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Non-govt teachers' strike
BFTA declares further agitation programme

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh Federation of Teachers Association (BFTA) has declared a weeklong agitation programme along side its ongoing work abstention for an indefinite period.

The teachers and employees of private school and colleges have been observing a strike since July 10.

The agitation programme, declared by Principal Kazi Faruque Ahmed at a press conference yesterday, was taken to augment the ongoing strike of the teachers.

The programme include procession in all divisional head quarters, sit-in procession at thana head quarters on July 18 and submission of memorandum to ILO and UNESCO office in Dhaka on July 19.

The federation will also lay siege to the Shiksha Bhaban in Dhaka and education offices at district and divisional level on July 26.

A tougher agitation programme will be declared after completing coordination among the teachers associations as the situation develops and demands, Kazi Faruque said.

He said that the teachers are agitating for implementation of their 15 point demand including 100 per cent salaries from the government, promotion and service rule for the employees.

He said that they are ready to sacrifice anything for the betterment of the poor teachers and employees of the private school and colleges.



Students from Holy Cross College presenting a chorus number yesterday in the Close-up inter-college cultural competition being held at Notre Dame College auditorium in the city.



Students of Dhaka University Bangla Department held a rally marking the conclusion of their 1997-98 academic session.

CUJ polls held

CHITTAGONG, July 15: The election of Chittagong Union of Journalists (CUJ) was held here today, reports BSS.

Nasirul Haq of Daily Arthaniti and Shahidul Alam of Daily Rupali have been elected president and general secretary respectively.

Chairman of the Election Commission and president of Chittagong Press Club (CPC) Abu Sufian announced the results of the election.

Other office bearers are vice-president Manzurul Alam Manzu (Purbokang), joint secretary Anup Khastagi (BSS), organising secretary Mainuddin Dulal (Azadi), treasurer Suban Ahmed Ashrafi (Azadi), publicity secretary Nazimuddin Shyamol (Muktokanta).

BNP refutes claim City BNP leader joins JP

Jatiya Party claimed that a city BNP leader has joined JP, but BNP rejected it, reports UNB.

A JP press release said Mohammad Nasiruddin, general secretary of Shyampur thana BNP, met with party chief HM Ershad at his Baridhara residence-cum-office yesterday and formally joined JP.

Reached by telephone, city BNP general secretary Abdus Salam told UNB: "It is not true. In fact, BNP has no general secretary for Shyampur unit as no full-fledged thana committee has yet been formed there."

He said they have finalised a convening committee for the newly raised thana of Shyampur which is awaiting announcement.

Ashari Purnima celebrated

CHITTAGONG, July 15: The members of the Buddhist community celebrated one of their major festivals, Ashari Purnima, in the city as elsewhere in the district today with due religious fervor and enthusiasm, reports BSS.

The Buddhists in Bangladesh celebrate the Purnima in commemoration of Buddha's first ever sermon at Deer Park of Saranath in India among his five disciples after his attainment of enlightenment as Buddha.

The Purnima was celebrated in all monasteries and offices of the religious organisations through daylong programmes.

The day's programme began with the hoisting of the national and religious flags atop all monasteries and recitation of the sacred verses from the Tripitaka and breaking of fasting.

Mass prayer, discussions, Sangadan, blood donation, Panchashila, Pradip Puja, were the highlights of the programmes.

In the city, the main religious congregations were held at Nandankanan Buddhist Temple, Kataganj Nabapandi Vihar, Purnachar International Buddhist Monastery at Devpahar, Sarbojanin Bouddha Vihar on Momin Road and Biswamoiitry Bouddha Vihar at Agarbad.

Special prayers seeking continued peace and progress of the nation as well as world peace was also held in all monasteries.

The Purnima was also celebrated in the Buddhist populated regions of Chittagong Hill Tracts and Cox's Bazar in a befitting manner.

Appeal for help

Mabia Begum, aged 52 from greater Noakhali will undergo Open Heart Surgery (CABG) on July 20. She needs 6-8 units of A-ve (Negative) blood for this purpose. She seeks blood donation from kind hearted person, says a press release.

Contact may be made in the following telephone numbers. Blood Bank 8115951, 8113313, 011 803458, 011 852797, 018 226523.

Qamrul Islam Siddique made DEBTEC chairman

Qamrul Islam Siddique has been made chairman of Development of Biotechnology and Environmental Conservation Centre (DEBTEC), a leading non-government research organisation, carrying out research in the field of biotechnology and environmental issues. DEBTEC was founded in 1998. They are working in plant tissue culture, molecular genetics, afforestation, biodiversity, medicinal plants, bio-compost, biofertilizer, indigenous knowledge and environmental issues, says a press release.

Qamrul Islam Siddique is the Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Public Works. Prior to the present assignment he was the chairman of Bangladesh Power Development Board and the Chief Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED).

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Principal Dhaka Govt. Commercial Institute Satmasjid Road, Dhaka-1207. Phone: 9111656 Notice

Total 308 (male/female) students (including drop-outs) will be admitted to 1st year/1st semester Bengali Secretarial Science, English Secretarial Science & Accountancy Departments of 2 (two)-year Diploma-in-Commerce Course at Dhaka Govt Institute during 2000-2001 academic year. Applications in the Institute's prescribed form are invited from students (male/female) passing the SSC or its equivalent examination held in 2000 minimum (except grace mark) in Second Division. As per govt instruction, merit list for admission will be prepared on the basis of results of SSC or its equivalent examination and the written test. Application form for admission will be supplied every day from 10-7-2000 to 7-8-2000 during office hours. The office of the undersigned may be contacted for detailed information.

S A M Morsalin Acting Principal Dhaka Govt Commercial Institute, Dhaka

FM to begin Uzbekistan visit today

Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad will pay a five-day official visit to Uzbekistan beginning today, reports UNB.

This will be first visit of the Bangladesh Foreign Minister to Uzbekistan after independence.

Azad, accompanied by Additional Foreign Secretary Sharif Hassan, will pay the visit at the invitation of the Foreign Minister of Uzbekistan.

During his stay in Uzbekistan, the Foreign Minister will review bilateral relations and exchange views with his Uzbek counterpart on a wide range of regional and international issues of mutual concern.

In addition, the Foreign Minister will also brief his counterpart on Bangladesh's activities on the UN Security Council as well as the preparations for the NAM Summit next year in Dhaka.

The visit of the Foreign Minister is expected to boost trade between the two countries. The Minister is expected to request the Uzbekistan government to extend most favoured nation treatment to Bangladesh for its export to Uzbekistan.

POSESSION SALE Dar-Us-Salam Arcade 14, Purana Pallan 7th, 8th & 9th Floor Minimum 500 Sqft. Contact: 9562586 9 am. to 5 pm.

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Weekly meeting The 33rd installation ceremony of the Board of Directors for 2000-2001 will be held today at Sonargaon Hotel at 5 pm, says a press release. Dr Janilur Reza Chowdhury will be the chief guest and district governor Rtn Hasan Maniruzzaman will attend.

Rotary News

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer S B Nagar PWD Division No III Dhaka Notice Inviting Tenders

- 1. Tender No : 01/VIII (2000-2001).
2. Name of work : Renewing bituminous carpeting road in connection with installation of 11 KV underground cable line within the lower category Staff Qtrs. from main road to Primary School at SB Nagar Dhaka (From South side of Passport Office).
3. Estimated cost : Tk 3,25,114/-
4. Earnest money : Tk 6,505/-
5. Time allowed : 20 (Twenty) days.
6. Entitlement : Special class-I/class-I bldg. contractors of PWD & class-II bldg. contractors of PWD, Dhaka Zone, Dhaka & class-III (bldg.) contractors of PWD Circle-III, Dhaka.
7. Tender selling place : SB Nagar PWD Division No. I/II/III/Mohakhali/Eden Bldg. PWD Divn, Dhaka.
8. Tender receiving place : As mentioned in Serial No. 7.
9. Last date of tender selling : 30.07.2000 during office hours.
10. Date and time of opening tender : 31-07-2000 up to 12.00 Noon.
11. Date and time of receiving tender : 31-07-2000 at 12-15 PM.
12. Those contractors/firms who have no VAT registration are not eligible to participate in the tender.
13. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.
14. If any or more contractors become lowest by quoting same rates the successful contractors will be selected by conducting lottery. In that case the lottery of this work will be held on 07.08.2000 at 11.00 AM in the office of the undersigned.

Md Azizul Hoque Khan Executive Engineer SB Nagar PWD Divn III Dhaka

বাংলাদেশ প্রেস ইনস্টিটিউট ৩ সার্কিট হাউস রোড, ঢাকা-১০০০

সাংবাদিকতায় স্নাতকোত্তর ডিপ্লোমা কোর্সে ভর্তির বিজ্ঞপ্তি

বাংলাদেশ প্রেস ইনস্টিটিউট (পিআইবি) ২০০০-২০০১ শিক্ষাবর্ষে জাতীয় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের অধীন ১০ (দশ) মাস মেয়াদি "সাংবাদিকতায় স্নাতকোত্তর ডিপ্লোমা" কোর্সে ভর্তির জন্য আবেদনপত্র আহ্বান করছে-

- ১. আবেদন করার যোগ্যতা: জাতীয় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় বা স্বীকৃত অন্য বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের স্নাতক ডিগ্রি।
২. আবেদনপত্রের সাথে নিম্নলিখিত কাগজপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে।
ক. এস. এস. সি ও এইচ. এস. সি অথবা সমমানের পরীক্ষার নম্বর পত্র ও সনদপত্র।
খ. স্নাতক ডিগ্রি পরীক্ষার নম্বর পত্র ও সনদপত্র।
গ. শিক্ষা প্রতিষ্ঠান প্রধান কর্তৃক সর্বশেষ পরীক্ষা পাশের প্রমাণপত্র।
ঘ. প্রথম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক প্রদত্ত চারিত্রিক সনদপত্র।
ঙ. সংবাদপত্র, বিজ্ঞাপনী সংস্থা ও অন্যান্য গণমাধ্যম প্রতিষ্ঠানে সাংবাদিকতা ও গণযোগাযোগ সংশ্লিষ্ট পেশায় নিয়োজিত প্রার্থীদের নিয়োগপত্র ও কোর্সে অংশগ্রহণের জন্য কর্তৃপক্ষের অনুমতিপত্র।
চ. সদ্য তোলা দু'কপি পাসপোর্ট আকারের সত্যায়িত ছবি।

নির্বাচিত শিক্ষার্থীকে এককালীন ৫০০০.০০ (পাঁচ হাজার) টাকা ভর্তি ফি প্রদান করতে হবে। মাসিক বেতন হবে ১০০.০০ (একশত) টাকা। এছাড়াও শিক্ষার্থীকে কোর্স চলাকালে নির্ধারিত কোর্স সামগ্রী, লাইব্রেরী, ল্যাবরেটরী সেবা সংক্রান্ত ও অন্যান্য আনুষঙ্গিক ব্যয় প্রদান করতে হবে।

নির্বাচিত শিক্ষার্থীদের কোর্স চলাকালে কমপক্ষে ৮০% ক্লাসে নিয়মিত অংশগ্রহণ করতে হবে এবং তাদেরকে নিজ ব্যবস্থাপনায় চাকুরি অত্রস্থান করতে হবে। প্রথম ব্যাচে ২০ জন শিক্ষার্থী ভর্তি করা হবে। ভর্তির ক্ষেত্রে কমপক্ষে ৬০% জাতিসংঘ কর্তৃক সাংবাদিকদের জন্য সংরক্ষিত থাকবে। সপ্তাহে ৫ দিন (কর্মদিবসে) ক্লাস অনুষ্ঠিত হবে। প্রতিদিন বিকেল ৫:৩০ মি. থেকে রাত ৮:৩০ মি. পর্যন্ত ক্লাস চলবে।

০৭-০৮-২০০০ বৃ. পর্যন্ত সকল কর্মদিবসে সন্ধ্যা ৯:৩০ মি. থেকে বিকেল ৪:৩০ মি. পর্যন্ত নগদ ১০০ (একশত) টাকা জমা দিয়ে "ডিপ্লোমা পাঠক্রম ব্যবস্থাপনা কমিটি"-র সচিবের কাছ থেকে আবেদনপত্র সংগ্রহ করা যাবে এবং পূরণকৃত আবেদনপত্র সচিবের কার্যালয়ে উপস্থিত তারিখ ও সময়ের মধ্যে জমা দিতে হবে।

মহাপরিচালক বাংলাদেশ প্রেস ইনস্টিটিউট

Notice Inviting Tender

- 1. Tender Notice : 76/99-2000. No
2. Name of work : Supplying of spare parts for 80 HP Cumings Engine (Model 5.9) under Ferry Maint. Divn, Dhaka.
3. Estimated cost : As per schedule.
4. Earnest money : 2% estimated cost.
5. Time allowed : 15 (fifteen) days from the date of issue of work order.
6. Form No : Bangladesh Form No 2908.
7. Eligibility of contractors : Enlisted 'A' to 'C' general category contractors of RHD, 'D' general category contractors of Mechl. Ferry Circle, Dhaka & 'E' general category contractors of RHD, Ferry Maint. Divn, Dhaka.
8. Name of office : EE RHD, FMD Dhaka/ of availability : FCD Dhaka/EE R&H, Ferry Divn, Sylhet/SDE R&H, Ferry Maint Sub-Divn, Katchpur, Dhaka. Tender documents will be available on or before 24-7-2000.
9. Name of officers : SE R&H, Dhaka Ferry Circle, Dhaka/EE R&H, FMD Dhaka/FCD Dhaka/EE R&H, Ferry Divn, Sylhet.
10. Date of receipt of tender : Up to 12:00 Noon of 25-7-2000.
11. Date & time of opening of bids : 12:30 PM of 26-7-2000.
12. Date & time of lottery : 12:00 Noon of 30-7-2000.

Md Rafiqul Islam Executive Engineer, R&H (Current Charge) Ferry Maint Divn 12, Santinagar, Dhaka.

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Government of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD Road Division, Comilla Notice Inviting Tender

- 1. Tender Notice : EE of RHD, Road Division, Comilla during 1999-2000.
2. Name of work : Repairing of work shed (Eastern shed) at Middle Asrafpur, Comilla, under Road Division, Comilla during the year 1999-2000.
3. Estimated cost : Tk. 91,427/=
4. Earnest money : Tk. 1828/= in BD/Pay Order in favour of EE, RHD, Road Divn., Comilla.
5. Name of office : Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Comilla & office of the undersigned.
6. Name of offices of availability of tender bids : Office of the undersigned /EE, RHD Road Divn., B'baria/ Chandpur/ Planning & Design Divn., Comilla & SDE's Office under this Division.
7. Time allowed : 20 (twenty) days from the date of issue of work order.
8. Last date of selling of tender bids : 24-7-2000 up to office hours.
9. Last date of dropping of tender : 25-7-2000 up to 12-30 PM.
10. Date, place of opening of tender : 26-7-2000 in the office of the EE, RHD, Comilla.
11. Date of lottery : 27-7-2000.
12. Charge to : 168 RBF.
13. Eligibility of contractor : "A" to "E" general category of (RHD) contractor.

Md Rafiqul Islam Executive Engineer RHD Road Division, Comilla.

3 killed on Dhaka-Ctg highway

From Our Correspondent CHITTAGONG, July 15: Three person including a minor girl were killed in a road mishap on Dhaka-Chittagong highway in front of Ismail Carpet Mills under Mirsarai thana in the early hours today.

The accident occurred when a Dhaka bound bus overturned and plunged into a roadside ditch at around 1:30 am. Two of the victims were identified as Ubaching Murma, 32, and Nipa Rani Das, 12, while the other could not be identified, police said.