

### Recruitment of Experienced Pilots for the Chinese Y-12 Aircraft

We require experienced pilots and licensed engineers for the Chinese Y12 aircraft for long term contract in Africa. Experienced pilots are requested to send details to the Managing Director, Hunting Aviation(s) Pte Ltd, # 16-00, UIC, Building-5, ShentonWay, Singapore-068808. Telephone no: 65 2205556 and fax no: 65 2249767. Salary and other benefits will be commensurate with capability and fitness of the selected candidate. Please send a copy of your application to Mr. Wahid Salam, Managing Director, Nahaar Trading Corporation, 1803 Sena Kalayan Bhaban, Motijheel, Dhaka. The last date of reaching application is January 31, 2000. C-30

### Position Vacant

An international research institution has the following positions for the deserving candidates for their Dhaka office in connection with their research project in Bangladesh.

**Secretary:** The incumbent should be proficient in operation of computers with working experience in Window's 97/98 and other package programs. He/she should have a minimum English typing speed of 45 WPM with an accuracy of 90%. Experience in editing and publishing desirable, but not essential. A diploma in Secretarial Science will be considered an added qualification. Fluency in written and spoken English is considered essential. Candidates qualifying GCE 'O' level will be given preference. Short-listed candidates will have to take a practical test on typing and computer skills.

Apply in confidence with two recent passport size photographs, CV, certified copies of all educational certificates/ degrees, testimonials and references to Box No C-18, C/o The Daily Star, Dhaka by 19th January, 2000.

### "Power to the People" Electric Power Seminar

- Are you interested in reliable electricity for your business or factory?
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If you respond yes to one or more of the questions above then you will benefit greatly by attending our seminar to be held at Surma room, Sonargaon Hotel on Saturday, January 15, 2000 starting at 2:30 p.m. A US company, Bangladesh Energy Systems Technology (BEST) and the California Energy Commission will host a seminar to prepare you to take advantage of advanced small-scale generation technologies and innovative financing options to equip your business with reliable electricity supply. BEST invites mill and factory owners and concerned officials to attend this half-day presentation to learn about:

- Latest distributed generation (small power plants) technologies
- Proper application and benefits of distributed generation
- Financing options that meet your needs.

Please call Mr. Feisal Siddiqi at 956-4706, 956-9507/8 or 017-521317 or e-mail him at fsiddiqi@bangla.net to register for the seminar. There is limited capacity for the seminar, so early registration is encouraged. Thank you and we look forward to your participation.

### THE DHAKA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (DCCI)

65-66 Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000

#### VACANCY National Coordinator

The Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DCCI) is providing support to an international project titled Technology and Trade Information Promotion System (TIPS), which promotes the exchange of information related to trade and technology opportunities among developing countries.

DCCI seeks a self-motivated dynamic individual as the National Coordinator for this project who will be responsible for the following tasks:

- Establish and manage an information service for sourcing and dissemination of local business opportunities.
- Design and implement a marketing plan for TIPS information services in Bangladesh.
- Independently establish the organisational and institutional infrastructure of the TIPS National Bureau in Bangladesh.

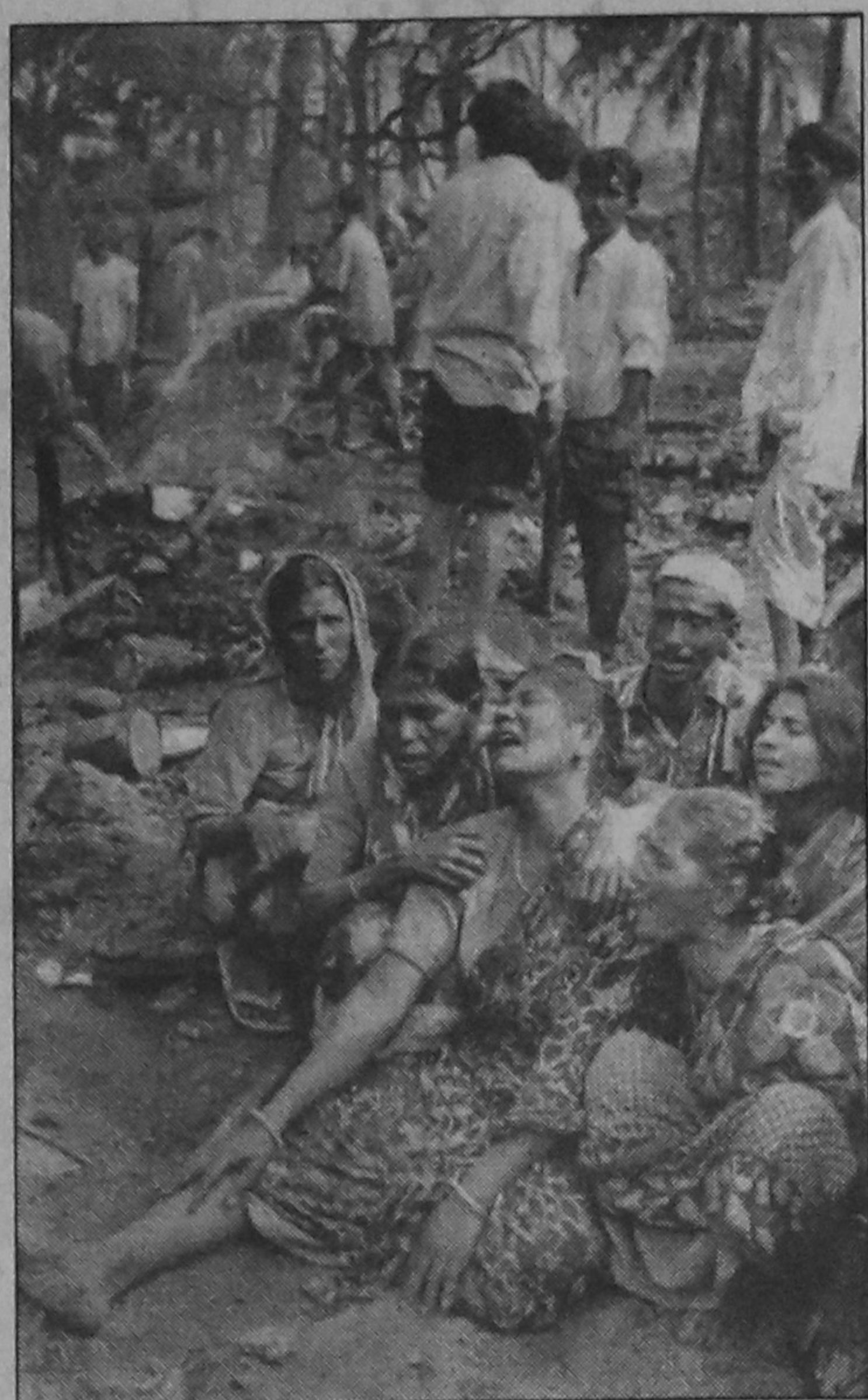
The ideal candidate should be less than 45 years old, possess a University Degree or a professional qualification in a related field, have excellent command of the English language and be computer literate. Previous experience with trade promotion organisations or business promotion networks would be a major advantage.

Remuneration will be negotiable depending on academic qualifications and relevant work experience.

Candidates are requested to send their applications within 10 days of this advertisement together with their curriculum vitae, a recent photograph, and the names and addresses of two non-related referees to:

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted

Secretary  
DCCI



Fire gutted quite a large number of thatched houses at a slum in Shajahanpur area. —Star photo

### US historian Wopert says People of South Asia can reshape their own destiny

Visiting US historian Stanley A Wopert yesterday expressed his firm optimism that people of South Asia can reshape destiny of the region from a conflict-ridden one to a hub of peace and prosperity in the new century, reports BSS.

A distinguished biographer and author of a number of authoritative books on South Asia, Prof Wopert said Bangladesh continues to be the 'wisest tension softener' while neighbouring India and Pakistan have gone nuclear.

Presenting the keynote speech on 'South Asia: Contemporary Scenario,' at Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIIS) the long time South Asia watcher Wopert, said security of a nation lies in the hearts and minds of its people which can not be guaranteed by the military might alone.

He said it is the allegiance of the people to its leader by which a country can best ensure its security and dignity.

Prof Wopert said Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was able to achieve this allegiance because people of this country could recognise that they had been suppressed and exploited by a power that was

not their own. The US professor, who has authored number of illuminating works on politics and personalities of the region, plans to write a book on Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

In reply to a question, he expressed the hope that US President Bill Clinton would take initiatives to bring India and Pakistan across the table for a lasting solution of the Kashmir tangle.

He said Pakistan has been spending almost 70 per cent of its annual budget for military affairs and debt servicing, while Indian defence spending has also gone up enormously only due to the Kashmir issue.

Wopert also expressed the hope that different national slogans will cease to be a single slogan 'Joy South Asia' (Victory for South Asia) for the peace and prosperity of the new millennium.

Earlier, Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad, who chaired the talk, assured Prof Wopert of all help in his great endeavour for writing the book on the Bangabandhu.

Political Advisor to the prime minister Dr SA Malek, BIIS DG Brig Shahedul Anam Khan, political leaders, MPs, veteran journalists, diplomats, economists and representatives of concerned missions in Bangladesh attended the talk.

### DU, Korean university sign MOU

By DU Correspondent

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the University of Dhaka and the Chonbuk National University (CNU) of Korea was signed yesterday at the residence of Vice Chancellor.

Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof AK Azad Chowdhury and Vice President of CNU Prof Byoung Sil Chon signed the MOU on behalf of their respective institutions. The president of the CNU Prof Cheol Soon Shin will also sign it later on, a press release said.

The purpose of the MOU is to develop academic programme and co-operation in teaching and research through exchange of academic staff and students, academic materials and other information, participation in seminars and undertaking research activities, the release added.

During the meeting they also discussed matters of mutual academic interest.

Among others, Professor of the Department of Pediatrics Dr Chan Ung Joo, Professor of the Department of Landscape Architecture Dr Sei Cheon Kim of CNU and director general of Korean Development Association in Bangladesh Soon Ho Chang were also present during the programme.

## Metropolitan Directives to complete HPSP projects timely

The Health Ministry yesterday directed the authorities concerned to complete different projects under Health and Population Sector Programme (HPSP) within the stipulated time utilising the allocated money properly, reports UNB.

The directives was given at a high-level review meeting of different ongoing projects of the Health and Family Welfare Ministry with its minister Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim in the chair.

The meeting also decided to provide training to field level

9,888 Health Assistants who will be placed at the Community Clinics within two months. The meeting was told that the government has a plan to provide such training to 45,349 Health Assistants in

phases. A fund amounting to Tk 4 crore was earmarked for the purpose.

It was also decided to expedite the work to prepare the infrastructure of health sectors in thana and district levels.

State Minister of the Ministry Dr M Amanullah, Health Secretary Syed Alamgir Faruq Chowdhury, chief engineers of CMMU, LGED, PWD and concerned officials, among others, attended the meeting.

### IN MEMORIAM



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### OBITUARY



Mr M M Zaman of Chittagong passed away on Tuesday, 11 January 2000 at 8:15 AM in Dhaka. He was 77 years old.

Mr Zaman, who was born in Ramu, Cox's Bazar, is survived by his wife, Nasima Zaman, five children, sons and daughters-in-law and 10 grandchildren. His children are Nishat, A Chowdhury, Sofia Jalal, Khurum Malik, Dr Zareen Khair and M Shahzaman. C-28

### Bangladesh Power Development Board Tender Notice

সম্মত সীমিত বিদ্যুৎ বিল পরিশোধ বন্ধন  
সরকারকে নগরী মোবারকগঞ্জ বন্ধন

Tenders are invited from the 'C' and 'D' class enlisted contractors and bonafide supplier establishments of PDB for supply of sofa set for VIP rest house of Shahjee Bazar Power Generation Station at an allocated expenditure of Taka 47,495/- (Taka forty-seven thousand four hundred and ninety-five) only through Tender No-Shah/DM/GL-7/99/704 dated 27-12-99. Tender document/schedule can be procured at a cost of Taka 50/- (fifty taka) only (non-refundable) from Chief Engineer Generation, PDB, WAPDA Bhaban, Motijheel, Dhaka and from the office of the undersigned with prior permission till 6-2-2000 and will be received till 12:30 PM on 7-2-2000 in the two offices and will be opened on the same day at 12:45 PM in presence of the tenderers (if there is any).

Deputy General Manager  
Shahjee Bazar Power  
Generator Station  
PDB, Habiganj  
Power/Public-1054(3)/99-2000  
DFP-195-4/1  
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### MASTERMIND SCHOOL NOTICE

All concerned are informed that school academic activities for all classes will start from 23rd January (instead of 16th) 2000. However the office will remain open from 15th January. Teachers & other staffs are to report for duty on 15th January 2000.

C-23 Management

### Apology for temporary inconvenience

Due to technical difficulties the PABX system and the Hotline number (123) of GrameenPhone Limited remained inoperative for sometime on Thursday, 13th January 2000.

We sincerely regret the temporary inconvenience caused to our valued subscribers.



### INDEPENDENT UNIVERSITY, BANGLADESH (IUB) BARIDHARA, DHAKA VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications are invited for immediate appointment to the following positions.

1. Assistant Director (Finance and Accounts) For IUB office at Chittagong : M.Com in Accounting/Finance (minimum second class) with 5-7 years' working experience or CA Intermediate preferably with 3-4 years' experience in reputed organisations. Age maximum 40 years.
2. Accounts Officer (For Dhaka and Chittagong) : M. Com in Accounting/Finance (minimum second class) with 4-5 years' practical experience or CA course completed preferably with 2 years' practical experience in reputed organisations. Age maximum 35 years.

Progressive working environment, excellent career prospect and competitive salary await for deserving candidates. Please apply mentioning qualification, experience, two referees and with one recent passport size photograph by mail to Sr. Asst. Registrar (Academic), GPO Box No.138, Dhaka-1000 latest by January 25, 2000.

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18 January  
GUNDECHA BROTHERS - DHRUWAD VOCAL

19 January  
VEENA SAHASRABUDDHE CLASSICAL VOCAL

Complimentary invitation cards can be collected from the Information & Cultural Wing, High Commission of India, House No. 121, Road No. 3, DRA, Dhaka, Tel: 507743, Fax: 5076219.

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