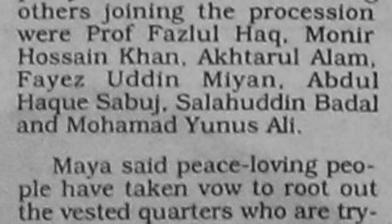
Anti-hartal processions held

State Minister for Shipping and Dhak. rity Awami League General Secretary Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya, Bir bikram, yesterday said peaceloving pious Muslims will give a belitting reply to the anti-Islamic activities of the main opposition BNP and its anti-liberation and autocrat allies, re-

At a pre-hartal rally at the party central office Maya said BNP along with its anti-liberation and fundamentalist ally Jamaat-e-Islami is creating obstacles to the celebration of the biggest religious festival of the Muslims by calling hartals.

Different front organisations of Bangladesh Awami League yesterday brought out separate peace processions in the city protesting the six-hour countrywide hartal enforced by main opposition BNP and its

Dhaka City Awami League, Bangabandhu Sainik League, Chhatra League. Awami Sechachha Shebok League, Krishak League, Jatiya Sramik League, Hawkers' League and Lalbagh Thana Awami League paraded different city streets and chanted anti-hartal slo-



gans describing it as anti-peo-

brought out a huge anti-hartal

procession in the morning from

the party central office at

Bangabandhu Avenue. Maya led

The procession paraded dif-

ferent city streets including

Noor Hossain Square, Paltan,

Topkhana Road, Jatiya Press

Club areas and ended at the

party central office. Among

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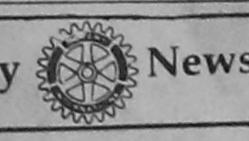
Dhaka City Awami League

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sphere of the country created by this regime by calling frequent Meanwhile, in a statement dent. Mayor Mohammad Hanif,

ing to destroy democratic atmo-

the city Awami League presiand the general secretary, Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya, congratulated the city dwellers for rejecting the hartal



Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Ramna will be held today at 4:00 pm at the clinic of Dr Ruhal Haque, Trauma Centre, Road # 15. House # 17, (old Road # 28). Dhanmondi, says a press re-

The meeting is being hosted by Rtn Dr Ruhal Haque. The guest speaker of the day will be Alhaj Moulana Golam Maula.

BRDB to launch poverty alleviation

programme RAJSHAHI, Jan 3: Bang-

ladesh Rural Development Board (BRDB) will launch a massive poverty alleviation programme in over 350 villagers of six unions of Tanore in Rajshahi district and 13 unions of Gaibandha district soon, reports BSS.

An official source said the main objective of the programme is to make the poor self-reliant including womenfolk in the area.

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) will provide Taka 12 crore 87 lakh to help make the programme a success within five years.

Honorarium to nutrition workers distributed

Minister for Science and Technology Lt General (retd) Noor Uddin Khan yesterday said that the main objective of the coordinated nutrition project is to eliminate malnutrition and create consciousness about the matter among the people, reports BSS.

He was addressing as chief guest a function at Monohardi meant to distribute honorarium to the organisers and social workers engaged in the movement for nutrition. Concerned officials attended the occasion.

The minister handed over Tk 1000 to each of the 22 organisers and Tk 500 to each of the 203 workers in addition to a radio set to everyone.

He also advised nutrition workers to fan out in the villages and make people conscious about the nutrition value of different kinds of vegetables and fruits.

The minister later distributed five kgs of rice and five kgs of wheat to the distressed women and elderly people in the Monohardi and Belabo thanas for the coming Eid-ul-Fitr. At the instruction of the prime minister, rice and wheat are being distributed to 900 poor people in every union on the occasion of the coming Eid.



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Bangladesh Photojournalists' Association held a milad mahfil and iftar party yesterday in memory of photojournalist Belayet Hossain Belal and other journalists at their office -Star photo premises.

JU teacher sustains bomb injuries

By Staff Correspondent Noted economist and a teacher of Jahangirnagar University (JU) Anu Muhammad sustained bomb injuries at Paltan crossing Sunday night

said a press release last night. The incident took place when Anu Muhammad, also a member of Ganatantric Biplobi Jote, was returning from Purana Paltan central office of the party at about 8 pm Sunday, it

Splinter of a bomb hit his left thigh. Anu Muhammad was rushed to Holy Family Red Crescent Hospital where he underwent a surgical operation yesterday, it added.

BDR recovers Indian clothes

By Staff Correspondent A special team of Bang-

ladesh Rifles (BDR) has recovered smuggled Indian clothes from Chilmari area under Kushtia sector on December 27, said a BDR press release last

The recovered clothes include 1,896 pieces of Indian sarees, 36 woolen wrappers and shwals and 31 bed sheets and bed covers, it added.

Obituary

Valiant Freedom Fighter Yaseer Ali of Moulvibazar district died of cancer at his village home last month after a prolonged suffering from the deadly disease, according to a message yesterday. He was 60, reports BSS.

He left behind his wife, three sons and a daughter to mourn his death. After Namaj-ejanaza, he was laid to rest at the village graveyard.

JCD, BCL hold rallies for, against hartal

By DU Correspondent

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) more hartals, he said adding and ruling Awami League's student wing Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) brought out separate processions and held rallies on the Dhaka University campus yesterday in favour and against the countrywide hartal respectively.

BCL leaders at their rally condemned the BNP-led four party oppositions alliance's calling of "illogical" hartals frequently, which they said is only ruining the country's flourishing economy.

"Such destructive political programmes are nothing but steps to ruin the economy and destroy the country's peaceful atmosphere," said BCL general secretary Ajay Kar Khokon. He urged the opposition to

Two boarding bridges open at ZIA

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Engineer Mosharraf Hossain yesterday inaugurated two more boarding bridges at the Zia International Airport (ZIA) as part of the programme to increase passenger services and other facilities there, reports BSS. The bridges were constructed

at a cost of Taka 10 crore following increase of foreign passengers and international flights at the airport.

Speaking on the occasion the minister said that the inadequacy of bridges and problems regarding movement of passengers at the airport would be removed by construction of the

Opposition BNP-backed refrain from unleashing any that the people would not forgive them for their misdeeds.

JCD brought out its procession from the Madhu's Canteen and held the rally at TSC road island. JCD's DU unit president Manir Hossain presided over the rally which was addressed among others by Munsi Bazlul Basit Anju, Mozaffar Hossain Zakir, Rafik Sikdar, S M. Nes ruzzaman. A B M Mosharra Hossain and Sultan Salarra

At the rally, the JCD leaders condemned the ruling AL for its continuing repression on the opposition activists and urged Sheikh Hasina to immediately stop such activities.

Death anniversary



The first death anniversary of Begum Shahida Diwan will be observed today, says a press re-A milad mah-

fil will be held on the occasion at 4 pm at the residence of the deceased's youngest son deputy accountant general Dewan Sayeedul Hassan at "Prantik" 17/8 Circuit House

Shahida Diwan was the wife of distinguished educationist and Professor of Dhaka University Md Rustam Ali Diwan.

Relatives, friends, col leagues, students and admirers have been requested to attend the milad mahfil and pray for have political affiliation Unlike the popular notion that NGOs mobilise awareness of grassroots poor women such

New study on Sirajganj reveals

91 pc of elected female UP members

Civil Society' has showed that a trend was not found to be the majority were mobilised by strong in study area of Sirajpolitical parties despite a ban ganj area. in use of political party identity Sources of election funds in UP elections, reports BSS. were more or less fair - about Almost 90.9 per cent of the 45 per cent came from huselected women members band/family and NGOs rather claimed affiliation with politithan from pelitical parties. cal parties while 77.6 per cent

with NGOs and 82.6 per cent with civil society organisations, the study said. The party affiliation in the past and present reiterates the trend in local politics of elected members claiming affiliation with the party in power. Over 70 per cent is said to be connected UP councilors.

with Awami League. Zarina R Khan and Muntassir Mamoon of Dhaka University conducted the study in Sirajganj district on a wide variety of samples that suggest genderspecific policy support by the government for strengthening UPs and making women members more effective.

A study on 'Roles and Percep-

tions of Elected Women UP

Members and Linkages with

are said to have connections

In order to assess the elected women members' (EWMs) understanding and awareness of local and institutional problems of the unions, the study found that 41 per cent listed infrastructural deficiencies as a local problem, while 26 per cent identified poverty as a problem.

Of those surveyed 43 per cent of EWMs perceived their role as to help the UP as well as general people. Nearly 99 per cent expressed optimism to bring qualitative change in UP performance, and 42 per cent wanted training first.

The study also revealed the traditional mindset of the elected representations in local council of the country as 45 per cent of EWMs acknowledged having expectations for acquiring both money and power by getting elected.

But 28.6 per cent of EWMs thought legal clarity, strong committee system and participatory manage ment/coordination · system could ensure accountability of elected councilors.

A total of 39.6 per cent of EWMs thought dissemination of information, open bidding and regular consultations together could enhance transparency in the system.

There is lack of clarity among the EWMs on Gram Parishad, its role and relationship with the UP in general and EWMs in particular. This is due to the vagueness in GP Act that does not specify the role of EWMs (reserved seats) in UPs. All EWMs were found to be

literate with over 42 per cent having completed secondary level and 9 per cent higher secondary level education but 57.7 per cent of them lack knowledge of the existence of Village Court and Family Court.

Election spending was also

minimal, 62 per cent spent between Tk 20,000 to 60,000. Over 60 per cent of EWMs complain that they faced difficulty in working with male councilors while 61 per cent reported they were denied equal status. About 41 per cent hoped that a positive social attitude can make them acceptable to

Training was considered vital (88 pc) and the areas for training identified were law, family laws, village court and role orientation (44 pc). A total of 65 pc are aware of resource position of UPs, but 83 per cent are not satisfied with UPs fund position. On civil society perception of local government and their roles. 75 per cent think UPs lack accountability and 83.8 per cent believe that UP accountability is a pre-con-

'Agro industry has enormous potential'

Finance Minister Shah A M S Kibria said yesterday that our agro-processing industry has enormous potentials to contribute to the national economy, reports BSS.

"Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is very sincere to provide allout assistance to ensure the contribution of the industry to the economy of the country. he said this when a delegation of Agribusiness Development Organisation of Bangladesh (ADOB) met him at his office.

President of the organisation Fakhrul Islam Munshi led the delegation.

The members of the delegation urged the minister to provide some incentives and facilities, which are needed to help sustain the agricultural products in the competitive market. both at home and abroad. The finance minister said

that the government has already declared the agro-processing industry as a thrust sector and is providing incentives for its flourishment. "The entrepreneurs should come up with good investments in this sector," he said.

Urging the delegation to submit a report mentioning the areas where the government can help and take pragmatic steps to promote this industry.

dition for enhanced people's participation.

In the area of civil society's perception of UP functions. over 45 per cent thought the important function of UP is VGD card distribution and over 31 per cent perceived it to be road

and culvert construction. Surprisingly, 56 per cent civil society respondents do not have any idea of the existence of Village Court or Family Court, Interestingly 20 per cent of the NGOs and 80 per cent of community-based organisations perceive a role for themselves

as Gram Parishad Chairman. The study suggested enhancing cooperation and collectivism between civil society and EWMs by policy support and logistic support for serving the people as well as enjoying the trust and confidence.



First death

By Staff Correspondent The first death anniversary

prolonged fight with cancer last Deepa was born in Dhaka in

gious John Cass School of Art.

She was a spirited artist who tions and events at the national Haq on the occasion.

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Notice Inviting Tenders

Tender Notice No Name of works

Estimated cost

Earnest money

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No 1189

Date:-20.12.99 Tender No: 21/1999-2000 **Inviting PWD Tender Notice**

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Tender documents consisting of BD Form No 2911 detailed tender notice schedule of items, additional terms and conditions etc can be seen and obtained from the office of the undersigned and the Executive Engineer, SB Nagar, PWD Divn II/III/Mohakhali PWD Divn, Dhaka and PWD Eden Bldg Divn, Dhaka on all working days during office hours up to 17.1.2000 on payment of usual charges of Tk 400/-per set of schedule and Tk 25/per copy of tender form no. 2911 (both non-refundable). The tender form may be purchased by the contractor/firm himself/themselves or his/their representative on production of authorised letter bearing the signature of the representative duly attested by the contractor/firm and VAT registration & TIN certificate. No tender form will be sold after 17.1.2000. The tenderer must enclose the original money receipt of purchasing tender document and attested copy of registration certificate

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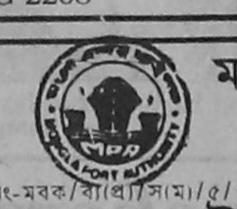
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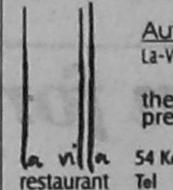
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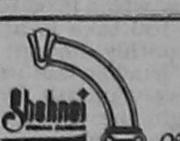
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anniversary of Deepa Haq today

of artist Deepa Haq will be observed today, says a press re-Deepa died after a brave and

1953. She completed her BFA from the Institute of Fine Arts in 1978 and her MFA from Baroda University in India in 1982. She also studied at the presti-

participated in almost all the Asian Biennale Art Competilevel until her death. Her last exhibition was held at Shilpakala Academy gallery in 1998. The exhibition featured selected items from all her works. The academy also brought out a book titled Deepa



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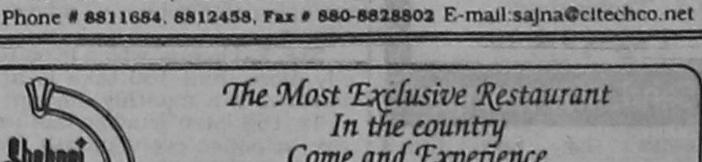
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