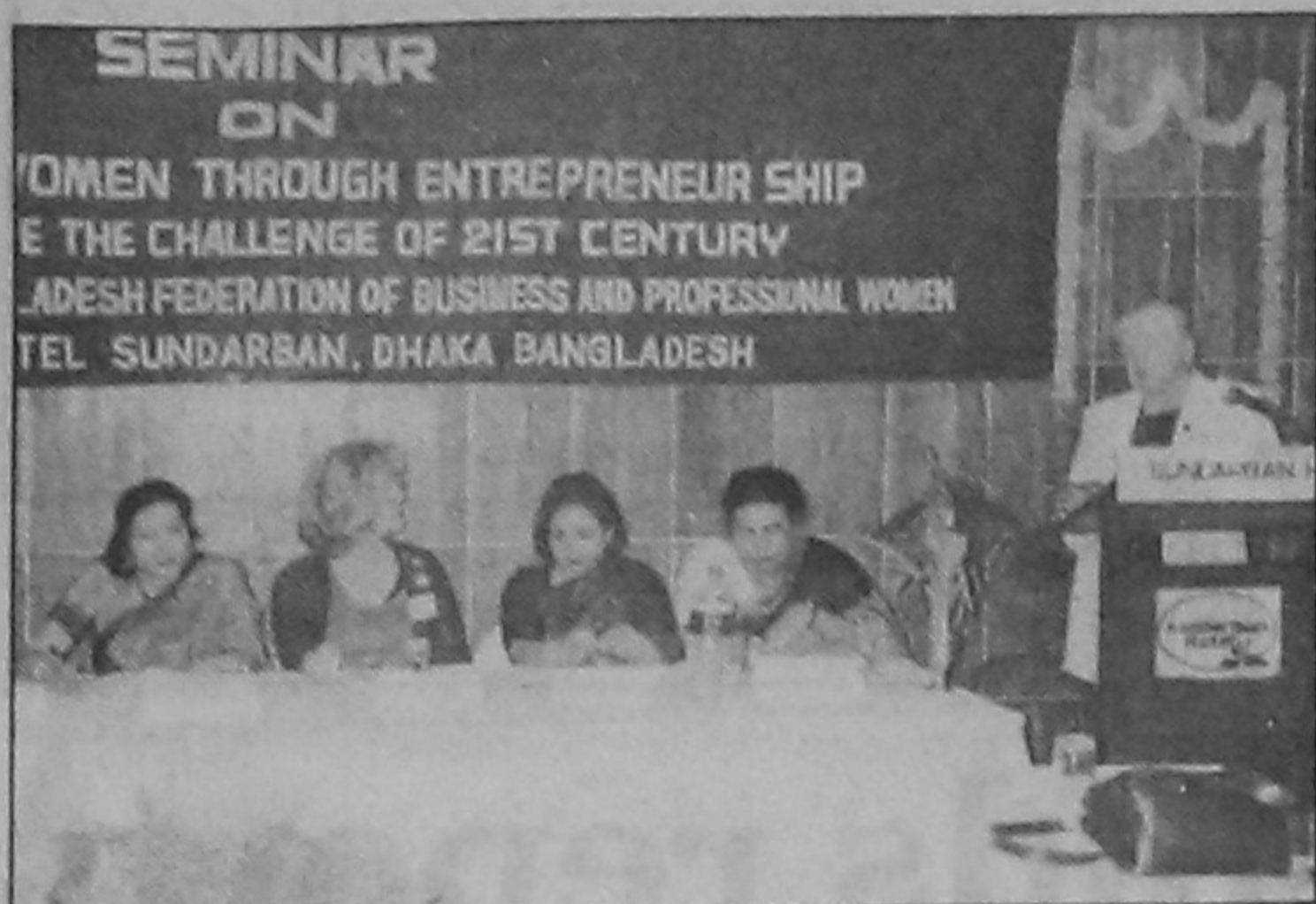


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Pat Harison, President of International Federation of Business and Professional Women, speaking at a seminar organised in the city by BFBPW meeting.

Ex-deputy secretary dead

Mohammad Islam Chowdhury, a former deputy secretary of Bangladesh government, died at his residence at Eskaton yesterday. He was 72, reports BSS.

He is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter. He is the elder brother of Anwarul Islam Bedy, a news editor of Bangladesh Sangbad Samstha.

Physician dead

Dr Sved Wakil Ahmad, former physician to the Governors of the then East Pakistan and Superintendent of Police Hospital in Dhaka, died at his Dhanmondi residence on Wednesday. He was 80, reports UNB.

He left behind his four sons, four daughters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his death.

Eviction of hawkers protested

BNP leader Shahjahan Siraj yesterday protested the sudden eviction drive of hawkers from the pavements of Dhaka city, reports BSS.

Siraj, a valiant freedom fighter urged the authorities to stop the move till rehabilitation of the hawkers.

Sounding a note of caution Siraj said eviction of the hawkers without providing them alternative sources of earnings might push them to anti-social activities. In that case, he said, the government would have to take the responsibility of such eviction of hawkers, who are growing in hardships.

Condolence

By Staff Correspondent... BNP Chairperson and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Khaleida Zia has expressed profound shock at the death of squadron leader M Mohsin in a plane crash at the Zia International Airport.

In a condolence letter, the BNP chief expressed deep sympathy to the members of the bereaved family and prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.

She also hoped for early recovery of the injured squadron leader M Emdad and his proper treatment.

SNS slates political parties' role on women's issues

By Staff Correspondent... Samulito Nari Samai (SNS) yesterday condemned the role of major political parties and their indifference towards and inaction on the issue of direct election to women's reserved seats in parliament.

During a general meeting of the organisation it demanded enactment of new laws regarding *fatwa* and congratulated the verdict of the High Court that declared *fatwa* illegal.

The meeting presided over by Shireen Akhter also demanded arrest and trial of fundamentalist communal leader Fazlul Haq Anisul for declaring the judges of High Court as *murtad*, it said.

Tk 10 lakh donated to PM's Relief & Welfare Fund

Different organisations yesterday donated over Tk 10 lakh and relief materials worth over US dollar 3.87 lakh to the Prime Minister's Relief and Welfare Fund, reports UNB.

Officers and staff of Labour and Employment Ministry donated over Tk 8 lakh and teachers, doctors and employees of Bangladesh Sheikh Mujib Medical University Tk 2 lakh from their one day's salary.

Banglabazar Patrika DRU leaders urge reopening of daily

Dhaka Reporters Unity (DRU) president and general secretary in a joint statement have expressed concern over closure of Banglabazar Patrika. Demanding reopening of the daily, DRU president M Anwarul Haq and general secretary Motaheb Hossain yesterday expressed their solidarity with the ongoing movement of the journalists of the daily.

The DRU leaders also demanded solution to existing problems through discussion.

Banglabazar Patrika Sangbadik Samik Karmachari Ojika Parishad yesterday continued their protest for the fifth day against the closure of the daily.

A protest rally and sit-in programme were held in front of the main gate of the newspaper office at 2 pm yesterday.

Presided over by convener of the Ojika Parishad Shahnawaz Dulal, the meeting was also addressed by DUJ, DFUJ leaders who demanded immediate resumption of the publication of the daily.



Leader of Opposition in Parliament and BNP chairperson Khaleida Zia exchanging views with editors of national dailies at news agencies at Hotel Sheraton yesterday. - Star photo

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Obituary
Hamida Nazir Ahmad (Tolky), wife of Nazir Ahmad, Director of Military Lands and Cantonment died of a cardiac arrest on January 5. She was 88 years old.

SASP confce Jan 12-13
A conference of the Samulito Anjibi Sammaraya Parishad (SAS) will be held in the city on January 12 and 13 (Friday and Saturday), a press release of the parishad said yesterday, reports BSS.

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Obituary
Advocate Alhaj Ahmad Ullah a lawyer and social worker died of a cardiac arrest at his residence in Noakhali yesterday. He was 82, says a press release.

Obituary
Jamal Ahmed, former Director of Bangladesh Sugar & Food Industries Corporation, died on January 6 at Al-Razez Hospital of Green Road. He was 70, says a press release.

Obituary
Rizia Begum, mother of Iddul organizer and former president of Dhaka Mohanagar Chhatra League Mohammad Shahidullah, died at her home in old Dhaka early Saturday morning, family sources said. She was 65, reports BSS.

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