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## BSMMU established to help provide quality healthcare

Health and Family Welfare Minister Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim yesterday said that Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) was established to produce medical specialists to provide quality healthcare for all, reports BSS.

"Providing better medical care for the people is a responsibility of a democratic government," he said while inaugurating a function to mark the second founding anniversary of the BSMU.

Presided over by Vice-Chancellor of the university Prof Dr M A Quadri, the function was also addressed, among others, by Chairman of University Grants Commission Prof ATM Zahirul Haque, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Prof MA Tahir, Prof Dr Mahmud Hassan, President and Secretary General of Bangladesh Medical Association (BMA) Prof Dr Rashid-e-Mahbub and Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin and Treasurer of the university Prof K M Iqbal.

The health minister said that BSMU is the highest medical institution of the country the government has already allocated Tk 15.5 crore for the overall development of the university, he added.

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Group list basis tender document as per the undermentioned description can be collected on cash payment from the Accounts Department of the Institute's Gazipur office during office hours up to 22/5/2000.

Tender document should be submitted in the tender box kept at the office of Director General, Bangladesh Rice Research Institute, Gazipur by 12:00 Noon of 23/5/2000 and be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence (if any) of the attending tenderers.

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Candidates bearing the following Roll Numbers have qualified in the Written Test. They are advised to appear before the Interview Committee at Bank's Head Office, BCIC Bhaban (8th floor), 30-31, Dilkusha Commercial Area, Dhaka as per schedule below. Letters to the individual candidates have been despatched. For non-receipt of letters, candidates may contact Bank's Head Office, Administration Division on 10th May, 2000 during office hours. No T.A./D.A. will be allowed.

15th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 3011, 2955, 1441, 2290, 1130, 1660, 3675, 354, 1602, 275, 3229, 729, 3057, 1285, 2735, 2846, 1361, 976, 3278, 3664, 372, 745, 764, 1114, 2459.

16th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 2328, 2103, 2180, 1799, 2868, 1416, 1961, 134, 2333, 2934, 119, 84, 1350, 941, 292, 603, 2194, 3092, 9, 965, 1170, 2451, 3521, 642, 88.

18th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 2306, 724, 1097, 224, 2477, 2933, 3225, 3432, 3627, 202, 1052, 781, 3488, 1643, 2422, 583, 1182, 499, 794, 2825, 3182, 537, 991, 1184, 3383.

21st May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 1296, 1296, 1505, 487, 2161, 2822, 3060, 3734, 593, 1604, 2819, 1765, 2101, 2582, 3105, 97, 1411, 1561, 2035, 2259, 187, 326, 558, 610, 832, 1167.

22nd May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 1712, 2681, 3184, 3117, 3500, 1204, 2732, 2804, 279, 1501, 2415, 3272, 174, 619, 664, 1197, 1464, 2711, 2931, 3469, 1856, 2191, 37, 417, 871.

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24th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 2462, 54, 255, 1074, 1908, 1997, 2057, 2591, 2867, 204, 609, 1179, 1787, 1946, 3065, 79, 218, 1160, 2308, 2352, 2713, 2722, 594, 953, 2143.

25th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 2223, 2409, 2597, 2721, 707, 1090, 2005, 2212, 3088, 3096, 3190, 3385, 631, 958, 987, 1301, 1600, 1606, 1613, 1733, 2598, 2835, 1117, 778, 1181, 1514.

28th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 1540, 1626, 3002, 3536, 1972, 474, 604, 1338, 1527, 1981, 2631, 2910, 3298, 3596, 960, 1137, 1383, 1517, 1673, 2178, 2501, 3071, 3414, 3794, 3797, 599.

29th May, 2000 at 1:30 p.m. - Roll Nos. 735, 828, 1089, 2347, 2565, 87, 291, 437, 766, 985, 1310, 1485, 2884, 2950, 3028, 343, 731, 761, 882, 1330, 1401, 1999, 2527, 2677, 2984, 3051.

**Arif Quadri**  
Vice President (Admn.)

## All-out efforts needed to combat arsenic contamination

By Staff Correspondent

Experts at a seminar in the city yesterday expressed grave concern over the alarming situation of arsenic contamination in ground water.

Describing the problem as a "big threat to the country's next generation", they suggested that an all-out initiative be taken up to combat the arsenic contamination.

The speakers observed that the entire population of the country would be affected by the problem within a short time if effective steps are not taken right now.

Held at the auditorium of Bangladesh Space Research and Remote Sensors Organisation (SPARRSO), the seminar on "Arsenic Contamination of Ground Water and Its Mitigation Measure" was organised by Franco-Bangladesh Association of Scholars and Trainees (FBAST).

Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof A K Azad Chowdhury attended the seminar as chief guest while FBAST president Dr A M Shafiqul Alam presided.

Prof Azad said a concerted effort involving government, experts, and NGOs is needed to solve the problem.

To mitigate the problem, Prof Azad said, "we need a long-lasting, cost-effective and easy method which will be acceptable to the villagers who are the main victims."

Speakers at a workshop in the city yesterday said gender discrimination is still a major obstacle to women development in Bangladesh, reports UNB.

Labelling the gender discrimination as a barrier to socio-economic uplift, they said elimination of gender disparity is essential for developing human resources and upholding the human rights in the country.

Bureau of Human Rights, Bangladesh (BHRB) organised the day-long workshop on



JCD brought out a colourful rally at the Kuwait Maitree Hall of Dhaka University yesterday to welcome the new students. — Star photo

## Workshop on 'Human Rights and Gender'

### 'Gender discrimination a major obstacle to women development'

"Human Rights and Gender" at the Hamdard auditorium.

Justice M Abdul Wahab said, "In the present situation, we cannot overlook the issue as it is very much related to our overall development."

Gender specialist Mahmuda Rahim Khan identified the gender issue as a challenge to the progress of our society as well as development in all aspects."

Major Gen (rtd) ZA Khan said, "Today gender friendliness is the watchword for success in social and universal en-

lightenment."

Nasreen Huq, a feminist activist, said it is not possible to protect the human rights "keeping the mountain-like discrimination between the male and female."

Moulana Abul Kalam Azad, a noted Islamic scholar, denied any contradiction in Islam on gender issue. "Rather, Islam is the best protector of human rights," he said.

The workshop was held in several sessions. BHRB president Alhaj Syed M Anwar Hosain took part in the discussion.

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