

JU teachers to retire at the age of 65

By JU Correspondent

The Jahangirnagar University (JU) Senate has approved the Syndicate's recommendation on fixing the age of the university teachers' retirement at 65.

The Syndicate proposal was passed at the Senate's 19th annual session held on Friday with chairman of the Senate and Vice Chancellor Prof Abdul Bayes in the chair.

As per the decision, teachers of the university who want to continue in their job after 60 years of age, will be able to do that up to a limit of 65 years of age. The teachers will however have to consult the Syndicate about their continuation at 60 years, 62 years, and 64 years of

age. The Senate gave the Syndicate authority to decide who would be eligible to continue.

Meanwhile, the Senate has also nominated two Senate members — one for the Syndicate and another for Finance committee — in addition to a distinguished citizen for the Syndicate.

Senate member and APS to the prime minister Ibrahim Hossain Khan and Advocate Sayed Rezaur Rahman, Principal of Dhanmondi Law College were made Syndicate members.

In another move Senate member Motahar Hossain has been made finance committee member.



Activists of Sammito Sangskritik Jote brought out a procession in the city yesterday denouncing the bomb blast at noted cultural personality and Jote activist Ramendu Majumdar's house. — Star photo

City BNP joint meeting Monday

By Staff Correspondent

A joint meeting of the city BNP will be held on Monday at 7 pm at party's central office.

City committee leaders, presidents and general secretaries of all thana units, BNP backed Dhaka City Corporation's ward commissioners, presidents and general secretaries of all front organisations will attend the meeting.

President of city BNP Sadek Hossain Khuda and general secretary Abdus Salam have requested all concerned to attend the meeting.

BCL Khulna unit meets today

From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, July 1: The council meeting of Khulna district unit of Chhatra League will take place at the Zia hall tomorrow morning.

The central president of the party Bahadur Bepari will inaugurate the council meeting being held after a gap of seven years. The last council meeting was held on May 5, 1993.

Strict security measures have been taken in view of intra-party rivalry so that no unto-ward incidents take place.

Tk 80 cr irrigation project for Ctg, Cox's Bazar soon

CHITTAGONG, July 1: The socio-economic development of the disadvantaged farmers of Chittagong and Cox's Bazar regions will receive a boost when an irrigation extension project at an estimated cost of Taka 80 crore is launched using rolling water from hilly streams, reports BSS.

Undertaken by Bangladesh Agriculture Development Corporation (BADC), the five-year project has been designed to bring some forty thousand acres of land under irrigation in dry season with a target of eighty thousand metric tons of cereal production valued at Taka 64.80 crore annually. Satyajit Roy, one of the project planners and executive engineer of BADC, Chittagong told BSS.

The project scheduled to start this financial year, aims at bringing vast areas of arable lands of both sides of the hilly streams (Pahari Chara) of 14 upazilas of Chittagong and Cox's Bazar districts under boro cultivation through ensuring irrigation facilities.

Following the success of Nabli Nalkata water control structure scheme at Longoda of Rangamati hill district, the project has been prepared by directives of Agriculture Minister Begum Motia Chowdhury, Roy said.

The prime objective of the project is to construct permanent water control structure (gravity dam) over the streams and small canals and renovate the hilly streams as required at an estimated cost of Taka 50

crore for reservoir of the rolling water for supplying in planned way.

The project will provide supplementary irrigation water to meet the demand at time of droughts.

Workshop on arsenic in Barisal today

A day-long divisional workshop on arsenic begins today at Barisal with the aim of formulating proper participatory work-plan from the grass-roots to resolve arsenic contamination problem, reports BSS.

Deputy Commissioners of six arsenic-prone districts of Barisal Division, 18 Upazila Nirbahi Officers under the districts and chairmen of municipalities and union councils and concerned officials of the local government organisations, Department of Public Health Engineering and Health Department will attend the workshop.

Besides the workshop, a photographic exhibition of arsenic will also be organised today to create mass awareness about resisting arsenic contamination.

Concerned divisional administration in collaboration with the Bangladesh Arsenic Mitigation Water Supply Project and Public Health Engineering Department will organise similar workshops in all divisions in phases.

JS body for quick implementation of projects

A meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on the Ministry of Planning held in the city yesterday laid special emphasis on removal of hindrances and quick implementation of the projects included in ADP under LGRD and Cooperatives Ministry, reports BSS.

The meeting, with the committee chairman Enamul Haq presiding, advised the concerned authority to take dynamic and effective steps for the implementation of the projects under the Local Government Engineering Department.

Committee members — Minister for Science and Technology Lt Gen (ret'd) M Nooruddin Khan, State Minister for Forest and Environment H N Ashiqur Rahman, Maj Gen (ret'd) Abdus Salam, Prof Jannatul Ferdous and Abu Lais M Mobin Chowdhury attended the meeting. State Minister for Planning Dr Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir was present on special invitation.

5-star hotel to be built in Gulshan under pvt sector

Star Report

For the first time in Bangladesh, a joint venture five star hotel will be constructed in the city by the country's private sector.

Industrial Promotion and Development Company (IPDC), a leading financial institution, yesterday agreed to invest in the joint venture project which will be constructed in collaboration with a leading Starwood US based company.

Sources say, that IPDC in its board meeting yesterday approved the proposal to invest in the project which will also include other local private sector investments. Starwood will give technical support to set-up the hotel styled after Westin. The US based company has five popular brand hotels in different countries around the globe.

The 241-room hotel will be constructed in the city's posh Gulshan area near Sausly's. The cost of the project has been estimated at US \$ 28 million.

The hotel is expected to begin operations by January 1, 2002.

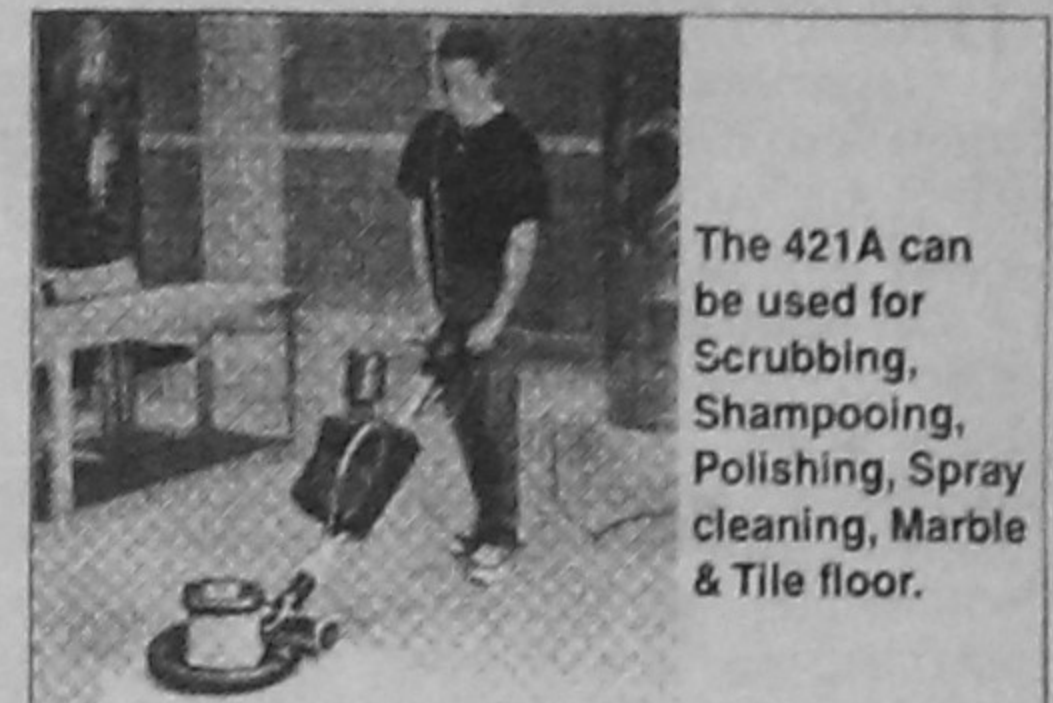
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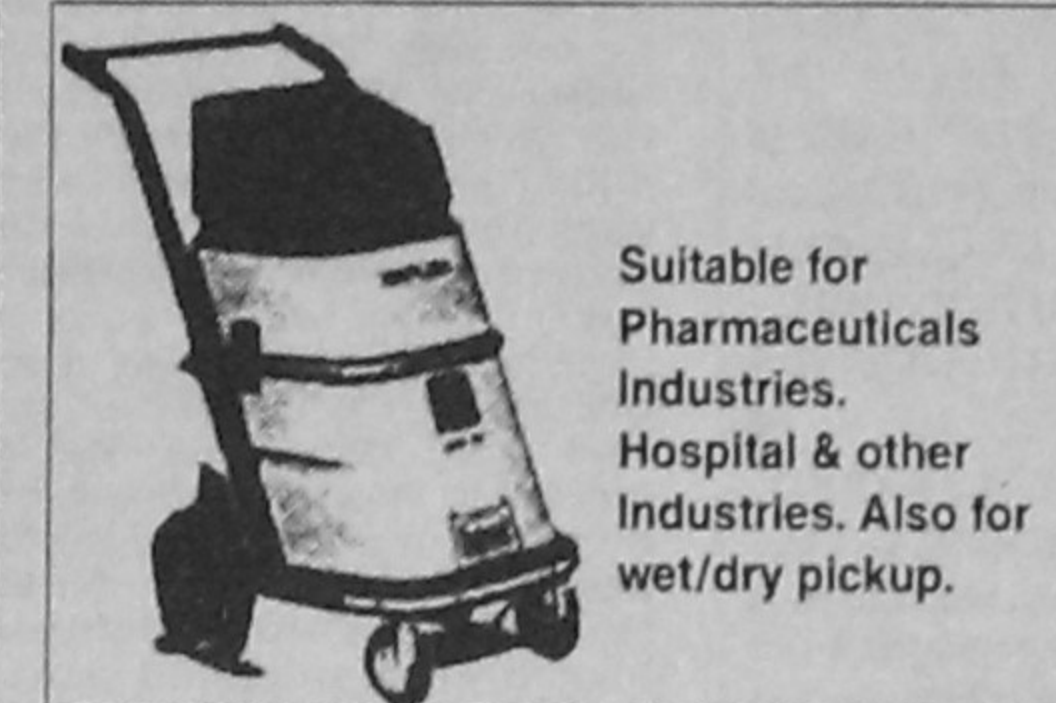
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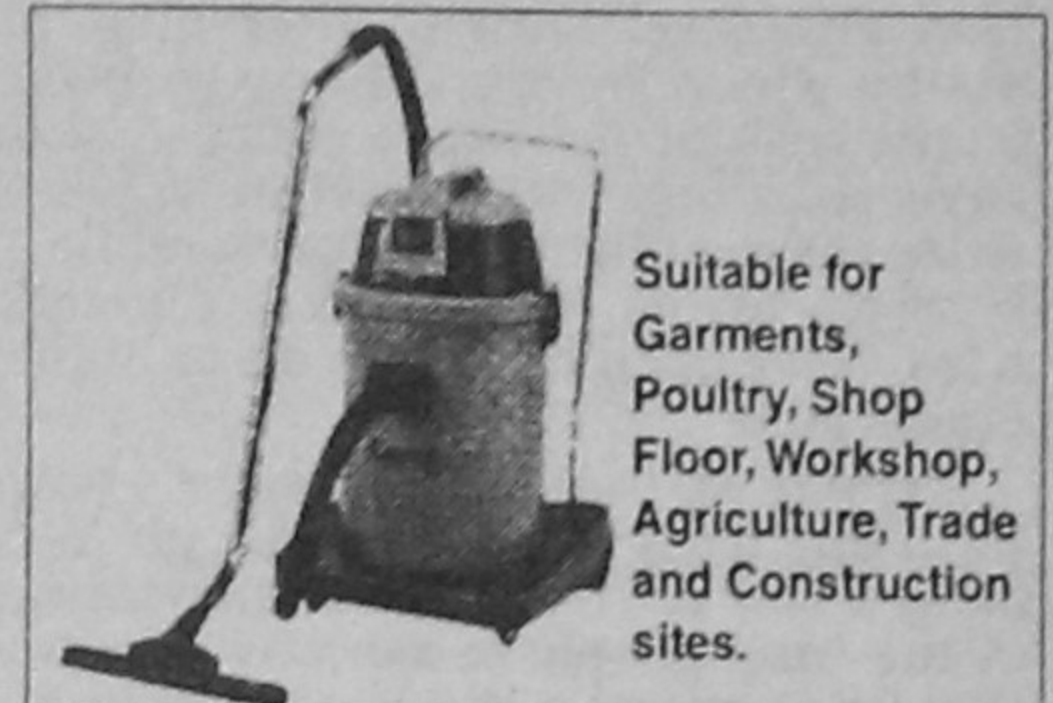
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