

**BDR donates Tk 22.74 lakh to PM's Relief Fund**

The Members of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) yesterday donated Taka 22.74 lakh to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund, reports BSS.

The cheque for the amount, one day's salary of the BDR personnel, was handed over to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her office by the BDR Director General.

**Rafiq leaves for Saudi Arabia**

Home Minister Rafiqul Islam left yesterday for Saudi Arabia by a flight of Biman Bangladesh Airlines for medical check-up at King Fahad Military Hospital at Jeddah, reports BSS.

The minister had his treatment in the hospital during the last holy Hajj when he broke his right leg at the time of helping an old Hajj.

**PM hands over cheque**

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday handed over a cheque for Taka one lakh in her office to Nasima Ibrahim, wife of Ibrahim Selim who was crushed to death when a police truck ran him over in Fulbaria area during anti-Ershad movement in 1983, reports BSS.

Ibrahim Selim was a member of central executive committee of Bangladesh Chhatra League.

**What's on today . . .**

**Jatiya Mahila Sangstha:** The Sangstha has arranged a discussion meeting in observance of National Mourning Day. Venue: Mahila Samity auditorium, New Baily Road. Time: 3 pm. It will be followed by a *milad mahfil*.

**Discussion:** Bangladesh Chhatra League Dhaka City Committee of 1970-71 and the Dhaka Mahanagari Muktiyoddha Bohumukhi Samabaya Samity will jointly hold a discussion to mark National Mourning Day. Venue: Jatiya Press Club auditorium. Time: 4 pm.

**Seminar:** Bangladesh Islami Biplobi Andolon has arranged a seminar on 'Punishment of murderers in the eye of Islam,' marking Nat'l Mourning Day. Venue: VIP Lounge, Press Club. Time: 4 pm.

**Discussion:** Bangladesh Gano Azadi League will hold a discussion to mark the death anniversary of Mowlana Abdur Rashid Tarkabagish. Venue: Auditorium of Vishwa Sahitya Kendra (Near Bangla Motor Crossing). Time: 4 pm.

**Rotary Club of Ramna:** The weekly meeting will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club. Time: 5:30 pm. Guest speaker: Raymond Kennedy will talk on 'Child and Women Trafficking.'

**Rotary Club of Shahbagh:** The weekly meeting will be held. Venue: Officers Club, Baily Road. Time: 6 pm.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka New City:** The weekly meeting will be held. Venue: FICCI, 35/1 Purana Palton Line (opposite Ananda Bhaban). Time: 6 pm.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka:** The weekly meeting will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

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**Post offices to remain open on Saturdays**

The post offices will remain open on Saturdays, reports UNB.

Post and Telecommunications Minister Mohammad Nasim gave the directive yesterday considering the demand of subscribers.

The post offices which will remain open on Saturdays are: all the 'A' and 'B' grade main post offices, including Dhaka GPO and TSOs at New Market, Mirpur, Shantinagar, Banani, Cantonment and Posta under the Dhaka Circle.

Besides, all the 'A' and 'B' grade main post offices, including GPOs under Chittagong, Khulna and Rajshahi circles will remain open on the week-day.

**Janmastami holiday Aug 25**

The government has declared Aug 25 as public holiday on account of Janmastami this year instead of Aug 24, an official handout said yesterday, reports BSS.

**Qulkhwani**

Qulkhwani of Mir Ansar Ali will be held today at his 2/3 Kallayanpur Housing Estate residence after Asr Prayers, says a press release.

Ali died of massive heart attack on Aug 16. He was 62.

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