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PM hands over cheque for Tk one lakh to widow of freedom fighter

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday handed over a cheque for Taka one lakh to Mosammat Farida Khatun. widow of Abdul Majid at the Prime Minister's office here. reports BSS.

She donated the amount to meet the expenses of Farida Khatun's medical treatment.

BAMBA open air concert tomorrow

Bangladesh Musical Band's Association (BAMBA) will hold a day-long open-air concert tomorrow at BAF Shaheen-School & College field to observe its 10th founding anniversary, says a press release. 16 BAMBA members will perform at the concert which

tinue till 8 pm. The entrance will be opened to audience at 9 am. However, tickets will not be

will begin at 11 am and con-

sold at the entrance.

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Re-tender Notice for Computer Purchase

Proshika Manobik Unnayan Kendra, a national NGO, is inviting signed and sealed tenders from authorized and reputed Manufacturers/ Suppliers/ Vendors/ Dealers in computer business. Proshika may procure upto 100 personal computers.

- Tender schedule with detail specifications can be collected from Accounts Section on payment of the amount mentioned below during 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in all working days from 24/12/97 to 03/01/98.
- Tender schedule price Tk. 1,000.00 (Taka one thousand) only for those who participated in the first tender and Tk. 5,000.00 (Taka five thousand) only for others.
- Tender may be dropped in Tender Box at our reception on or before 04/01/98 by 11:00 a.m. and will be opened at 11:30 on the same date. The tenderer or their authorized representatives may be present at the time of opening of tenders.
- In case any tenderer wish to submit more than one tender for different brands and/or specifications should be submitted in separate schedule. If any tenderer submit more than one offer in single schedule will be treated as cancelled.

The organization reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the quotations without assigning any reason whatsoever.



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HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA DHAKA **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations, Government of India. is offering scholarships to meritorious students from Bangladesh to study in various Indian Colleges and Universities during the academic year 1998-99. These scholarships are for studies in various general disciplines, for courses in traditional Indian languages like Sanskrit, Pali and Prakrit, courses in various Sports disciplines and for studies in the field of Culture. They are available for courses at the under-graduate, post-graduate, M.Phil., Ph.D., M.Tech. and post-doctoral research levels.

Students interested in applying for these scholarships may do so in the prescribed format to the First Secretary (Education), High Commission of India, Dhaka. They may also send a copy of their application to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Bangladesh. THE LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS AT THE EDUCATION WING OF HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA IS JANUARY 25, 1998.

Further information, along with forms for applying for this scholarship, may be collected from the Education Wing, High Commission of India, House No.120, Road No.3, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka (Tel No.500597), on any working day w.e.f. January 01, 1998 between 0830 hrs and 1230 hrs.

What's on today

Dhaka Film Festival '97: On the occasion of the 5th Dhaka International Film Festival '97 organised by the Rainbow Film Society, 6 films — "The White Elephant, The Scout, Dipu Number Two, A Cradle in Taxi, Katha Purushan, Kimia — will be screened. Venue: Indian High Commission auditorium, Central Public Library auditorium. Time: 9 am to 8

Hamdard Seminar: A seminar on 'Role of Hamdard in Healthcare and Social Welfare in the Sub-continent' organised by the Hamdard Foundation and Hamdard Laboratory (Waqf) Bangladesh will be held. Venue: Ball Room, Dhaka Sheraton Hotel. Time: 9:30 am.

SCEMRB Discussion: On the occasion of the 20th founding anniversary of Society for the Care and Education of the Mentally Retarded, Bangladesh (SCEMRB) a discussion and cultural function will be held. Venue: NIMR Bhaban, 4/A, Eskaton. Time: 4:30 pm.

Islami conference: A 2-day long Islami conference will begin. Venue: Faidabad Asgarul Ulum Senior and Hafizia Madrasa, Uttara. Time: 3 pm.

Mahila Parishad Discussion: An exchange of views and discussion on Women's human rights and role of women in mass media organised by the Bangladesh Mahila Parishad will be held. Venue: VIP Lounge, National Press Club. Time: 3:30 pm.

Tagore song: On the occasion of the first founding anniversary of the 'Biswabina' a programme on Tagore song will be held. Venue: Bangladesh Shishu Academy auditorium. Time: 6:30 pm.

BCPS lecture: Two lectures on 'Community participation in eye care' and 'Recent trend in peptic ulcer management' organised by the Bangladesh College of Physicians & Surgeons will be held. Venue: BCPS auditorium, Mohakhali. Time: 11 am, 12:10 pm.

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

Rotary Club of Dhaka North West: The weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: 23 Green Road. Time: 6

Country needs well-organised armed forces, says President

President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed said in Jossore yesterday that Bangladesh like all other self-respecting nations need a well-organised armed force as a symbol of its independence and sovereignty, reports BSS.

The President was speaking at the passing out parade marking the commissioning of No 35th General Duties Pilot GD (P) and No 39th Ground Branch courses of Bangladesh Airforce Academy (BAFA) held at the BAFA Parade Square.

He reviewed the parade and took salute at the impressive march past. The also presented "Sword of Honour, flying wings, trophies, medals and certificates among the outstanding graduating cadets.

Flight cadet wing under-offi-cer Abu Saleh Mahmud Mannafi of GD(P) course was adjudged the "best all-round" cadet and was presented with the cov-

eted "sword of honour." He also achieved the "Osmany Trophy" for the best performance in academics and "commandants trophy" for creditable performance in the general service training. "Chief of the Air Trophy" was awarded to cadet Mohammad Anwaruzzaman for "all-round" performance from the Ground Branch.

The President also presented the Academy colour to number two squadron for the winter term which achieved laurels in different competitions during the last term.

President Shahabuddin Ahmed said the air force had already made mark of its efficiency in both national and in-

ternational arena. The air force, he said had earned the confidence of the people by creating examples in the fields of disaster management and efficient service.

Weather

Dry spell to prevail

Dry weather is likely to prevail over the country with temporary partly cloudy sky in the next 24 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met Office says slight rise in night temperature is expected across the country.

Country's highest temperature 24.5 degrees Celsius was recorded at Cox's Bazar and the lowest 8.0 degrees at Rajshahi. Sun sets today at 5:18 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:39 am.

will be held Friday, 26 December, 1997 after Asr prayers **Bailey Heights** 2, Nauratan Colony New Bailey Road, Dhaka Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend and pray for the departed soul.

Mrs. Rina Humayun (Violet)

Chehlum

Mrs. Lily Khan

English Department Alumni Society Department of English University of Dhaka

Annual Get-together 1997

Date: December 26, 1997 (Friday)

Time : 3:00-6:30 PM

Venue: British Council, 5 Fuller Road, Dhaka Registration fees: Taka 100/- only.

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Jatiyatabadi Mohila Dal to observe hunger strike today

Jatiyatabadi Mohila Dal will observe a token hunger strike today to protest the peace accord signed by the govern-ment with the Parbatya Chattagram Jana Sanghati Samity. reports UNB.

Convenor of the organisation Begum Khurshid Jahan Huq MP will lead the hunger strike, to be held in front of BNP central office here from 8 am to 5 pm, said a party source.

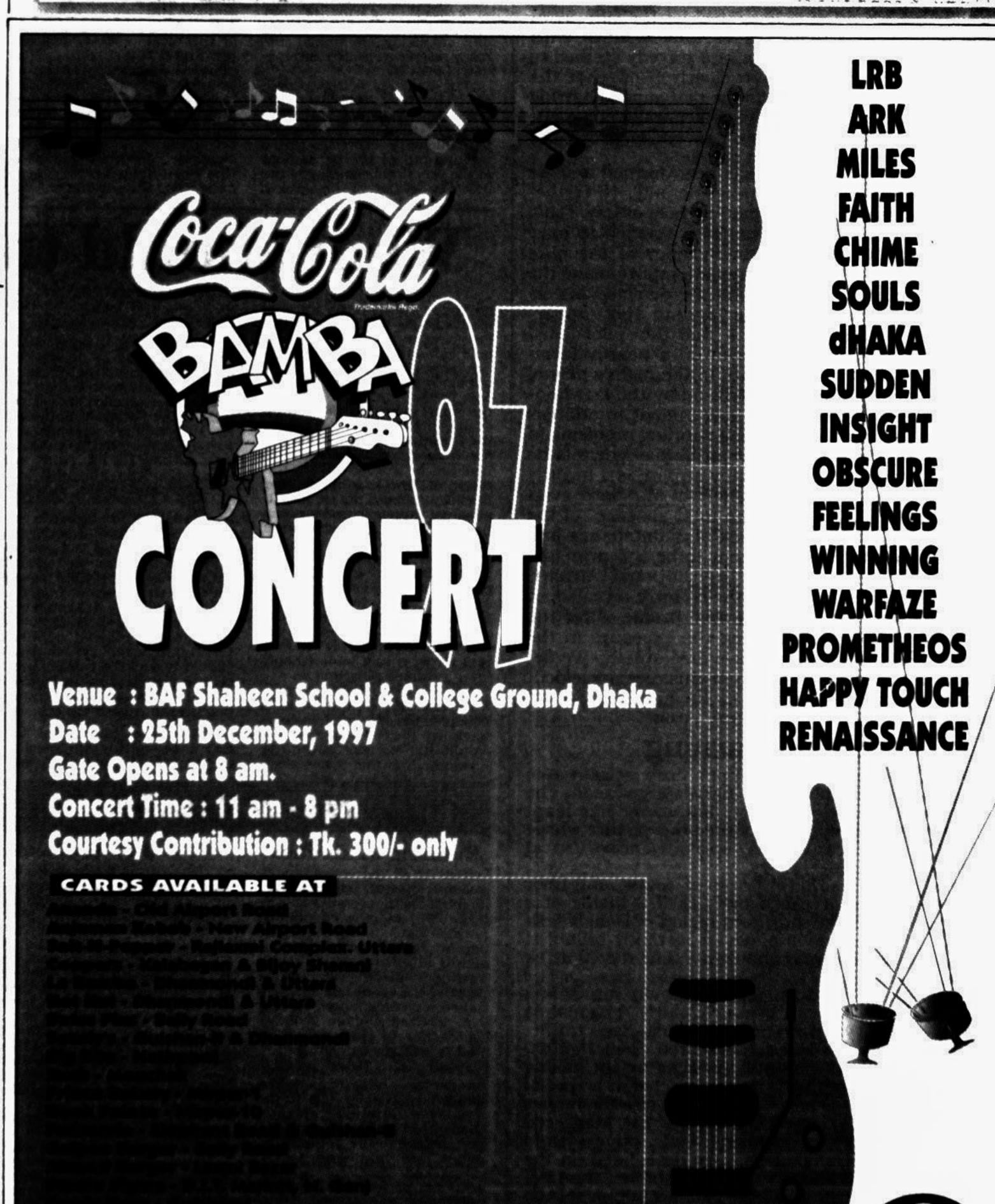
Christmas arrangements at Hotel Sonargaon

With the advent of Christmas, Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel has taken up versatile programmes to celebrate the holy occasion. The festivities of Christmas and Year-end started from December 14, says a press

The grand Lobby Lounge and other restaurants and outlets were tastefully embellished with colourful drapers and shiny buntings. Colourfully decorated and illuminated Christmas Trees are placed in different corners. A group of 25 known as T Razario & his group is singing Christmas carol from December 20 through 24. Santa Claus will appear with tasty candies for children on Christmas Day, till the evening.

On the joyous day Cafe Bazar will feature a traditional Christmas Day branch from 11 am to 9 pm. A grand Christmas Buffet of whole roasted turkey with giblet dressings and all the trimmings will be available whole day long. A full array of mouth watering desserts are also included in the grand Christmas Buffet. The price of Buffet is Tk 695/- per person and for children Tk 395/- per

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