

Exhibition at Shilpangan begins Sept 27

By Staff Correspondent
A week-long exhibition of art works by renowned artists from France and other European countries will begin at Shilpangan art gallery, in the city on September 27.
Some 50 paintings would be put on display, says a press release.
Shilpangan will arrange the exhibition, titled "Picasso and Others," in cooperation with Galerie Daniel Bessette, a famous art gallery of France.

'Discourse' launched

Participants at a discussion in the city on Wednesday underscored the need for publication of more sustainable research journals to create greater awareness among the members of the public to involve them meaningfully in various national affairs, reports BSS.
The discussion was held in connection with the launching of an international research journal, "Discourse", published by the Institute for Development Policy Analysis and Advocacy (IDPAA), Proshika, at its Mirpur central office conference hall.
The discussants observed that besides purely academic matters such journals should contain topics reflecting experiences gathered from the grass-root level. Highlighting the importance of pursuit of knowledge and wisdom they maintained that the country should be run not by "emotions" but by the faculty of understanding and reasoning.
Acting Editor of the Sangbad Bazur Rahman, Dr Binsak Sen and Dr Devapriyo Bhattacharya of Bangladesh Institute for Development Studies (BIDS), Prof Nazrul Islam and Dr PK Motiur Rahman of Dhaka University and Mohiuddin of University Press Ltd (UPL) took part in the discussion. Proshika executive director Dr Qazi Faruque Ahmed presided over the function, while IDPAA chief and editor of the journal Mahbubul Karim gave introductory speech.

Video cassettes on Bangabandhu

State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed alleged that BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia was hatching a conspiracy to foil the ongoing process to try the killers of Bangabandhu, reports BSS.
He was addressing as chief guest a function organised to release video cassettes titled "Bangabandhu: Mrittyuhin Pran" at the Muktiyudha Judgahar auditorium in the city.
These cassettes will give documentary proof that late Maj Gen (ret'd) Ziaur Rahman was involved in the Bangabandhu killing, Prof Sayeed said.
He also accused Ziaur Rahman of erasing the name of Bangabandhu through proclaiming Martial Law Ordinance and said it was Zia who promulgated Indemnity Ordinance with an aim to protect the killers of Bangabandhu and rehabilitated them (killers) providing diplomatic jobs abroad.
Quoting newspaper reports, the state minister said that the killers of Bangabandhu in connivance with the vested quarters were releasing crores of Taka of destabilise the country's democratic process. Recalling the long-drawn revolutionary movement and political activities of Bangabandhu that is documented in the video cassettes, Prof Sayeed said, "Bangabandhu is the heart of Bangladesh and his name can't be erased."



A truck driver was apprehended by on-duty policemen for running over a rickshaw-puller at city's Kathal Bagan area yesterday. — Star photo

CHT Peace Council's gratitude to PM, Chief Whip & Santu

By Staff Correspondent
Leaders of Chittagong Hill Tracts National Coordination and Peace Council (CHTNCPC) in a statement Thursday expressed their gratitude to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Chief Whip Abul Hasanat Abdullah and PCJSS Chairman Shantur Lama for finalising the draft accord to end the violence in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT).
The statement was issued among others by Saiful Islam Dildar, president of the CHTNCPC and its acting secretary general Lal Angliana Pankhu.

IIT board meeting \$2.5m budget recommended for '97-'98

The 22nd meeting of the governing board of Islamic Institute of Technology (IIT), a subsidiary organ of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC), was inaugurated by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on Wednesday at the IIT campus in Gazipur, says a press release.
The working session of the governing board began at a city hotel Thursday. The first session was attended by representatives from Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, representative of the Secretary General of the OIC Ambassador Ibrahim Ahmed, and Asst. Secretary General OIC and Director General of IIT, Prof Dr A M Patwari.
The board recommended a budget of US dollar 2.5 million for the fiscal year 1997-98, approved introduction of 4-year B.Sc. in Computer Science and Information Technology, and recommended various measures to ease out the financial problems of the institute and participation of all the member states of the OIC in its academic programmes.

Coast Guard drive continues

Bangladesh Coast Guard which launched a week-long operation to check licences and other documents of watercraft yesterday caught 18 vessels with invalid papers, reports UNB.
On the sixth day of the drive, the Coast Guard checked 149 cargo boats, motor launch, fishing trawler, coaster, barge and large mechanised boats operating from Chittagong and Mongla sea ports.
The 18 vessels were found with licences not renewed. Legal action has been taken against them, said a press release.
The drive is aimed at renewal of licences of water vessels and ensure the government revenue earning.

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No-6 (1997-98)

Memo No-26-2/1578 Dated: 9-9-97/25-5-1404BS

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No-2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited from Bangladesh Electrical Licensing Board's valid ABC/BC electrical contractor and supervisory licence holder Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class/1st class and Additional Chief Engineer (E/M), Public Works Directorate enlisted 2nd class contractors having registration certificate from Value Added Tax Department for the undermentioned work. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the office of the Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-1/2/3/Public Works Eden Building Division, Dhaka up to 12:00 Noon of 2-10-97 and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any present). Tender form, schedule of items, terms & conditions etc. can be purchased on cash payment of Tk 410/- (non-refundable) from the office of the Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-1/2/3/Public Works Eden Building Division, Dhaka during office hours up to 1-10-97. Contractor himself or his authorised representative can purchase tenders on production of registration book with necessary papers. Amount mentioned as earnest money should be submitted with each tender through Bank Draft/Pay Order/ Crossed DR/Call Deposit from any scheduled bank in favour of the Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-2, Dhaka, otherwise tender will be treated as cancelled. Certificate containing TIN must be attached with each tender, otherwise tender submitted without certificate will not be considered as acceptable.

The authority reserves the right to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

Sl No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time for completion of work
1)	Supplying replacing the out of order/ condemned 250 watt chokecoil, lamp & holder of existing 250 watt MV light fittings of Ramna Park.	Tk 2,00,250/-	Tk 4,005/-	7 (seven) days.

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Executive Engineer
Public Works E/M Division-2, Dhaka
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Weather
Moderate rain likely

Light to moderate rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at many places over Chittagong, Sylhet and Dhaka divisions and at a few places over Barisal, Khulna and Rajshahi divisions in the next 12 hours till 6 pm Saturday, reports UNB.
Met Office says day temperature may remain nearly unchanged across the country.
Meantime, Sylhet experienced the highest 158 mm shower in the last 24 hours till 6 am yesterday. Cox's Bazar had 18 mm and Mymensingh 12 mm during the period.
Country's highest temperature 34.5 degree Celsius was recorded at Jessore and the lowest 23.1 degrees at Sylhet.
The sun sets today at 5:57 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:47 am. Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	max	min	morning	evening
Dhaka	32.7	27.3	82	80
Chittagong	33.2	26.6	81	78
Rajshahi	33.5	25.8	84	-
Khulna	33.8	26.5	80	82
Barisal	33.0	25.1	78	78
Sylhet	27.6	23.1	100	98
Cox's Bazar	31.4	25.8	88	89

Errata

A Daily Star news item headlined "Power tariff raised by 5 paise per unit," published on Tuesday, erroneously described the current status of both Haripur and Meghnaghat power projects and pointed out that "Both these proposals (for power tariff for Haripur and Meghnaghat power plants) were accepted and contracts were awarded to AES."
The government has so far accepted the power tariff proposal submitted by AES in Haripur and Meghnaghat project plants as the "lowest bidder." But the agreements have not been signed. The authorities are still reviewing all the proposals submitted by different foreign companies in both the projects.

Obituary

Eminent educationist, politician and social worker Sujat Islam of Kaziranga under Lauhajong died of old age complications at a city clinic yesterday morning, reports BSS.
A popular school teacher, Sujat Islam, 83, served as union parishad chairman for several decades. He was a veteran activist in the anti-British movement. He also took active part in organising the War of Liberation in his area.
Islam also wrote poetry and has in his credit two popular works, "Ajan" and "Tomar Mahhey Amil."
Besides his wife, he has left behind one daughter and four sons, including noted journalist M Shajahan Mia, now posted as press minister at the Bangladesh mission in Washington DC and Dr Shaha Alam, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Chittagong University.
His *namaz-e-janaza* was held at the Batul Mokarram National Mosque after Juma prayers yesterday.
His body is being kept at BIREM Hospital and would be taken to his village home for burial as soon as his elder son arrives from Washington.
KHULNA, Sept 19: Abu Sadek, Khulna bureau chief and special correspondent of Bangladesh Observer and former president of Khulna Press Club, died of liver cancer at a clinic here today. He was 59, reports UNB.
Sadek, also vice president of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists, left behind his wife, one son, three daughters and a host of admirers.
His body was kept at the Khulna Press Club for sometime where his colleagues paid last respects to him. After Juma prayers, his *namaz-e-janaza* was held at the local PTI Jame Mosque.
Khulna City Mayor, Khulna University Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Commissioner, Lawyers, teachers and leaders of different political parties attended the *janaza*.
Sadek joined the erstwhile Dainik Azad in 1954 and joined Bangladesh Observer in 1962.

HERE and THERE

BUP

Speakers at a seminar in the city on Wednesday observed that absence of democracy for a long period is largely responsible for corruption which is rooted deeply into almost all spheres of society in Bangladesh, reports BSS.
They said corruption and terrorism have been overshadowing honesty and sincerity.
The seminar on "policies and corruption" was jointly organised by Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad (BUP), a non-government research and development organisation based in Dhaka, and the Daily Sangbad, a leading vernacular newspaper of Bangladesh.
Acting Editor of the Daily Sangbad Bazur Rahman was in the chair while BUP chairman and eminent economist Dr Quazi Kholiqzaman Ahmed conducted the seminar, held at the BUP office. Editor of the Daily Bhorer Kagoj Motiur Rahman read out the main paper where he painted a picture of how politicians, bureaucrats, businessmen and other leaders of society were directly and indirectly involved in corruption and terrorism.
He said, politics has a direct link with money which is creating corruption upto the grass-roots level in Bangladesh. "The larger the amount of money spent in election, the faster the corruption permeates society," he observed.

FBAST

A seminar on "Biodiversity: Importance of its conservation" was organised by the Franco-Bangladesh Association of Scholars and Trainees (FBAST) recently at the premises of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka.
The guest speaker was Prof Dr Mahmud-ul Ameen, Department of Zoology, University of Dhaka.
Prof Ameen discussed various aspects of biodiversity giving importance to Bangladesh perspective.

Bhuiyan Academy

A seminar on "On The Job Training" for prospective BBA graduates was held at the Bhuiyan Academy in the city on Thursday, says a press release.
S M Al-Husainy, Secretary General of FBCCI, presented a key-note paper on the topic.
Al-Husainy emphasized the need for 'on the job training' aimed at developing students' level of performance and competence required in their areas of interest and employment.

Winners of a poetry recitation competition organised at Bangladesh International School in the city recently.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer (R&H)
Narsingdi Road Division, Narsingdi
Tender Invitation Notice

- Tender Notice No : 27/NRD, year 1997-98.
- Name of work : Repair with seal coat at different kilometres of different roads under Narsingdi Road Division during 1997-98 financial year, divided in 10 (ten) groups.
- Estimated cost : As per group list.
- Earnest money : Taka as per group list should be submitted through Bank Draft/Pay Order/Pratirakha Sanchay Patra/Bonus Sanchay Patra etc. from any scheduled bank in favour of the Executive Engineer (R&H), Narsingdi Road Division.
- Time for completion of work : As per group list.
- Eligibility of contractor : "A to E" general class.
- Offices where tender will be sold from : Office of the Executive Engineer (R&H), Road Division, Narsingdi/Dhaka/Gazipur/Manikganj/Munshiganj/Narayanganj/Planning & Design Division, Dhaka Zone, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Shibpur and Narsingdi Road Sub-Division.
- Offices where tender will be received at : Superintending Engineer (R&H), Dhaka Road Circle, Dhaka/Executive Engineer (R&H), Narsingdi Road Division, Narsingdi/Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Shibpur and Narsingdi Road Sub-Division.
- Last date of selling tender : 13/10/97 up to office hours.
- Date of receiving tender : 14/10/97 up to 12:30 PM.
- Date of opening tender : 16/10/97 at 12:45 PM at the office of Narsingdi Road Division.
- Date of holding lottery : Group No-1 to 5 = 20/10/97
Group No-6 to 10 = 22/10/97
At 2:00 PM at the office of Narsingdi Road Division

Group list of work

Group No.	Name & location of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time for completion of work
1 (one)	Repair with seal coat at the 30th km of Panchdona-Mothkhola Road under Shibpur Road Sub-Division during 1997-98 financial year.	Tk- 3,12,630/=	Tk- 6,253/=	30 (thirty) days from the date of issuing work order.
2 (two)	Repair with seal coat at the 31st km of -do- -do-	Tk- 3,12,630/=	Tk- 6,253/=	-Do-
3	Repair with seal coat at the 32nd km of -do- -do-	Tk- 3,12,630/=	Tk- 6,253/=	-Do-
4 (four)	Repair with seal coat at the 4th and 5th (P) km. of Shibpur-Dulalpur-Lakpur Road under Shibpur Road Sub-Division during 1997-98 financial year.	Tk- 4,26,743/=	Tk- 8,535/=	35 (thirty-five) days from the date of issuing work order.
5 (five)	Repair with seal coat at the 11th km of -do- -do-	Tk- 2,84,494/=	Tk- 5,690/=	25 (twenty-five) days from the date of issuing work order.
6 (six)	Repair with seal coat at the 15th km of Shibpur-Dulalpur-Lakpur Road under Shibpur Road Sub-Division during 1997-98 financial year.	Tk- 2,84,494/=	Tk- 5,690/=	-Do-
7	Repair with seal coat at the 3rd (P) and 4th (P) km of Hetemdi-Shekerbazar-Puradia-Belabo Road under Shibpur Road Sub-Division during 1997-98 financial year.	Tk- 4,14,750/=	Tk- 8,295/=	35 (thirty-five) days from the date of issuing work order.
8	Repair with seal coat at the 5th km of -do- -do-	Tk- 2,84,534/=	Tk- 5,691/=	25 (twenty-five) days from the date of issuing work order.
9	Repairing with seal coat at the 6th km of -do- -do-	Tk- 2,84,534/=	Tk- 5,691/=	-Do-
10	Repair with seal coat at the 8th (P) and 9th (P) km of Shibpur-Shekerbazar Road under Shibpur Road Sub-Division during 1997-98 financial year.	Tk- 2,84,534/=	Tk- 5,691/=	-Do-

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Chandpur Road Division, Chandpur
R&H Tender Invitation Notice

- Tender Notice : 05/EE/CRD/1997-98.
- Name of work : Tender invitation for construction of brick pavement & earth work at 40th (P) & 41st (P) kilometre of Chauddagram-Laksm-Mudaffar-ganj-Chitoshi-Ramganj Road under Chandpur Road Division during 1997-98 financial year. (Head of expenditure: 266-Development) (Work order will be issued in accordance with allotment received)
- Estimated cost : Tk 11,21,716/=
- Earnest money : Tk 22,435/=, to be deposited in the form of BD/TC/Pratirakha Sanchayapatra/5-year Sanchayapatra or Bonus Sanchayapatra in favour of the undersigned.
- Offices where tender documents to be had at : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Chittagong/undersigned/ Executive Engineer, R&H, Road Division, Comilla/B'baria/Planning & Design Division, Comilla/ Planning Division (Road & Bridge), Dhaka & all Sub-Divisional Engineer's offices under this Division.
- Offices to receive the tender documents : Office of the Additional Chief Engineer, R&H, Comilla Zone, Comilla/Divisional Commissioner, Chittagong/Superintending Engineer, R&H, Road Circle, Comilla/Superintending Engineer, R&H, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka & the undersigned.
- Time allowed : 30 (thirty) days from the date of issuing work order.
- Last date of selling tender : 1-10-97/16-6-1404BS up to office hours.
- Date & time of receiving tender : 2-10-97/17-6-1404BS up to 12:30 PM.
- Date & time of opening tender : 6-10-97/21-6-1404BS at 11:30 AM.
- Eligibility of contractor : R&H, Directorate enlisted 'A' to 'D' general class contractors.

Executive Engineer, R&H
Road Division, Chandpur

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