

Govt committed to ensuring empowerment of women

Local Government Minister Zillur Rahman has warned of a tougher action against the union parishads who would bar the elected women UP members from discharging their duties, reports agencies.

The minister was addressing the inaugural function of the National Conference-2000 of elected women UP members at the auditorium of Social Welfare Directorate in the city yesterday.

He said the elected women UP members have been given specific powers to implement local development programmes.

The conference was presided over by Executive Director of Bangladesh Nari Prograti Sangha (BNPS) Rokeya Kabir. Agriculture Minister Begum Motia Chowdhury was present as special guest.

USAID Representative Jan P. Emar, UP Members Ferdous Ara Mimmi of Netrokona, Saleha Yasmin of Dinajpur, Nazma Begum of Chittagong, Bhulu Rani Saha of Khulna and

Shahanur Begum of Bhola also addressed the conference. Over 400 elected women members from six divisions of the country attended the conference, organised by the BNPS. Zillur Rahman said the government is committed to ensuring equal participation of women in national development activities, and political and economic empowerment of women.

He said the government has enacted the law for the first time to ensure direct participation of women in local government bodies, including the Union Parishads.

Sylhet region lags behind in edn: Speaker

Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury urged the people of Sylhet region yesterday to give more emphasis on education, saying it was still lagging behind in education, causing hindrances to its overall development, reports BSS.

Speaking at the annual conference of Jhalabadi Association, a forum of the residents of greater Sylhet, Chowdhury said education not only create employment opportunities, but also make one conscious about his rights and ensure peace in society.

He urged all concerned to set up at least one primary school in each village of Sylhet.

Former Finance Minister M. Saifur Rahman, MP, economist Abul Mai Abdul Muhit, Dr CM Dilwar Rana, Inam Ahmed Chowdhury and general secretary of the association Abdul Quyum Chowdhury spoke at the function chaired by the president of the forum Begum Shahana Kabir.

JU 1st yr (Hons) application forms to be available from April 2-23

By Staff Correspondent

Application forms for admission in the first year honours courses under different faculties of the Jahangirnagar University (JU) will be available from April 2 to April 23.

Admission seekers can collect forms from the Dhaka New Market, Farmgate, National Museum, Mirpur (Section-1) and JU branches of Agrani Bank by depositing Tk 150 against each form and prospectus.

Admission test will be held from June 7 to 18 and results will be published on July 23.

Admission will take place from August 1 to 20 from merit list and August 24 to September 10 from waiting list.

Classes of fresh students will start in the first week of November, a JU press release said.

Meanwhile, authorities of Jahangirnagar University decided to start classes from April 8 for the first year (honours) students of 1998-99 session.

Presided over by the JU vice chancellor, the admission committee, in a meeting on Thursday last, also asked concerned students to take their seats from April 5 to 7.

Qulkhwani

The qulkhwani of Ali Daud Chowdhury, former assistant general manager of Agrani Bank will be held today at his residence at House No 216, Road No 3, Block B, Mirpur-12 after Asr prayers, reports BSS.

Relatives, friends and well-wishers have been requested to attend the qulkhwani.



Tofail Ahmed, Minister for Industries, speaking at the meeting of Bangladesh Liberation Force (BLF), popularly known as the Mujib Bahini, held at the National Museum in the city yesterday. — Star photo

BLF calls for unity against all anti-liberation forces

Members of the Bangladesh Liberation Force (BLF) at a meeting yesterday urged the government to fulfil their demands by recognising them as freedom fighters, reports BSS.

The BLF, popularly known as the Mujib Bahini, who played a pivotal role in organising a planned armed struggle against the Pakistani occupation forces in the Liberation War under the leadership of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. They also called for a greater unity among the pro-liberation forces to foil conspiracies of the anti-liberation elements and their patrons in the country.

Awami League Presidium Member and Food Minister Amir Hossain Amu chaired the meeting held at the National Museum here. BLF Sector Commander and Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak, BLF Sector Commander and Industries Minister Tofail Ahmed, Labour and Employment Minister Abdul Mannan, Law Minister Abdul Matin Khairu, Fisheries and Livestock Minister ASM Abdur Rab, JSD leader Noor-e-Alam Ziku and BLF Chief Training Instructor and JSD General Secretary Hasanul Huq Inu attended the meeting.

Abdur Razzak described the BLF as the most disciplined organisation which played a pioneering role to materialise the directives of Bangabandhu to wage a planned war against the Pakistani rulers. "The persons, who intend to belittle Bangabandhu and BLF, will find no place in history eventually," he said. The hired goons of the anti-liberation clique will once again fail as they do not have the moral courage to fight against the pro-liberation forces and freedom fighters.

Tofail Ahmed expressed his grief about the disunity among BLF members after independence and said, "If we could maintain the unity we had in the pre-independence period, then the political and economic scenario of the country would have been different."

He called upon all BLF members of come under a single umbrella to uphold the spirit of the War of Independence and protect the correct history of the country before the new generation.

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Nasim warns extortionists

Home Minister Mohammad Nasim said yesterday the government would take stern actions against those obstructing implementation of government and private projects for the development of Dhaka, reports BSS.

"We have enacted the Public Safety Act to punish the extortionists and terrorists," he said while inaugurating a 22-storey shopping complex, Habitat Complex, at Shyamoli in the city.

Nasim said the government would also not hesitate to take actions against illegal occupation to make the city clean and beautiful.

State Minister for Rural Development and Cooperatives Rahamat Ali, managing director of Urban Habitat Limited Tanvir Newaz, City Bank's chairman Din Mohammad and Managing Director of South East Bank Anisul Haq, among others, spoke on the occasion.

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Passing out parade of new sailors held

KAPITAL, Mar 31: The passing out parade of a batch of new entry sailors of Bangladesh Navy was held at BNS Shaheed Moazzam here yesterday, reports BSS.

The sailors divided into different trade groups took part in the parade marking their induction into the Bangladesh Navy.

M Idris Ali, Secretary, Ministry of Defence, reviewed the smartly turned out parade and took salute at the impressive march past as chief guest. He also distributed awards among the outstanding sailors, an ISR release said.

M M Rahman was adjudged the best all-round sailor and was awarded the 'Chief of the Naval Staff Cup'. He also got 'Admiral Mahub Cup' for credible performance in seamen's branch. 'Shaheed Moazzam Cup' was given to M F Uddin for his commendable performance in the technical branch.

Speaking on the occasion, the Defence Secretary urged them to build themselves as worthy sailors to protect the sovereignty and independence of the motherland.

Earlier, Ali was received at the parade ground by the Commodore Commanding of Chittagong, Commodore A K M Azad and commanding officer of the local naval base.

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Rotary News

North West meet

The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North West will be held today at 7.30 pm at Dhaka Club Ltd, says a press release.

The meeting will be followed by an Eid reunion dinner hosted by Rtn KM Zainal Abedin.

Members have been requested to attend with their spouses.

Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka Central will be held today at 1.30 pm at Dhaka Club Ltd., Shahbag, says a press release.

Rotarians have been requested to attend for fellowship and make-up.

"R&H, Tender Invitation Notice"

1)	Tender Notice No	:	71/EEWD, Dhaka/1999-2000.		
2)	Name of work	:	As per the undermentioned group list.		
Gr No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Amount of earnest money	Time for completion of work	Head of expenditure
a)	Supply of spare parts for urgent repairing of different vehicles arrived from different divisions under R&H, Workshop Division, Dhaka.	As per schedule	2% (two per cent) of the estimated cost.	30 (thirty) days.	2-Repair
b)	Supply of different materials for urgent work of Electric Section as well as different sections of Sub-Division, Dhaka under R&H, Workshop Division, Dhaka.	-do-	-do-	30 (thirty) days.	-do-
c)	Supply of spare parts for repairing of Toyota Car Model-KE-30 Dhaka-Ga-8427 under R&H, Workshop Division, Dhaka.	-do-	-do-	30 (thirty) days.	T&R.
3)	Eligibility of contractor	:	R&H, Directorate's enlisted all class contractors as per financial & zonal eligibility.		
4)	Offices where tender schedule to be had at	:	Tender can be purchased at Tk 510/= per set including Bangladesh Form No.-2908 for Group No 'A' & 'C' and at Tk 260/= per set including Bangladesh Form No.-2908 for Group No 'B' (non-refundable) from Workshop Division, Dhaka/Equipment Control Division/ Workshop Division, Mymensingh/Workshop Sub-Division, Dhaka during office hours upto the day before the date of receiving tender.		
5)	Officers & offices to receive tender & schedule	:	Superintending Engineer-R&H, Workshop Circle, Tejgaon, Dhaka/Executive Engineer-R&H, Workshop Division, Tejgaon, Dhaka/Executive Engineer-R&H, Workshop Division, Mymensingh/Executive Engineer-R&H, Equipment Control Division, Dhaka.		
6)	Last date of selling tender	:	09-04-2000.		
7)	Last date & time of receiving sealed tender	:	10-04-2000 upto 12:00 Noon.		
8)	Date & time of opening sealed tender	:	12-04-2000 at 12:30 PM.		
9)	Date of lottery (if necessary)	:	12-04-2000 at 2:30 PM		

DDP-7032-27/3 G-586 Md Abdus Sattar Executive Engineer-R&H (Mechanical) Workshop Division, Tejgaon, Dhaka

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MBA Examination Programme-992 Term

Date	09:00 AM-12:00 Noon	02:30 PM-05:30 PM
21/04/2000 Friday	Business Mathematics (MBA 2305)	Management Accounting (MBA 3309)
28/04/2000 Friday	Business Communication (MBA 2306)	Marketing Management (MBA 3310)
05/05/2000 Friday	Business Statistics for Decision Making (MBA 2307)	Fundamentals of Financial Management (MBA 3311)
12/05/2000 Friday	Organizational Behavior Analysis (MBA 2308)	Macroeconomics (MBA 3312)
19/05/2000 Friday	—	Human Resources Management (MBA 3313)

বি.দ্রঃ অনিবার্য কারণবশতঃ ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের ব্যবস্থাপনা বিভাগ ও হিসাববিজ্ঞান বিভাগ কেন্দ্রের পরীক্ষার্থীগণ ঢাকা নয়েম কেন্দ্রে পরীক্ষা দিবে।

Md Wahiduzzman Controller of Examination GD-294

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Technical Education Directorate

Shiksha Bhaban, Dhaka-1000

Memo No-TED/Survey/Equi/15/2000/34

Dated: 23-03-2000

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide suppliers/trading establishment for supplying office equipment (Group-A), drafting equipment (Group-B), massonary, plumbing, wood working, apparatus for Physics and Chemistry laboratories (Group-C), engineering materials lab (Group-D) under a development project titled 'Renovation, Restructuring and Modernisation of Bangladesh Survey Institutes' under Technical Education Directorate. Description of the goods and terms and conditions for supply have been mentioned in the tender schedule. Schedule for each group schedule, applications will have to be made separately and Taka 750/- will have to be paid as the cost of the schedule each group.

Place of availability of tender	Date and time for availability of tender	Cost of tender	Earnest money	Place, date and time of submitting tender	Date and time of opening tender
1) Director (Plan & Dev) and Project Director, a project titled 'Renovation, Restructuring and Modernisation of Bangladesh Survey Institutes' Technical Education Directorate, Shiksha Bhaban (3rd floor), 16, Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka-1000.	02/4/2000 to 20/4/2000 (on all working days from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM)	Taka 750/- for each group (non-refundable)	2.50% of the quoted cost (At the rate of two decimal five zero per cent)	24/4/2000 at 12:00 Noon. In the office 'chamber' of Director (Plan & Dev) & Project Director of a project titled 'Renovation, Restructuring and Modernisation of Bangladesh Survey Institutes' Technical Education Directorate, Shiksha Bhaban (3rd floor), 16, Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka-1000.	24/4/2000 at 12:30 PM before tenderers or his any representative (if any one remains present).
2) Director (Vocational) Technical Education Directorate, 19, Ishpani Parks, Moghbazar, Dhaka.					

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Successful tenderer will have to deposit security money at the rate of 10% of the contract value.

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Project Director A Project Titled 'Renovation, Restructuring and Modernisation of Bangladesh Survey Institutes' Technical Education Directorate, Shiksha Bhaban (3rd floor) 16, Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka-1000

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