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RU Econ Dept Alumni Assoc AGM March 5

The annual general meeting of Alumni Association of Rajshahi University Economics Department will be held on March 5 at its temporary office premises, reports APB.

It was decided in a meeting of the association in the city recently. The meeting also formed a steering committee and five sub-committees.

The association will publish a souvenir on the eve of the annual general meeting for distribution among the members.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
 Office of Executive Engineer
 Local Government Engineering Department
 Natore
Second Rural Roads and Markets Improvement and Maintenance Project (RRMIMP-2)
 (Rural Development Project: Infrastructure in Greater Rajshahi, Bogra, Pabna & Dhaka District).

Notice Inviting Tender

Date: 07-02-99
 Tender No-05/98-99
 (RRMIMP-2)

- The Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the International Development Association, hereinafter referred to as the IDA, towards the cost of the second Rural Roads & Markets Improvement & Maintenance Project (RRMIMP-2) and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payment under the contract shown in table SL No-02.
- The Local Govt. Engineering Department (LGED), Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh as represented by the Executive Engineer, LGED, Natore District, invites sealed tenders from pre-qualified tenderers of RRMIMP-2 for furnishing the necessary labour, materials, equipment and services for the construction & completion of the following:

Contract No.	Name of the Scheme	Time for Completion (Days)	Pre-qualification Level (Road)	Earnest Money (Tk)	Price of Tender Document (Tk)
FDR-NAT-06(C)/98-99	Rehabilitation work of Gopalpur Rail Gate - Abdulpur GCCR Road. Ch. 6+072-9+450 km.	90 days	S, A & B	1,20,000.00	2,500.00
FDR-NAT-07(A)/98-99	Rehabilitation work of Chalknazarpur-Abdulpur Road. Ch. 1+000-3+600 km.	90 days	S, A & B	1,00,000.00	2,000.00
FDR-NAT-07(B)/98-99	Rehabilitation work of Chalknazarpur-Abdulpur Road, Ch. 3+600-6+250 km.	90 days	S, A & B	1,00,000.00	2,000.00

- Interested prequalified tenderers may obtain further information from, & inspect the tender documents at the office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Natore/Rajshahi/Pabna or at the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi or at the office of the Project Director, RRMIMP-2, LGED Bhaban, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.
- A complete set of tender documents may be purchased by any interested prequalified tenderer, on the submission of a written application to one of the above & upon payment of a non-refundable fee which mentioned in the table SL No-02 Column No-6. Additional sets of documents may be purchased each at the same price. The tender documents will be available during office hours up to 28-02-99.
- All tenders must be accompanied a fixed amount as earnest money as determined by the Project Manager in the form of Bank Draft, Pay Order, Call Deposit, Demand Draft of Bank Guarantee from a schedule bank in Bangladesh in taka in favour of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Natore.
- All tender must be submitted to the office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Natore/Rajshahi/Pabna or at the office of the Project Director, RRMIMP-2 on or before 1.00 PM on 02-03-99.
- Tenders will be opened in the presence of those tenderers, representatives who choose to attend at 1.30 PM on 02-03-99 at the office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Natore/Rajshahi/Pabna District or at the office of the Project Director, RRMIMP-2.
- No tender document will be sold on the date of submission of tender or on the previous working day.
- Tenderers may also submit tender by Registered Mail with acknowledgement due, which must reach the concerned offices before the deadline of receipt of tender. Late received tender will not be accepted.
- The VAT, Income Tax, Retention money etc will have to be deducted from the gross bill amount as per Govt. Rate before the deduction of the price of the salvaged materials & equipment charge.
- The intending tenderer or his official representatives are requested to attend an important pre-tender conference which will be held at the office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Natore at 10.30 AM on 18-02-99.
- The contractor will have to be given a list of works in hand (LGED) & other organisation.
- The contractor has to quote itemwise rate in words and figures, otherwise the tender will be rejected.
- Payment will be made upon availability of fund. No payment will be made without re-imburement.
- The contractor will have to bear the cost of laboratory and field test at his own cost including transport cost. Quoted rates of each individual item of works should be inclusive of all cost relevant to necessary laboratory test to be performed as per specification. Should there be any conflict in wording or implied action in any clause of tender document (Vol. I, II, III) regarding laboratory test then the above stated explanation shall apply.
- The quantity of salvaged material recovered from the existing road is mentioned clearly in the BOQ which will be treated as fixed quantity with fixed amount and can not be changed in any circumstances.
- The tenderers shall submit attested copy of pre-qualified enlistment valid for the fiscal year 1998-99 along with tender.
- The works has to be completed by June/99 otherwise IDA will not finance.
- Department is not bound to provide construction equipment for the above mentioned works.
- No tender will be valid without VAT registration certificate.
- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

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Executive Engineer
 LGED, Natore.



Members of Kolokantha Shishu Kishore Sangathan rendering songs at the Central Shaheed Minar yesterday as part of the Sammito Sangskritik Jote's programmes on Amar Ekushey. —Star photo

JUTA urges authority not to restructure selection body

By JU Correspondent
 Jahangirnagar University Teachers' Association (JUTA) yesterday urged the university authority not to restructure the selection committees, that appoint teachers.

A proposal regarding changes in the committees has been discussed in a recent meeting of the university Syndicate.

"According to the JU Act, there should be dominance of experts in the selection committees," but such changes will surely weaken the experts' dominance in the selection bodies," said a JUTA statement.

Signed by association president and general secretary, the statement was issued after a proposal to include the VC, Pro-VC and the Treasurer in all the selection committees were placed before the JU Syndicate recently.

"Loyalty to a particular party instead of talent and experience will get priority in appointing teachers if the three topmost executives of the university are inducted in all the selection committees," the statement added.

Preparations for Dhaka-Calcutta bus service nearing end

CALCUTTA, Feb 14: Preparations for Dhaka-Calcutta direct bus service are nearing completion, reports BSS.

The authorities of West Bengal have almost cleared off all obstacles from the Jessore Road, the 75 km stretch from Haridaspur border to Karunamoyee of Bidhanagar, for plying buses from the border point to Calcutta.

A trial run is expected on February 21, marking the historic "Ekushe February" of Bangladesh. Authoritative sources here told BSS. An agreement to this effect will be signed tomorrow when top officials of Bangladesh and India are scheduled to meet in New Delhi.

Mentionably, both India and Pakistan have already started trial run of direct buses between Delhi and Lahore. Indian Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee is also set to travel to Lahore by bus on February 20 to meet his Pakistani counterpart Nawaz Sharif.

The 24 Pargana district administration has almost completed its drive to remove illegal constructions from both sides of the Jessore Road. State officials said this is being done to widen the road for uninterrupted running of the bus.

According to officials, there will be 7 bus stops in the 419-km Dhaka-Calcutta trip which will take around 12 hours to reach destinations.

The Surface Transport Corporation will ply four air-conditioned buses — of which two will travel in either direction. The Dhaka-bound bus will leave from Karunamoyee, Calcutta at 6 and 7 in the morning while Calcutta-bound bus will start from Dhaka the same time.

Several buses of the Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) will also join the Dhaka-Calcutta bus service.

Officials said, on the Indian side the bus will have only two stoppages — first at Habra and second at Haridaspur Check Post, where the passports and visas of passengers will be checked.

From Haridaspur the bus will make its third stoppage at Faridpur, where the passengers will have their lunch. From Faridpur the bus would run towards Dhaka and cross two rivers — Padma and Jamuna through Daulatdia-Aricha Ghat ferry service.

The West Bengal Transport Minister Susanto Ghose said that the passengers would not face any problem in exchanging their currencies as the authorities have already decided to make the facilities closer to them.

IOJ asks govt to accept 4-pt demand

KHULNA, Feb 14: Chairman of the Islami Oikya Jote (IOJ) has urged the government to immediately accept the four-point demand raised by the Opposition alliance, reports APB.

"Otherwise massive movements would be launched to press one-point demand of unseating the government," said the IOJ chairman Shaikhul Hadis Azizul Huq, while speaking as the chief guest at a party meeting here today.

Terminating the present government as 'inept' he said it should not be allowed to cling to power any longer.

The government had already politicised all the sectors including Radio and TV, the IOJ leader alleged.

Presided over by party's Khulna district unit president Maulana Rafiqur Rahman, the meeting was addressed, among others, by vice chairman Maulana Muhiuddin Khan, district unit president of BNP M Nurul Islam, district unit convenor of Jatiya Party Alhaj Sheikh Abul Hossain and district unit Amir of Jamaat-e-Islami Prof Golam Sarwar.

AL programmes on Amar Ekushey

Bangladesh Awami League will observe "Amar Ekushey," the 21st of February, in a befitting manner, reports UNB.

The day's programme includes hoisting of black flags and flying of national flag at half-mast at its central office, Baugabandhu Bhaban and all branch offices at 5 am.

The programmes also include wearing of black badge, barefoot morning procession, visit to mazars of the language martyrs at Azimpur graveyard and placing wreaths at the Central Shaheed Minar at 7 am.

PM's Calcutta visit BTV to air spl programme today

Bangladesh Television will telecast a special programme on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's recent visit to the Indian state of West Bengal today after 8 o'clock Bangla news, BTV sources said yesterday, reports BSS.



Bangladesh Sangbadpatra Parishad held an emergency meeting at a city hotel on Saturday. (Story on Page 1).

Weather Dry weather likely

Weather is likely to remain dry across the country during the next 12 hours, reports APB.

The Met Office says night temperature may fall slightly over Rajshahi and Khulna divisions and may remain nearly unchanged elsewhere across the country.

Yesterday's lowest temperature of 13.2 degrees Celsius was recorded at Srimangal and the highest 33.8 degrees at Teknaf. The sun sets today at 5:54 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:31 am. Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in Percentage	
	Min	Max	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	17.6	31.2	64	55
Chittagong	17.9	31.7	74	64
Rajshahi	15.2	31.0	77	61
Khulna	16.2	31.0	85	59
Barisal	15.2	30.5	82	69
Sylhet	17.0	32.2	78	55
Cox's Bazar	20.0	32.5	61	59

Oxford University official calls on DU VC

Dr David Terton, director on refugee studies programme of the Oxford University yesterday called on Prof A K Azad Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of the Dhaka University, at the latter's office, reports BSS.

They discussed matters of mutual interest, specially educational activities between the two universities.

Prof C R Abrar, co-ordinator of refugee and migratory movement research unit and chairman of international relations department of the Dhaka University, was present.

Meanwhile, Prof Dr Alin Bijarcs and Dr Inage Bjarkas of Norwegian College of Veterinary Medicine, yesterday met with Prof A K Azad Chowdhury at his office.



Activists of Islami Shasantantra Andolan shout anti-government slogans during a protest procession in the city yesterday. —Star photo

Workshop on 'phase-out of ODS' 'New law needed to control use of ODS'

Speakers at a workshop in the city yesterday emphasised on formulating a modern law to control import and use of Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) in Bangladesh, reports UNB.

The workshop took note of the fact the country will have to phase out the Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) completely by the year 2040 as per the Montreal Protocol.

A project is being implemented in the country to make the Aerosol sector ODS-free. The Aerosol sector is the largest user of ODS.

The workshop on "Phase-out of Ozone Depleting Substances in Bangladesh: A Legal Framework" was organised by the Ozone Cell of Environment Department.

The workshop said Bangladesh will have to phase out chloro-fluoro-carbon (CFC), Halon and carbon tetra-chloride by the year 2010, Methyl chloroform by 2015 and Hydro-Chloro-fluoro Carbon (HCFC) by 2040.

At the workshop, Dr Shahdeen Malik, Advisor to Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST), presented a draft report on how to successfully implement the Montreal Protocol.

Inaugurating the workshop, Environment and Forest Minister Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury said the government is not only conscious about environment protection, but also very much committed and determined.

The present government wants to go ahead with the development activities giving due importance on environment, she said and sought people's participation in the environment protection activities.

Participating in the discussion, Dr Kamal Hossain, an internationally reputed lawyer, stressed the need for joint initiative in national, regional and international levels in the activities of phasing out ODS.

He also emphasised on formulating rules and regulatory systems to implement different international conventions, protocols and agreements for overall protection of environment, instead of protecting only the Ozone layer.

Chairman of the Dhaka University's Department of Law Prof Dr Mizanur Rahman, Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (BELA) chairman Prof KAA Kamaruddin, first secretary of National Board of Revenue (NBR) Dr Rafiqul Islam, former finance minister AMA Muhit and additional secretary of IRD Sohel Ahmed also took part in the discussion.

Justice KM Sobhan presided over the technical session of the workshop while Environment and Forest Secretary Syed Margub Morshed chaired the inaugural function.

ICDDR,B confce ends with a call to activate research on vaccine

The two-day eighth Annual Scientific Conference (ASCON) of ICDDR,B concluded in the city yesterday with a call to further activate research on environmental health and vaccine, reports APB.

Findings from wide range of vaccine related studies were presented at the conference. Experts maintained that some of these studies would contribute to the development and introduction of new vaccines while others will help strengthen the current EPI.

Although the vaccination of children has increased manifold since the inception of EPI in the country, the coverage is still less than 60 per cent and is declining.

Experts also identified both demand and supply side barriers to immunisation and suggested that appropriate strategies should be evolved to overcome the hurdles.

Currently vaccines against only six disease are given through the EPI while the developed world gives vaccines against about another 20 diseases.

On ensuring environmental health, the conference stressed the need for providing the government and concerned agencies with insights for development of appropriate environment policy.

A total of 38 papers were presented at the two-day conference by researchers from the centre, government agencies and NGOs.

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