

Richardson visits BNWLA's shelter

By Special Correspondent
 Visiting UN envoy Bill Richardson yesterday expressed concern over increasing women and child trafficking in Bangladesh and elsewhere. He said his government was eager to extend help to stop such abuse.
 "We are working on a US strategy to combat trafficking and violence against women," he said while visiting a shelter home in the city for women and children rescued from traffickers.
 The shelter is run by Bangladesh National Women Lawyers' Association (BNWLA).
 The children, aged between two to eight, are being trafficked to Dubai to work as camel jockeys," Salma Ali, Executive Director, BNWLA, told Richardson, who was accompanied by US Assistant Secretary for South Asia Karl Inderfurth.
 "The (smuggled) women become slaves," she said.
 "That's wrong... We need to focus more international attention on this problem," Richardson said while playing carom with the children at the shelter.
 Richardson lauded the BNWLA's efforts saying that "it is no accident that action has been taken first by a non-governmental organisation." He announced a donation of 32,000 US dollars for the shelter.
 The BNWLA shelter houses 59 women and children.



US Ambassador to the UN Bill Richardson visited a shelter home run by BNWLA in the city yesterday. — PID photo

Grameen Bank's success amazes Richardson

The visiting US Permanent Representative to the UN, Bill Richardson, has found it amazing how the lives of rural poor women saw a big change through the Grameen assistance, reports UNB.
 Ambassador Richardson,

who arrived in the city yesterday flew to Sonargaon by helicopter in the afternoon to see Grameen Bank's micro-credit programme in action.
 Many rural women described their poverty-stricken past and their present situation to the distinguished American visitor who found a big change in the life of the poor women.

Mahmuda Begum, the owner-operator of the Grameen mobile telephone centre, told Ambassador Richardson how she was running the centre giving telephone services to the village people.
 She also told him her abject poverty of the past and how the fortune smiled on her after she got involved with the Grameen programme.

Amena Begum, a beneficiary of the Grameen Bank, described her days before she got involved with the Bank's micro-credit programme.
 "I've managed to buy a piece of land from the profits I made through rice business after getting a loan from the Bank," said a happy Amena Begum.

Earlier, Ambassador Richardson and other members of his delegation were welcomed by groups of women and children at different places on their way to the Grameen project after they alighted from the chopper at Sonargaon.
 While visiting a Grameen Bank site at Mognapara in Sonargaon, Ambassador Richardson talked and exchanged greetings with the beneficiaries of the Grameen Bank programmes.

Grameen Bank chief Mohammad Yunus accompanied the US delegation.
 Talking to newsmen at the old Tejgaon airport after returning from Sonargaon, Richardson said Bangladesh was making tremendous effort in achieving self-reliance.

The micro-credit programme was the best he saw in the developing countries, the US politician turned diplomat said.
 "It is really tremendous that over two million women work on their own under such an innovative programme."

Ambassador Richardson praised Dr Mohammad Yunus for his innovative micro-credit programme for the rural poor.
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LDF protest rally Thursday

The Left Democratic Front (LDF) will hold a protest rally in the city on Thursday demanding steps to solve the power, gas and water crisis, reports UNB.
 The decision was taken at a meeting of the city LDF presided over by its convenor Mostafa Farooq.

Weather
Rain, squally wind likely

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at one or two places over Dhaka, Barisal and Sylhet divisions and over the regions of Kushtia, Pabna, Bogra, Comilla and Noakhali till 6 pm today, reports UNB.
 According to the Met Office, weather may remain mainly dry elsewhere over the country. Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country.
 The sun sets today at 6:20 pm and rises on Wednesday at 5:38 am.

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What's on today...

- Sculpture show:** An exhibition of sculpture's by Novera Ahmed will begin. Venue: National Museum, Shahbagh. Time: 10:30 am. Till May 13.
- Film show:** 'Nadir Num Modhumoti', a film on the Liberation War by Tanvir Mokammel, will be screened. Venue: Public Library auditorium. Time: 10 am, 12 pm, 3 pm, 5 pm and 7 pm.
- Launching ceremony:** The launching ceremony of Milla Ali's album of Tagore songs on CD, 'Amar Na Bola Bani', will be held. Venue: Ballroom, Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 5 pm.
- Theatre:** 'A drama without title', a play directed by Ashish Khondokar and produced by Space and Acting Research Centre, will be staged celebrating Pahela Baishak. Venue: Muktiuddho Jadugar. Time: 7 pm.

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