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● What's on today . . . ●

Lecture: The Community Development Library (CDL), (Gana Unnayan Granthagar) will hold a lecture on 'Opening up the World Bank's Development related Knowledge to the Developing World'. The lecture will be delivered by Dr Syed A Mahmud, on behalf of the Private Sector Development Department of the World Bank, Washington DC, USA. Venue: Gana Unnayan Granthagar auditorium. Time: 3 pm.

KB Roy Chowdhury Smriti Sangsads: A meeting of the Sangsads will be held. Venue: House No. 1, road no 2 Dhanmondi. Time: 4 pm.

Publication ceremony: The publication ceremony of a book titled 'Samakain Muslim Bishwa : Islam O Bangladesh' written by Dr Mohammad Mainul Ahsan Khan will be held. Venue: Mirpur Section. Time?

Rotary Club of Dhaka Mid Town: The weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club Ltd. Time: 4:30 pm.

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Dhaka WASA Tender Notice (3rd Call)

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Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class civil contractors for construction of RCC slab, raising CI manhole cover & reinstalling gratings at areas under Drainage Division-1 at an allotted cost of Tk 5,99,334.54. Tenders will be received up to 12:00 Noon of 22.1.98 and opened on the same day at 2.00 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers or their representatives.

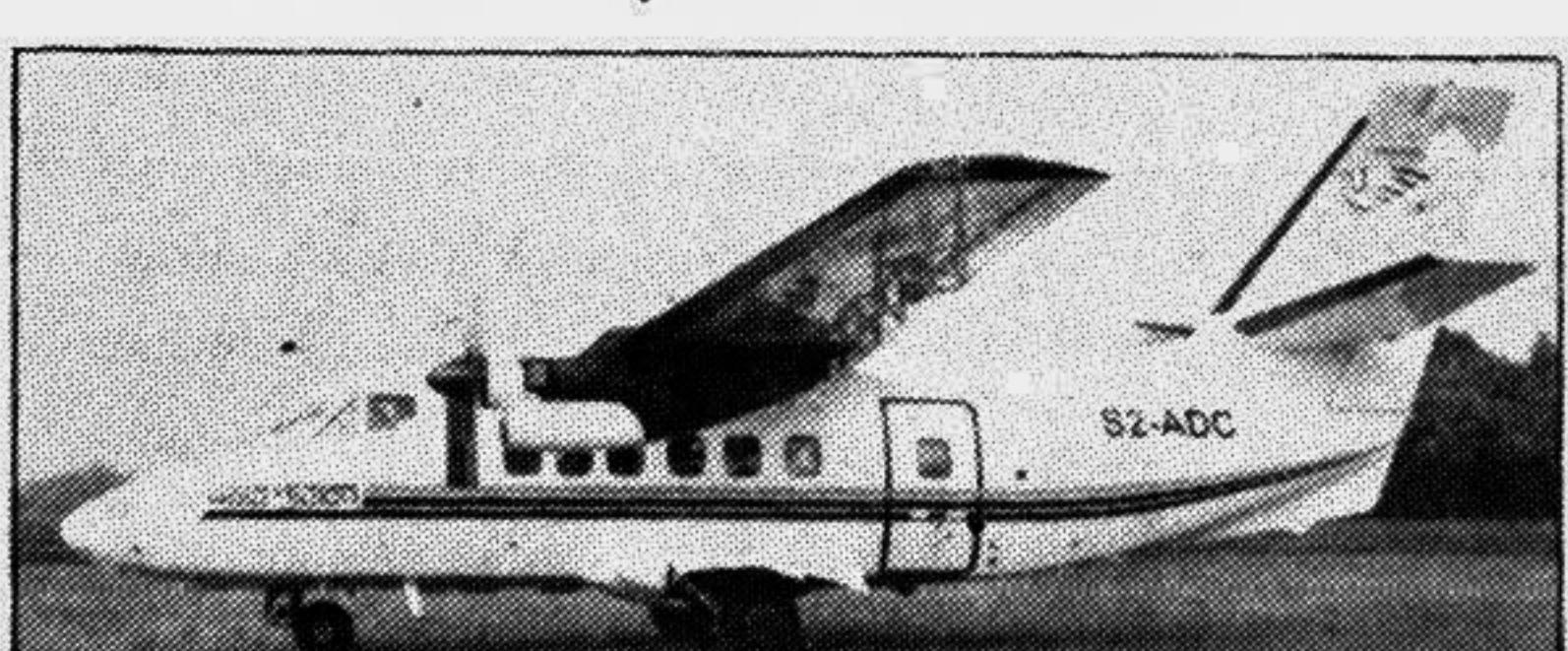
Schedule of tender will be available at the office of the Chief Accounts Officer of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka and all MODS Zone Offices of Dhaka WASA. Other details will be available at the office of the undersigned.

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WE CARE FOR YOUR TIME AND COMFORT

Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia hosted an iftar party for professionals at her official Minto Road residence yesterday. —Star photo

PM distributes warm clothes in Banani

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina distributed winter cloths among the cold-wave stricken poor and homeless people of Banani in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

A large number of distressed men, women and children received from the Prime Minister warm cloths including blankets, sweaters and jackets.

Meanwhile, the chiefs of three services yesterday handed over separate cheques to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund to purchase warm clothes for the poor and homeless people.

Receiving the cheques at the foundation-laying ceremony of the National Defence College at Mirpur, the Prime Minister thanked the three chiefs for their donations.

Meanwhile, a 15-member delegation of BJMEA forum led by Anisur Rahman Sinha donated 26 thousand pieces of jackets, sweaters and shirts and a cheque for Taka five lakh to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund at a ceremony at Ganabhaban.

Besides, a six-member delegation of Kapitan Bazar Hawkers Market Complex and Suhrawardy Hawkers Market donated warm clothes to the PM's Relief Fund.

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DCC

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The clothes, including 3,000 blankets, 2,000 jackets, 500 shirts, 300 sarees and a good number of baby garments, were distributed at Sadarghat, Kamalapur and High Court areas.

Ward Commissioners Abdul Gaffar and Habibur Rahman Mizan distributed the clothing on behalf of the Mayor, said a press release.

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My Indian International Passport No. K-238165 lost on 8.1.98. GD No. 547-Dhanmondi P.S. —K.N. Siddiqui C-34 (Bangladesh Medical College)

Entrepreneurs urged to explore potential of Italian market

Visiting Italian trade team yesterday urged the Bangladeshi entrepreneurs to explore the potentials of the Italian market, reports BSS.

They were speaking at a reception hosted by Banit and Gruppo Samar, the leading trading houses of Italy at Sonargaon Hotel.

The reception was also addressed, among others, by the Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Abul Hasan

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Death anniversary of Justice Abdur Rahman Chy today

The fourth death anniversary of Justice Abdur Rahman Chowdhury will be observed today, says a press release.

A meritorious students and a brilliant orator, Justice Chowdhury was the VP of Salimullah Muslim Hall in 1948 and was one of the pioneers of the Language Movement. He drafted the historic memorandum containing the demands of the people of erstwhile East Pakistan given to the then Prime Minister of Pakistan Khawaja Nazimuddin.

Masterda Surya Sen's 64th death anniversary today

Masterda Surya Sen Parshad yesterday called upon all to observe the 64th death anniversary of the martyr of anti-British imperialist movement today, reports BSS.

Justice Kernaluddin Ahmed and advocate Subrata Chowdhury, president and general secretary respectively of the Parishad, urged the authorities to broadcast programmes on Masterda Surya Sen's heroic role in the country's freedom struggle over radio and television, bring out a postage stamp in his memory and name a road in Chittagong after him.

Masterda led the historic attack at the Chittagong Armoury and the Battle of the Jhalaband Hills in Chittagong.

The then British rulers later managed to apprehend him along with another revolutionary, Tarakeswar Dastidar, and hanged them in the Chittagong Jail. Their bodies were thrown into the Bay of Bengal.

Obituary

Rabeya Khatoon, mother of poet Rafiq Azad, died of old age ailments at her Tangail residence Friday, family sources said yesterday. She was 96, reports BSS.

Rabeya, known for her philanthropic activities, was buried at the family graveyard in Tangail town yesterday after namaz-e-Janaza at a local mosque.

Khaleda hosts Iftar party for professionals

BNP Chairperson and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Begum Khaleda Zia yesterday hosted an iftar party for the professionals at her Minto Road official residence, reports UNB.

A large number of agriculturists, physicians, engineers and academics attended the party.

BNP Secretary General Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan and other party leaders were present.

Swiss business team may visit Dhaka this year

A Swiss business delegation is likely to visit Dhaka sometime this year to explore the possibilities of investment in Bangladesh.

We are studying, and if everything goes right, I hope that a group of Swiss businessmen will come to Bangladesh sometime in October-November, said Giambattista Mondada, Charge d'Affaires of Switzerland in Dhaka, in an interview with BSS.

He said Swiss investors have started taking interest about Bangladesh and are putting up queries with the Swiss embassy here.

The CDA said the Swiss embassy in Dhaka will arrange the visit of the business team.

I want that they should directly come to Dhaka and see for themselves the opportunities that Bangladesh has created for foreign investment, he said. I'm sure they will respond positively.

He said the Swiss business group might offer investment in textile, cement and energy sectors.

Referring to his country's investment in Bangladesh, the Swiss CDA said till December 31, 1996, Swiss multi-national investors invested some 26 million US dollars, establishing eight units.

At present, Switzerland exports goods worth about 30 million US dollars annually while Bangladesh's export is about 15 million dollars.

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Discussion on Bangabandhu's homecoming day

Khasru pleads for reaching consensus on vital nat'l issues

the exploited and oppressed masses of the country.

He pointed out that Bangabandhu achieved the political and constitutional leadership of the country through winning landslide victory in the 1970 general elections and finally gave the declaration of the country's independence on the night of March 25 before being arrested by the Pakistani forces.

He said that the return of Bangabandhu from Pakistan jail on January 10 in fact gave completeness to our hard-earned independence.

Presided over by Amirul Islam, the discussion was addressed among others by Shafiq Ahmed, Shakhat Ali, Tofaelur Rahman, former secretary of supreme court bar association, Abdul Basit and Mahbub-e-Alam, Mesbahuddin Ahmed, Khan Tipu Sultan MP, Abdus Salam Talukder and Syed Rezaur Rahman, president of Dhaka Bar.

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