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JU English Dept  
freshers' reception

By JU Correspondent  
 The English Department of Jahangirnagar University accorded a reception to its freshers under 1998-97 session at the 'Akashmoni Stage' near the Arts Faculty premises yesterday.

JU Treasurer Prof Sharif Enamul Kabir greeted the programme as chief guest while Registrar Mohammad Ali and Coordinator of the CRP at Savar Valery A Taylor were present as special guests.

Ahmed Reza, Chairman of the department presided.

The reception was followed by a cultural function organised by the students of the English Department.

Tofail urges Indian business community  
Support Bangladesh's plea for  
duty-free access to your market

Commerce and Industries Minister Tofail Ahmed has urged the business community of India to support Bangladesh's plea for duty-free access to Indian market for boosting bilateral trade, reports UNB.

Speaking at a reception in a Calcutta hotel Saturday night, he also requested India's business people to put pressure for speedy implementation of the Indian government's decisions regarding removal of tariff and non-tariff barriers and quantitative restrictions on import.

West Bengal Chief Minister Jyoti Basu, other members of his cabinet and business magnates of Calcutta attended the reception hosted by Bengal National Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Tofail returned home yesterday from Calcutta after attending the inaugural ceremony of the Industrial India Trade Fair. The 10-day fair began on Friday.

Tofail and West Bengal Chief Minister Jyoti Basu jointly inaugurated the Bangladesh pavilion, displaying an wide array of Bangladesh's exportables, including melamine, cosmetics and toiletries, jamdani and silk saris, ceramics, stoneware products, electric cables and dry-cell batteries.

During his two-day stay in Calcutta the Commerce Minister also opened the Bangladesh Export Promotion Centre and the Bangladesh Publication Display Centre in Calcutta. He called on the Chief Minister and attended a press briefing.

Addressing the reception, Tofail Ahmed said Bangladesh has the capacity to export more to India and in recent years, exports have been increasing.

"It would get a big push if we get zero tariff and restriction-free access to Indian market," he said.

He also called upon the Indian investors to make some joint venture projects for mutual benefit.

The Bangladesh Commerce Minister expressed his gratitude to the people of India, particularly of West Bengal, for their all-out support and cooperation during the Liberation War in 1971.

Jyoti Basu lauded the dynamism of the present government in Bangladesh in maintaining economic growth.

Bangladesh is a very prospective country and moving in the right direction for rapid economic development, the West Bengal Chief Minister said.

Heads of govt  
greet President

Heads of state and government of the Muslim countries have sent messages of greetings to President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed on the occasion of the holy Ramadan, reports BSS.

In their messages they wished happiness and continued peace and progress of the brotherly people of Bangladesh and greater unity of the Muslim Ummah.

The messages so far received are from the custodian of the two holy mosques and the King of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and Crown Prince Deputy Prime Minister and Chief of the National Guard of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the King of Morocco, Sultan of Oman, Amir of Qatar, Amir of Bahrain, President of the Republic of the Maldives, President of Egypt, President of UAE, Prime Minister of Qatar, Vice President and Prime Minister of UAE, Deputy Prime Minister of UAE and their apparent in Qatar.

BTv interview  
with Amartya  
Sen today

Bangladesh Television will telecast an interview with Nobel laureate Dr Amartya Sen at 8.45 pm today, reports BSS.

The one-hour interview of Dr Sen was taken by Dr Devapriya Bhattacharya on December 18.

**Directorate General Defence Purchase**  
**Ministry of Defence**  
 New Airport Road, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215  
**Re-Tender Notice**

1. Sealed tenders in local/foreign currency are invited from bonafide Manufacturers/Dealer's/Supplier's/Indenter's (Enlisted Firms and Firms applied for enlistment in DGDP) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Army.

S No	Name of Items & Qty	Date of Selling	Date of Opening	Currency	Tender No	
		From	To			
a.	Various Size of Shoes Brown. (10,958 pair).	04-1-99	24-1-99	27-1-99	Local	2168/P-6
b.	Tie (For Service Dress). (2,000 Nos).	-do-	-do-	-do-	Local/ Foreign	2195/P-6
c.	Shoe Moccasin Black & White Size-6 to 10. (345 pair).	-do-	-do-	-do-	Local	2182/P-6
d.	Tin Mess Mark-3. (3,000 Set).	-do-	-do-	-do-	Local	2190/P-6

2. Tender schedule with detailed specifications/conditions will be available on payment as per I/T selling rate (Not refundable) during office hours between 0800 hours to 1300 hours. The tender can be dropped latest by 1000 hrs and opened at 1005 hours on the specified date of opening in the presence of tenderers (if present).

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Major  
For Director General

**Government of Bangladesh**  
**Office of the Executive Engineer (RHD)**  
 Workshop Division, Feni  
**Notice Inviting Tender**

1. Tender No-13 (RHD) Workshop Division, Feni/1998-99.  
 2. Name of works: Group-1 Fabrication work of Utility ferry Type-O18 ferry's Deck plate, Jatri chaudi, pender and repair of doors & windows under Hazigonj ferry ghat, RHD Workshop Division, Feni.  
 Group-2 Supply of spare parts for Cat, pillar dozer under the RHD Workshop Division, Feni during the year-1998-99.  
 Group-3 Repair of two propulsion units under Chandpur Isoli ferry ghat steel Surma ferry 033 of 150 HP Volbo penta engine, under the RHD Workshop Division, Feni during the year 1998-99.  
 Group-4 Repair of two propulsion unit with radar of 66 HP Kelvin engine of Milton steel ferry under Chandpur-Chowdhury ferry ghat, under the RHD Workshop Division, Feni, during the year 1998-99.  
 Group-5 Supply of spare parts for different cat. pillar Dozer (Model-D-5-B), under the RHD Workshop Division, Feni, during the year 1998-99.

3. Name of offices of availability of tender document : 1. E.E. (RHD), Workshop Division, Feni/Mymensingh.  
 2. Sub-Divisional Eng (RHD), Workshop Sub-Division, Feni.  
 4. Name of offices to receive : 1. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Workshop Circle, Dhaka.  
 2. Executive Engineer (RHD), Workshop Division, Feni/Mymensingh.

5. Last date of selling tender : 28-12-98.  
 6. Last date of receipt of tender : 29-12-98 (Till-12-30 pm).  
 7. Last date of opening tender : 30-12-98 (At-1-00 pm).  
 8. Value of tender documents : Bangladesh Form No-2911-25/- & 2908-15/and at the rate of per set schedule Tk 500/-

Tender No	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility Contractor.
13(98-99)				
Group-1	1,99,791/-	3,996/-	20 (Twenty) days.	1. "A" to "C" General class of Roads & Highways Department.
Group-2	1,14,000/-	2,280/-	-do-	2. "D" Class of RHD Workshop Circle, Dhaka.
Group-3	91,400/-	1,828/-	-do-	3. "E" Class of RHD Workshop Div, Feni
Group-4	1,05,000/-	2,100/-	-do-	
Group-5	88,000/-	1,760/-	-do-	

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**Executive Engineer (RHD)**  
Workshop Division, Feni

**Thakurgaon Road Division**  
**Notice Inviting Tender**  
 Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are invited.

1. Tender Notice No : 04, EE/T of 1998-99.  
 2. Name of work : Providing earth work and pavement repair with bituminous seal coat at different locations of different roads under Thakurgaon Road Division during the year 1998-99 in 3 (Three) groups.

3. Head of Accounts : As per group list.  
 4. Estimated cost :  
 5. Earnest money :  
 6. Time allowed :  
 7. Eligibility of contractor :  
 8. Name of offices where tender documents will be sold : 1. Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi.  
 2. Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Thakurgaon/Dinajpur/Nilphamari/Panchagarh/Rangpur/Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.  
 3. Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Road Sub-Division, Thakurgaon/Ist Line Workshop Sub-Division, Thakurgaon.  
 4. Add Chief Engineer (RHD), Rangpur Zone, Rangpur.  
 5. Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi.  
 6. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Road Circle, Dinajpur/Monitoring and Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.  
 7. Executive Engineer (RHD) Road Division, Thakurgaon/Dinajpur/Nilphamari/Panchagarh.

9. Name of offices where tender documents will be received : 1. Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi.  
 2. Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Thakurgaon/Dinajpur/Nilphamari/Panchagarh.

10. Last date of selling tender documents : 28.12.98.  
 11. Last date & time for receiving tender : At 12-30 PM on 29.12.98.  
 12. Date and time of opening tender box : At 12-45 PM on 29.12.98.  
 13. Date and time of opening tender bids : At 11.00 AM on 7.1.99.  
 14. Date and time of lottery (if necessary) : At 12.00 Noon on 13.1.99.

NB. 1. Only the tender amounting to Tk 10.00 lacs and above will be sold & received in the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi.  
 2. Only the tender amounting Tk. 5.00 lacs & above will be sold & received in the (RHD), Dhaka and Rangpur office.

**Group List**

Gr No	Name of road	Name of work with	Chargeable head	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed for completion of work	Eligibility of contractor	Remarks
1 (One)	Ranisankail -Horipur Road	Earth work at 18 & 19th (p) KM	168 RBF	Tk. 3,01,779/-	Tk. 6035/-	30 (Thirty) days	'A' to 'E' general category under 'RHD' contractor	Separate tender with separate earnest money to be submitted for each group.
2 (Two)	Ranisankail -Horipur Road	Providing bituminous seal coat with repair at 2nd, 3rd & 18th KM	168 RBF	Tk. 10,23,018/-	Tk. 20460/-	25 (Twenty-five) days	'A' to 'D' general category under 'RHD' contractor	
3 (Three)	Thakurgaon Station Road	Providing bituminous seal coat with repair at 3rd, 4th (p) & 5th (p) KM	168 RBF	Tk. 10,05,544/-	Tk. 20111/-	25 (Twenty-five) days	'A' to 'D' general category under (RHD) contractor	

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**Md Jalilur Rahman Pramanik**  
Executive Engineer (RHD)  
Road Division, Thakurgaon



State Minister for Sports, Youth and Cultural Affairs Obaidul Qader seen among the winners of Lux Eid Fashion competition at Hotel Sonargaon yesterday. — Star photo

384 admitted to the Bar  
Rule of law prerequisite  
for ideal justice : Afzal

Chief Justice A T M Afzal has said the rule of law and lawyers in society is complementary in securing the high ideals of social and economic justice, reports BSS.

The chief justice said the rule of law is an essential feature of civilised society and a pre-condition for realising ideal justice.

He was addressing as chief guest a function held in connection with the admission of new members to the Bar at city hotel yesterday.

Organised by Bangladesh Bar Council, the statutory highest body of practising lawyers, the programme was also addressed by the visiting Chief Justice of South Africa Justice Ismail Mohamed, as the special guest.

Afzal urged the newly-enrolled lawyers to dedicate themselves to the task of upholding the rule of law and defending it at all times without fear or favour.

He said integrity is another quality which is a great virtue of a true lawyer. "You must always bear in mind that a thing which is morally wrong cannot be professionally right," he added.

The chief justice later distributed certificates among the 384 newly-enrolled lawyers and administered them the oath of advocates.

In his speech, Justice Ismail Mohamed said there is no alternative to independence of judiciary to ensure the rule of law in a democratic society.

The power of an independent judiciary blows the whistle against those who commit fouls while running the administration and maintains a balance between government and legislature, he added.

Eminent lawyers Syed Ishtiaque Ahmed, Dr Kamal Hossain, Country Director of the World Bank Frederick Temple and visiting District Court Judge of New South Wales Ann Ainslie-Wallace also spoke on the occasion.

Vice Chairman of the Bar Council M Amirul Islam presented the address of welcome, while chairman of executive committee of the Council Shudhansu Shekhar Halder gave the vote of thanks.

## WVA raffle draw

The raffle draw of WVA Mela was held on December 18, but the following winning numbers remained unclaimed. The numbers are 933, 621, 1961, 601, 1985, 617, 500, 276, 1911, 1237, 1037, 1244.

Winners are requested to contact the WVA Fund Raising Committee over telephone — 885679 or 9116228 — within seven days for collection of the prizes, says a press release.

Institute in UK  
to carry out  
research on  
Liberation War

UK-based Sheikh Mujib Research Institute held a meeting celebrating Bangladesh's 28th Victory Day in London on Saturday with its chairman Abdul Gaffar Chowdhury in the chair, according to a message received in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

Speakers paid rich tributes to the greatest sons of the soil who embraced martyrdom during the nine-month long War of Liberation, to the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the four national leaders.

The meeting also decided to carry out research on the Liberation War and Sheikh Mujibur Rahman for comprehensive projection of Bangladesh abroad.

The meeting was addressed, among others, by former cultural secretary of Bangladesh Awami League Mustafa Sarwar, former press secretary of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Aminul Haq Badsha, and editor of Asian Times and trustee of Sheikh Mujib Research Institute S K Khaleda Sarwar.

Students urged  
to help build  
exploitation-free  
Bangladesh

Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak yesterday asked the student community to come forward to build a Bangladesh free from communalism and exploitation as dreamt by Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, reports BSS.

Today's students are tomorrow's leaders," he said while addressing as the chief guest a discussion on "non-communal Bangladesh and the student community" arranged by Bangladesh Chhatra League, Jagannath University College unit today, an official handout said.

The discussion, which was organised to mark the Victory Day, was presided over by president of Chhatra League, Jagannath University College unit, Devashish Bishwas. It was addressed, among others, by Chhatra League leaders Md Aminul Islam, Balamam Podder, Sujit Roy Nandi, Anisur Rahman, Jahangir Ahmed, Robi Hussain Robi and Golan Faruque Swapan.

Abdur Razzak said Bangabandhu had struggled for 23 years and established independent Bangladesh on the basis of four basic principles — Bangladesh nationalism, democracy, socialism and secularism.

But the communal forces seized the power by killing Bangabandhu on August 15, 1975, erased Bangalee nationalism and secularism from the constitution and created division among the nation, he said.

The minister asked the student community to raise their voice against all conspiracies of the communal forces.

He said the present government led by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina was working relentlessly to establish the true spirit of the War of Liberation and free the society from the curse of communalism.

Sena Kalyan  
grants Tk 42 lakh  
as stipends

Sena Kalyan Sangstha has granted a total of Taka forty-two lakh sixty-three thousand for HSC and diploma level stipends for 1997-98 session for 2896 children of ex-servicemen, an ISPR press release said here today, reports BSS.

List of stipend holders have been sent to the headquarters of army, navy and air force, Director Bangladesh Armed Services Board, Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Directorate and all district armed services boards.

Stipend money will be remitted by Agrani Bank, Amin Court Branch, Mujibek Commercial Area, Dhaka through bank draft to the head of the institutions of the stipendiaries concerned for disbursement.

For renewal of stipends, the stipendiaries from first year to second year will submit their promotion reports or mark-sheets duly countersigned by the head of the institute to Sena Kalyan Sangstha by February 28, 1999.

Mark-sheets or promotion reports should bear the stipend holding number and father's particulars of the stipendiary.

**BCIC Tender Notice**  
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The Managing Director, Zia Fertilizer Company Limited, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria invites sealed tender for procurement of Digital Temperature Controller against Tender No. CM/SHM/318/98.

Tender schedule may be purchased on payment of Tk. 400/- only from (i) ZFCL, Ashuganj, (ii) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha, Dhaka and (iii) BCIC, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong. The tender should be dropped within 12.1.99 up to 11.30 AM at ZFCL & BCIC Head Office and will be opened just after closing the tender. No tender document shall be sold on the date of opening.

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**Md Siddiqur Rahman**  
Acting General Manager (Commercial)  
for Managing Director.

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**Notice of RHD Inviting Tender**

1. Tender Notice : 119 RHD of 1998-99.  
 2. Name of work : Construction of Mechanical work shop Division and Sub-Division Office Building at 4th KM of Barisal-Bhurgatha road under Barisal Road Division during the year 1998-99. (2nd floor).  
 3. Estimated amount : Tk. 11,50,225/00  
 4. Earnest money : Tk. 23,009/00  
 5. Time allowed : 60 (Sixty) days.  
 6. Eligibility of : "A" to "C" class enlisted contractors of Roads & Highways Department, "D" class enlisted contractors of Barisal Road Circle, Barisal.  
 7. Name of offices : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Peropur/Bourguna/Jhalakati/Planning Division, (P&D), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division-1/2, Barisal/1st Line Workshop Sub: Division, Barisal during office hours on all working days. No tender form will be sold on the opening date of tender.  
 8. Last date of : Up to 5-00 PM on 14-10-1405B/28-12-98.  
 9. Name of office : Additional Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal Zone, Barisal/Divisional Commissioner, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Barisal/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Jhalakati/Peropur.  
 10. Last date & time : Up to 12-30 PM on 15-10-1405B/29-12-98E.  
 11. Date & time of : At 12-45 PM on 15-10-1405B/29-12-98E.  
 12. Date, time & : At 11-00 AM on 17-10-1405B/31-12-98E at office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal.  
 13. Lottery date & : At 11-00 AM on 20-10-1405B/3-1-99E.

**Md. Abdul Qudus-2**  
Executive Engineer, RHD  
Barisal Road Division.

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