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Basanta Mela in Khulna from today

Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC) is organising a Basanta Mela (Spring Fair) at Khulna from today, says a BSCIC press release.

The eight-day fair will be held on the Khulna Zilla School premises.

Apart from display and sale of different kinds of handicraft and cottage industries products there will be sessions of Bhaavata, Bhatiali, Lalon geeti, Zare, Shari songs.

The fair will remain open from 4 pm to 9 pm Saturday to Thursday and from 10am to 9 pm on Friday.



Young lawyers under The Daily Star programme of 'Entrepreneurs and professionals speak out' met yesterday to chalk out their follow-up programmes, which include strengthening of professional ethics, bringing about transparency and accountability of our legal system and improving the professional status of the young legal practitioners. They have formed three groups which will study the above issues and report within a week. The picture shows the meeting in progress held in collaboration with the British Council at its premises in Dhaka. — Star photo

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KU to introduce masters' course in 3 new subjects

KHULNA, Feb 12: Khulna University (KU) is going to introduce masters' course in three new subjects from the coming session, reports UNB.

University sources said necessary preparations have almost been completed and admission notice to this effect would be published shortly.

The new subjects are: Fisheries and Marine Resources Technology (FMRT), Business Administration and Forestry and Wood Technology.

The university will confer Master's of Science in FMRT, Master's of Business Administration (MBA) and Master's of Science in Forestry.

The authorities have also been finalising the appointment of teachers to teach the students in these subjects.

There are graduation and honours courses in 11 disciplines in the university with a duration of four years excepting Architecture which is of five years of duration.

At present the number of students studying in the university is over 1,000.

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Position: Social Scientist

Background: Bangladesh has an active portfolio of projects in social and economic sectors with substantive participatory components. To translate its commitment to increase stakeholder involvement in projects, the Dhaka Office plans to strengthen its capacity in the field of social assessment. The objective is to build a field level capacity to facilitate project preparation with stakeholder participation, monitor and supervise the existing projects for a greater social impact and to take a proactive role in dealing directly with many social and institutional issues. There is also a need to interact closely with the rich NGO community in Bangladesh.

Tasks: The social scientist will be a member of the Dhaka-based Social Team. The selected person would inter alia be responsible for technical support to the Dhaka Office for: (i) social assessments, stakeholder and gender analysis in Project Preparation and implementation; (ii) social analysis and participation as inputs in the preparation of Country Assistance Strategy and sectoral work; (iii) inputs related to issues of minorities, women and children; (iv) resettlement issues in collaboration with the specialist in the infrastructure and agriculture sectors; and (v) initiating and managing studies undertaken by local and international consultants in the area of social development.

Qualification and Experience: Candidates should have a master degree in social sciences, with demonstrated experience in conducting and managing social assessment, stakeholder participation and gender analysis. At least, seven years work experience in initiating and managing interdisciplinary research on development issues; regional or cross regional experience will be a plus. In addition, the following qualifications are required: (i) analytical and conceptual skills, particularly relating to social, economic and statistical dimensions of problems in various sectors; (ii) excellent writing and communication skills; (iii) proven ability to work effectively as a member of an inter-disciplinary team; (iv) excellent field-level skills and proven ability to work effectively with local counterparts and consultants; and (v) computer literacy.

The incumbent will be expected to travel extensively within and outside of Bangladesh, and must be willing to work under challenging circumstances. The appointment will be initially for a year with the expectation of extension if performance is fully satisfactory. The need for this position is seen as long term.

Applications with complete Curriculum Vitae and contact telephone number should be addressed to The World Bank Bangladesh Dhaka Office, Ref. **Social Scientist**, 3A, Paribagh, Dhaka-1000.

Deadline: Application should be received within 20 days from the date of publication.

What's on today . . .

- Ekushey Grantha Mela:** A discussion on 'History and culture of Bangladesh' will be held. Venue: Bangla Academy premises. Time: 4 pm.
- Rose Festival '98:** Bangladesh National Rose Society has organised a rose festival. Venue: Dhaka Club premises. Time: 10 am.
- Ikebana show:** A day-long 'Ikebana' show will be held. Organiser: Ikebana International Club, Dhaka chapter. The prize-giving ceremony of the Club will also be held. Venue: WVA Auditorium, House: 20, Rd: 27 (Old), Dhanmondi. Time: 10am-6 pm, and 4 pm respectively.
- Film show:** Selected documentary films of Film South Asia '97 (Kathmandu) will be screened in a traveling festival. Venue: German Cultural Centre, House: 10, Rd: 9, Dhanmondi. Time: 3 pm-7 pm.
- Condolence meeting:** A citizen's condolence meeting on Kamal Bhushan Roy Chowdhury, former vice-president of DUCSU, will be held. Venue: TSC auditorium. Time: 4 pm.
- Conference:** The inaugural session of the 10th annual conference of Bangladesh Society of Ultrasonography will be held. Venue: Hotel Razmoni Isha Kha, Kakrail. Time: 9:30 am.
- Convention:** A 3-day annual convention (Jalsa Salana) of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat, Bangladesh will begin. Venue: Darut Tabligh premises, 4 Bakshi Bazar Rd. Time: 2:30 pm-5:30 pm.
- Seminar:** A seminar on 'uses of bayramix (stone decorative material)' will be held. Venue: Ball Room, Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 3:30 pm.
- AGM:** The annual general meeting and election of BCS (Taxation) Association will be held. Venue: Officers' Club. Time: 9 am.

CU classes resume Feb 16

From CU Correspondent

Classes of the Chittagong University (CU) will resume on February 16 after a month-long vacation for Ramadan and Eid-ul-Fitr.

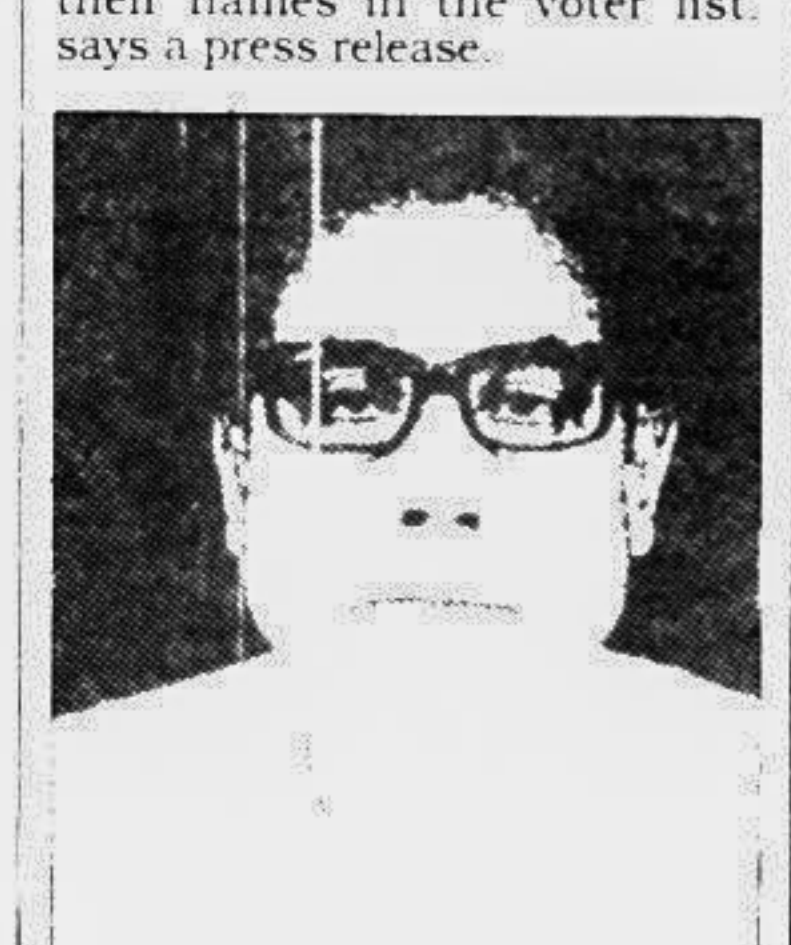
All the residential halls are open and many students have already started returning back to the campus.

BPRA biennial confce March 9

The 9th biennial conference and election of Bangladesh Public Relations Association (BPRA) will be held on March 9, reports UNB.

Members who have cleared their membership fees up to December '97 will be eligible for participation in the election.

Members have been requested to pay their arrears by February 22 in order to enrol their names in the voter list, says a press release.



Death anniversary of Bhola Mia tomorrow

The first death anniversary of Reazuddin Ahmed (Bhola Mia), a valiant freedom fighter and eminent politician, will be observed tomorrow, says a press release.

Bhola Mia, an ex-minister and former deputy speaker, started his political career in the then undivided India. In 1970, he was elected MNA from the Awami League. He was the Whip of the first parliament of independent Bangladesh. He served as a state minister under the Bangabandhu government and cabinet minister under the government of Ziaur Rahman. He was deputy speaker of the parliament from 1988 to 1990.

A milad mahfil will be held tomorrow after Asr prayers at the residence of his eldest son, at House 83, Road 23, Gulshan 1.

Death anniversary

The first death anniversary of Dr Syed Monzurul Haque will be observed today, says a press release.

He was the ex-Principal of Dhaka Dental College and Hospital. He was also the president of Bangladesh Dental Society, Dhaka Dental College Teachers' Association.

Chehlum

The chehlum of Nooruddin Ahmed, eldest son of renowned researcher and assistant editor of Dainik Al-Mujaddid, will be held today after Asr prayers at his 195/1/1 Shantibagh residence, reports BSS.

Nooruddin Ahmed, who was the office manager of Development Design Consultants Limited, died of heart attack on December 28 last.

Regional workshop on gender equity from Feb 15

Centre on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific (CIRDAP) and British Council, Dhaka, will hold a four-day regional workshop on gender equity at the CIRDAP headquarters in the capital from February 15. CIRDAP and British Council chiefs said yesterday, reports BSS.

Director general of CIRDAP, AVS Reddy and director of Dhaka British Council Tom Cowin in a joint press conference yesterday said the workshop will bridge gender thinking gaps. Fifty-two senior officials and NGO representatives from 13 CIRDAP member countries including Bangladesh will take part in the workshop.

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