lottery.

A national daily which carried a report on a Tk 10 NSC ticket found without any number after being purchased, in a bid to clear the air on the matter, country's sports ruling body issued a press release yesterday, which stated that few erroneous tickets could have been in circulation due to some inadvertent printing mistake and asked all to check the ticket number before purchasing one.

It has requested victims to get in touch with the lottery cell (Tel: 9556916) to change their faulty tickets.

FAO official meets Faezul

FAO Representative in Dhaka Hiroyuki Konuma called on State Minister for Jute and Textiles A K Faezul Huq at his office yesterday, reports UNB.

Alhaj Jute Mills to reopen soon

Alhaj Jute Mills, a closed private sector mill in Jamalpur district, will be reopened soon, reports UNB.

This was decided at a meeting held with State Minister for Jute and Textiles A K Faezul Huq in the chair.

Among others, State Minister for Religious Affairs Maulana Mohammad Nurul Islam, local MP Mohammad Rezaul Karim Hira, representatives of the mill management and workers leaders were present.

Death anniversary of AL leader Shamsuddin Mollah

The 6th death anniversary of advocate Shamsuddin Mollah, eminent Awami League leader and one of the organisers of the War of Liberation, will be observed in Faridpur today, reports BSS.

Different socio-cultural organisations of Faridpur including Shamsuddin Mollah Smriti Sangsad have taken up programmes to observe the day in a befitting manner.

A discussion on the life and political career of late leader will also be held at Faridpur Pouroush Milanayatan today at 3 pm. Other programmes include ziarat at the mazar of the late leader and special prayer.

A close associate of father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and a follower of late Hussain Shaheed Subhrawardy, advocate Shamsuddin Mollah was elected a member of parliament in 1973. He was also a representative of Daily Ittefaq based in Faridpur.

Regarding Kazi Jafar Moazzem, JP chairman said the party would not be affected, if one or two leaders of the party go away. But they are considered betrayers and opportunists, he said.

Even it would help groom up new leadership from the activists, Ershad said.

The ambassador for Sweden to Bangladesh Anders Johnson called on Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury at his office in Sangsab Bhaban yesterday, reports BSS.

Int'l Day of Tagore Poetry Recitation today

By Staff Correspondent

Rabindra Addyaon Chakra, a study circle on Tagore literature, will observe "International Day of Tagore Poetry Recitation" today.

In observance of the day, Rabindra Addyaon Chakra will organise a discussion and cultural function at 7 pm at Russian Cultural Centre, Dhanmondi.

The cultural programme includes poetry recitation, music and screening of a movie titled "Tagore in Russia".

"International Day of Tagore Poetry Recitation" has been observed anyday between June 30 and July 12 each year in different countries of the world since 1985. The day is being observed in commemoration of Poet Yates' recitation of Tagore poetry in London on June 30, 1912.

Iftekharul Alam made rotary coordinator

Rotarian Iftekharul Alam, the seniormost Past District Governor of Rotary International in Bangladesh has been appointed a Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for 1997-99. This is the first time that a Bangladeshi Rotarian has been invited by Rotary International to assume this important responsibility, says a press release.

Rotarian Alam has been assigned to coordinate the Rotary Foundation programmes in India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Indonesia and Bangladesh.

Rtn. Iftekharul Alam is a leading businessman and industrialist of the country and is a Past President of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry. He was also the founder chairman of the Board of Governors of the North South University, the first private university in Bangladesh.

BSPSF meet held

An extended meeting of the Bangladesh Sangbad Pratidin executive committee was held at the Ittefaq Bhaban on Tuesday with its president Mosharaf Hossain in the chair.

The meeting unanimously decided to remove Buzlur Rahman Milon from the post of secretary general for his 'anti organisational activities,' says a press release.

Presidents and general secretaries of different units under the Federation were also present at the meeting.

Obituary

Md Idris Mia, the former president of Bangladesh Studio Malik Samity, died on Tuesday at 5:30 pm while under treatment at a Calcutta hospital, says a press release.

He was suffering from multiple ailments.

Current president Monowar Hossain Manik and all members of the Samity expressed their deep condolences at the demise of Md Idris Mia and prayed for salvation of the departed soul.

Thana Primary Edn committee reconstituted

The government has reconstituted the Thana Primary Education Committee with a view to making it more effective and fruitful, a government handout said yesterday, reports BSS.

The member of parliament of the concerned Thana has been included as the adviser in the committee, said the handout.

The committee term of which will be for three years, will have a limited number of members recommended by the Deputy Commissioners and District Level Officials.

The Thana Nirbahi Officer and the Thana Education Officer have been made chairman and secretary respectively of the reconstituted committee.

Sweden's envoy calls on Speaker

The ambassador for Sweden to Bangladesh Anders Johnson called on Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury at his office in Sangsab Bhaban yesterday, reports BSS.

Rain, gusty wind likely

The country may experience moderate rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind at most places while moderately heavy to heavy falls at some places during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

According to a Met Office forecast, the day temperature may fall by 1-2 degree Celsius across the country during the period.

Country's highest temperature 32.2 degrees Celsius was recorded at Mongla and the lowest 24.2 degrees at Kutubdia yesterday.

The sun sets today at 6:50 pm and rises at 5:18 am while it rises on the day tomorrow (Friday) at 5:19 am.

The maximum and minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	29.7	25.8	97	97
Chittagong	30.2	26.0	91	91
Rajshahi	28.4	26.2	98	