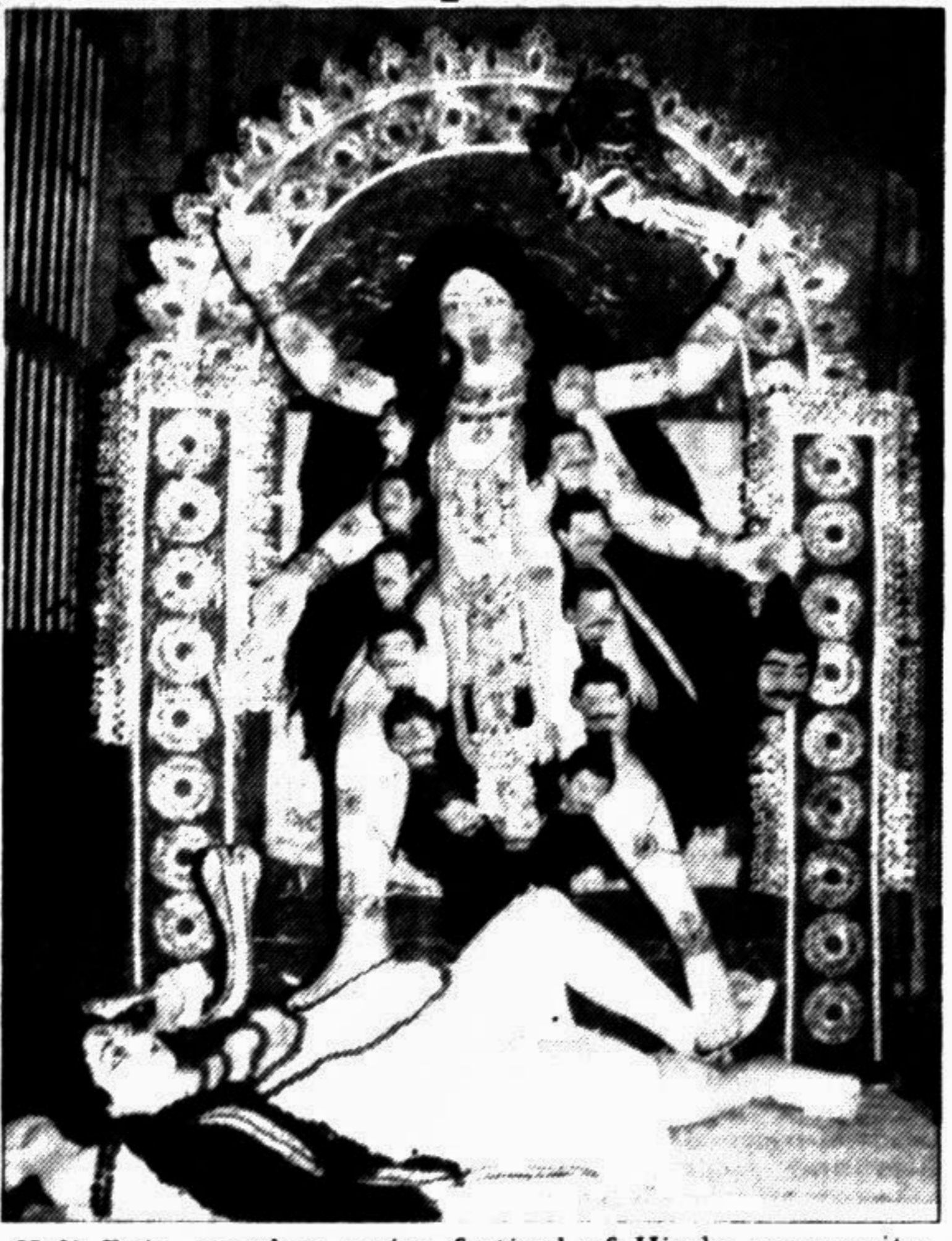


SW Rahman Rahman Huq Rezaur Rahman is deeply appreciative of the many messages of condolence received from friends and well-wishers and wishes to thank them most sincerely for their kind sympathy and concern. He hopes that he will have the opportunity soon to express his gratitude individually in person.

Safe blood transfusion project underway The government will undertake a safe blood transfusion project with the help of the UNDP to ensure safe blood supply in the country, reports UNB. Health and Family Welfare Minister Salahuddin Yusuf said this while addressing the 4th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific held in Manila, Philippines yesterday.



Kali Puja, another major festival of Hindu community, following the Durga Puja, begins today. Picture shows a deity made ready for the purpose at a pandal at North Maishundi in the old part of the city.

Razzak calls for strengthening of 'disarmament movement'

Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak yesterday underlined the need for strengthening of 'disarmament movement' to restore peace, democracy and development in the world, reports BSS. Addressing as the chief guest at a discussion on 'Disarmament and development' at the Russian Cultural Centre yesterday he said 'disarmament is the major precondition for peace, development and democracy.'

Highway patrolling Police to get more vehicles by December: Rafiq

RAJSHAHI, Oct 29: Home Minister Rafiqul Islam, Bir Uttam last night said that it was the duty of the district administration and police personnel to ensure a secured life for the people and their free movement in society by maintaining law and order situation, reports BSS. He said this while addressing a meeting of divisional law and order committee held at the Rajshahi Deputy Commissioner's conference room. Deputy Minister for Primary and Mass Education Zinnatun Nesa Abdul Quddus, MP and Shaheen Monwarah Huq MP also spoke on the occasion. DIG, Police, Rajshahi Range Abdus Salam, Rajshahi Metropolitan Police Commissioner AKM Shamsuddin, Rajshahi Bar Association President MA Kashem, President, Rajshahi Chamber of Commerce and Industry Mohammad Alisrkar, among other also addressed the meeting.

Training course on First Aid ends

A three-day training course on First Aid was concluded at Begum Badrunnesa Government Girls' College yesterday, reports UNB. A total of 50 students took part in the course jointly organised by the headquarters of Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BRCS) and the college unit of Jubo Red Crescent. The society so far completed such training course in 14 educational institutions of the city under the programme of its Jubo Red Crescent. BRCS acting secretary general ASM Akram attended the concluding ceremony with the college principal in the chair, said a BRCS press release.

CEDAW chief addresses 52nd UNGA session

Salma Khan, Chairperson, UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) addressed the 52nd session of the General Assembly being held in New York currently on measures adopted by the UN member countries to give effects to the CEDAW Convention and Beijing Platform for Action, says a press release. She informed the General Assembly about the Committee's special recommendations made to member states for the adoption of measures to ensure that a certain minimum number of women to hold positions of decision making and urged the inclusion of women in international negotiations, peace keeping activities, preventive diplomacy and social reconciliation.

PhD programme for MBBS graduates

An MBBS graduate can now pursue PhD programme at IPGMR without obtaining any degree, like MD, MS and M Phil, reports UNB. This is for the first time that the doctorate programme under the Faculty of Postgraduate Medical Sciences and Research at IPGMR for MBBS graduates has been made easier, said Dean of the Faculty Dr Mohammed Suhrah Ali. The faculty under Dhaka University has now 15 students studying PhD courses and more students are in the process of being enrolled, he said.

Eating Out

Advertisement for various restaurants including Amrit, Tamoto Ketchup, Sea Food Restaurant, Oasis, Sajaa, and Sajaa Mobile Restaurant.

Advertisement for Chittagong University featuring a portrait of a man and text about the university's activities.

Advertisement for Titas Gas Distribution and Distribution Commission, featuring a logo and text about gas supply.

Advertisement for Bangladesh Bank, featuring a logo and text about various banking services and interest rates.

SAARC workshop on telecom today The existing telecommunication infrastructure and policy in SAARC countries will get prominence at a workshop to be held in Dhaka today, reports BSS.

Death anniversary On the occasion of 4th death anniversary of renowned social worker, political leader and advocate of the supreme court, late Al-Haji Fakir Abdul Mannan, a milad mahfil has been arranged tomorrow at 4 pm at 84 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka.

Obituary Tasneef Ali Khan, an 8-year boy of class I of Universal Tutorial, Dhaka, died of brain hemorrhage at Christina Medical College Hospital, Vellore, India, on October 26. He had developed tumor and went to this hospital for operation. He was successfully operated October 24, 1997, but the hemorrhage caused his death. His body is being flown into Dhaka tomorrow via Indian Airlines flight at 2:00 pm, says a press release yesterday.

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WANTED 1. ASSISTANT OFFICER: Position 3 Pay scale : Tk. 5,000-500-12,000 plus 40% house rent. 2. ASSISTANT HARDWARE ENGINEER: Position 1 Pay scale : Tk. 5,000-500-12,000 plus 40% house rent. 3. ASSISTANT LIBRARY OFFICER (CATALOGUE): Position 1 Pay scale : Tk. 5,000-500-12,000 plus 40% house rent. 4. BOOK SORTER: Position 1 Pay scale : Tk. 3,500-350-7,000 plus 40% house rent. 5. GATE KEEPER: Position 1 Pay scale : Tk. 2,000-200-5,000 plus 40% house rent. Applications addressed to the Personnel Officer, NSU should reach by 4 November, 1997 with a forwarding letter, C.V. and passport size photograph. Only short listed applicants will be called for a test. The position sought must be clearly stated on the envelope.

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