

GCO to protest admission fees hike at JU today

By JU Correspondent

Gonatantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO) of Jahangirnagar University (JU) will gherao the Vice-Chancellor's office today to press their demand for withdrawal of the increased fees for admission into first year honours classes.

The announcement came at a GCO press conference at the JU Journalists' Association office on Thursday. The gherao programme followed a GCO ultimatum which ended yesterday.

A number of admission seekers are learned to have returned home to bring more money to pay the total fees which, according to them, was 'beyond their expectations'.

"It is quite impossible for students like us, who are not financially well-off, to pay such a big amount of money for admission," Pritam, an admission seeker, told The Daily Star. The JU authorities have doubled fees for admission into first year honours classes under the

academic session 1998-99. The average admission fees is now Tk 3400 which was about Tk 1700 last year. The admission began on September 5.

Total admission fee for the departments under Arts Faculty is now Tk 3370 which was only Tk 1667 last year. Admission fee for departments under Social Science Faculty is Tk 3400 from Tk 1697 last year while admission fee for departments under Science Faculty and Life-Science Institute is Tk 3436 from Tk 1733 last year.

The authority has introduced Tk 1360 as new fees — Tk 1000 for the 'Development Fund' and Tk 360 for 'Transport' from this year.

Besides, 'registration fees' and 'admission fees' have been doubled to Tk 100. 'Laboratory Contingency' has also been raised to Tk 200 from Tk 50.

Among other increased fees are those for health and medical, syllabus and ID cards.

Seminar at JU today

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A day-long seminar on "Infrastructure and Development" will be held at Jahangirnagar University (JU) Central Auditorium today.

Organised jointly by Bangladesh Economic Association (BEA) and JU Economics Department, the seminar will be inaugurated at 10:00 am at the Seminar room of JU Auditorium.

State Minister for Planning Dr Muhiuddin Khan Alamgir will deliver the inaugural speech while Prof Tajul Islam, chairman of JU Economics Department, will chair the inaugural session. Prof Abdul Hye will deliver a welcome address and JU Vice-Chancellor Prof Alauddin Ahmed and BEA president will be present as special guests.

A discussion on transshipment will be held at 11:30 am with Prof Amirul Islam Chowdhury in the chair.

Two technical sessions on recent issues will be held later. Prof Khondoker Mustahidur Rahman will preside over the first technical session where Prof Ismail Hossain and Ashraf Mumin will present papers on "The Role of Infrastructure in Bangladesh Economic Reform."

Prof Syed Munwar Hussain Bukhari will present a paper on "Infrastructure Development in Greater Dhaka City — The Role of Road Transportation." Dr Sazzad Zahir will discuss on the topics.

Two issues will be discussed in the second technical session with Prof Muhammad Masum in the chair. Prof Amirul Islam Chowdhury will present a paper on "Site of Financing Urban Infrastructure and Services." Sharmind Nilormee will present her paper on "Role of Physical Infrastructure in Reading Vulnerability to Disasters: Bangladesh Perspective." Prof Amin Muhammad Ali and Anu Muhammad will discuss on the topics.

LDF urges govt not to promulgate Public Security Act

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of Left Democratic Alliance (LDF) yesterday urged President Shahabuddin Ahmed not to promulgate the Public Security Act.

"The government has to explain in which situation the Public Security Act would be implemented," said Nirmol Sen, Co-ordinator of the Front while addressing a rally.

"We fear that the ordinance will promulgate the ordinance while the parliament session remains adjourned," he said.

The rally organised at the city's Muktangan was addressed, among others, by Harun Chowdhury, Manjorul Ahsan Khan, Khalequzzaman, Dilip Barua, Advocate Abdul Salam, AFM Mahbubul Haq, Kamrul Ahsan, Bazul Rashid Feroz, Mostafa Farook, Kartik Chakrabarti and Subal Sarker while Harun Chowdhury read out declaration.

Later, leader and activists of the Front brought out a procession, which paraded different city streets.

Freshers' reception at JU held

By JU Correspondent

Department of Archaeology of the Jahangirnagar University (JU) accorded a reception to its new students for the academic session 1997-98 Thursday.

Held at the seminar room of the central auditorium, discussion session of the reception programme was presided over by Kamrul Ahsan, chairman of the department. Prof Taibul Hasan Khan, Dean of the Faculty of Arts was present as chief guest. Teachers and students of the department attended the function.



Bangladesh Sarkari Karmachari Smannya Parishad (Bangladesh Government Employees Co-ordination Council) brought out a procession in support of its 5-point demand in the city yesterday. — Star photo

Muslim Bazar site Mosque authorities yet to permit continuation of excavation

The Noori Masjid authorities has not yet given any decision to the Muktijuddha Jadugarh for further digging out the Muslim Bazar killing ground, a press release of the Jadugarh said last night, reports BSS.

Meanwhile, the local co-ordinator of the War Crime Research Office in Washington proposed the Muktijuddha Jadugarh authorities that it would provide necessary legal cooperation on the mass killing during the War of Liberation in 1971.

The photographic exhibition on the Muslim Bazar killing ground and the visitors' site are already open. Members of the Women Freedom Fighters' Council yesterday visited the killing ground and offered *jatha* seeking blessings for the peace of the departed souls of those killed during the War of Liberation.

Dr Kamal Islam's qulhwani today

The qulhwani of Dr Kamal Islam, state representative of UNICEF Calcutta will be held today after Asr prayers at his 2/1 Lalmitia Block B residence in the city, says a press release.

Dr Kamal died in a plane crash while flying from Pokhara to Kathmandu in Nepal. His body was flown in from Nepal on a Biman flight yesterday evening.

All relatives, friends and well-wishers of Dr Kamal has been requested to attend his qulhwani.

Bangladesh Cultural Festival opens in Bonn

A week-long Bangladesh Cultural Festival, jointly sponsored by the City of Bonn and the Embassy of Bangladesh began on Thursday in Bonn with great fanfare, according to a message received here.

The festival was inaugurated by the Mayoress Pass-Weingartz of the City of Bonn along with the Minister of State for Youth, Sport and Culture of Bangladesh Obaidul Quader.

In her speech Mayoress Pass-Weingartz expressed the hope that Bonn authorities would have the opportunity to continue the cultural dialogue with Bangladesh in many sectors.

She was of the opinion that it would provide a good platform to intensify the dialogue of the artists of both the countries if they jointly undertake a project.

The Minister of State for Youth, Sport and Culture Obaidul Quader said that Bangladesh which has been enriched by other cultures of the region has been known as a cultural melting pot. Today the people in Bangladesh enjoy the inherent right of free cultural expressions and the present government was committed to preserve and nourish culture and encourage cultural activities. The minister further stated

that cultural exchange was the basis of all meaningful relationships between nations.

Bangladesh Ambassador to Germany Kazi Anwarul Masud said that Bangladesh and Germany have been maintaining excellent bilateral relations. He said that culture was an important vehicle of interaction between the people of two friendly countries.

The Ambassador expressed the hope that the inauguration of cultural festival would usher in a new chapter in the cultural relations between Bangladesh and Germany.

It was followed by lively cultural soiree. Songs and dances were presented by Kumar Bishwajit, Shibli Mohammad, Shamim Ara Nipa, Sohail Rahman, Aupee Karim and Ipshtia Shabnam Srabanti. The audience mostly German academicians, civil servants, elite of the city and diplomats repeatedly applauded their performance. The opening ceremony took place in the prestigious Beethoven house hall which is named after the great legendary German musician Beethoven.

Mayoress Pass-Weingartz hosted a reception for Bangladesh cultural delegation and the guests present at Rath House after the show.

PM's letter handed over

Faridpur, Sept 10: Awami League leader Alhaj Khondoker Mosharrar Hossain today handed over Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's letter to Saleha Mosharrar, spouse of late lawmaker Advocate Mosharrar Hossain at her Jhiltuli residence, reports BSS.

The Prime Minister in her letter paid rich tributes to the memories of late Advocate Mosharrar Hossain, former chairman of parliamentary standing committee on the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock who died on August 18.

Leena's painting exhibition begins

A weeklong solo painting exhibition by Yasmin Ara Leena began at Gallery 21 in Dhanmondi in the city yesterday, reports UNB.

Communication Minister Anwar Hossain inaugurated the exhibition at 5:30 pm. Artists Mostafa Monwar and Asma Kibria were present as special guests.

Yasmin Ara Leena, technical teacher of Kalyani Mentally Retarded Foundation, completed training on technical education from their institution, run by Kalyani, being a speech-impaired girl after she completed Class VII.

She has devoted herself in painting since she was eight.



H S Lee, Charge d'Affaires of Korean Embassy in Dhaka inaugurated Shilla, a Korean restaurant, at Gulshan Avenue on Thursday. A Roof Chowdhury, Chairman, Rangs Group of Companies and Zakia Roof Chowdhury, who is the Chairman of the restaurant and Park Woo Hyun, Managing Director of the restaurant, among others, are seen in the picture.

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Local Government Engineering Department, Manikganj

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Dated: 31-8-99

Tender Notice

No-03/99-2000

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of 198 Flood Rehabilitation (Urban Infrastructure) Project for different pourashavas. The undersigned intends to take up different types of works under the said credit as shown below under the 1998-1999 FY implementation programme. Sealed tenders for implementation of those works are hereby invited in Bangladesh Form No 2911 and as per additional terms & conditions as appended in the tender document from the pre-qualified contractors of any project under LGED.

Interested contractors may obtain necessary tender documents during normal office hours on all working days up to 23-9-99 from any of the offices (i) the Project Director, Secondary Towns Infrastructure Development Project-II, LGED Bhaban (Level-7), Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, (ii) Executive Engineer, LGED, District: Manikganj, (iii) Municipal Engineer (XEN/AE), Manikganj Pourashava or (iv) any other places mentioned in the tender documents on showing documentary evidence of their contractor's licence. Tenders will be received by the abovementioned offices up to 12:00 Noon on 26-9-99. No tender will be accepted beyond this time and tenders will be opened at 12:30 PM on the same day in the receiving offices by the officers-in-charge in presence of the tenderers, if any.

Interested tenderer may collect necessary information regarding tender and work from the abovementioned office(s) during normal office hours on all working days. Tenders must be accompanied by all relevant papers and earnest money @ 2% (Two per cent) of the estimated price of the work in favour of the undersigned.

Copy of VAT registration certificates must be enclosed along with the bid. Both Income Tax & VAT in respect of each payment will have to be paid by the contractor as per prevailing rules and regulations of the Government of Bangladesh. Tender without VAT registration certificate will be rejected. Tenderer shall quote rate on overall percentage basis above/at par/below the estimated price of the tender. Any tender with quoted rates more than 5% (Five per cent) less than the estimated price will be summarily rejected. Tender with quoted rates more than 5% (Five per cent) higher than the estimated cost must accompany itemwise detail analysis of rate of each item without which tender will be rejected.

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6. Opening date : At 15-15 hours on 20-09-99 in presence of the tenderer (if any).

No tender schedule will be sold on the opening day and no tender will be received after schedule date and time. The authority reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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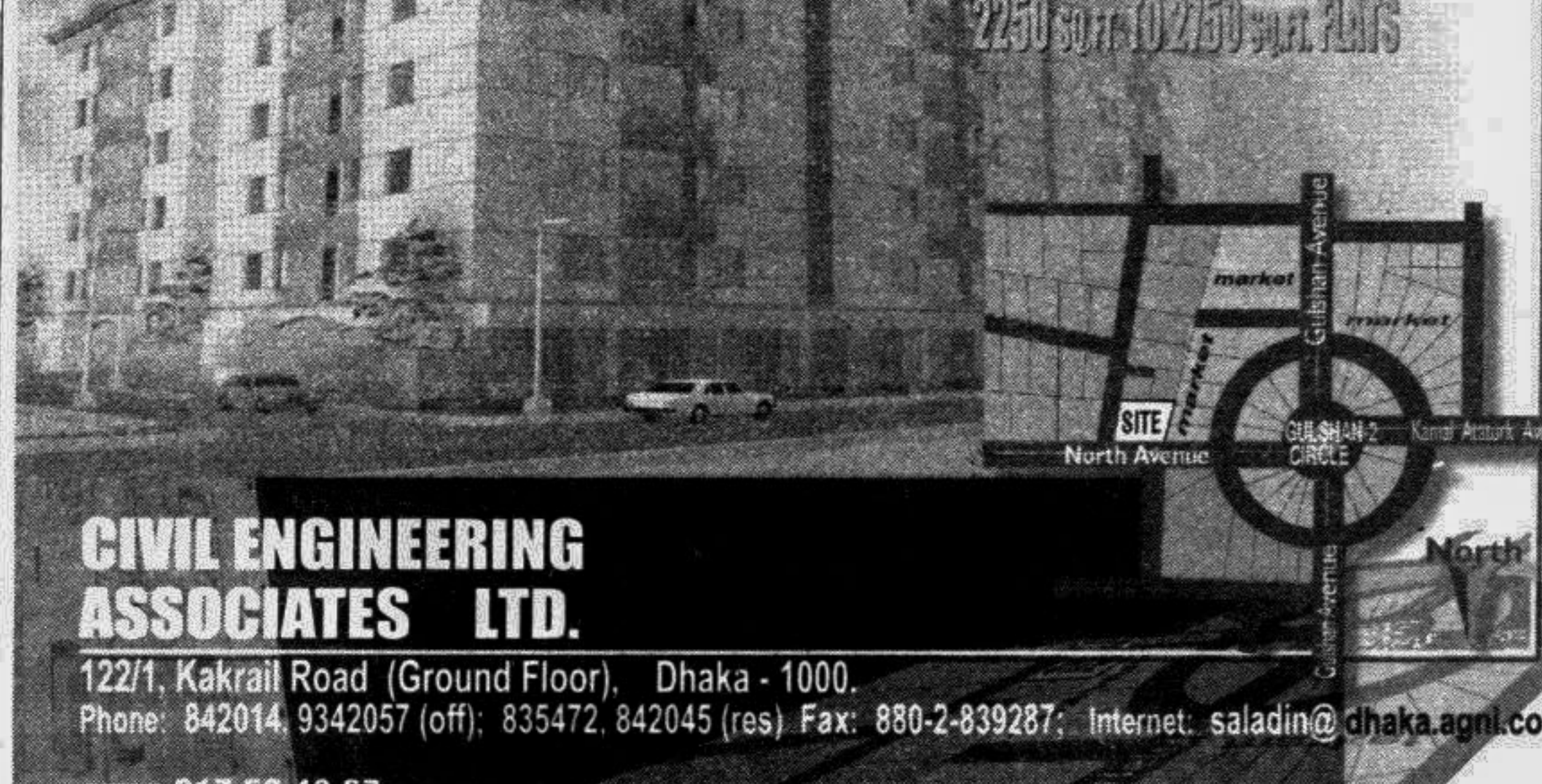
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