



Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury of Jatiya Party (Mizan-Monju) addressing a discussion meeting organised on occasion of the 15<sup>th</sup> founding anniversary of the party yesterday. - Star photo

### 144 tortured by law enforcing agencies in 2000

By Staff Correspondent

A total of 144 persons have been victims of physical torture and harassment by the law enforcing agencies in the year 2000. Seven persons died following torture and 12 were killed.

This was revealed by a report prepared by Ain O Salish Kendro (ASK) a non-government organisation, on the basis of 10 news items published in 10 leading newspapers of the country from January to December 2000.

The report said that during the period harassment and torture by law enforcing agencies increased significantly. The nature of harassment was identified as killing by opening fire at slums, shooting by DB police while chasing terrorists at night, death following torture by police and death while in custody of thana.

A number of journalists have also been victims of torture and harassment by police. Police tortured eight journalists during this period and 36 journalists also received threats to their lives.

The news papers monitored by ASK were the Daily Star, Prothom Alo, Biorer Kagoj, Sangbad Ittefaq, Janakandha, Inqilab, Jugantor, Bangla Bazar and Dinkal.

Odhikar a coalition of human rights organisations also conducted a survey during the year found which revealed that as many as 186 women were victims to acid throwing last year. Seventy people also died during custody of jail, court, thana, police DB and army camp.

### JP (M-M) observes founding anniversary

Leaders of Jatiya Party (M-M) yesterday criticised Ershad for his "conspiratorial politics" and claimed that the JP men, who were with the party at its worst times, are now united under the leadership of Mizanur Rahman reports UNB.

They said Ershad has forgotten what had happened to him after his fall in 1990, especially how he came out of jail.

Addressing a discussion meeting marking the 15<sup>th</sup> founding anniversary of Jatiya Party, the leaders vowed to give a firm footing to parliamentary democracy that emerged as a political system through the 1991 general elections.

The discussion meeting held at the Jatiya Press Club was presided over by JP chairman Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury.

### Muktijuddho Festival at Agartola Jan 11-13

'Bangladesh freedom fight festival' will be held at Agartola, India from January 11 to 13, reports BSS.

Agartola played a historical role in supporting of our Liberation War in 1971.

Tripura state government, state festival committee and the national committee from Bangladesh are jointly organising the festival.

According to sources, the festival is being held to express the gratitude of people of Bangladesh to the people of Tripura for their unforgettable contribution to the war and to inspire the new generations with the spirit of independence.

The Tripura governor will formally inaugurate the festival at 10 am in the morning on January 11 at the Colonel Choumohini Square of Agartola. The three-day programme of the festival will continue in the auditorium of the Rabindra Centenary Bhaban.

A 100-member Bangladesh delegation comprising leaders of liberation war, leaders of political parties that participated directly in the war, freedom fighters and eminent academicians, journalists, artists and

former officials will attend the festival.

Chief Minister of Tripura Manik Sarkar is the chief patron of the festival. Chapter of the festival organising committee while Education Minister and poet Anil Sarkar is the president. Information and cultural minister Jitendra Chowdhury is the executive president and 'Daily Deser Katha' editor Goutam Das is the chief coordinator.

One of the main organisers of Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra and former director general of Shilpakala Academy Kamal Lohani is the convener of the Bangladesh chapter of the organising committee while noted freedom fighter, writer and Managing Director and Chief Editor of Bangladesh Sangbad Samagha (BSS) Haroon Habib and famous litterateur and Director Bangla Academy Selina Hossain are joint conveners.

Programmes of the festival include reminiscences of the war of liberation, discussion, musical soiree passed on the songs of liberation war and photographic exhibition.

### Mysterious boxes

#### Navy drops plans for fresh search

From Staff Correspondent CHITTAGONG, Jan 1: Bangladesh Navy has abandoned plans for a fresh search in the Bay of Bengal for the mysterious boxes dropped into the sea water from two mechanised boats in December.

Navy sources said that the plan was dropped as it is not possible for the divers to recover the boxes from beyond a certain depth in the Bay of Bengal.

Normally the divers cannot dive beyond 180 feet to 200 feet in the sea, the sources said.

However, two navy ships earlier conducted an eight-day long search in the Bay and returned to harbour for the Eid holiday. A fresh search was supposed to be launched after the vacation.

During the search navy detected availability of 'some' objects at a depth of 250 feet and beneath, navy sources said. Meanwhile, police is yet to take any action against the kingpin of smugglers and his syndicate members reportedly involved with the consignment of smuggled goods that were dropped into the Bay.

Sources said that police was playing a 'mysterious' role in this regard.

### DMC Alumni Trust get-together begins Thursday

By Staff Correspondent

The Dhaka Medical College Alumni Trust millennium get-together will begin Thursday, says a press release.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will inaugurate the opening session of the event on Friday. The event aims to bring together about 1000 old students. The event will highlight achievements of the old students.

Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Begun Khaleda Zia will attend the closing ceremony. A rally will be held that would parade from Dhaka Medical College premises to the National Press Club.

Chairman of the organising committee Prof. Qazi Meza Uddin Iqbal, secretary of the Alumni Trust (DMC) Prof. Khalilur Rahman and secretary of the organising committee Prof. Mohammad Saiful Islam are among those supervising the event.

### Rotary News

#### Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Ramna will be held today at 5:30 pm at Family Lounge of Dhaka Club, says a press release.

In observance of Rotary's Awareness Month, Rtn PDG Habibullah Khan, PHF, Vocational Adviser to the District Governor, District 3280, and former Minister and Ambassador, will speak on Rotary's programme on Awareness.

**সংশোধনী**  
৯ জানুয়ারী ২০০১ তারিখ প্রকাশিত ডেল্টা লাইফ ইনসিওরেন্স কোম্পানী লিমিটেড এর নব্বুজাতন সূতি পুরস্কার বিজ্ঞানবিভাগে লেখা জমা দেয়ার শেষ তারিখ আগামী '০১ জানুয়ারী ২০০১' পর্যন্ত হবে।

**মৃত্তিকা বিজ্ঞান বিভাগের**  
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(১৮-২০ জানুয়ারী ২০০১ সাল)  
নিবন্ধীকরণ: ৭ জানুয়ারী, ২০০১ পর্যন্ত  
যোগাযোগ: মৃত্তিকা, পানি ও পরিবেশ বিভাগ  
ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়  
ফোন: ৯৬৬১৯২০-৫৯/৬১২০/৬১৩৬

**LADY DOCTORS WANTED**  
TO WORK AT THE MOTHER & CHILD CARE CENTRE, HOUSE # 24, ROAD 6, DHANMONDI. INTERVIEW: 05.01.2001 AT 10:00 AM. C-03

**TUITION WANTED**  
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**Directorate General Defence Purchase**  
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### Tender Notice

(1st Time)

1. Sealed tenders are invited in local currency from bonafide Manufacturers/Dealers/Suppliers/Indentors (enlisted firm's) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Armed Forces:

Ser No	Nomenclature	Date of selling From	Date of selling To	Date of opening	Currency	Tender No	Cost of I/T
a.	Matches Safety 1,50,000 Box	31.12.2000	28.1.2001	29.1.2001	Local currency	615/P-8	50.00

2. Tender schedule with detail specifications will be available on payment (non-refundable) as per I/T selling rate during office hours between 0800 hours to 1300 hours. The tender will be dropped latest by 1000 hours and opened at 1005 hours on concerned opening date in front of tenderers present at that time (if present any).

ISPR/Misc/2000/1009  
DFP-30837-20/12  
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Major  
for Director General

**Bangladesh Power Development Board**  
BPDB's Local Tender Notice

দেশপ্রিয় উদ্ভূত হউন  
বিদ্যুতের অবৈধ সংযোগ বন্ধ করুন

1. Local sealed tenders are invited by Bangladesh Power Development Board from renowned Manufacturers/Suppliers for the procurement of 33 KV OCR & 11KV OCR as stated below:

Sl No	Tender enquiry No & date	Description of equipment/materials	Qty	Cost of tender document	Tender receiving date
1	Pur-EQ-22/2000 dated 10/12/2000	33 KV OCR	15 Nos	Tk 2000.00	11/01/2001
2	Pur-EQ-23/2000 dated 10/12/2000	11 KV OCR	40 Nos	Tk 4000.00	11/01/2001

2. A complete set of tender document may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of written application and on payment of non-refundable fee of Taka as mentioned in column-5 each as above against this tender in the shape of Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of Director, Electrical Equipment, BPDB, Dhaka.

3. Bank Draft/Pay Order equivalent to 2.5% of the offered price shall be submitted with tender.

4. Tender will be received up to 11.00 AM and will be opened at 11.30 AM in the prescribed date as mentioned in column-6 each as above in presence of the intending bidders or their representatives if any. Tender shall neither be sent by post nor it will be sold on the opening day. Offer sent by post/Telex/DHL/FAX will neither be received nor it will be accepted.

5. The expenditure will be booked against the project under ADP of 2000-2001 of BPDB for the procurement of materials/equipment and spares on emergency basis for rehabilitation and replacement of transmission and distribution system.

**Project Director**  
Procurement of Materials Equipment and Spares on Emergency Basis of Rehabilitation and Replacement of Transmission and Distribution System of BPDB & Director Electrical Equipment PDB, Dhaka

Biddat/Jan-1122(5)/2000-2001  
DFP-30973-20/12  
G-09

### In Loving Memory of

**Abu Ashan Abdul Matin**  
Chairman, Dept. of English (Retd.)  
Govt. Jagannath College &  
Founder of Central Women's College

**A.E. Taslimuddin Quaderi**  
DLO & FRCS  
Consultant Surgeon  
Abdullah Foad Hospital, Damam.

They left this world for eternity on the 2nd January, 1986, 21st Rabiussani between 8:00 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. from their Paternal House at 11, Segun Bagan and were buried the next day after Jumah prayer. The friends, relatives, dearones and millions of the Pupils at home and abroad will kindly remember them in their prayers.

**THE INSTITUTE OF BANKERS, BANGLADESH**  
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PHONE: 8311254, 8317237

### NOTICE OF COACHING CLASSES

Coaching classes in some selected subjects of the Banking Diploma Examination for the candidates of Dhaka city will commence on and from 7 January 2001 at Motijheel Govt. Boys' High School, Dhaka. The detailed schedule of the classes may be obtained from the office of the Institute and the Head/Principal/Regional/Zonal/Local Offices of the Banks in Dhaka city.

D-05 Secretary General

**unicef** Cab Services

UNICEF-Bangladesh requests bids from local companies for usage of cab services for transportation within Dhaka City maintaining strict timing.

Interested companies are requested to collect detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for above-mentioned services from UNICEF, HR Section, 4th Floor, Dhaka Sheraton Hotel Annex Building, 1 Minto Road, Dhaka-1000 from Monday, January 01, 2001, between 08:30 to 16:00 hours.

Proposals must be submitted on or before 14:00 hours on January 11, 2001 (Thursday) in a designated "Tender Box" located in UNICEF HR Section.

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**unicef** Staff Pick up & Drop

UNICEF-Bangladesh requests bids from local companies for staff pick up and drop to/from Bangladesh Country Office (BCO) in Dhaka five days a week.

Interested companies are requested to collect detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for above-mentioned services from UNICEF, HR Section, 4th Floor, Dhaka Sheraton Hotel Annex Building, 1 Minto Road, Dhaka-1000 from Monday, 01 January, 2001, between 08:30 to 16:00 hours.

Proposals must be submitted on or before 14:00 hours on January 11, 2001 (Thursday) in a designated "Tender Box" located in UNICEF HR Section.

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**Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology**  
(Sponsored by the Dhaka Ahsania Mission and approved by the Government of Bangladesh)  
20, West Testuri Bazar Road, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Positions are available for appointment of full-time/part time teachers in the following Departments:

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Phone: 9130613 Prof. M. A. Mukta dir  
9120248 Vice-Chancellor (in-charge)

### RHD Notice Inviting Tenders

1. Tender Notice No : 03/SRD/2000-2001.
2. Name of work : Repairing of potholes, depression etc with seal coat at different KM of Sylhet-Sunamganj Road under Sunamganj Road Division during the year 2000-2001 in 3 (three) groups.
3. Estimated cost : As per group list.
4. Earnest money : As per group list.
5. Time allowed : As per group list.
6. Eligibility of contractors : As per group list.
7. Name of the offices where tender documents will be available : Undersigned/Divisional Commissioner, Sylhet/Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Sylhet/M'baraz/Hobiganj/Planning & Design Division, Comilla/Planning Division-I, (P&D) Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD) Road Sub-Divn Sunamganj/Chatak/Mechanical Sunamganj.
8. Name of the officers who received the tenders : Undersigned/Addl Chief Engineer (RHD), Comilla Zone, Comilla/Divisional Commissioner, Sylhet/Procurement & Monitoring Circle, Dhaka.
9. Tender will be opened by : Undersigned.
10. Last date of selling tenders : At 5.00 PM of 15.01.2001.
11. Last date of received tenders : At 12-30 PM of 16.01.2001.
12. Date & time of opening tenders : At 12-30 PM of 22.01.2001.
13. Date & time of lottery : At 1.00 PM of 29.01.2001.
14. Group list:

Gr No	Name of work & location	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility of contractors
I (one)	Repairing with seal coat work at 36th, 37th & 38th KM of Sylhet-Sunamganj Road	15,40,054/-	30,801/-	30 (thirty) days	"A" to "D" general categories of RHD
II (two)	Repairing of potholes, depression etc at 61st (P), 63 <sup>rd</sup> (P) & 64 <sup>th</sup> (P) KM -do-	11,49,767/-	22,995/-	-do-	-do-
III (three)	-do- with seal coat at 25th & 26th KM -do-	10,42,595/-	20,852/-	-do-	-do-

Md Golam Rahman  
Executive Engineer (RHD)  
Sunamganj Road Division

DFP-30947-20/12  
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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Office of the Executive Engineer (R&H)  
Ferry Division, Topkhana, Sylhet

### Tender Notice

1. Tender Notice No-10 (2000-2001), date: 12-12-2000.
2. Name of work : As per group list.
3. Eligibility of contractors : a) (R&H) Department enlisted A to C general category contractors. b) Dhaka Ferry Circle enlisted D general category contractors. c) Sylhet Ferry Division enlisted E general category contractors.
4. Offices in which tenders will be available : a) Executive Engineer (R&H), Ferry Division, Sylhet. b) Executive Engineer (R&H), Ferry Construction Division, Dhaka. c) Executive Engineer (R&H), Ferry Maintenance Division, Dhaka. d) Sub-Divisional Engineer (R&H), Ferry Sub-Division, Sylhet.
5. Offices in which tenders will be received : a) Superintending Engineer (R&H), Ferry Circle, Dhaka. b) Executive Engineer (R&H), Ferry Division, Sylhet. c) Executive Engineer (R&H), Ferry Construction Division, Dhaka. d) Executive Engineer (R&H), Ferry Maintenance Division, Dhaka.
6. Last date of selling tender : 09-1-2001 till office hours.
7. Date and time of receiving tender : 10-1-2001 at 12-00 noon.
8. Date and time of opening tender : 14-1-2001 at 12-30 pm.
9. Date and time of lottery if there are more than one lowest tenderers : 16-1-2001, at 12-00 noon.
10. Group list:

Gr. No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time limit for completion of work	Tender form No.
1	Work of supply of spare parts for Kamins Engine of 150 Horse Power under Sylhet Ferry Division during 2000-2001 fiscal year.	As per schedule	2% of the estimated cost	15 days	2908
2	Supply of spare parts for the 150 Horse Power engine of utility Ferry No-012/80 at Fenchuganj Ferryghat under Sylhet Ferry Division during 2000-2001 fiscal year.	Do	Do	Do	Do
3	Work of supply of necessary new spare parts for 150 Horse Power Kamins Engine (Model-6BT-5.9M) under Sylhet Ferry Division during 2000-2001 fiscal year.	Do	Do	Do	Do
4	Work of supply of spare parts for repairing gear box of 150 Horse Power Kamins Engine under R&H Ferry Division, Sylhet during 2000-2001 fiscal year.	Do	Do	Do	Do

Md Rafiqul Islam  
Executive Engineer (CC)  
Ferry Division, Topkhana, Sylhet.

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