#### Nasim urges people, firms to abide by nat'l building code

Housing and Public Works Minister Mohammad Nasim has urged the people and construction firms to abide by the national building code in con-structing their houses and multi-storied buildings, reports

He was presiding over the 44th meeting of Housing and Building Research Institute Governing Council yesterday.

Nasim said in the past public security was threatened by building collapse as a result of noncompliance with the building code. "That is why, everybody shall be made legally bound to maintain building

If needed, fresh law will be enacted, he said. The meeting was also at-

tended by Housing and Public Works Secretary MAM Ziaud-

#### Indian envoy calls on FM

Indian High Commissioner Dev Mukharjee called on Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad at his office yesterday and discussed matters related to bilateral relations, reports UNB.

An official release said Youngone Corporation Chairman Kihak Sung also called on Abdus Samad Azad at the latter's office yesterday.

The Korean corporation chief apprised the minister of some problems facing his firm, including its production activities at the Bangladesh Export Processing Zone.

The Foreign Minister assured the entrepreneur of resolving the problems.

din, institute director Dr Akter Uddin Ahmed, Chief Engineer of Public Works Department Mohammad Siddiqullah, chief architect and other members of the governing council.

Referring to cheap construction materials and modern techniques devised by different countries of the world, he directed the authorities of building research institute to inspire the people to use those in our country.

Nasim mentioned that most of the people were not aware of technologies innovated in the country for construction of low cost houses.

To make popular the tech-nologies innovated by the institute, he also gave the directive to issue advertisements to mass

#### Nat'l Moon Sighting Committee meet

A meeting of the National Moon Sighting Committee for sighting of the moon of the holy month of Rabi-Us-Sani of Hijri 1418 will be held today at 7:30 pm in the conference room of the Islamic Foundation, a press release said yesterday, reports

State Minister for Religious Affairs and president of the Committee Mohammad Nurul Islam will preside over the meeting.

People have been requested to inform the committee of sighting of the moon from anywhere in the country at telephone Nos: 9556407, 9558337 9550280, 9559493, 9559643, 9555947, 9555951 and fax no 9563397

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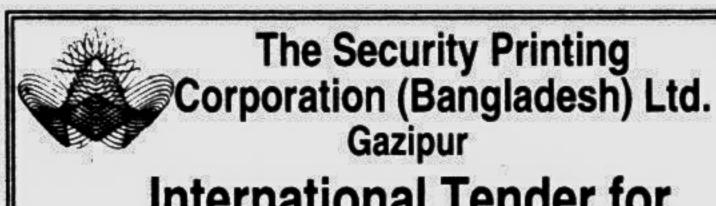
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Sealed tenders are hereby invited for supply of 957.5 kgs Water Fugitive Violet Ink for this Corporation. Tender papers will be available from the office of The Security Printing Corporation (Bd.) Ltd, Gazipur and its Liaison Office at 16, Naya Paltan, Dhaka during all office days between 2.00 to 4.00 PM from 03-08-97 to 25-08-97 on payment of Tk. 500.00 (Taka five hundred) only (nonrefundable) per set of tender schedule. Earnest money @ 2% (two per cent) of the total tendered amount shall be deposited in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order/Bank Guarantee along with the tender in favour of The Security Printing Corporation (Bd.) Ltd., Gazipur.

The tender(s) under sealed covers addressed to the Managing Director, The Security Printing Corporation (Bangladesh) Ltd., Gazipur, will be received in his office chamber up to 3.00 PM on 22-09-97 and shall be opened at 3.05 PM on the same date at Gazipur in presence of tenderers (if any). Tenders may be sent also through Postal/Courier Services which must be reached within the scheduled time.

Deputy General Manager (P&S)



Dilapidated condition of the link road between Mugdapara and Kamalapur in the city.

Rule nisi

on REB

By Staff Correspondent

Court comprising Justice

Moinur Reza Chowdhury and

Justice S M Ruhul Amin yester-

day issued rule nist upon the

Rural Electrification Board

(REB) asking it to reply within

two weeks as to why the im-

pugned specification in a tender

for supply of Single Phase Me-

ters should not be declared to

have been made without lawful

authority and having no legal

The tender was opened on

The order was passed by the

court in pursuance of a writ pe-

tition filed by one Kazi Moin-

uddin, said a press release

Bullets recovered

from Suryasen Hall

Police yesterday recovered five rounds of bullet from

Dhaka University's Suryasen

Hall, the flashpoint of last

week's deadlock on the campus,

Acting on a tip-off, police searched the dining room of the

hall at about 2 pm and found the ammunition. None was ar-

Subject change

Second list of DU

Ka unit prepared

By DU Correspondent

who want to change their sub-

jects under Ka unit (science group) for admission of the

Dhaka University for the session 1996-97 has been prepared.

says a DU press release.

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sition is 2603.

release said.

A second list of candidates

List of students who have got

All students concerned have

Details are available in the

Last date for enlistment as

been requested to complete

their admission procedures

office of the Faculty of Science.

registered graduates of the

Dhaka University has been ex-

tended fill Aug 31, a DU press

permission for admission from the waiting list has also been

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reports UNB.

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signed by Tariq-ul Hakim.

A Division Bench of the High

#### 'Congenial investment climate created'

## Hasina asks expatriates in US to invest at home in bigger way

Prime Minister Sheikh on Aug 6. Hasina told expatriated Bangladesh citizens that the process of sending their money home had been simplified and asked them to invest in the country in a bigger way, reports

She said investment of their earnings back home would give a further boost to economic activities which, nowadays, have gained a momentum.

"A congenial investment climate has been created in the country for relentless efforts of the present government and for giving a package of investment incentives in Bangladesh," she said addressing a reception at a local hotel in Miami, USA.

Bangladesh citizens living in Florida accorded the reception to the Prime Minister prior to winding up of her US trip. She is expected to return home

After her visit to Germany, Hasina went to Miami to stay beside her only daughter. Saima Sharmin Putul, during childbirth in the American

Addressing the function the Prime Minister mentioned government steps for attracting foreign investment and said it had taken some special measures for creating an investment climate in the country.

"Now you can freely invest in the country to be the development partners of the nation," she told the expatriates.

Referring to their demand for establishing consulate office in different parts of USA, the Prime Minister said the officials of Bangladesh Embassy would go to different areas of America giving advance notice to give consulate service to Bangladesh citizens.

The government is very much eager to extend service to the people and has taken measures to ease the process of sending home money by the expatriated citizens.

- Star photo

In this regard, she said the government had taken effective steps to remove airport harassment and other problems of the people living outside the

To ease the process of sending money by the expatriates living in USA, the Prime Minister said "Sonali Exchange Company" would also extend its service by opening temporary office in different American

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Zillur Rahman, Sheikh Helal Uddin MP and Saber Hossain Chowdhury MP also attended the function, presided over by Shaheen Mahmud.





Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) brought out a procession welcoming freshers on the DU campus yesterday. - Star photo

#### Chhotoder Kagoj announces award

By Staff Correspondent The 'Chhotoder Kagoj' has announced juvenile literature awards for the year 1997. Poet Shamsur Rahman and literateur Kaizer Chowdhury were given awards.

The 'Chhotoder Kagoj' award carries a cash prize of Tk 10,000, a crest and a apprecia-

tion letter. The awards will be dis-

tributed at the end of the month coinciding with the second anniversary of the publication, says a press release.

# Bangladesh Railway

#### Department/West Zone Local Tender for Procurement of Wood Plank

Tender No ENG/Wooden Plank/TTA Bridge

GD-73

Dated: 24/07/97

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Sl No Name of works Approx cost **Earnest Money** Supply of 666.67 cft Garjan Tk 6.47 lakhs 2% of quoted amount wooden plank for West Zone

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> For Chief Engineer/West Bangladesh Railway Rajshahi

#### CCC mayor leaves for Japan

CHITTAGONG, Aug 3: Chit-tagong City Mayor A B M Mahi-uddin Chowdhury left here this morning for Japan to attend the Fourth World Peace Conference which begins Tomorrow, re ports BSS.

A City Corporation press release said the mayor will address the conference aimed at preparing to face the challenges of the 21st century through promotion of peace and humanity among the different cities o

The ten-day conference which will be held at the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, will be participated by Mayors of different cities of the world.

Meanwhile, during the absence of Mahiuddin Chowdhury, ward commissioner Sayed Golam Haider Mintu will discharge the duties as acting mayor of the Corporation, another press release said.

#### OFA reception for MPs Aug 8

The Old Faujians Associa-tion (OFA) will accord a reception to Old Faujian Members of Parliament on Aug 8 at the Kurmitola Golf Club, says a press release.

All Old Faujians have been requested to get themselves registered by contacting Sharier Ahmed Chowdhury, President, or M Mujibur Rahman, General Secretary, at the OFA Eastern Plaza office or at Phone No: 506579.

#### New PAO of BAEC takes over

Md Majibur Rahman Bhuiyan has taken over the charge of Principal Administrative Officer (PAO) in the head office of Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission (BAEC), says a press release.

Bhuiyan, who has been serving BAEC in various capacities for the last 21 years, was a Senior Information Officer of the Commission prior to his recent promotion.

#### Processions on DU campus welcoming freshers

Leaders of different student bodies yesterday called for maintaining a congenial academic atmosphere on the Dhaka University campus by removing terrorism, reports

The common call came from processions and rallies of two major organisations - Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal and Bangladesh Chhatra League welcoming the freshers of the university. Classes of first year honours of the Arts, Social Science and

Science faculties of the university began yesterday. JCD, BNP's student wing, after a welcome procession, held its rally in front of the Modhus

Restaurant. The student leaders urged all to refrain from any activities

harmful to maintaining a healthy academic atmosphere.

#### GCO to gherao DU VC's office today

Left-leaning Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO) will gherao the office of Dhaka University vice-chancellor today to protest rise in various fees to be paid by students, reports UNB.

Announcing the programme at a rally in front of Modhu's Canteen, GCO leaders urged the authorities to withdraw the decision imposing additional charges for the sake of general students.

Shamim Ahmed Chowdhury, Koliyan Kollol and Rezwanul Warish Rangu addressed the rally.

Earlier, GCÓ brought out a procession on the campus to protest the decision.

The DU Syndicate at a meeting recently decided to indifferent student charges, including seat rent and admission fee, for increasing the university's own source of income.

## Weather

## Moderate rain forecast

Moderately heavy fall is likely at places over Chittagong division in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB. Met Office also forecast light to moderate rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty wind at many places over Chittagong, Barisal and Khulna divisions and at a few places over Dhaka, Rajshahi and Sylhet divisions.

Slight rise in day temperature is likely across the country. In its outlook for subsequent two days, weathermen forecast increase in rainfall activity.

Meanwhile, Cox's Bazar experienced the highest 63 mm rain in the 24 hours till 6 am yesterday. Chittagong had 49 mm shower during the period.

The country's highest temperature 36.5 degree Celsius was recorded at Chuadanga and the lowest 24.0 degrees at Sandwip. The sun sets today at 6:40 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:29 am. Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were: Humidity in

City/Town Temperature in Celsius percentage Morning Min Evening 35.2 Dhaka 79 81 96 77 78 80 25.7 32.3 Chittagong 34.6 27.4 Rajshahi 26.4 Khulna 33.8 27.2 Barisal 79 28.2 Sylhet Cox's Bazar 25.0

## What's on today . . .

Meeting: The inaugural ceremony of the First meeting of cluster cities for the integration of non-motorised transport into the urban transport system of Dhaka', UN-ESCAP and Dhaka City Corporation, will be held. Venue: Ballroom, Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 9:30 am. Chief guest: DCC Mayor Mohammad

Publication ceremony: The publication ceremony of the silver jubilee edition of 'Bangladesh Genocide and World Press,' by Fazlul Quaderi, will be held. Venue: National Museum auditorium (ground floor). Time: 4:30 pm. Chief guest: Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad.

Film show: 'The 39 Steps' and 'Young and Innocent' by Alfred Hitchcock will be screened. Venue: British Council, 5 Fuller Road. Time: 4 pm and 6 pm respectively.

Asiatic Society of Bangladesh: Dr Richard Burg. director of the American Studies Research Centre, Hyderabad, India, will give a talk on 'The post-colonial nation America, 1783-1812'. Venue: Seminar room of the society, 5 Old Secretariat Road, Nimtali, Ramna. Time: 4:30 pm.

Projection meeting: CMC-Kamal Textile Mills Ltd will hold a projection meeting on the eve of public offering of the company's shares. Venue: Hotel Purbani. Time: 1 pm.

Rotary Club of Dhaka Forth: The weekly meeting will be held. Munirul Huq will speak on Building homes for the homeless: Some practical considerations'. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

Rotary Club of Dhaka West: The weekly meeting will be held. Venue: RAOWA Club, Mohakhali. Time: 5:30 pm.

NSU lecture: A lecture on 'Multi-culturalism in modern America' will be given by Dr Richard Burg. Venue: North South University, Banani. Time: 11:30 am.

#### Japanese NGO US team meets Yusuf

A delegation of a Japanese NGO met Health and Family Welfare Minister Salahuddin Yusuf at his office yesterday. reports UNB.

They discussed matters of health services including sanitation and prevention of diseases, local health and welfare policy, national health policy, arsenic policy, safe blood transfusion policy. AIDS policy and the service delivery systems in the rural areas of Bangladesh.

The delegation of "Bangladesh to Tewo Tsunagukai," an NGO, led by its president Matsuk Oki, told the minister that they had already taken a project in Gangni thana of Meherpur district.

US navy maritime patrol aircraft arrives in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, Aug 3: A maritime patrol aircraft (3Corion) of the US Navy arrived in Chittagong last evening on a seven-day visit to Bangladesh, an ISPR press release said, reports BSS

It has a complement of eight officers and 11 crew members. They were greeted by officials of the US Embassy and local naval officials on their arrival at the Chittagong airport.

During its stay in the country, the aircraft will take part in maritime exercise, search and rescue missions with some of the naval ships and aircraft of the Bangladesh Air Force in the Bay of Bengal.



### বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক জড় সামগ্ৰী শাখা

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