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Death condoled
Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday expressed her deep shock and profound sorrow at the death of Jobeda Khatun, 70, mother of Abdul Latif, a parliament member elected from Nabinagar constituency under Brahmanbaria district, reports BSS.

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New KU VC takes over

KHULNA, Aug 24: Dr SM Nazrul Islam took over as Vice Chancellor of Khulna University on Saturday, university sources said, reports BSS.

Dr Islam was a teacher of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) before taking up his new assignment.

Treasurer of the university Abdur Razzak Sardar and teachers welcomed the new Vice-Chancellor of Khulna University.

Talking to the teachers, Dr Islam called upon all concerned to make concerted efforts to turn Khulna University into a centre of excellence.

Corruption, irregularities rife at Women's Investigation Cell

Ever since its inception about a year ago, the Women's Investigation Cell has been besieged with irregularities and corruption, holding up investigations into the charges which pour in every day. Over the last year, about 3,800 complaints were lodged with the cell. Of these, only 27 have finally reached the courts, reports Probe News Agency.

On the whole, 90 per cent of the complaints brought to the cell never get as far as the court proceedings. Only 372 of the complaints have been taken up for investigation so far. Of these, 27 are now with the court, 75 are still being investigated, while the remaining 270 have been dropped after investigation.

Abduction and sexual harassment top the list of complaints which find their way to the women's investigation cell, the first of its kind in the country. There were 1,670 complaints of abduction over the past year, followed by 1,210 complaint of sexual harassment, 611 of torture for dowry, 195 of rape, 28 accusations of child oppression, 58 of child abduction and 25 of physical abuse by husbands.

Officers at the cell say that most of the complaints are baseless and ill-motivated and do not merit investigation. Sub-Inspector Kamrun Nahar of the Women's Investigation Cell states that an average of six to eight complaints are received at the cell every day, but only one or two can really be considered for the courts. She says that since the cell was opened, people come with complaints regarding the most trivial matters.

A complainant at the cell,

Nasimun Banu, 30, said that she had lodged a complaint with the cell against her husband last June but the police took no action at all. Her husband, Kabir Miah, who had married for the second time, had moved to Mirpur Section 14 and refused to provide for the upkeep of herself and her two children. He even came to her slum dwellings at Shah Alibagh, beat her up and threatened to kill her if she ever went near him again. Nasimun Banu says that the police have been bribed into dropping her charges.

Such incidents are not isolated. A businessman of the area who writes the complaints for the women, said that mostly women of the lower and lower middle class file charges. But once the inquiries begin, the complaints are simply written off in exchange of a payment, ranging anywhere between Tk 50 to 500 depending on the nature of the charge, he alleged.

Advocate Salma Ali, Executive Director of the Bangladesh Women Lawyers Association, told PROBE that such corrupt practices are rampant all over the country. "Unless this corruption is uprooted, the security of women cannot be ensured by any cell."

Salma Ali said that her organisation has provided the police officers of the Mirpur cell with training to provide the complainants with legal assistance, but she does not know how to put an end to the corruption.

Sub-Inspector Kamrun Nahar refutes allegations of corruption, saying that most of the cases are very weak to begin with. In many instances, the

charges are motivated by family feuds and personal enmity.

Nahar also blames the poorly constructed and contradictory statements of the complainants for many of them being rejected. Citing an example, she said that a woman had filed a case of physical abuse against her drunken husband for beating up her sister and herself. The accused was arrested, but after 30 days in jail, the complainant and the accused came to an understanding and all charges were withdrawn. Papers were being processed against the accused at the police station, but the sudden change in the complainants' stand disrupted the entire matter. Such incidents, says the sub-inspector, are very common.

Financial constraints are also a reason behind the complainants' failure to continue with cases, as most of them come from families of a lower-income bracket.

The women's investigation cell was officially inaugurated at the Mirpur police station on August 16, last year though it actually began functioning a month earlier in July. All charges under the Oppression on Women and Children Act 1995 are investigated by this cell. Under the Officer-in-Charge of the Mirpur police station, there are four women sub-inspectors and ten women constables running the cell.

The Officer-in-Charge said that despite many obstacles, the women's investigation cell is doing its job. It is inadequately staffed and has no vehicle of its own. This has hampered the efficient functioning of the cell to a great extent.

Weather

Moderate rain forecast

Light to moderate rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at many places over Rajshahi, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Dhaka, Khulna and Barisal divisions in next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met Office says day temperature may remain nearly unchanged across the country.

Meantime, Rajshahi had the highest 57mm rain in the last 24 hours till 6 am yesterday.

Country's highest temperature 35.5 degree Celsius was recorded at Khulna and the lowest 24.0 degrees at Rangamati, Chandpur and Rajshahi.

The sun sets today at 6:23 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:38 am.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature		Humidity	
	in Celsius	in percentage	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	Max 34.3	Min 26.4	88	75
Chittagong	33.0	26.5	78	78
Rajshahi	32.8	24.0	90	87

Yusuf to attend meeting in Bangkok

Health and Family Welfare Minister Salahuddin Yusuf leaves capital today for Bangkok to attend the 15th meeting of the ministers of health from countries of World Health Organisation's South Asian region, reports BSS.

The meeting is scheduled to begin on August 26, Salahuddin Yusuf is expected to return home on August 29.

Seminar on women in politics held

A day-long seminar on "Women in politics at local level in Bangladesh" was held in Comilla at the Bangladesh Academy of Rural Development (BARD) auditorium recently, reports BSS.

The seminar, assisted by Asia Foundation was organised by BARD.

Project director of BARD Rezaul Karim inaugurated the seminar. Dr Kamal Siddiquee and Prof M Abdul Wahab presided over the sessions separately.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Ministry of Water Resources Section-2 (Service) Room No. 416, Building No. 6 Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka Purchase Notice

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from bonafide manufacturers/suppliers for purchase of one 9-12 seater white microbus for the Ministry of Water Resources. Tender schedule for purchasing microbus may be collected at Tk 750/- (Seven hundred fifty) in cash from the said address during office hours up to 6.9.97. Tenders should be submitted in the tender box kept at the abovementioned address within 1:00 PM of 7.9.97, which will be opened on the same day at 1:30 PM before the tenderers (if any) present.

The Ministry of Water Resources reserves the right to accept any or reject all tenders without assigning any reason.

Mohammad Mottakin
Senior Assistant Secretary (Admin)
Phone: 866071

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Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology Dhaka WANTED

Applications are invited from the bonafide citizens of Bangladesh with requisite qualifications and fitness to fill up 5 (five) temporary posts of Lecturer on ad-hoc basis for Civil Engg. Deptt. of this University in the scale of Tk. 2850-5155/=

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Office of the Director General River Research Institute, Faridpur Appointment Notice

Applications are invited from bonafide nationals of Bangladesh for filling in the undermentioned posts of River Research Institute, Faridpur.

Sl No	Name of post & pay scale	Age limit	Number of post	Educational qualification & experience
1.	Principal Scientific Officer	Maximum 45 years	3 (three)	A) PhD degree in the sphere of RRI related work & 10 years working experience in post PhD period.

MS/M Phil or equivalent degree from any recognised university in the sphere of RRI related work with 13 years working experience in that post degree period.
B) Should have published minimum 7 (seven) research articles in any recognised journal on RRI related subjects.
C) Should possess minimum 2nd class BSc Engineering (civil/electrical/mechanical) degree or 1st class masters degree or 2nd class masters degree with 2nd class honours in Physics/Applied Physics/Applied Mathematics in the academic career. 3rd class at any stage of academic career is not acceptable. Departmental candidates having BSc Agri Engineering degree may apply.

D) In case of appointment, 1 (one) hydrolic, 1 (one) geotechnical & 1 (one) mathematical model expert will get preference.
2. Chief Scientific Officer
Maximum 42 years
2 (two)
A) PhD degree in the sphere of RRI related work & 7 years working experience in post PhD period.

MS/M Phil or equivalent degree from any recognised university in the sphere of RRI related work with 10 years working experience in that post degree period.
B) Should have published minimum 3 (three) research articles in any recognised journal on RRI related subjects.
C) Should possess minimum 2nd class BSc Engineering (civil/electrical/mechanical) degree or 1st class masters degree or 2nd class masters degree with 2nd class honours in Physics/Applied Physics/Applied Mathematics in the academic career. 3rd class at any stage of academic career is not acceptable. Departmental candidates having BSc Agri Engineering degree may apply.

D) In case of appointment, 1 (one) hydrolic and 1 (one) mathematical model expert will get preference.
3. Mechanic Grade-A
Maximum 30 years
2 (two)
Class VIII passed. Trade certificate as mechanic from recognised institute. Should be passed in practical test.
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1 (one)
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Terms & Conditions

- Sphere of RRI related work would mean River Engineering/hydrolics/hydrology/water resources/irrigation/hydrolic structure/Geotechnical Engineering/Sediment Technology/Concrete Technology/Environmental Engineering/Instrument Science/Electrical Engineering/Mechanical Engineering/Mathematical Modelling/Physical Modelling/Computer Science & Engineering etc.
- Application form will be available from the office of the Director General, RRI, Faridpur during office hours against cash payment of Tk 10/- (ten) only (non-refundable). Application should be submitted to the River Research Institute, Faridpur by 5:00 PM of 08-09-97.
- Age limit in case of woman, freedom fighter, backward area candidates is relaxable as per govt rules.
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- Application in service must apply through proper channel.
- All Govt fixed quota will be maintained.
- The authority reserves the right to cancel appointment without assigning any reason.
- Application without the official prescribed form or incomplete application or application received after the last date will be treated as cancelled outright.
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- No TA/DA will be admissible to the candidate for appearing at written/practical test/viva voce.

Syed Abdus Sobhan
Director General
River Research Institute
Faridpur

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Mohiuddin Ahmed Smriti Sangsad

A 31-member committee of Mohiuddin Ahmed Smriti Sangsad was formed on Saturday with Rajuk planning member DN Bepary as convener and Mustafa Kamal Master, a city ward commissioner, as member secretary, reports BSS.

Mohiuddin Ahmed was a parliament member, president member of Bangladesh Awami League and a close associate of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, said a press release.

Shato Nagarik Committee

By Staff Correspondent
Shadhinata Chikitsak Parishad, Shishu Hospital unit, held a discussion meeting in observance of National Mourning Day on Aug 16. BMA general secretary and Awami League health secretary Dr Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin addressed the meeting as chief guest.

Prof Monzur Hossain, Dr Moniruzzaman Bhuiyan, Dr Bodruzzaman Bhuiyan took part in the discussion.

Later, T-shirts were distributed among poor children, and a voluntary blood donation programme was organised.

Khasru to attend Lawasia confce in Manila

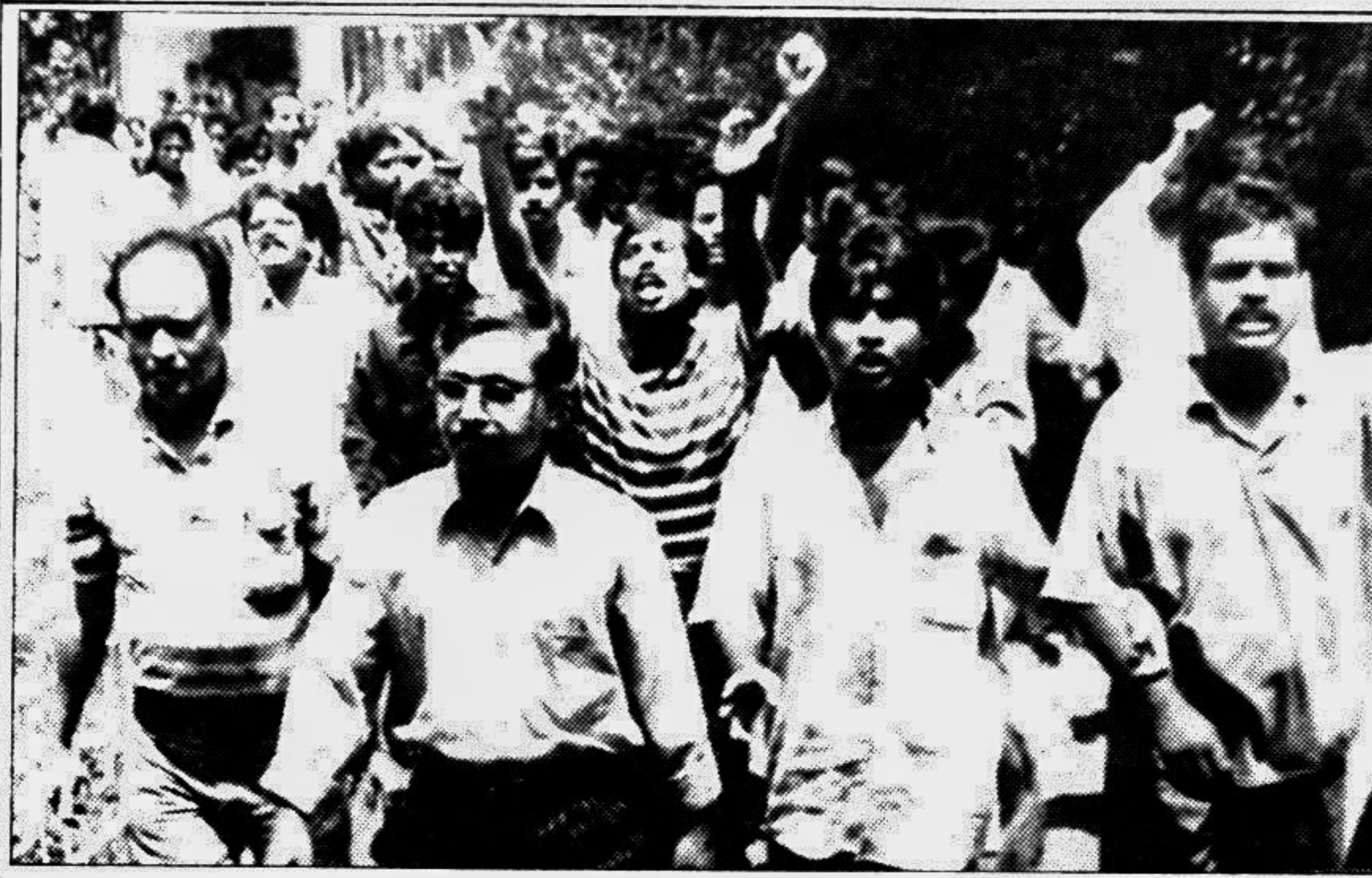
Law Minister Abdul Matin Khasru left capital for Manila yesterday morning to attend six-day 15th biennial 'Lawasia' conference beginning in the Filipino capital tomorrow, reports UNB.

Sponsored by Asian Development Bank (ADB), the conference will be preceded by a day-long round-table meeting of the Chief Justices and Ministers for Justice of Asia and the Pacific region.

The round-table on "Legal and Judicial Reform in Asia, Agenda for new Millennium" will be held today in Manila.

Chief Justices and Law and Justice Ministers from 23 countries including Australia, Bangladesh, India, Kazakhstan, Myanmar, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Russian Federation, Sri Lanka and Vietnam are attending the prestigious round table meeting.

Chief Justice of Bangladesh Justice ATM Afzal is also representing Bangladesh in the meeting.



Journalists brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting the police attack on a photo-journalist of The Dainik Bangla in front of the Jatiya Press Club during hartal hours.

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 - Tenderer (s) must have fully equipped service cell in Bangladesh with adequate qualified personnel for maintenance of LCD Projector and associated peripherals.
- Tenderers having the above qualifications may purchase tender schedule for the above supply from the office of the undersigned during office hours within 04-9-97 on payment of Tk 100/= (One hundred) only (non-refundable) per set payable in the form of a Pay Order favouring Janata Bank.
- Tenders are to be submitted within 02-15 PM on 07-9-97 in the tender box to be kept at the office of the undersigned. No late tender will be entertained. Tenders will be opened at 02-30 PM on the same day in presence of the tenderers, if any.
- The Bank reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Anwarul Kabir
Deputy General Manager

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