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DU (Hons) admission test 13 to vie for one seat

A large number of students are facing a stiff competition to get admission into Dhaka University this year, reports APB. A total of 55,186 candidates have applied till yesterday, the last date for receiving admission test forms against 4,110 seats. Statistics revealed that more than 13 candidates will vie for one seat of first year Honours courses of the university. Last year, the ratio was 14:1. DU authorities collected Tk 11.03 million by selling application forms each for Tk 200. The amount is, however, less than last year's Tk 12.24 million. Application forms of four different units were sold as follows: Ka (Science) Unit-19,061, Kha (Arts) Unit-14,550, Ga (Commerce) Unit-9,357, Gha (Combined) Unit-12,218. One per cent of the total seats has been reserved for the children of the freedom fighters, 20 seats for sportsmen and 25 for candidates belonging to tribal communities. Blind applicants will also get a chance to get admission. Admission test for Ga Unit will be held on April 30, Kha Unit on May 7, Gha Unit on May 14 and Ka Unit on May 21. Admission test will be on the basis of Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) system. The number of seats was not raised this year compared to last year. The required total marks of SSC and HSC have been grossly increased by 50 in each unit. The pass marks of the test has also been raised to 40 from 36.

Nirmul Committee to hold trination confce in Oct

Ekatturer Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee will hold a trination South Asian conference in Dhaka later this year, organisers yesterday, reports BSS. "We have completed the initial contacts with leading social figures of India, Pakistan and the host Bangladesh to hold the conference against communalism in October next," Poet Shamsur Rahman, president of the newly elected committee of the organisation, told a press conference here. He said that the "South Asian Conference against Fundamentalism and Communalism" was being held as "We observe that the Muslim and Hindu fundamentalists of the three countries are working with the same goal of maintaining close links among themselves." Chairman of the Nirmul Committee's advisory council Prof. Kabir Chowdhury, Vice President Shariat Kabir and Prof. Muntazir Mamun, among others, spoke on the occasion. Liberation War researcher Shamsul Arefin, General Secretary Kazi Mukul, Artists Rafikunnabi and Abul Bark Albhi, Prof. Zarina Rahman Khan, Aroma Goon, Afzal Hossain, Hassan Arif and Sadikur Rahman Parag were present, among other committee leaders. Prof. Kabir Chowdhury alleged that the "anti-liberation elements inside the government administration" were supporting the reactionary forces. Prof. Chowdhury also alleged that activists of Jamaat-e-Islami and other extreme right wing groups intruded the Awami League at different places and working against the progressive forces to avenge their defeat in the 1996 general elections.

Wanted
Teachers required for all O'Level subjects. Contact before 28.4.99 (5-8 PM), 42/7, Block-F, Babor Road (Jahuri Mahalla), Mohammadpur. C-318

JS body directive to formulate new wage structure

The parliamentary standing committee on Labour Ministry has directed the National Wage and Productivity Commission to complete the formulation of new wage structure within the stipulated time, reports, UNB. The directive came from a meeting of the committee held at Gansad, Bhaban with its chairman, Shariat Kabir, in the chair yesterday. It also asked the Ministry for formulating a suitable and effective draft law after amending and changing the concerned sections of the "Industrial Relation Ordinance-69". Committee members Labour and Employment Minister MA Mannan, Mohammad Ahsanullah, Shajahan Khan, Afsaruddin Ahmad Khan, Syed Wahidul Alam, Fazlur Rahman Khan, Alhaj Adv Khairul Anam and Alamgir Haider Khan attended the meeting. Labour and Employment Secretary Muhammad Ahsan Ali Sarker and concerned senior officials were present.

BCL leader's anniversary of death today

By DU Correspondent
The first death anniversary of Partha Pratim Achariya, a central leader of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), will be observed today. On this day in 1998, Partha, a student of MA final of Mass Communication and Journalism Dept of DU, was gunned down on the campus following a fierce gun battle between the activists of BCL and BNP-backed Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD). BCL, the student wing of ruling Awami League, chalked out various programmes to observe the day including a discussion meeting, bringing out procession on the campus and placing of floral wreaths on the spot Partha was gunned down. BCL also brought out a procession on the campus and held a rally at Aparajeya, Bangla yesterday demanding arrest and trial of Partha's killers. The BCL leaders accused JCD activists for Partha's killing. They also condemned BNP for creating a "reign of terror" all over the country through enforcing frequent destructive political programmes including hartals. Presided over BCL DU unit of Sajjad Hossain, the rally was also addressed among others by Bahadur Bepari, Ajay Kar Khokon and AKM Azim.

Farmers urged to learn modern ways to fight pests

State Minister for Water Resources Dr Md Alauddin has urged farmers to learn modern methods to control pests without polluting the environment, reports APB. He was addressing trainees of a 10-day Combined Pest Control Management Course at Kalyanpur Horticulture Center at Chapainawabganj on Wednesday. The course aims at creating awareness among farmers about pest control without polluting the environment. Fifty-one participants from 48 thanas in 37 districts are attending the course.

Career Opportunity With Mobil

Position: Environment Health & Safety (EHS) Executive

Brief Description: The EHS Executive will be primarily stationed in Chittagong. The main responsibilities of the EHS Executive will entail the implementation of EHS company policies, programmes in the Chittagong facility both during construction and operations. The EHS Executive will be responsible for monitoring and ensuring compliance of the EHS policies and programmes and will carry out regular audits/review of the programme. The EHS Executive will be required to conduct extensive EHS-related training for employees/contractor workers.

Minimum Requirements:

- Degree in Engineering (Civil/Chemical/Environmental/Marine/Mechanical)
- 2-3 years of relevant work experience
- Excellent writing and communication skills
- Fluency in both English and Bengali
- Computing Skills: MS Word, MS Excel, Power Point
- Willing to travel extensively throughout Bangladesh

Candidates possessing foreign degrees and/or work experience will be given preference. Remuneration will be commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Please apply with your resume and cover letter by Monday, 3rd May, 1999 to Box No D-224, C/o The Daily Star, House No-11, Road No-3, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1205. Your resume and a cover letter should only highlight your education, professional experience, achievements, interests and extracurricular activities. Candidates selected for an interview will be informed shortly.

WANTED

A Multinational Company based in Chittagong is looking for a Sales Manager in Senior Management Position who should be a Master's in any discipline from a reputed university and should possess minimum 8-10 years experience in sales, especially direct "hands-on" sales experience with major emphasis on training, motivating, and providing leadership for a young aggressive sales team.

Major responsibilities and duties of the candidate would include all aspects of sales of company products, including devising and implementing sale strategies, forecasting sales, supervising in-house sales people and qualifying customers. He would have to establish and attain sales goals, training and motivating in-house sales staff, implement marketing and advertising strategy, maintain effective budgetary control of sales expenses etc.

Excellent oral and written communication skills in English and computer literacy are vital.

Candidates who meet the requisite qualifications may apply in confidence with a recent passport size photograph by April 29, 1999 to The Advertiser, Box No D-221, C/o The Daily Star, House No-11, Road No-3, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1205.

Wanted

Legacy Furniture Ltd., a fast growing interior design and furniture manufacturing company requires the following personnel for immediate appointment.

1) **Sales Executive:** The candidate must have at least 3 years experience in a sales-related job and should have good interpersonal and communications skills. Fluency in English is a must. The candidate must be a Master's Degree holder.

2) **Accounts Executive:** Must have at least 5 years experience in the relevant position. The applicant will be responsible for the preparation of all company accounts from source document to balance sheet, and will have to deal with all VAT and Income Tax-related matters. The candidate must have a Master's in Accounting.

3) **Administrative Officer:** The ideal candidate should be a graduate. He/she will be dealing with the after sales service provided to customers. Since this is the most important aspect of the company's business the candidate must have the drive to work hard and to excel in a competitive environment. Computer literacy in MS Word and Excel is essential.

The above positions provide excellent prospect for personal development. Attractive remuneration will be offered to a really deserving candidate.

All applications should be hand written and must reach the Company Office at **SWG 2/A Gulshan Avenue** Phone: 871279 by the 15th of May 1999. C-314

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SOUTH ASIA POVERTY ALLEVIATION PROGRAMME

(RAS/96/600)

Invitation of Quotations

Quotations are invited from the reputed Chartered Accountants' Firms for auditing accounts of different Village Organisations (VOs) formed under the UNDP/UNOPS Executed demonstration project in a Thana. The main objective of the project is to provide support and guidance to the self managed Village Organisations and by the Villagers, particularly the poor for the whole Thana. Total 848 VOs (74 VOs are five years old, 167 VOs four years old, 304 VOs three years old, 82 VOs two years old and 21 VOs one year old) are to be audited.

Terms of Reference (TOR)

- The audit firms will audit different transaction made by Village Organisations (VOs) regarding savings, credit from own savings, credit from UNDP fund and BKB;
- Prepare balance sheet, income statement, cash flow and bank reconciliation report for individual VOs as well as consolidated reports for the same;
- Cross check all entry of the members' pass books for savings and credit with the corresponding VO registers and make necessary corrections wherever required;
- Audit the accounts of different projects undertaken by the VOs;
- Audit report to be prepared for individual VO separately;
- Union-wise/gender-wise separate report for all the VOs, separate consolidated union reports also to be prepared;
- Provide specific recommendations and measures to be taken as regards different aspects of saving and credit management for its improvement;
- A summary report on the over all findings of the auditing also to be provided;
- Assigned tasks to be completed within four months of the final offer;
- Six copies of each report to be furnished.

A participating firm should write "RAS/96/600" and mention the name "Auditing of VOs" on the envelope. Offer should reach the GPO Box 224, Dhaka 1000, no later than 5th May, 1999.

What's on today...

Film show: A retrospective of Satyajit Ray's films begins today. 'Pather Panchali' will be shown at the inaugural session. Organisers: High Commission of India and Rainbow Film Society. Venue: Indian Cultural Centre auditorium, 754, Satmasjid Road. Time: 5 pm.

World Book Day: British Council and English Department of DU have organised the World Book Day and the Shakespeare Festival. Three videos on the life and works of Shakespeare will also be shown. Venue: British Council. Time: 10 am.

Alumni Day: The IBA Alumni Association has organised Alumni Day '98. Commerce Minister Tofail Ahmed will be present as chief guest. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 10 am.

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Wanted Immediately — Company Secretary

The ideal candidate will have a good academic background ending in any related discipline. He must have at least 10 years of experience in a managerial position in the head office of a commercial bank. He must possess adequate experience to independently handle all Board and Company/Banking Law matters.

The candidate should have a pleasant personality, be dynamic and self-motivated. He must be excellent in both spoken and written English. Age should not exceed 48 years.

An attractive remuneration package will be offered. Interested persons may send applications along with CV, two recently taken passport size photo and photocopies of educational certificates and testimonial to reach the undernoted address latest by 7th May, 1999.

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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications are invited by a Consultancy Office of donor agencies based in Dhaka for the following positions:

1) PROJECT COORDINATOR

Responsibilities:

The incumbent will be required to monitor the projects regularly funded by donors, review and evaluate the projects and assess the need of partner NGOs, maintain close contact with National and International organisations, prepare ToRs for different consultancy missions, facilitate consultancy services, advise the donors about the quality of the projects. He/She will be responsible for program budgeting and preparing reports and documents in English independently.

The position will be based in Dhaka with frequent field visits.

Requirements:

- Master's in Social Science with at least 8 to 10 years working experience in NGOs
- Experience in the field of project appraisal, monitoring and evaluation, feasibility studies.
- Experience in organising training programs/workshops/seminars.
- Able to handle jobs independently

2) PROJECT OFFICER

Responsibilities:

The incumbent will be required to monitor the projects regularly, to identify the need of the Partner NGOs and to evaluate the quality of the projects. He/She will be responsible for preparing ToRs of different consultancy missions and will facilitate these mission and organise workshop/seminar/training.

The position will be based in Dhaka with frequent field visit.

Requirements:

- Master's in Social Science with at least 4 to 5 years working experience in NGOs
- Experience in the field of project appraisal, monitoring and evaluation.

For both position proficiency in English and computer skill are essential.

Attractive compensation package will be offered commensurate with the qualification and experiences.

Applications with complete resume mentioning two references, contact telephone numbers and one passport size photograph should reach to **Box A-911 C/O. The Daily Star House # 11, Road # 3, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205 by 3rd May 1999.** Name of the position applied for should be mentioned on the top of the envelop.