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'Total literacy by year 2002'

Bangladesh will achieve full literacy by 2002. Education Minister ASHK Sadique has told the first Islamic Conference of Ministers on Higher Education and Scientific Research being held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, reports BSS.

Sadique, who is leading a six-member Bangladesh delegation to the four-day conference, said on Monday, "Literacy rate in our country has gone up to 62 per cent from 44 per cent in 1996."

Listing measures to eradicate illiteracy the minister referred to the introduction of stipend programme for female students at the secondary level, and setting up of 23 new poly-technic institutes.

The minister regretted that poor countries were becoming poorer due to lack of access to fund for research work and for training up skilled manpower.

He called for greater south-south cooperation, particularly cooperation among the countries of Muslim Ummah to strengthen unity in education, research and training sector to face the challenge of the highly complex world.

The education minister expressed the hope that this conference would play a significant role in higher education among Muslim countries.

The conference that began on October 15 will conclude today.

The members of the Bangladesh delegation are Whip Muhammad Abdus Shaid, Chairman of the University Grant Commission A.T.M. Zohurul Haque, Vice Chancellor of BUET Dr. Noor Uddin Ahmed, Bangladesh Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Mahboob Alam, Counselor of Bangladesh Embassy in Riyadh Tarik Ahsan and education ministry official Mostafa Kamal.

DU students come to aid of flood victims

By DU Correspondent

The students of the Dhaka University yesterday launched a campaign to collect aid to help the flood affected people in the southwestern part of the country.

The campaign, taken up by Dhaka University Journalists' Association (DUJA), Dhaka University Films Society (DUPS), Dhaka University Debating Society (DUDS) and Joydoddhan Sangskritik Goshthi (JSG), was inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor of the university Prof. AK Azad Chowdhury.

Different student organisations also took part in the campaign and collected about Tk 10,000 on the first day.



Visitors at the solo exhibition of Bipol Shaha's paintings at the Zainul Gallery of the Fine Arts Institute. The 10-day long show of the artist's works began yesterday.

Four students arrested for extortion

From Our Correspondent

JHENIDAH, Oct 17: Police arrested four students of Sherpara BM Degree College on Monday night on charge of extortion.

AL forms team to expedite relief activities

By Staff Correspondent

Awami League formed a five-member team yesterday to expedite party's relief activities and assess rehabilitation needs in the flood-hit southwestern region of the country.

An emergency meeting of the AL Central Working Committee (ALCWC), held at its Bangabandhu Avenue office, assigned the party joint general secretary to head the special team.

The other members of the team are AL central leaders Shahara Khatun, Mukul Bose, Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin and Monnujan Sultan.

AL acting president Amir Hussain Amin chaired the meeting of the 65-strong central working committee. AL general secretary Zillur Rahman and other senior party leaders attended the meeting.

The ruling party's move came following last week's donors-government meeting where urgency was felt for quick appraisal of post-flood rehabilitation requirements.

The ALCWC meeting, in a resolution, criticised the main opposition BNP for 'doing politics with natural disaster like flood' and praised government's endeavour in mitigating the miseries of flood-affected people.

BNP lawmakers condemn attack

By Staff Correspondent

One hundred and six MPs belonging to the main opposition BNP yesterday slated the attack on opposition whip Zainul Abedin Faruq at Senbagh last week and urged the government to immediately arrest the 'known terrorists' responsible for the attack, reports BSS.

In a joint statement, the MPs regretted at what they said attacks on opposition legislators by the ruling party men have now become an order of the day across the country.

BDRCS seeks more help for flood-hit people

By Special Correspondent

Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS) has appealed to all to come up with more help for the flood affected people of the eight southern districts.

"BDRCS is continuing relief operation among the flood victims with assistance provided by the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies following an appeal to the international community," Sheikh Kabir Hossain, Chairman of BDRCS told reporters yesterday.

Swiss Francs 3.8m (Tk 12cr) was promised, out of which 31 per cent has been received so far and 58 per cent are in pledges, he added. "But a huge amount of money is needed to carry on the relief among victims who have lost virtually everything, their crops and

homes. They are now solely dependant on relief for the next three months, until the next harvest," he said.

So far the BDRCS has distributed 1,002 metric tonnes (MT) of food which benefited a million people of 1,01,265 families and provided medicare to 90,000 people.

"BDRCS is trying to collect funds for the next two months relief programme under which 1,872 MT rice and pulses will be distributed among 46,800 families, each receiving 40 kg of rice and lentils," Hossain said.

It is also planning to provide 225 MT corrugated iron sheets to 2400 families to help them rebuild their homes, the BDRCS chairman added.

Answering a question he said that there had been no reports of death due to starvation in the flood affected areas. He said the priority is to provide food and then help the victims rehabilitate.

He said that unless people from all walks of life comes forward in aid of the flood victims, BDRCS with its limited abilities cannot cope with the huge need. He also appealed help from the international community. Kerry Mckerrow, Bangladesh representative of the ICRC who was present at the press conference at Dhaka Club also stressed on the need for help and aid from the international community to carry on the programme. "There is a possibility that we will make a bigger appeal. There is still huge need of help for rehabilitation," he said. When asked if the ICRC will be making any further appeal for help.

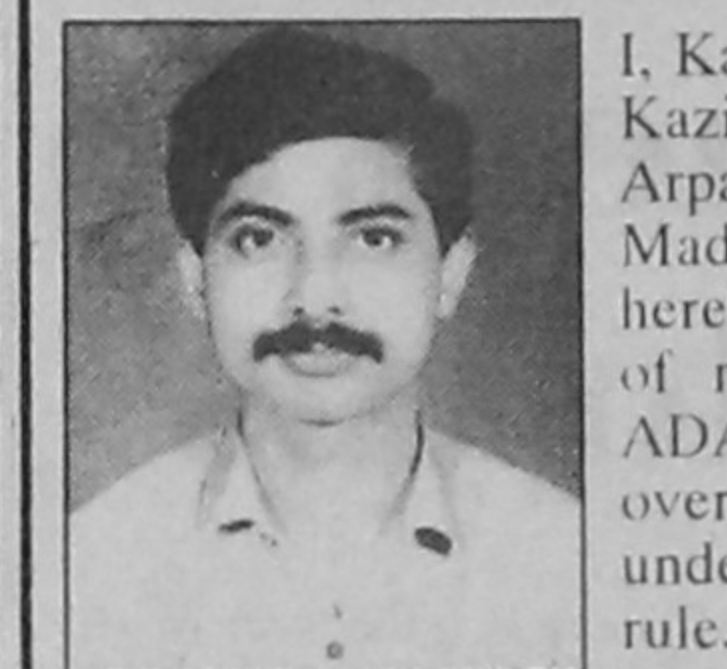
Dacoity in city

By Staff Correspondent

Dacoits looted a licensed pistol, gold ornaments and other valuables worth about Tk 4 lakh from a house at Nabindu Bashak Lane in the city's Sutrapur area yesterday evening. A gang of about eight entered the first floor house of one Gobinda Bashak, a businessman and confined the inmates into a room at about 6.45 pm yesterday.

They took away the key of the almirah and looted a licensed pistol, 30 totals of gold ornaments and other valuables worth about Tk 4 lakh.

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Bangladesh Power Development Board

Tender Notice

Name of work: Transport of electrical goods/ equipment allotted in favour of Chapainawabganj Electric Supply from various central godown/pole construction workshop of Power Development Board. Eligibility of contractor: Sealed tenders are invited from all classes of contractor's firms enlisted with Power Development Board. Estimated expenditure: Taka 3,44,588/75 (three lakh forty-four thousand five hundred eighty-eight taka and seventy-five paisa) only. Cost of tender: Taka 200/- (two hundred) (non-refundable). It will have to be deposited in the form of BD in favour of the Deputy Director (Accounts), RAO, PDB, Rajshahi. Place of availability of tender and date: With written permission from office of the Superintending Engineer, Operation & Maintenance Circle, PDB, Rajshahi/undersigned it can be purchased from Manager, Janata Bank, Chapainawabganj Branch, Chapainawabganj till 24/10/2000. Date of receiving and opening tender: In the office of the Superintending Engineer, Operation & Maintenance Circle, PDB, Rajshahi/in the office of the undersigned on 25/10/2000 at 12-00 Noon and tenders will be opened on the same day at 12-30 PM before the tenderers present (if anyone remains present). Other terms and conditions and all other rules and regulations as mentioned in the tender must be followed properly.

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