



Traffic movement on the road from Engineers' Institute to Shahbagh intersection came to a halt for a long time due to traffic congestion yesterday. The problem is getting worse day by day. — Star photo

SAARC women affairs ministers' meet begins today

The 3rd Beijing biennial meeting of SAARC Women Affairs Ministers begins in the Maldives today to review the progress of the declaration of the 4th world conference on women, reports UNB.

The 4th conference, held in Beijing, adopted a declaration seeking peace, equity and progress of women.

A four-member delegation, led by State Minister for Women and Children Affairs Prof. Zinatun Nesa Talukdar, left for Male yesterday to attend the meeting organised by United Nations Fund for Women Development (UNIFEM), said an official handout.

Advanced Met Observing System

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will inaugurate the newly established Advanced Meteorological Observing System in the city tomorrow, reports UNB.

The system was established under the project "Strengthening of weather warning services related to natural disasters," funded by Japan.

The inaugural function will be held at the Meteorological Department headquarters at Agargaon. Bangladesh Betar will broadcast the function live.

BCL faces leadership crisis at DU

Most top leaders have left campus after graduation

By DU Correspondent

Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) is facing leadership crisis as most of its Dhaka University unit leaders have left the campus soon after graduation with campus politics no longer paying desired dividends.

Except for the president, general secretary, organising secretary and a few others, leaders of the 41-member DU unit of BCL are hardly seen on the campus.

The leadership crisis worsened when M. Sajjad Hossain, DU unit President of BCL, decided to leave the country for higher education in England. The BCL high command is now finding it difficult to have Sajjad's replacement.

Out of five vice-presidents, three left the campus long time ago while one of the two other active VPs, Shaheen Zaman, is a non-student and is involved in various crimes including extortion.

Joint Secretary Syed Abu Toha, Publicity Secretary Faisal, Office Secretary Raihan, Law Secretary Debashish Roy, Publication Secretary Iftikhar Islam, Finance Secretary Maksudul Alam are all politically inactive and are pursuing various professions. Organising Secretary Delwar Hossain is still active but involved in some untoward incidents on campus.

Sports Secretary Zafar hardly comes to campus. Social Welfare Secretary Imran is active while Cultural Secretary Ruma is not interested in politics. Library Secretary Jewel was declared persona-non-grata on campus by university authorities.

Out of 28 hall unit presidents and secretaries, one is abroad, six are non-students, five are engaged in various professions, three have been expelled from the university and one was declared persona-non-grata on campus for involvement in criminal activities.

President of Jagannath Hall Ahsanul Kabir Palash is studying in Australia while President of Ziaur Rahman Hall Monir Hossain is no longer a student.

University authorities expelled Shafiqur Rahman Shafiq and Moinuddin Babu, Presidents of Mohsin and Zahurul Huq Halls respectively. Monir Hossain, President of Surya Sen Hall is a non-student and involved in tender business and criminal activities while his secretary Farooq Ahmed is a banker.

Mohsin Hall Secretary Sakawat Hossain is an extortionist.

ist and accused of various criminal activities on the campus. University authorities awarded suspended expulsion to Kafil. Secretary of Zahurul Haq Hall for manhandling two journalists.

Sheikh Rezaul Islam Reza and Rashedul Bashir Dollar, President and Secretary of SM Hall are no longer students and are accused of illegally felling trees and selling them. Dollar has been declared persona-non-grata in the hall areas.

President of Jagannath Hall Amal Datta is a government servant while his secretary Pankaj Saha is not a student. President of Shahidullah Hall, another non-student is accused of various crimes on campus.

AF Rahman Hall Secretary Ilyas is a notorious toll collector.

President of Rokeya Hall Jayanti Probia Devi is an assistant Thana Education Officer while her secretary Dola obtained her MA three years back and is now married.

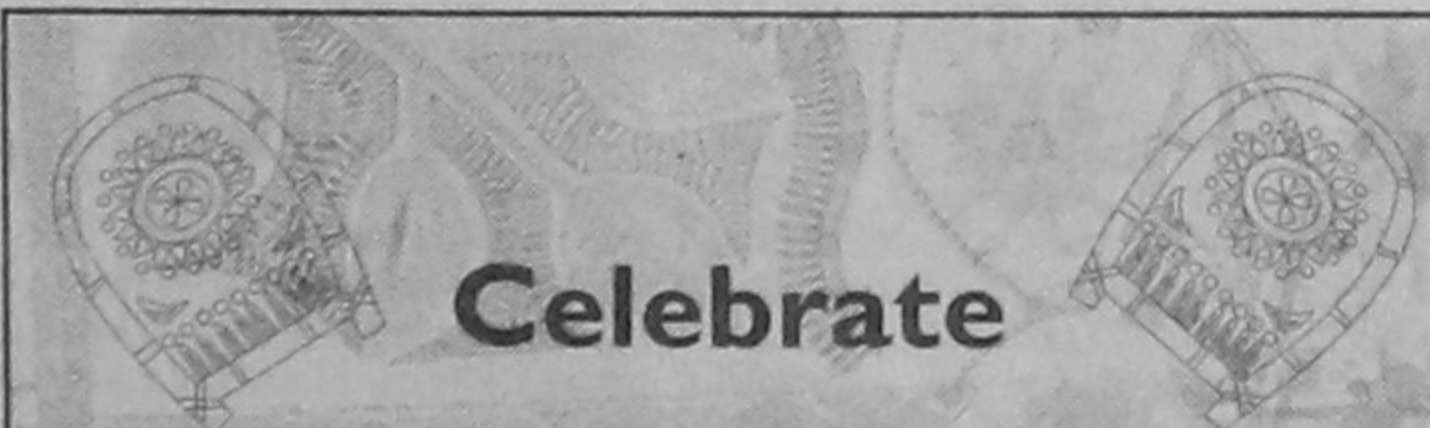
President of Shamsunnahar Hall Runu Dey is married and not active in politics. She obtained her MA degree last year.

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Shahabuddin visits Prof Nurul Islam, Gaziul Huq

President Shahabuddin Ahmed visited ailing National Professor Dr Nurul Islam at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University yesterday, reports UNB.

He also visited Advocate Gaziul Huq, Language Movement hero, who is undergoing treatment at the Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases yesterday.

The President inquired about the process of their treatment. He wished them early recovery, said a Bangabhaban press release.

3 more burn units to be set up in Ctg, Khulna and Rajshahi

The construction work of a 50-bed burn unit at the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) was formally inaugurated by Minister for Health and Family Welfare Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim yesterday, reports BSS.

Speaking on the occasion, the minister said three more burn units would be set up in Chittagong, Khulna and Rajshahi Medical College hospitals soon.

The burn unit of DMCH is being set up at a cost of Tk 7.14 crore.

The minister directed the authorities concerned to complete the work within the stipulated time.

Director of DMCH Brigadier Monem, Deputy Director of the hospital Syed Babar Hussain and noted plastic surgeon Dr. S L Sen were present on the occasion.

Later, the Health Minister had a meeting with DMCH officials and reviewed their activities.

World Tourism Day tomorrow

By Staff Correspondent

The first World Tourism Day of the new millennium will be observed in the country tomorrow.

The theme of this year is "Technology and Nature: Two challenges for tourism at the dawn of the twenty-first century."

Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation and other tourism related public and private organisations have drawn up different programmes to mark the day.

Main programmes of the day include illumination of Parjatan head office and decoration of road islands, rally, discussion, traditional pitha festival, special river cruise and cultural and food festivals.

Execution of verdict in Bangabandhu Murder Case demanded

Awami League Presidium Member Dr Mohammad Selim MP yesterday alleged that the BNP-led opposition alliance was involved in a deep-rooted conspiracy to foil the execution of the verdict in Bangabandhu Murder Case, reports BSS.

He called upon all pro-liberation forces to be united against the vested quarters who are trying to save the killers of the Father of the Nation.

Selim was addressing a rally at the Government Titumir College in the city. Panchajanya Chhatk Nirmul Committee organised the rally demanding immediate execution of the verdict in Bangabandhu Murder Case.

Chaired by convenor of the college unit of the committee Selim Khan, the rally was also addressed by central president of the organisation Kazi Moazzem Hossain, vice presidents ABM Mazharul Anam and Akkasur Rahman Ankihi, General Secretary Al-Mamun Malik, Mojibuddin, city leaders Harunur Rashid Liton, Mahmud Hasan Azad, Anzad Hossain and Zakir Hossain.

Two killed in N'ganj bus plunge

NARAYANGANG, Sept 25: Two passengers were killed and 30 others injured when a bus fell into a roadside ditch on Dhaka-Chittagong highway in Sonargaon upazila today, reports UNB.

The Dhaka-bound bus from Daudkandi plunged into the ditch at Mogdopara after the driver lost control of the bus at 7:45 am, killing the two on the spot.

The identity of the dead could not be known immediately.

Of the injured, 10 were sent to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Foreign Minister returns

Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad returned home on Sunday night after leading a Bangladesh delegation to the UN Millennium Assembly in New York, reports BSS.

During his stay in New York, the foreign Minister presented Bangladesh Country statement at the Millennium Assembly reaffirming total support to the UN activities towards establishing global peace.

Azad presided over a meeting of the D-8 countries. He also presided over a meeting of the least developed countries.

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Al Haj Moazzem Hussain, elder brother of Major General Muzammel Hussain PSC Retd., died at St. Francis Hospital, Chicago, USA on this day 26 September, 1999 at the age of 70. He is survived by his wife, one son and two daughters. He was Manager, Biman Bangladesh Airlines at Amsterdam, Jeddah, Kathmandu and Sylhet.

All relatives, friends and well wishers are requested to pray to the Almighty Allah for the salvation of his departed soul.

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