

DUCSU condemns arrest of Pintu

Dhaka University Central Students Union (DUCSU) yesterday condemned the arrest of JCD leader Nasiruddin Pintu during Wednesday's half-day hartal and demanded his immediate release, reports UNB.

DUCSU Vice President Amanullah Aman and General Secretary Khairul Kabir Khokon in a joint statement said four leaders and activists of BNP had been killed by Awami terrorists and another hundreds arrested during the peaceful hartal on April 15.

Passage of CHT bills demanded

Four organisations of the Chittagong Hill districts in a joint rally in Khagrachhari yesterday demanded passage of the CHT bills in Parliament after removing the discrepancies, reports UNB.

The organisations are Pahari Peshajibi Oikya Committee, Pahari Gano Parishad, Pahari Chhatra Parishad and Hill Women's Federation. Nabin Kumar Tripura presided over the rally.

After the rally, a memorandum to the Prime Minister was handed over to the Deputy Commissioner.

What's on today

Fire Service and Civil Defence Week: The inaugural ceremony of the Fire Service and Civil Defence Week '98 will be held. Venue: Fire Service and Civil Defence Training Complex, Mirpur. Time: 8 am.

Seminar: A seminar on the 'Quantitative research on child domestic workers in Dhaka City', jointly organised by the Shoshish Bangladesh and SCF (UK), will be held. Venue: BRAC auditorium, BRAC Centre, Mohakhali. Time: 10 am.

Cassette launching: The launching ceremony of a Tagore song cassette by singer Tajim Sultana will be held. Venue: Liberation War Museum, Shagunbagicha. Time: 7 pm.

Seminar: A seminar on 'Security of Bangladesh: Theoretical aspect and reality', organised by the Higher Humanities Research Centre, will be held. Prof Abul Kalam of International Relations Department will present the keynote paper. Venue: Centre Seminar room, LT-434, DU campus. Time: 4 pm.

Film show: A 4-day retrospective of films by Peter that will begin and 'Head-Teacher Hofer' will be screened. Organiser: Goethe Institut, Dhaka in cooperation with Bangladesh Short Film Forum and Bangladesh Federation of Film Societies. Venue: German Cultural Centre. Time: 6 pm.

Workshop: An 8-day workshop on 'Development of literacy materials for primary school children in rural areas', organised by the Dhaka Ahsania Mission under the sponsorship of Hiroshima University, Japan in cooperation with UNESCO, BNCU and NCTB, will begin. Venue: Mission auditorium, Rd-12, Dhanmondi. Time: 9 am.

Training course: A week-long training course on Management for 36 executives of Jiban Bima Corporation, organised by the Rapport Bangladesh Ltd, will be inaugurated. Venue: Rapport Seminar Hall. Time: 5:30 Pm.

Exhibition: A 3-day photography exhibition and competition titled 'Ruposhi Bangla', organised by the Bangladesh Photo Journalist Association, will begin. Venue: Association auditorium, 58/1-A, Purana Paltan. Time: 5 pm. The exhibition will remain open from 10 am to 9 pm.

Weather
Rain with hails forecast

Rain or showers accompanied by temporary *kalbaishakht* gusty or squally wind with hails is likely to occur at few places over Dhaka, Barisal and Sylhet divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi, Khulna and Chittagong divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

According to the Met Office, weather may change little for the following two days.

The country's highest temperature 35.8 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Satkhira and the lowest 17.2 degree Celsius at Srimangal.

The sun sets today at 6:22 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:33 am.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in Percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	33.2	21.6	78	61
Chittagong	32.4	22.3	64	71
Rajshahi	35.0	20.8	72	63
Khulna	34.5	24.6	86	51
Barisal	34.0	22.4	82	75
Sylhet	31.8	20.5	59	64
Cox's Bazar	34.5	24.0	65	65



Indian artiste Anjan Datta held a press conference at the National Press Club in the city yesterday. — Star photo

Biman flight rescheduled

The Dhaka-Kuwait-Bahrain (BG-041) Flight of Biman Bangladesh Airlines will depart from Zia International Airport at 8 am tomorrow. Biman sources said yesterday, reports BSS.

According to the sources, the flight, which was scheduled to take off at 7:45pm today, was rescheduled to the next morning.

All passengers have been advised to report at the airport following the new schedule.

Aziz buried

The body of Principal Abdul Aziz, Bangladesh Ambassador to Qatar, was laid to rest at the Intellectuals graveyard at Mirpur yesterday, reports UNB.

Earlier, the *namaz-e-Janaza* of Aziz was held at the Satmosjid Road Eidgah Maidan after *Johr* prayers.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Abul Hasan Chowdhury, Charge de Affairs of Qatar to Bangladesh Abdur Rahman and high officials of the Foreign Ministry and other departments, and students and relatives of late Aziz attended the *Janaza*.

Scout workshop held

The third national extension scout leader workshop, organised by Bangladesh Scouts for the development of handicapped scouting, was held at its Bhaban in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

M Mohobuzzaman, president, Bangladesh Scouts, inaugurated the workshop, while Manzoor Ul Karim, chief national commissioner, Bangladesh Scouts presided over the inaugural session.

Seminar postponed

Due to unavoidable circumstances, the seminar on 'Coronary artery diseases prevention and management', organised by Service Civil International (SCI) Bangladesh scheduled to be held today, has been postponed, according to a press release, reports BSS.

The authorities expressed regret to the invitees for the inconveniences caused to them.

The fresh date, time and venue will be communicated to all concerned in time, the press release added.

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