

Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Ramna will be held today at 4:00 pm at the house of Rtn. president Alhaj Md. Quadiruzzaman at 84. Sha-heed Tajuddin Swarani, (Previous Tongi Diversion Road) in Tejgaon Industrial Area, says a press release. The meeting will be followed

by Iftar. The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka will be

held today at 4:00 pm at Hotel Sonargaon, says a press release. Members have been requested to attend in time. * * *

The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Sonargaon Dhaka will be held today at 4:30 pm at Dhaka Club Family Lounge, says a press release.

Programmes on Martyred Intellectuals' Day in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, Dec 13: Martyred Intellectuals Day will be observed here tomorrow in a befitting manner, reports BSS. Different political and so-

cio-cultural organisations have chalked out separate programmes for the day. Chittagong City Corporation will hold a discussion on Shaheed intellectuals at its audito-

rium in the afternoon. Local Awami League and its front organisations will place wreaths at the Central Shaheed Minar at KC Dey Road in memory of the Shaheed intellectu-

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JU programmes on Martyred Intellectuals

Day, Victory Day Jahangirnagar University has drawn up an elaborate pro-gramme to observe the Martyred Intellectual Day today and the Victory Day on Thursday, reports UNB.

The university offices and classes will remain closed on both the occasions.

JU teachers, students, officers and employees, led by acting Vice Chancellor Prof Abdul Bayes, will place wreaths at the Mirpur Shaheed Buddhijibi Smrity Soudha at 8 am.

The VC along with teachers, students, officials and employees of the university will also place wreaths at the National Mausoleum in Savar at 7 am on Victory Day.

The Vice Chancellor Cup Handball competition for female students, organised on the occasion, will be held at JU central playground at 9 am while the Chancellor's Cup Football at 10 am at the same venue.

Meanwhile, an exhibition on books related to the Liberation War began at the University Central Library yesterday. The exhibition will remain open for all till 4 pm up to Wednesday, according to a JU press release.

AL urges opposition not to harass people

A meeting of the Awami League legal affairs sub-committee was held yesterday at the Dhanmondi Awami Foundation office with its chairman and AL Presidium member Dr Mohammad Selim in the chair, reports BSS.

The meeting condemned the destructive activities of the opposition in the name of hartal and urged them to maintain the sanctity of Ramadan.

The meeting also protested the damaging cars, throwing bombs indiscriminately on riskshawpullers, truck drivers, imam of mosques and innocent people by the opposition during

It called upon the opposition not to harass the people who are fasting.

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তালিকাভুক্তি এবং নবায়নের জন্য বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতহারা জাহাঙ্গীরনগর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের স্লাতক, এমফিল ও পিএইচডি ডিঞিধারীগণকে অবহিত করা যাঙ্গে

তালিকাতৃত্তির জন্য যোগ্যতা অর্জনকারী গ্রাজ্যেটগণের বিস্তারিত বিবরণ সংশ্লিষ্ট বিভাগ অথবা উপ-

তালিকাভুক্ত রেজিস্টার্ড গ্রাজুযেটগণের ঠিকানার কোন পরিবর্তন হলে তা লিখিতভাবে নিমুশ্বাক্রকারীকে

তালিকাতৃক্তিব নির্ধারিত ফরম যথাযথতাবে পূরণ করে ডিমিপ্রান্তির সার্টিফিকেট এর সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি, ২

কপি পাসপোর্ট আকারের সত্যায়িত ছবি, অর্থণী ব্যাংক জাহাঙ্গীরনগর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় শাখায় বিবিধ রশিদের

মাধ্যমে টাকা জমা দিয়ে জমা বশিদের ১ কপিসং উপ-বেজিস্টার (শিকা) এর নিকট ৩১-১-২০০০ তারিখের

যে, জাহাজীরনগর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় আটি ১৯৭৩ এব এখম স্ট্যাটিউটেব ১৭ (১) ধারা অনুযায়ী ১৯৭৩ সাল হতে

১৯৯৪ সাল পর্যন্ত ডিপ্রিধারীগণ বেজিস্টার্ড গ্র্যাজুয়েট হিসাবে তালিকাভূক্তির যোগ্যতা অর্জন করেছেন।

জাহাঙ্গীরনগর বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়

Dhaka by December 20, 1999.

hartal. Riot police can be seen in the background. Anti-hartal processions in city

Anti-hartal pickets attacking a Jamaat-e-Islam procession in front of the Baitul Mukarram Moscus during yesterday's

People from all walks of life yesterday joined peace processions and paraded main city streets to demonstrate their total rejection to hartal which disrupts normal life across the country, reports BSS.

Phensidyl, arms

A special detective team of

recovered

the Directorate of Narcotics re-

covered 36 bottles of phensidyl

from French Road area in

Bangsal under Kotwali thana

on Sunday, an official press re-

Japan made revolver with am-

Hossain, Abdur Rahim, Yakub

and Nasir - have been arrested

in this connection and cases

have been lodged with Kotwali

Two other persons - Alhaj

Ramzan Ali and Manik - were

absconding. Investigation is go-

ing on in this connection, added

Tunnel to be

built under

Karnaphuli

government has sanctioned

Taka 3.76,10,000 for conduct-

ing preliminary feasibility

study on a tunnel under the

river Karnaphuli here, accord-

ing to a press release of Chit-

tagong City Corporation (CCC)

cations has given permission to

construct the proposed tunnel

under the Karnaphuli to con-

nect southern and northern

banks of the river in the

Sadarghat area. A bridge over

the Karnaphuli or a tunnel un

der the river is badly needed in

Sadarghat area for easy com-

munications between northern

and southern sides of the Kar-

rean EPZ are under develop-

ment process on 2,700 acres of

land on the southern bank of

eration Association (JICA) in

its survey report has also sug-

gested construction of a tunnel

Mayor ABM Mahiuddin

Chowdhury has expressed satis-

faction over the Communica-

tions Ministry's approval for

construction of a tunnel under

Exhibition on

Liberation War

at IFA

tographs of the Liberation War

began at the Zainul Gallery of

Institute of Fine Arts (IFA) yes-

terday, says a press release.

and will end on December 19.

An exhibition of pho-

The exhibition is open to all

the river Karnaphuli.

Chittagong City Corporation

or a bridge near Sadarghat.

Japan International Coop-

the Karnaphuli.

An economic zone and Ko-

The Ministry of Communi-

today, reports BSS.

CHITTAGONG, Dec 13: The

The team also recovered a

Four persons - Alamgir

lease said, reports BSS.

munition in the drive.

press release.

The peace marchers along with leaders and workers of different units of Bangladesh Awami League and its front organisation chanted slogans describing the opposition-backed hartal as anti-people, destructive and enforced on flimsy grounds.

While parading city streets, they said the hartal was designed only to serve the ill motives of vested quarters now out to destablise the pro-people government headed by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, said press releases issued by different units of Awami League.

The longest anti-hartal procession organised by Dhaka City Unit of Awami League was led by State Minister for Shipping and General Secretary of the party's city unit Mofazzal Hussain Chowdhury Maya. Bir Bikram. It started from Bangabandhu Avenue and paraded across Noor Hossain Square, Purana Paltan, Topkhana Road and National Press Club areas.

Addressing a large rally after the procession. Maya said the nation would teach BNP and its allies a good lesson for, what he said, deliberately disrupting people's peaceful live through their destructive hartal programmes. "BNP will never gain politically by resorting to armed terrorism and violence in the name of hartal," he told

the rally. Meanwhile, president of Dhaka City Unit of Awami League and Mayor of Dhaka Mohammad Hanif and general secretary and State Minister for Shipping Mofazzal Hussain

city residents for rejecting the hartal.

-Star photo

The leaders told a rally that sponsors of hartal through their destructive activities were, in fact, trying to protect the killers of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu.

Jatiya Rickshaw Sramik League also brought out a large procession that paraded main streets of the city. They chanted slogans against BNP and its allies for their destructive political programmes that directly goes against the interest of poor rickshawpullers.

Yesterday's other anti-hartal organisers include Dhaka City Jubo League, (South), Bangladesh Awami Sechasebok League, Awami Olama League, Bangabandhu Sainik League. Dhaka City Chhatra League (South), Bangladesh Hawkers League and Dholaikhal Anti-Hartal Peace Marchers.

Chowdhury Mava hailed the Govt allocates Tk 30 lakh for development of Buddhist religious instt

The government has allocated Taka 30 lakh for the development of various Buddhist places of worship in the coun-

try, reports BSS. Buddhist Welfare Trust will spend the money for the renovation, repair and reconstruction of the Buddhist Kiyangs. pagodas, temples and other be raised further. The meeting places of worship.

This was told at a meeting of Buddhist Welfare Trust held at the Secretariat in the city on

Sunday. State Minister for Religious. Affairs Moulana Nurul Islam presided over the meeting while Minister for Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs Kalparanjan Chakma. State Minister for Social Welfare Dr Mozammel Haque, Dipankar Talukder, MP. Bir Bahadur, MP. Vice Chairman of the trust Rakhal Chandra Barua, Religious Sec-

31 children get Sankar award

Thirty-one Bangladeshi children got Sankar International Child Painting and Essay Competition '98 award held in India recently, reports UNB.

Sanjana Sarwar got the Jawharlal Nehro Memorial Gold Medal in essay

competition. Sanjana along with a guardian will be invited to the prize giving ceremony in New Delhi to receive the medal from

the Indian President.

retary Mohammad Manfuzus Sobhan and trust member Bidhimitra Monk were pre ent. It was informed in the meeting the existing capital of

Taka 2 crore, provided by the government for the development of 1000 Buddhist places of worship in the country, would also underlined the need for proper utilisation of the allocated money.

Urs

CHITTAGONG, Dec 13: Urs Mobarak of Hazrat Shah Chinki Mostan (RA) will be held at his Dargah Sharif "Chinki-Astana," Chittagong on Thursday, according to a press release, reports BSS. Munajat will be held after

Magreb prayers. Dargah Sharif of Hazrat Shah Badal-Mostan (RA), one the Baro Aolia (Twelve saints) is situated at the same place.

Bangla Academy cultural show on Dec 16

Bangla Academy will hold a cultural evening at the academy's seminar room on December 16 on occasion of Victory Day, says a press release.

Renowned artistes of the country will participate in the programme, the release added.

UNICEF chief due Dec 18

UNICEF Executive Director Ms. Carol Bellamy will arrive in the city on December 18 on a three-day visit to Bangladesh. reports BSS.

During her visit, Ms. Bellamy will review the UNICEF programme in the country and more specifically the actions taken so far to solve the problem arising out of arsenic contamination of water. Arsenic in higher percentage is being found in recent years in waters of tube-wells supplied by

UNICEF Dhaka office sources said Ms. Bellamy might launch arsenic communication strategy on December 20, few hours before her departure ending the visit.

UNICEF has been working with the government and the people of Bangladesh since the early days of independence of the nation and the total inflow of UNICEF assistance to the country amounted to 700 millien US dollars, official sources

Ms. Bellamy had earlier visited Bangladesh in November

While in Bangladesh, Ms Bellamy will call on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and hold talks with a number of ministers including Finance, Foreign and Health, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina had a meeting with Ms Bellamy during her visit to the UN in September this year.

The UNICEF chief executive is scheduled go outside the capital to see UNICEF-supported arsenic mitigation activities, her itinerary said.

PM greets her Malaysian counterpart

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday congratulated Dr Mahathir Mohamad on his re-election as the Prime Minister of Malaysia for the fifth term, reports BSS.

In a message of congratula-tions sent to Dr Mahathir Mohamad, the Prime Minister expressed her firm optimism that the existing bonds of friendship between the two brotherly coun-tries would be further developed in the coming years to the mu-

She also conveyed to her Malaysian counterpart the best wishes for his good health and long life as well as the continued peace, progress and prosper-ity of the fraternal Malaysian people.

Sayeed condemns attack on newsmen at Laldighi Maidan State Minister for Informa-

tion Prof Abu Sayeed has strongly condemned Sunday's attack on the journalists at Laldighi Maidan in Chittagong. injuring 15 newsmen, reperts

In a statement yesterday Prof Sayeed said the people of the country cannot accept the incident of attack on the journalists, particularly the proliberation newsmen by the defeated forces of the War of Liberation and their associates. autocrats and fundamentalists from a public meeting organised by four-party alliance.

The attack on the eve of the Shaheed Intellectuals Day and the Victory Day, he said, just reminded the atrocities and barbaric acts of Pakistani occupation forces and their collaborators Razakers and Al-Badrs.

Prof Sayeed said they have no language to condemn the attack of the anti-liberation forces during the month of vic-

He said the opposition had also in the past attacked the journalists, snatched away their belongings and set their vehicles on fire. The opposition had also attacked the newspaper offices, he added.

Prof Sayeed urged the jour-nalists and the people to raise their voice against such evil clique and build up massive resistance against it.

In a separate statement Bahadur Bepari and Ajoy Kar, president and general secretary respectively of Bangladesh Chhatra League also condemned the attack on the journalists at Laldighi Maidan. They urged the people of all

spheres to get united to resist the evil forces.

Programmes on Martyred Intellectuals' Day in Khulna

KHULNA, Dec 13: Different political and socio-cultural organisations have chalked out elaborate programmes in ob-servance of the Martyred Intellectuals Day with due solemnity in Khulna and its adjoining areas tomorrow, reports BSS.

Bangladesh Awami League, BNP, Jatiya Party, Muktijoddah Sangsad, Sammilito Sangskritik Jote, Khulna Press Club, Metropolitan Union of Journalists, Khulna Bar Association and other organisations took up separate programmes marking the significance of the day.

The programmes including placing of wreaths at the altar of the Shaheed Intellectual Smriti Saudha at Gallamari in the city and holding of discussions recalling contribution of the illustrious sons of the soil who made supreme sacrifice for the cause of independent Bangladesh on the eve of the victory of the country.

Classes, academic activities disrupted at DU

By DU Correspondent Classes and academic activities of Dhaka University were disrupted yesterday due to the 9-hour countrywide hartal enforced by the BNP-led Opposition Alliance.

The administrative activities at the Registrar's Building were partially conducted during the hartal hours yesterday. Central library of the university was also remained open but the attendance of students was very thin. Police were deployed at the entrance of the library.

Meanwhile, both the ruling party-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) student wing of opposition BNP brought out separate pro-cessions and held rallies on the campus in protest and in favour of yesterday's shutdown.

. Addressing the rally, the BCL leaders called upon the opposition to refrain from calling "illogical" hartal frequently which they said only ruining the country' economy and destabilising peaceful atmosphere.

The JCD leaders at their rally urged the countrymen to join the opposition's one-point movement to dislodge the "autocrat and puppet" government from power.

DRU boat race on Buriganga tomorrow

By Staff Correspondent The Dhaka Reporters Unity (DRU) will hold a country boat race in the river Buriganga tomorrow with an aim to create awareness to save the river. The race, on the eve of Vic-

tory Day will be participated mainly by reporters with the slogan, "Save the Buriganga".

Over the years the life line of the capital, the river Buriganga has been subjected to massive pollution and indiscriminate and illegal encroachment. The race hopes to raise more voices to save from its pitiable condi-

The race will take place on the most affected part of the river starting at 2 pm from Kamrangirchar Steel Bridge to Sadarghat launch terminal. Mayor Mohammad Hanif will be present at the finish line as the chief guest of the event while Mahfuz Anam, Editor of The Daily Star will be the special guest. The local member of parliament and other MPs, will also be present.

33 community clinics to be set up at

Bandarban FEANDARBAN, Dec 13: The District Health Department, on rapproval of the government. will set up 33 community clin-

ics in seven thanas of the district in the current and next fiscal years, reports BSS. The department will start

the construction work in the first week of January, 2000. According to official sources, construction of each

community clinic will cost Taka 3.5 lakh. The District Health Depart-

ment would set up 20 clinics in the current fiscal year at a cost of Taka 70 lakh, Čivil Surgeon, Bandarban Dr M Sarfaraj Khan told this adding that three clinics would be set up in Sadar thana, six in Lama, two in Ruma, two in Tansi, two in Roungchhari, two in Alikadam and three in Naisangchhari thanas.

He also informed that rest of the 13 community clinics would be set up at a cost of Taka 45.5 lakh in the next fiscal year.

After completion of the entire community clinics in seven thanas, a total of 1.98 lakh tribal and non-tribal residents would be benefited.

২। নবায়ন ফি প্রতি বৎসরের জন্য

অবশ্যই জানাতে হবে

৩। আজীবন সদস্য হিসাবে তালিকাভৃত্তি হিং

বেজিস্টার (শিকা) এব নিকট হতে জানা যাবে।

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Project Director 18-Towns Power Distribution Project PDB, Dhaka

Those turbulent days of 1971 Mujibnagar: Where the path to freedom was designed MEHERPUR, Dec 13: Mujib-On April 15, Awami League historic ceremony. Strong se-

nagar in Meherpur district occupies a unique position in our history as the cradle of the heroic Liberation War. During the struggle for liberation Mujibnagar became a nucleus of all pro-liberation activities and drew the attention of the world community. The very name of the area inspired the Bangalees to wrest freedom from the clutches of the barbaric Pakistani rulers, reports BSS. After the formation of the

government on April 10, 1971 the leaders selected Meherpur near the border as the seat of the exile revolutionary government to guide the Liberation War. As the Pakistan army lead a strong and well-equipped army and air force at Jessore Cantonment, the leaders of the revolutionary government selected Meherpur to establish their headquarters from strategic point of view. An organisation called

"Simanta Sangram Parishad" was formed at Meherpur border immediately after the historic speech of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Ramna Race Course on March 7, 1971. This organisation at Bhaborpara village in Baguan union was very active in mobilising the people of the area to wage struggle against the then Pakistani rulers. Momin Chowdhury. Doajuddin Ayub Hussain and others were at the back of this border belt group.

leader Captain Munsur Ali and others came to visit Bhaborpara and held discussions with the members of the Border Action Council. During the meeting with the members of the Action Council Captain Munsur Ali expressed his opinion that the swearing-in-ceremony of the members of the revolutionary government would be held at Boiddanathtola. After this announcement there was a flurry of activities in connection with the preparations for the swearing-in-ceremony. The whole day of April 16 passed for the setting up of dais. An arch was also erected in front of the dais. Materials for the installation of the dais were procured with the cooperation of the members of the Indian Border Security Force (BSF) The members of then East

Pakistan Rifles extended their all-out cooperation for the construction of the dais. The banner with the inscription "WelCome" that was

hung on the top of the arch was made by Miss Cathrina and Miss Terejina, two nurses of Bhoborpara Mission. The report that the swearing-in-ceremony of the revolu-

tionary government would be held at Boiddanathtola under Baguan union on April 17 had spread to all corners. Several hundred foreign journalists gathered at the mango garden of Boiddanathtola to cover the

curity measures around the place were taken by the BSF under the command of Lt Col. Chakravarty. A good number of EPR and Ansar personnel also took part in the security measures.

The programmes of the ceremony were chalked out by Capt. Mahbub and Capt. Towfiq-e-Elahi. Tajuddin Ahmed. Syed Nazrul Islam, MAG Osmany. Khandkar Mushtaque Ahmed, Kamruzzaman and Munsur Ali sat on the dais. At the initial stage, the guard

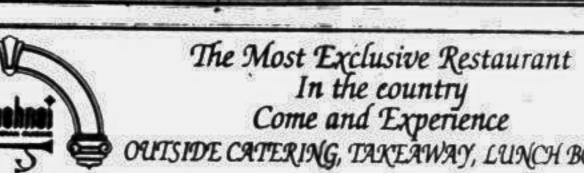
of honour was led by Capt. Mahbub. Syed Nazrul Islam took the salute and hoisted the national flag. At the ceremony Md Baker, Assistant Teacher, Anandabas Mia Mansur Academy, recited from the Holy Quran, Pinto Biswas recited from the Bible. Md Asadul Huq. Shahabuddin Ahmed Sentu, Pintu Biswas and some other artistes from Dhaka took part in the national anthem.

Prof Yusuf Ali read out the declaration of Independence and conducted the swearing-inceremony. With the declaration of the independence the place was ceremoniously named "Mujibnagar" after the architect of the independence. Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Mujibnagar is now deep rooted in our history and synonymous with our struggle for liberation.

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