

Metropolitan

Arsenic-free water being supplied to 7 upazilas



QUL KHWANI

Qul Khwani of Mr. M.A. Basit (62) former Conservator of Forests of Forest Directorate will be held today the 21st May '2000 at 5 p.m. at his residence (18 Green Road, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-opposite to Central Hospital & near Dhanmondi Thana). Late Mr. Basit died (Inna razune) at 8 a.m. on 19th May. Armentolian Mr. Basit was life member of Dhaka University Alumni Association, Dhaka based 'Baria Jila' Samity & member of British Alumni Association in Bangladesh. All his relatives & well wishers are requested to attend the quikhwani & pray for peace & salvation of his departed soul.

Bangladesh Arsenic Mitigation Water Supply Project (BAMWSP) has started supplying arsenic-free water in Hajiganj, Gopalganj, Ujirpur, Singair, Kachua, Kishoreganj and Ishwardi upazila, project officials said, reports BSS. They said the victims of arsenic poisoning were identified through necessary screening in six upazilas to detect the level of contamination under the project. The arsenic experts have

launched public awareness campaigns in those upazilas to familiarise the local people with pitcher-filters, rain water harvesting and other techniques.

Some 97 filtering units are working in the upazilas where five technologies innovated by overseas organisations are being used.

The financial and ecological aspects of the arsenic-controlling technologies developed by

the United Kingdom, Japan and other countries would be thoroughly examined in the seven upazilas and if proved successful, the technology would be copied in other places facing arsenic contamination.

The World Bank and Swiss Development Corporation are funding the project in association with Local Government and Rural Development Ministry and Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE).

OBITUARY

Mrs. Najma Ahmed wife of Mr. Anwaruddin Ahmed FCA died of liver disease at her residence in Uttara on Friday 19 May (Inna Lillahe Wa Inna Elaihe Rajoun). Her Quikhani will be held at her residence at House No. 30/A, Road No.8, Sector No. 3, Uttara after Asr prayer on Monday 22nd May. All relatives, well-wishers and admirers are requested to attend. She left behind her husband, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives to mourn her death.

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