



Lalbagh thana unit of Awami League brought out a procession hailing the CHT peace accord and protesting the opposition-called dawn-to-dusk hartal in the city yesterday.

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CHT peace accord hailed

RAJSHAHI, Dec 7: About two hundred teachers of Rajshahi University hailed the signing of the peace accord on Chittagong Hill Tracts between the Bangladesh government and Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PCJSS), reports BSS.

The teachers in a joint statement said that the peace treaty would help restoration of peace in the hill districts and Bangladesh and *paharis* would live in a peaceful atmosphere.

Besides, the treaty would also help the government to carry out development activities in the hill districts and hoped that "terrorist activities would be stopped for ever."

The signatories to the statement included Prof Saidur Rahman Khan, a Syndicate member and a teacher of Applied Physics, Prof Hassan Azizul Huq of Philosophy Department, Prof Azizul Islam of Chemistry Department and vice president, RUTA, Prof Zulfikar Matin, Bangla Department, Prof Zahidul Hassan, Geography Department and Treasurer, RUTA, Prof Fazekuzzaman, Islamic History and Joint Secretary, RUTA, Prof Rezaul Karim, Department of Biochemistry, Prof M Shaidul Islam, president, RUTA and Prof Ilyas Hossain, a Syndicate member.

President, Rajshahi Bar Association, Advocate Abul Kashem, in his reaction said that the accord would pave the way for restoration of peace in the hill districts.

"Satirtha-71" a social organisation has congratulated Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on signing an accord with the tribal leaders of the Chittagong Hill Tracts, reports BSS.

The Satirtha-71 at a meeting held Saturday with Tahmina Sayeed in the chair, expressed the hope that the peace accord would be implemented soon in the area with the active support of the people, pro-independence forces and the government.

HERE and THERE

Bangladesh Law Assoc

By Staff Correspondent

A 31-member new executive committee of Bangladesh Law Association (BLA) for the year 1997-98 was elected at the annual conference of the association held at the premises of Science Annex Building, DU, on Friday.

Abu Muhammad Murtaish Kachi and Mohammad Shahan Sajur were elected president and General secretary respectively.

Other office bearers are: Vice presidents — Syed Humayun Akter, Humayun Kabir, GHM Abdur Noor and Monir Hossain, joint secretary — Shahidul Islam, and Sheikh Ali Ahmed, assistant secretary — Monzur Alam, organising secretary — Anisur Rahman Sarkar Litlu, education, research and literary secretary — Rezaul Karim Reza, publicity and public relations secretary — AK Hafizur Rahman Nehal, finance secretary — Golam Ahmed Bulbul, legal aid and social welfare secretary — Monzur Mohammad Shahnewaz Tipu, sports, cultural and entertainment secretary — Dihidar Masum Kabir, publication secretary — Mohammad Hossain

Lipu, international secretary — AKM Zahirul Haq, office secretary — Shahinur Islam Faruq, assistant office secretary — Labli Khan, executive members: Golam Mahbub, Abdul Mannan Phatan, Sattendra Chandra Bhakta, Rafiqul Islam Sanu Ali Haider, Muhammad Shafiqullah, Biplob Shaha, Nabi Nreaz Muhammad Mujibuddinoula Sardar Kanak, Kazi Ebadat Hossain, Mainul Haq and Khan Muhammad Shamin Azalz Sumon.

BCS (Judicial) Association

By Court Correspondent

A 27-member executive committee of BCS (Judicial) Association was formed for the year 1998 during its annual conference held at the Engineers Institute in the city on Thursday.

Kazi Golam Rasul was elected president, while Jahangir Hossain Badal was elected secretary.

The conference, presided over by its president, Kazi Golam Rasul, District and Sessions Judge, Dhaka, was also attended by ATM Afzal, Chief Justice of Bangladesh, and Abdul Matin Khasru, Law Minister.

Raffle draw of Raowa Ladies Club meena bazar

Winning Raffle numbers at the Raowa Ladies Club meena bazar held on December 6 are: 6620, 3036, 2740, 3093, 1390, 5770, 7969, 2031, 1768, 2716, 5676, 4612, 6716, 2102, 6463, 2242, 4460, 5047, 1549, 5425, 6642, 5872, 6190, 2047, 5814, 747, 999, 6405, 6476, 1575, 464, 3891, 1631, 4012, 6062, 4628, 3542, 4809, 5959, 6145, 2683, 4604, 4818, 4730, 3526, 5161, 968, 5364.

The winners are requested to collect their prizes on Thursday at 11 am from Raowa office, says a press release.

Procession hailing CHT peace accord in N'ganj

Narayanganj district Awami League, Jubo League and Chhatra League yesterday jointly brought out a procession in Narayanganj hailing the signing of the peace agreement between the government and Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity (PCJSS), reports BSS.

Ruhul Matin takes over as president of PWEA

Md Ruhul Matin has recently taken over as the President of the Public Works Engineers Association (PWEA). Prior to this assignment, he was the vice president of the association. The post of president fell vacant following the joining of Md Azizul Haque as the Chairman of RAJUK, says a press release.

Matin joined the PWD in 1965 as an assistant engineer and held various responsible posts. He is now Superintending Engineer in the Housing and Settlement Directorate. He is also Vice President of the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh and is associated with various professional organisations.



Bangladeshi student wins American TV quiz show

Sahir Islam, a Bangladeshi-American student from Westchester, New York won the prestigious 1997 'Annual Teen Tournament' of the popular American TV quiz show 'Jeopardy!', winning US\$ 26,300. Sahir, 17, a senior year student of Somers High School, also scored a perfect 1600 on the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT), says a press release.

In 'Jeopardy!', contestants win money by providing questions about facts given by the show's host, Alex Trebek. For example, if Trebek says, 'The first President of the United States', then the winner is the person who asks, 'who was George Washington?'

He was among the 1500 teens randomly selected to be tested for the competition. Test takers are allowed 15 minutes to answer 50 questions in 50 categories. To qualify, participants had to answer 35 questions correctly. He took and passed the test and then competed in a mock version of the programme. Finally he became one of 15 teens nationally selected for the contest. Sahir won the first round of the competition in early October, which was recorded in Los Angeles, and moved to the semi-final. He won the semi-final in late October that was recorded in Washington DC. After a nerve-wrecking final (also in Washington) he became the winner of the 1997 Jeopardy Teen Tournament. 'It's probably the most exciting experience I've had in a while', said Sahir after winning the Tournament on November 14.

He is the son of Sirajul Islam, a former teacher of BUET and Sultana Islam.

Workshop on bio-safety

A two-day workshop on 'bio-safety regulation for Bangladesh' began in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

Agriculture and Food Minister Matia Chowdhury inaugurated the workshops at the BC-SIR auditorium.

Prof Sayeed returns

State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed returned home yesterday after attending the fourth conference of the Information Ministers of the Islamic countries held in Senegal's capital Dakar, reports UNB.



BNP brought out a procession during hartal hours in the city yesterday.

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