

## Important changes in administration

The government has made some important changes in the administration, transferring and appointing several high officials, reports UNB.

Energy and Mineral Resources Secretary Dr Toufique-Elahi has been transferred to the Planning Division as Secretary. Information Secretary M Akmal Hossain will replace him.

Director General of Bangladesh Betar Mohibul Islam Chowdhury has been appointed Secretary in-charge of the Information Ministry, according to an official announcement yesterday.

Secretary Mahub Kabir, now OSD in the Establishment Ministry, has been placed in the Economic Relations Division (ERD) until further order for appointment on deputation as alternate Executive Director of the World Bank.

Chief Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) M Monwar Hossain Chowdhury has been appointed on deputation as Chief Engineer of the Facilities Department under the Ministry of Education.

Additional Secretary at the Ministry of Industries M Ehsanul Haq has been transferred to the Religious Affairs Ministry as secretary in-charge.

Director (Administration) of the Greater Dhaka Transport Planning and Coordination Board M Siddiqur Rahman has been appointed Secretary of the Land Commission on deputation.

This cancels the relevant portion of the notification dated July 26, 2000 of the Establishment Ministry transferring Mohammad Joydul Abedin as Secretary of the Land Commission.

## Kibria says Remain alert against negative politics of opposition

NABIGANJ (Habiganj), Aug 25: Finance Minister Shah AMS Kibria has called upon the people to remain alert against the negative politics of the opposition parties, reports UNB.

"When the government is trying relentlessly to increase facilities in the education, health and communication sectors the opposition parties are creating anarchic and unstable situation in the country," said the minister while addressing a public meeting here Thursday.

The Finance Minister inaugurated the newly built hostel of the Habiganj Government Women's College, Devpara union parishad building and a bridge on Nabiganj-Iatganj, said an official handout today.

Kibria advised the people to get involve themselves in poultry and cattle farming, and pisciculture for their self-reliance and giving a boost to the rural economy.

Presided over by district Awami League senior vice-president Shah Shamsul Huda, the meeting was also addressed, among others, by local MP Enamul Haq Mostafa Shaheed, district AL general secretary Dr Mushfiq Hossain Chowdhury and UP chairman AKM Fakhru Islam.

## BDR succeeds to protect grave of Bir Shrestha

RANGAMATI, Aug 25: Rangamati Sector of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) has finally succeeded in protecting the grave of the worthy son of the soil, Bir Shrestha Lance Naik Munshi Abdur Rouf, from possible disappearance into eroding waters of Kaptai Lake, reports BSS.

The mausoleum with a retention wall was erected on the grave of the Bir Shrestha on a small hillock in the midst of the Kaptai Lake near Burghat in Naniarchor upazila in December, 1997, after it was found that the grave could sustain erosion against strong waves of the lake only for a year. Sector Commander Colonel Abu Nayeem Mohammad Shahidullah told BSS while going round the

mausoleum after reaching it by a BDR speedboat on Wednesday last.

But the retention brick wall also gave way to tide action and one third of the tile floor of the main structure got cracked and slid down by about one foot on the southern portion by November, 1999. Col Nayeem observed.

BDR promptly reacted and carried out a survey of the site engaging a team comprising jointly the engineers from Bangladesh Water Development Board-BWDB and Rangamati Hill District Council, led by Rangamati Sector Commander of BDR, BWDB took up a project and asked for Taka 40 lakh for the protection work alone, but the money was never allotted by BWDB, Col Nayeem said.

## JCD to observe anniversary of death of its JU leader

By JU Correspondent

Jatiyatobadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), student wing of the main opposition party BNP, has chalked out programmes on Jahangirnagar University (JU) campus today to observe the 11 death anniversary of its activist Habibur Rahman Kabir.

The JU unit of JCD will bring out a mourning procession from the Arts Faculty at 11:00 am which will march through the campus, and end at the university central cafeteria.

Besides, JCD has arranged a *milad mahfil* at the university Central Mosque after Zohr prayers.



The winners of Apteck-Prothom Alo Computer Quiz 1 and 2 competition seen at the prize distribution ceremony held in the city recently.

## BPC disappointed on prospects of oil in Tambru

CHITTAGONG, Aug 25: Experts of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC) has collected the samples of liquid oozing from underground in the hilly Tambru area, in Bandarban district for experiment if there was any feasible oil field, reports BSS.

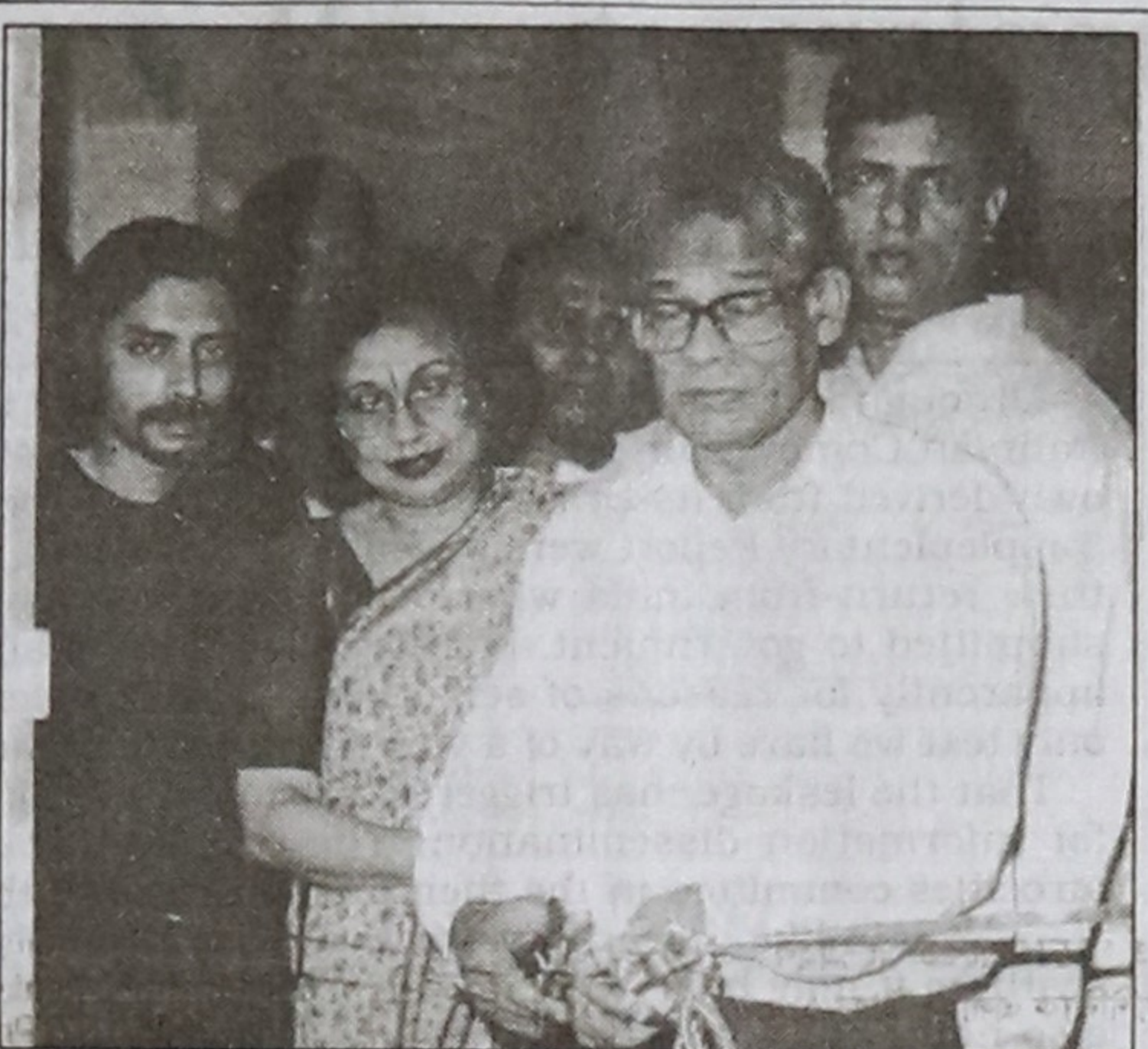
The BPC experts in their preliminary comments expressed disappointment on the prospects of existence of any oil field in the area as they could not detect any 'honey-comb' in the collected liquid, local officials quoted the experts as saying, that would have verified that oil was present nearby.

Smell of kerosene in the sample does not necessarily

mean there is possibility of existence of potential oil field, they explained.

A team of BPC led by its senior geologist Mohammad Alauddin collected the sample from remote area of Tambru, about 6 km east from Bandarban headquarters and brought it to Dhaka for further tests.

Oozing of some kind of mineral-oil with a distinct smell of kerosene here was first seen by a 13-year old boy Dil Mohammad, son of a local farmer Habibur Rahman on their farm-land on August 12. The news that there could oil on the land had created much excitement among the people in the area.



The British School inaugurated an art exhibition at Alliance Francaise de Dhaka yesterday to raise funds for the treatment of Amit who has been infected by the wild polio virus and is fighting for his life. — Star photo

## VOA to provide \$6 lakh for developing Betar network

Voice of America (VOA) will provide US dollars six lakh as technical assistance to Bangladesh Betar for refurbishing its existing network and infrastructures across the country, reports BSS.

VOA will sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Bangladesh Government soon to kick off the project.

Director of United States Information Service (USIS) John Kincaon disclosed this when he called on Prof Abu Sayeed at his secretariat office Thursday.

Information Secretary M Akmal Hossain, Additional Information Secretary Dipak Ranjan Sen Gupta, Director General of Bangladesh Television Sayed Salahuddin Zaki and acting Director General of Bangladesh Betar M Mohaddis were present on the occasion. The USIS chief informed the state minister that VOA au-

thorities have proposed to complete the refurbishment process in five installments.

Of the phases, Bangladesh Betar network will be upgraded in different places across the country including Dhaka, Chittagong, Sylhet, Khulna, Rajshahi, Rangpur, Cox's Bazar, Barisal and Mymensingh.

The up-gradation of Betar network will incorporate setting up of FM System, establishment of new transmission system, creation of satellite down linking system for tuning in to VOA transmission and an advanced training for Bangladesh Betar employees. The process is scheduled to be completed within next June.

The state minister agreed to the VOA proposal and expressed hope that relations between VOA and Bangladesh Betar would be strengthened in the years to come.

## Experts review disaster management programme

Leading disaster experts Thursday reviewed seven-pronged comprehensive disaster management programme (CDMP) aimed at reducing dangers of natural, environmental and human induced calamities and maneuvering those hazards to acceptable humanitarian level, reports BSS.

Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief (MDMR) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) jointly formulated the final draft of the CDMP which was screened and reviewed at the national stakeholders workshop on CDMP at the UNDP's conference hall at IDB Bhaban at Agargaon.

State Minister for Disaster Management and Relief Talukder Abdul Khaleque, MDMR Secretary Hiralal Bala, Resident Representative of UNDP Jorgen Lissner, joint secretary of MDMR Khabiruddin Ahmed, Director General of the Disaster Management Bureau (DMB) Muhammad Musa and FAO Representative in Bangladesh Werner Kiere, among others, addressed the inaugural session of the workshop.

The state minister said Bangladesh suffered several climate related natural hazards that include riverine and coastal floods, tropical cyclones and droughts. He said the riverine floods in 1998, one of

the worst of the century inundated two-thirds of the country, damaged crops, physical infrastructure and assets worth over US \$ 2.5 billion.

He said a tropical cyclone in April 1991 which had winds over 225 kilometres per hour and a storm surge over 7 metres high resulted in about 138,000 deaths. But timely and bold national disaster management steps of the present Awami League government resulted in reduction of the number of casualties and loss of property, he said.

The state minister said under dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina the government has enhanced its disaster management capabilities and looking forward to bolster its ongoing programme in this field in cooperation with international development partners.

UNDP resident representative Jorgen Lissner urged the experts to develop a comprehensive disaster management plan so that Bangladesh does not make international news headline as a country battered by natural disasters.

He lauded the local and international experts as professional prevention practitioners (PPP) and requested them to dedicate their best efforts to reduce the sufferings of the common people.

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