

What's on today....

Orientation: The inaugural ceremony of the orientation course for the FCGP examinee 2000-2001 of the college of the general practitioners of Bangladesh will be held. Chief guest: State Minister for Health and Family Welfare Prof Dr M Amanullah. Venue: BIRDEM auditorium, Shahbagh. Time: 9.00 am.

Film show: Bishwa Shahitya Kendra Chalchitra Chakra will screen Jean-Luc Goddard's *la finse*. Venue: Bishwa Shahitya Kendra premises, 14 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Bangla Motor. Time: 3.30 pm and 6.30 pm.

Discussion meeting: Tamoddin Majlish will hold a discussion meeting on 'Threats to Our Independent Nationhood and the Duties of the Conscious Citizens' to mark its 53rd founding anniversary. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4.30 pm.

Milad mahfil: Chandina Jana Kalyan Samity will hold a *milad mahfil* in memory of Prof Dr Syeda Firoza Begum. Venue: House No 19/E, Rd No 6, Green Road. Time: After Asr prayers.

Seminar: The Asian Regional Seminar on the Juche Idea on 'The Independent Development of Asia in the 21st century' will be held. Chief guest: Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad. Venue: Brac Centre auditorium, Mohakhali. Time: 5.00 pm.

Film show: Two French movies *Poulet au vinaigre* and *Madame Bovary* will be screened. Venue: Auditorium of Alliance Française de Dhaka, 26 Mirpur Road, Dhammondi. Time: 10.30 am, 6.00 pm.

Exhibition: Bengal Foundation presents Shipito Darshan, a group exhibition of artists of the sixties. Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, Dhaka Shilpalay, 275/F, Rd No 27 (Old), 16 (New), Dhammondi R/A. Time: 1.30 pm.

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Monthly meeting: The regular monthly meeting of Freedom Fighters Council (FFF Council) Sector Troops freedom fighters will be held. Venue: Gano Shasthya Nagar Hospital. Time: 5.00 pm.

Weather

Thundershower likely

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers with temporary gusty wind is likely at most places over the country with moderately heavy to heavy falls at places over Dhaka, Chittagong, Barisal and Khulna divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Slight fall in day temperature is expected over the country, Met office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 31.6 degree Celsius was recorded at Patuakhali and the lowest of 23.5 degree at Barisal.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6.16 pm and rises tomorrow at 5.40 am.

Maximum and minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	28.8	25.5	97	97
Chittagong	31.0	24.7	86	92
Rajshahi	29.2	26.2	90	100
Khulna	27.8	24.8	100	100
Barisal	29.5	23.5	100	98
Sylhet	30.0	25.0	97	87
Cox's Bazar	28.2	25.0	97	97



BCIC Sramik Karmachari Oikya Parishad held a press conference at the National Press Club yesterday to press for its 5-point demand. — Star photo

PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITY

(Women and men will be given equal preference)

The Bangladesh Environmental Management Project (BEMP), a project of the Department of Environment (DOE) co-funded by the Canadian International Development Agency and Government of Bangladesh, is inviting applications from firms and individuals for the following short-term positions.

The Consultant is to assist BEMP's initiatives to strengthen the capability and capacity of DOE laboratories. He/She is expected to carry out, among others, relevant inventorying, needs assessments, review sampling and analytical protocols, guidelines etc. and recommend measures, including acquisition of instruments/equipments etc, for sampling and analysis of relevant enforcement parameters:

1. Laboratory Specialist (Air Quality)

Qualifications: Candidate will have Ph.D. in Inorganic Chemistry.

Experience: The consultant is expected to have 15 years experience in relevant analytical works, laboratory management, planning and development. Candidates with experience in air quality management will be given preference.

Duration: The assignment has three months duration over the period of the project, which is divided into two-month and one-month blocks. He/She will be engaged for two months in the 2nd year of the project, starting from November 2000 and for one month in the 3rd year of the project.

2. Laboratory Specialist (Microbiology)

Qualifications: Candidate will have Ph.D. in Microbiology

Experience: The consultant is expected to have 15 years experience in relevant analytical works, laboratory management, planning and development.

Duration: The assignment has three months duration over the period of the project, which is divided into two-month and one-month blocks. He/She will be engaged for two months in the 2nd year of the project, starting from November 2000 and for one month in the 3rd year of the project.

3. Laboratory Specialist (Soil Analysis)

Qualifications: Candidate will have Ph.D. in Soil Science

Experience: The consultant is expected to have 15 years experience in relevant analytical works, laboratory management, planning and development.

Duration: The assignment has four months duration over the period of the project, which is divided into two blocks with two-month duration. He/She will be engaged for two months in the 2nd year of the project, starting from November 2000 and for another two months in the 3rd year of the project.

4. Laboratory Specialist (water quality)

Qualifications: Candidate will have Ph.D. in Inorganic or Organic Chemistry.

Experience: The consultant is expected to have 15 years experience in relevant analytical works, laboratory management, planning and development.

Duration: The assignment has six months duration over the period of the project, which is divided into three blocks each with two months duration. He/She will be engaged for two months in the 2nd year of the project, starting from November 2000 and for two months in the 3rd and 4th year of the project.

The candidates are expected to have strong interpersonal skills to interact with multicultural and interdisciplinary consultants, DOE staff, a demonstrated capability to listen and learn as well as to perform the tasks assigned. Excellent oral and written communication skills in English and Bangla are required.

Applicants are requested to supply two copies of a relevant resume and to indicate expected daily fees rate to: P.O. Box 6117, Gulshan, Dhaka - 1212, to be received not later than 15 September, 2000. The position applied for must be mentioned on the top of the envelope.

Only short listed applicants will be contacted.

(ANY PERSUASION WILL BE TREATED AS DISQUALIFICATION FOR THE CANDIDATE)

Birth anniversary of Osmani today

By Staff Correspondent

The 82nd birth anniversary of late Gen (Retd) Mohammad Ataul Gani Osmani, the commander-in-chief of the Liberation War in 1971, will be observed today.

Different socio-cultural organisations have drawn up elaborate programmes to mark the day.

In a message yesterday, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina paid rich tribute to General Osmani. She said that he was a lawbreaker, minister and efficient military commander.

Sylhet Bibhag Unnayan Parishad will hold a blood donation programme and a discussion meeting at the National Press Club at 10 am today. The parishad leaders will also place wreaths at the portrait of General Osmani at Muktaigan.

Workshop on Digital Image Reconstruction

Drik Picture Library Ltd will organise a day-long workshop on 'Digital Image Reconstruction' in October, says a press release.

A S M Rezaur Rahman, head of publication department of Drik, will conduct the workshop. Interested persons can book their seats for the workshop over telephone (81)2954, 823412, 9120125.

Recently, Drik has introduced Digital Image Reconstruction (DIR) service on commercial basis.

DIR is a process for reproducing old and historical photographs for preservation.



Nazia stands 7th in DB Commerce Group

By Staff Correspondent

Nazia Sharmin Habib (Ratna) of Vikarunessa Noon Girls College has stood seventh in the combined merit list of Commerce Group under Dhaka Board in this year's HSC examination.

She stood first among girls in commerce group securing a total of 834 marks with distinctions in three subjects.

Nazia is the only daughter of KM Habib Ullah, Economic Counsellor at the Bangladesh Embassy in Thailand, and Bilkis Habib, a housewife.

Nazia says her parents inspired her to achieve the good result. She feels that there is no alternative to education to build a country.

Nazia, who stood 3rd in the combined merit list in her SSC examination, loves to paint, read books and listen to music.



Professor Kazi Zaker Hossain (extreme left), a zoologist, speaking at a press conference after a regional workshop on 'Asian Mangrove Forest' at the Jatiya Press Club yesterday. From right are Sharmila Anne Arefin of Friends of the Earth, Malaysia, and Longena Cintinta of the same organisation in Indonesia. — Star photo

Speaker: Vacancy order

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Minister's Office.

The PMO sought the Speaker's ruling on the parliamentary membership of Abu Naser Mohammad Elhasanul Huq, known as Milon, and Kazi Tajul Islam under clause 66(4) of the Constitution, the lawyer said.

Since they were citizens of the United States, the PMO argued, they had ceased to be members of the Sangsad.

The Speaker referred the matter to the Election Commission, which in turn issued notice to the two MPs.

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Liton murder

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KMP headquarters received the property attachment order of the court today.

Jubo League activist Shahidul Islam Liton was gunned down in police custody at noon on February 1 this year in front of the Judge's Court, Khulna.

Share scam

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which on June 15, 1999 allowed transfer of the cases.

The SEC then went before the Appellate Division of the SC and challenged the HC judgement.

The Full Bench of the Appellate Division on May 15 this year rejected the HC judgement, ordering hearing in the Court of Third Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge.

The three cases are finally coming up for hearing on charge framing but the poor investors are yet to know when trial of the manipulators would begin, some sources noted.

Meanwhile, many other share scam cases are lying with the Supreme Court.

Mannan Bhuiyan improving

By Staff Correspondent

Condition of BNP Secretary General Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan MP is improving, party sources said quoting doctors yesterday.

Bhuiyan was rushed to the Coronary Care Unit (CCU) of the National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases (NICVD) following a heart attack on Wednesday.

He is now under the observation of a medical board headed by NICVD Director Dr. MA Zaman.

DRU exchanges views with News Editors

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Dhaka Reporters' Unity (DRU) yesterday exchanged views with the chief reporters, news editors and city editors of different national dailies and news agencies, reports UNB.

During the talks, the speakers stressed on proficiency of the reporters in languages, both Bangla and English.

"Proper knowledge in languages and their proper use can make a news item more credible and rich and faithful," said Abdul Baten, news editor of daily Ittefaq.

Taking part in the discussion, the chief reporters and news editors put forward some suggestions with a view to developing professional skill of the reporters. They also discussed about professional hazards of the reporters.

Azizur Rashid Babu of The Daily Star, Manzurul Ahsan Bulbul of Jugantar, Sohrab Hasan of Sangbad, Kazi Rafiq of Matribhumi, Alif Mahmud of Khobar, Manjurul Alam of Inqilab, Mostafa Kamal Mahjumd of Independent, Sheikh Enamul Haq of Sangram, Mollah Jalal of Rupali, Mahbub Alam of Ajker Kagoj, Saad Bin Rabi and Mahfuzur Rahman of Janata, Swapan Das Gupta of Matribhumi, Patrik Shaha of Bhorer Dik, Shah Altabuzzaman and Iqbal Aziz Biju of BNS, Saiful Islam and Mahmudur Rahman Khokon of ABAS, among others, took part in the discussion.

Sandwip

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and other sources informed. Tidal wave has been lashing Sandwip and other coastal areas in Chittagong and Cox's Bazar for the last two days, forcing authorities to shift affected people in Sandwip to cyclone shelters, they said.

Tidal water also affected shrimp projects at Cox's Bazar, sources said.

Meanwhile, tidal water also inundated Chandgao thana area, Chakati and CDA residential area, police and witnesses said.

Release of water from Kaptai lake into Karnaphuli river also raised the flow of water, port sources said and added that there has been heavy current for the past two days at Chittagong port channel.

However, ship movement continued as usual. Met office sources said the height of tide marked rise due to monsoon wind and it was recorded at 5.03 meter today. It has advised maritime ports of Chittagong, Cox's Bazar and Mongla to hoist local cautionary signal no 3 due to well marked low persisting in West Bengal and the adjoining areas.

Qulkhwani

Qulkhwani of Md Mujtaba, Chief Cameraman of Bangladesh Television, will be held today after Asr prayers at his residence at 40, Shantinagar, says a press release.

Mujtaba died after falling from the rooftop of his home on Tuesday night.

His *namaj-e-janaza* was held on Wednesday and he was buried at Banani graveyard.

He left behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and admirers.

Relatives, friends and admirers have been requested to attend the *qul* and pray for salvation of the departed soul.

By Staff Correspondent

The *qul* of Firoz Alam Molah, Sub-registrar of Srirang of Munshiganj district will be held at his residence at 3/102, Eastern Circuit, Circ-uit House road, Shantinagar in the city today after *Maghrib* prayers.

Firoz Alam died of cardiac arrest while on duty at Srirang on August 29. He was 48. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a host of relatives to mourn his death.

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