

FEMA to monitor Faridpur-4 by election

The Fair Election Monitoring Alliance (FEMA) Faridpur District Committee as part of its regular activity will monitor the October 27 Faridpur-4 by election being boycotted by the major opposition political parties in scaled down manner through mobile teams only, says a press release.

FEMA Faridpur district committee has completed all preparation in this regard. Earlier district committee has already selected the non-partisan and trained volunteers to observe the election.

FEMA reiterates that elections devoid of opposition participation erodes the democratic process and deprives the electorate of choice.

SKOP leaders discuss minimum wage with labour minister

Leaders of Samik Karmachari Oikya Parishad (SKOP) yesterday called on Labour and Manpower Minister M A Mannan to discuss with him the fixation of minimum national wages, reports BSS.

The minister assured the labour leaders that the present government was pledged-bound to protect the due rights of the workers.

He sought co-operation of the labour leaders to establish the goodwill of the government in this respect.

Among others, SKOP leaders Ahsan Ullah Master MP, Nurul Islam, Dr Wazedul Islam Khan, Shah Muhammad Abu Zafar and concerned officials of the ministry attended the meeting.

Rotary News

Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North will be held at 6.00 pm at Hotel Sonargaon, says a press release.

Barrister Monjur Hossain will speak on 'Activities of Transparency International in Bangladesh' as guest speaker.

Police raid on rickshaw making workshops slated

By Staff Correspondent

The Dhaka city hood-body Meramati Mistri O Balidha Rickshaw Malik Sangram Parishad has strongly protested recent police raid on the rickshaw making workshops.

At a meeting yesterday the leaders of the parishad forwarded a 7-point demand to the home minister which include immediate stopping of such atrocities on the workshop workers, returning of all seized items from rickshaw workshops, ensuring security for those working in these workshops.

They also demanded that those engaged in issuing 'illegal' licenses for rickshaws should be arrested immediately, particularly those two organisations detected in 1997 to have issued more than 50,000 illegal rickshaw licenses.

A rally was held after the meeting at the Osmani Uddayan. A copy of the seven-point demand was also handed over to DCC Mayor.

Among those leaders who spoke were parishad's president Shahar Ali, Asmat Ali, A Jalil, Sobhan, Berek, Haji Mannan, Siddique Rahman and Md Mo-hiuddin.

17 criminals held in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, Oct 24: One Mujibuddowa alias Mujibbaya, wanted in 20 criminal cases was among 17 criminals arrested by Chittagong Metropolitan police today, reports BSS.

Acting on a secret information, a strong police team raided a house at Khajra Road of Chandgaon thana and arrested Mujibbaya, reportedly a Shibir activist. He was a terror of Khajra Road, Balirhat, Bahadurhat and Bakolia, police said. Different police stations of CMP rounded up 16 others on various charges from different areas of the city.

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Licensed Rickshawowners Association brought out a procession in the city yesterday calling on the authorities not to ban rickshaws without proper rehabilitation of rickshaw pullers. — Star photo

'Dhaka will play its due role in UN peacekeeping process'

Bangladesh as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council will play its due role in peace keeping and peace building process, Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad said yesterday, reports UNB.

"Bangladesh hopes to play a mature, pro-active and facilitating role in the work of the Security Council during the two years of its membership at the very outset of the 21st century," he said.

Azad was speaking at a function organised by United Nations Association of Bangladesh (UNAB) in observance of the 54th United Nations Day to celebrate the membership of Bangladesh in UN Security Council.

Expressing satisfaction over election to the UN Security Council the foreign minister said it bears a special significance as Bangladesh is committed to the cause of peace and prosperity of humanity in the next millennium.

Referring to the success and failures of United Nations in its 54-year history, Azad said "UN

with its share of successes, failures and lessons learnt has in fact, came out more tempered and stronger than ever before."

The end of the cold war paradoxically has not ushered in a new era of peace and prosperity and for that the UN has before it an ocean of tasks to deal with in the coming millennium, he added.

Finance Minister Shah AMS Kibria addressing the function referred to failures of the United Nations and said peace keeping operations were not carried out the way it was desired and as a result the UN had not come up to the expectation of the people.

He said that the United Nations has contributed in economic integration and social development by effectively expanding its activities through ILO, UNDP and the UNICEF.

Kibria said with the end of cold war, opportunity has arisen for keeping, upholding and making peace in the world.

The Finance Minister thought that UN should endeavour to prevent outbreak of war instead

of sending peace keeping troops.

He said Bangladesh has fulfilled its promises by following the guiding principle of the UN and said the nation has always sided with the peace and signed various treaties, including the CTBT.

"As a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council, Bangladesh will be able to play its due role", he hoped.

Congratulating Bangladesh on its election to UN Security Council, Werner Kiene, Resident Co-ordinator of UN System in Bangladesh, lauded the present government's efficiently handling last year's flood and its aftermath.

He lauded the role of Bangladesh in the UN Peace Keeping Missions. Werner also read out the message of UN Secretary General Kofi Annan.

The function was presided over by UNAB Chairman Prof Salahuddin Ahmed and was conducted by Syed Mohammad Shahed, UNAB Secretary General.

Two dacoits arrested

BANDARBAN, Oct 24: Two alleged dacoits were caught by villagers at Lechupara under Ruangchhari thana here yesterday, police said today, reports BSS.

Tanchangya, 43, and Onongya, 34, were caught by local people along with one pipegun and some ammunition when the two were preparing to commit a dacoity. Later, the dacoits were handed over to Ruangchhari police.

Cosmetics worth Tk 7 lakh looted on Ctg highway

CHITTAGONG, Oct 24: Armed bandits looted a truck carrying Lever Brothers (Bangladesh) Ltd cosmetics worth about Tk 7 lakh at Kumira under Sitakunda thana on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway yesterday, reports UNB.

Armed men waylaid the truck from Agrabad, Chittagong and looted 190 cartons of cosmetics goods at about 5:00 pm.

CHTDB board meeting Oct 31

RANGAMATI, Oct 24: The third meeting of the high-powered Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board (CHTDB) will be held on October 31 in the conference room of the CHTDB here, says a press release today, reports BSS.

The meeting will discuss the progress of implementation of the projects taken up under the Annual Development Programme in the Hill Tracts

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The duration of the study will be nine months. The subject areas to be covered are:
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The Noakhali based CDSP II is a project supported by the Government of Bangladesh, the Government of the Netherlands and the World Food Programme.
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DCC Mayor Md Hanif speaking at a seminar on "Solution to Traffic Congestion in the City" at the Jatiya Press Club yesterday organised by the Bangladesh Road Transport Workers' Union. — Star photo

Tk 950cr project being implemented for easing city's traffic jam

Mayor Mohammad Hanif yesterday said the residents of Dhaka city would soon be getting the benefits of the Tk 950 crore Dhaka Urban Transport Project aimed at easing traffic jam, reports BSS.

Speaking at a dialogue on "Traffic congestion in Dhaka," the mayor said one-fourth of the city roads was being developed and widened under the project financed by the World Bank.

The city dwellers will soon be getting the benefits of the project. A Dhaka City Corporation press release quoted him as saying.

Bangladesh Sarak Paribahan Samik Sanik Parishad the roundtable discussion in which senior police officials, labour officials and transport workers participated.

Referring to his earlier proposal for the introduction of metrolink in Dhaka, he said despite being a pragmatic suggestion, it could not be implemented as the process would have taken much time.

Hanif urged all including politicians, transport owners and workers to join their hands in solving the acute problem of traffic congestion.

Manjurul Ahsan Khan, president of the organisation, presented the keynote paper.

Jamaat road march Oct 31

Jamaat-e-Islami will start its road march from Chittagong on October 31 and end with a public meeting at Cox's Bazar on November 1, reports UNB.
This has been decided at a meeting of the party's Road March committee, presided over by Maulana Matur Rahman Nizami.

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