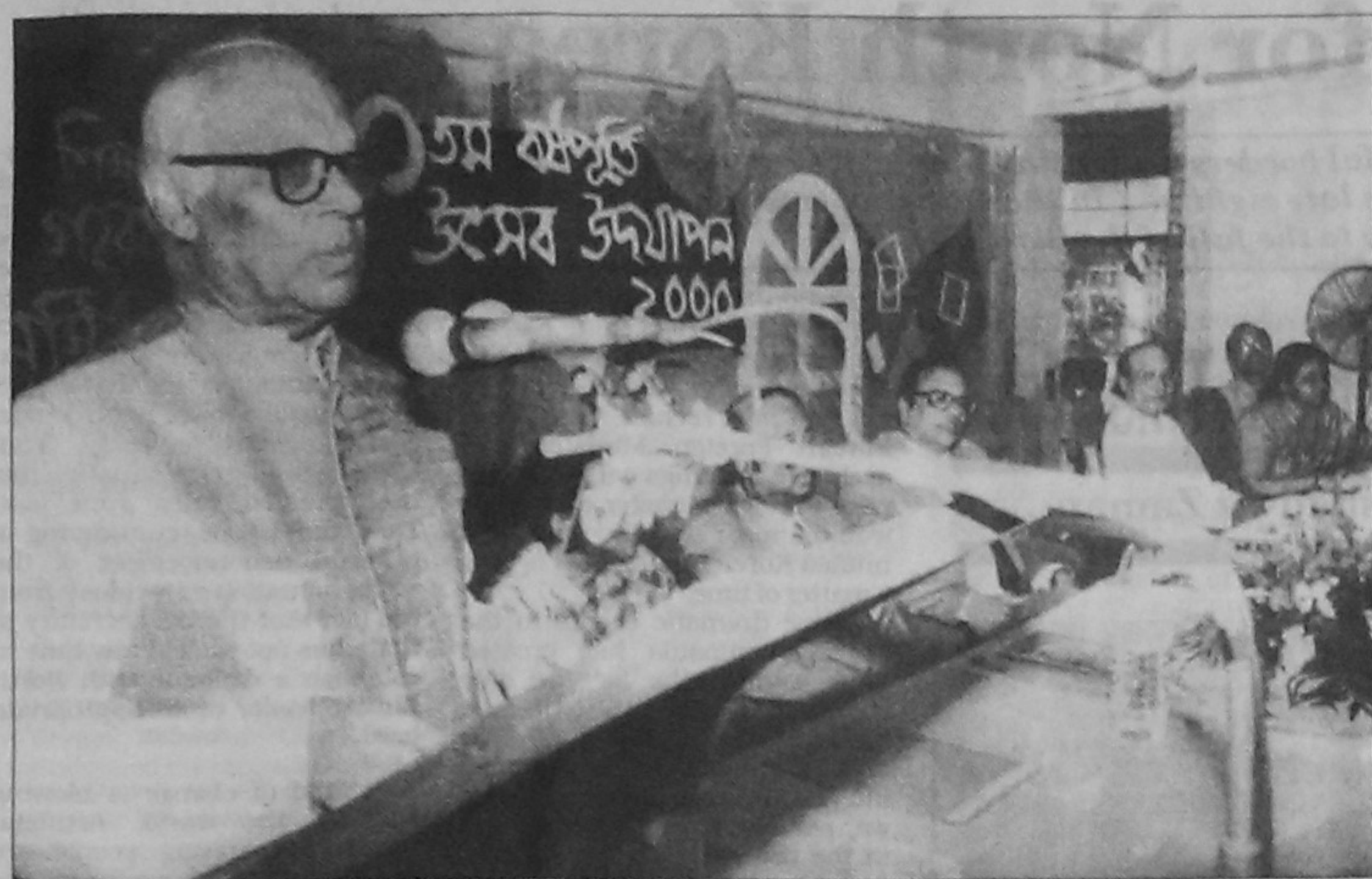


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Education Minister ASHK Sadique addressing the 40th anniversary celebrations of Dhaka University Institute of Education and Research (IER) held at the institute's auditorium yesterday. Also seen in the picture is DU VC Prof AK Azad Chowdhury.

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Standard of students depends on that of the teachers

By DU Correspondent

The Institute of Education and Research (IER) of the Dhaka University yesterday organised a programme on the campus to celebrate its 40th founding anniversary.

Inaugurating the programme as the chief guest Education Minister A S H K Sadeque stressed on specialised education at all the levels for the development of country. He urged the students to take the country forward through education, peace and discipline.

The minister also said that educational institutions and teachers have a mission to build up responsible citizens.

Addressing the programme as special guest, Prof. Mostafa Chowdhury, Chairman of Public Service Commission (PSC), said, "first of all the teachers have to achieve a level of standard and they have to possess honesty, sound character and personality as the standard of students depends on the teachers' own standard."

He urged the Education Minister and Vice Chancellor of the university to take necessary measure to enroll fresh students right after completion of their HSC examination, saying "if that can be done, students will not have to lose one year."

In his speech as special guest, Dr. Sadat Hossain, Secretary of PMED said, "New generation of students are being created for the future."

the teaching professionals including the non-formal education centres that will be started shortly.

He underscored the need for developing professionalism and said "to flourish specialisation, teachers have to have proper training and communication skills beside indepth knowledge in their field of study."

Presiding over the ceremony, VC Prof. A K Azad Chowdhury said that awareness on education and research have grown in the society and "competition of more than 15 students for

Hanif seeks cooperation to check dengue

Mayor of Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) Mohammad Hanif yesterday called upon all including the non-government and voluntary organisations to render all-out cooperation to check the dengue menace, reports BSS.

He gave the call while inaugurating the blood donation programme jointly organised by Dhaka New Market Business Association and Rotary Club of Dhaka Down Town at New Market, Dhaka, to enhance public awareness and help the dengue patients.

each seat in a university is proof of that."

At the beginning of the programme, a one-minute silence was observed in memory of late teachers and students of the institute.

The minister inaugurated a web site of IER and later awarded crests to the first batch graduate students. IER Director Prof. Kamrunnesa Begum awarded crests to the former teachers of the institute.

The programme also addressed by its former director Prof. Abu Hamid Latif and Prof. I A Muttaqui, was followed by a cultural programme.

Postponed

The staff management conference of Bangladesh Scouts scheduled from August 3 to 7 has been postponed as all staff members of Bangladesh Scouts have been involved in the prevention of dengue fever, says a press release.

National Academy for Education Management (NAEM) has postponed all activities of the 59th foundation training course during August 2 to 5 due to heavy rainfall causing water stagnation on the campus, says a press release.

WEA delegation calls on Matia

Agriculture Minister Begum Matia Chowdhury yesterday said the participation of women entrepreneurs in trade and commerce is very much necessary for achieving overall development of the country, reports BSS.

The women entrepreneurs of the country can invest in cottage and agro-based industries to supplement government efforts for industrial development of the country, she said.

The minister was talking with a delegation of Women Entrepreneurs Association (WEA) who called on her at her office here.

Begum Matia Chowdhury assured the delegation of all out government support in setting up such industries in different parts of the country saying that Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has given special emphasis to participation of women in all economic fields.

The women business leaders apprised the minister of various activities of the organisation in the field of economic development.

They sought patronization and cooperation of the government in setting up different industries under the initiative of women entrepreneurs.

President of the WEA Rokiya Rahman led the delegation while Vice-president Rokeya Quader, joint secretary general Aklima Sultana, treasurer Rokeya Rahman, joint-treasurer Ferdous Karim, Masarat Khan, Yasmin Hossain and Hena Rahman were present in the meeting.

Anti-aedes awareness campaign at JU

Association for Health Education Awareness Development (AHEAD), a Jahangirnagar University-based organisation to promote health-education and awareness among the students and campus residents, yesterday brought out a procession on the campus as part of its anti-aedes awareness campaign, reports BSS.

The rally began at about 11:00 am from the Central Cafeteria and moved through various faculties of the university and concluded at the Registrar's Building. The organisers of the rally submitted a memorandum to the Vice-Chancellor there demanding necessary steps to prevent the spread of dengue fever on the campus.

A good number of students took part in the rally bearing placards, festoons and banners with inscriptions for public awareness about the fatal dengue fever.

Bangladesh Sugar Mills workers observe token hunger strike

By Staff Correspondent
Bangladesh Sugar Mills Workers and Employees Federation observed a token hunger strike yesterday demanding implementation of their three-point demand.

The federation at first tried to observe the strike in front of the National Press Club but following police interruption had to shift to Muktangan in the city.

The strike was observed from 11 am to 6 pm. The federation leaders who addressed the workers and employees on strike included Muzahidul Islam, Ataur Rahman, SM Kibria, Jahidul Islam Latif and Mozahar Ali.

The leaders declared a five day agitation programme including a day long strike at all sugar mills on August 20, and an indefinite strike from August 27 if their demands were not met.

Besides they will also observe a token work abstention programme at the office and factory on August 12, 13, and 14.

Their three-point demand are: immediate declaration of wage commission award, removal of discrepancy between wage commission and salary and stoppage of selling shares of sugar mills.

BCS Assoc (agri) protests new rules of promotion

By Staff Correspondent
Bangladesh Civil Service Association (Agriculture) has protested the attempt of promoting administrative cadre to the post of deputy secretary and joint secretary.

The new rule of promotion, approved recently by the government, will have a negative impact on professional cadres, said a joint statement by agriculturist Sadfar Hossain and S Tasaddak Hossain, president and secretary of the association respectively.

Moderate to heavy rainfall in most places with very heavy



Sramik Karmachari Oikya Parishad (SKOP) of Biman staged a token hunger strike inside Balaka Bhaban yesterday protesting government move to turn Biman into a Public Limited Company.

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Water levels of Brahmaputra, Jamuna, Padma on rise

As the monsoon reactivated causing heavy rain, most rivers in the country's four basins overflowed their banks yesterday threatening low-lying areas with possible flood, reports UNB.

According to Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre, low-lying areas from Sirajganj to Aricha and Goalundo to Bhagyalul are likely to be inundated in next 48 hours as water levels in rivers Brahmaputra, Jamuna and Padma continued to rise.

It said flood situation in Chapainawabganj district appears to remain unchanged while flashflood situation in greater Sylhet, Chittagong and Chittagong Hill Tracts may deteriorate further.

Moderate to heavy rainfall in most places with very heavy

fall in one or two places was recorded over the Brahmaputra basin, light to heavy fall in most places over the Ganges basin, moderate to very heavy rainfall at most places over the Meghna and the South Eastern Hill basins in last 24 hours till 9 am yesterday.

The Brahmaputra-Jamuna registered further rise at all points. Other rivers in this basin also recorded further rise. The Padma receded at upstream points. Most of the rivers in the Meghna and the Southeastern Hill registered sharp rise.

Out of 46 water level stations monitored by the centre, 38 recorded rise while 6 marked fall during the period.

The Padma was flowing 35cm and 2cm above its danger marks at Panikha and Bhagyalul respectively while

the Mahananda 13cm above the red level at Chapainawabganj. In the Meghna basin, the Surma marked a sharp rise by 191cm at Kanaighat, 105m at Sylhet and 70cm at Sunamganj and it was flowing 30cm above the red mark at Kanaighat and 5cm at Sunamganj points.

The Someswari was also flowing 62cm above the red mark at Durgapur, marking a 132cm rise during the period. The Haldi in the SE Hill basin also rose by 50cm at Narayanhata and was flowing 102cm above the danger level.

A significant rainfall of 150.0 mm was recorded in Sunamganj, 133mm in Dhaka, 131.0mm at Bhairab Bazar, 116.0mm at Manu Railway Bridge, 112.0mm in Sylhet, 107.5mm in Panikha and 98.0mm in Moulvibazar.

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