



Firefighters trying to douse a fire that broke out at Sir Saifulullah Medical College Hostel yesterday. - Star photo

Rotary News

Weekly meeting

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

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka New City will be held at Vintage Restaurant at Sobhanbagh at 5:30 pm today, says a press release.

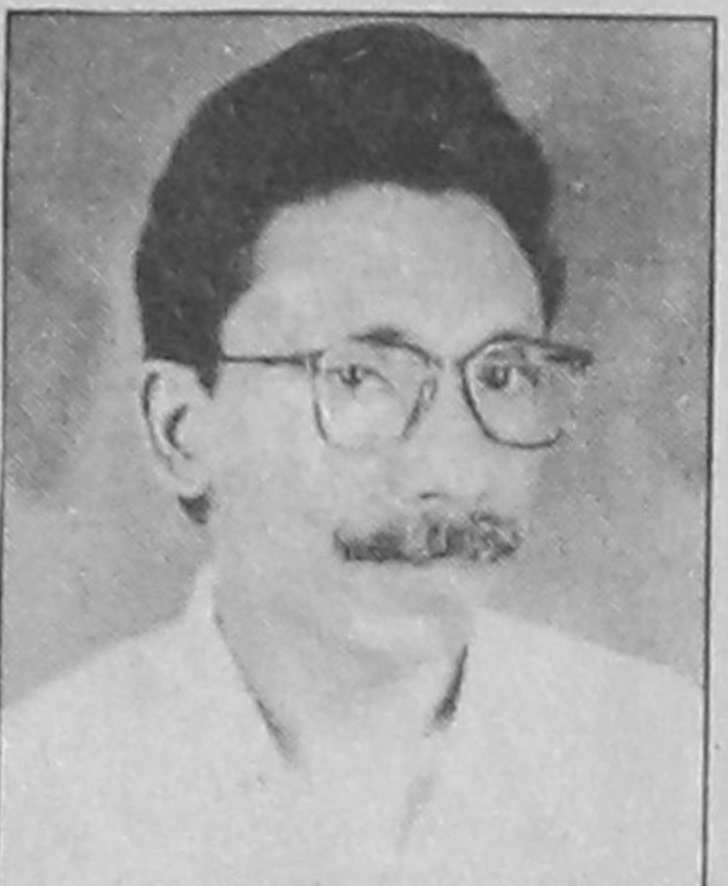
The Rotary Club of Ramna will hold its regular weekly meeting at the Dhaka Club today at 5:30 pm, says a press release.

The speaker PDG Mosharraf Hossain will speak on 'Create Awareness and Take Action - the theme of current Rotary Year.'

Freedom fighter dead

Veteran freedom fighter M Adeluddin Boyati died of cardiac arrest at his residence at Sankibhanga in Moreiganj upazila in Bagerhat district yesterday morning. He was 85, reports UNB.

Adeluddin Boyati left behind three sons, three daughters and a host of relatives to mourn his death.



Appeal for help

By DU Correspondent SKMA Mazid Mukul, a freedom fighter and journalist is fighting for his life against tetanus from which he has been suffering for some time.

He is the editor of weekly Ganabhoron, published from Comilla. He was injured during the Liberation War and received an injury in the same place in a road accident in 1982.

He has been suffering from tetanus since 1999 after an operation on his wound.

Mazid needs Tk. one lakh more for his treatment. Earlier, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina donated Tk. 75,000.

He has made an appeal to the affluent section of society to come forward to help him.

Mazid's bank account number is 16442, Sonali Bank, Dhaka Residential Model College Branch.

'Timely warning can save many lives from cyclonic disaster'

CHITTAGONG, Jan 8: Timely and easily understandable cyclone warning message through radio can play a catalyst role in lessening massive deaths from catastrophic cyclone and tidal bore of around 70 lakh coastal inhabitants of the country, reports BSS.

Around 63.1 per cent people come to know the cyclone warning for the first time from radio announcement but 41.5 per cent get evacuated and take shelters themselves after the publicity of the Red Crescent CPP volunteers, a survey research revealed here recently.

It said 60.1 per cent people informed that they had problems in understanding the signals due to complicated and technical languages, but they can realise that the greater number of the signals mean more danger and the lower is not so.

The survey research 'Disaster Preparedness and Mass Media, a case study in the coastal region of Bangladesh' was conducted by Mohammad

Sabid Ullah, Assistant Professor in Journalism Department of Chittagong University in collaboration with Hoss-Banka Foundation Award, Japan in the year 1999-2000. Prof Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique of the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism of Dhaka University supervised the research work as advisor.

The survey was carried out at eight severely cyclone affected coastal and off shore islands during July and August last year. The areas are Kustubdia of Cox's Bazar, Banskhal and Sandwip of Chittagong, Hativa Island of Noakhali, Char Alexander of Laxmipur, Char Fashion of Bhoila, Patierghata of Barguna and Galachipa of Patuakhali. Information was collected from 400 cyclone prone people, 21 correspondents of different news media and 63 upazila officials who work in the coastal areas.

The survey revealed the public confidence in the media, age-old confusing warning system, poor communication

infrastructure, inadequate shelters, low quality preparedness and poverty-stricken over population are the causes of colossal death during the catastrophic cyclone along the 710-km long coastal belt, off shore islands and chars of the country.

According to the report, 102 cyclones were recorded during the last 400 years in the country. Of them, 64 were recorded as severe cyclone, including 23 catastrophic, caused the lives of two hundred to two lakh people. Severe cyclones hit several times in 1582, 1822, 1876, 1963, 1970 and 1991 claimed the lives ranges from 50 thousand to five lakh.

Bangladesh generally faces cyclonic storm before and after monsoon periods like April-May and November-December. According to worldwide data, around 70-80 cyclonic storm generates in the tropical zone and around seven per cent of them originates from the Bay of Bengal and hit Bangladesh coast leaving a trail of destruction of lives and properties.



Fundamentalist activists under the banner of Jatiya Mohasamabesh Bastobayon Committee brought out procession in the city yesterday. They denounced the HC verdict against fatwa and called on all people make their upcoming grand rally a success. - Star photo

Lawyers' online organisation launched

Country's first online organisation Bangladesh Lawyers Online (BOL) has launched the first cyber law portal and online law magazine of Bangladesh to promote IT-based legal services both at home and abroad, reports UNB.

The site <http://www.bangladeshlawyer.org> will also promote Bangladesh and other law-related laws globally and enable the members give a shape to Bangladesh Cyber Law in the future, a press release said yesterday.

Dr MA Quaderi AL candidate in Pabna-5 seat

Rolling Awami League has nominated Dr Mazhar Ali Quaderi, Vice-chancellor of Bangladesh Sheikh Mujib Medical University, as its candidate for contesting in the election of Pabna-5 constituency, reports UNB.

Death anniversary

The second death anniversary of former deputy director of Family Planning, Principal TCRI, Family Planning, Dr. Ashraf Uddin Ahmed will be observed today, says a press release.

Quarakhushi, milad mahfil and other religious functions will be held at his village home at Sutiakati, Swarupkati under the district of Projapur to mark the occasion.

Similar programmes will be held in Dr Ahmed's residence at Sonalanga residential area in Khulna. A special prayer will also be offered at his eldest son's residence in Dhaka.

Thefts at college, school at Mohammadpur

By Staff Correspondent Thieves stole cash and other valuables from Mohammadpur Girls High School in the city on Sunday night.

Police said that a gang of thieves numbering five or six entered the school by jumping over the boundary walls of the school at night.

They broke open the almirah of the school's office room and looted Tk 50,995 in cash and other valuables.

In another incident, Tk 65,000 was stolen from Mohammadpur Mohila College also on Sunday night. Some miscreants entered the college by cutting down the grills of a window and stole the money, police said.

Separate cases have been filed in Mohammadpur thana in this connection.

Army chief visits Ctg Cantonment

Chief of Army Staff Lieutenant General M Harun-Al-Rashid, Bir Protik visited the Chittagong Cantonment yesterday, says an ISPR press release.

Addressing the officers, JCOs and other ranks at the Chittagong Cantonment, the army chief asked them all to continue to work unitedly for the welfare of the country and nation with discipline and devotion.

Earlier, on his arrival at the Chittagong Airport, the chief of staff was received by the local acting area commander and other senior army officers.

The army chief was given guard of honour at the East Bengal Regimental Centre (EBRC). He went to the Aiana Shaheed Samadhi (unknown soldiers grave) adjacent to the EBRC. He placed a wreath there and paid glowing tributes to the soldiers martyred during the War of Liberation in 1971.

Remembrance



In memory of Brig (Retd) A. Rashid, Army Medical Corp at his second death anniversary.

Mrs Saleha Rashid & Family

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The annual urs sharif of Hazrat of Khwaja Mohammed Yunus Ali Enayetpuri, Nakhshbandi, Mozaddadi (R) will be held between 12 and 14 January, at Enayetpur in Sirajganj, says press release.

Preparations are underway to celebrate this biggest religious function. Bangladesh Railway has arranged a special train to transport the devotees between Mymensingh and Jangamathganj. The urs sharif will end after an akhira moniat to be conducted in the morning of January 14.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives

Local Government Division Memo No-LGD/Computer/1/99/33 Date: 02/01/2001

Tender Notice

Tenders are invited from interested bonafide suppliers for installation and procurement of 8 (eight) new computers on hire contract basis for imparting computer training to different categories of officials of Local Government Division under a project titled 'Installation of Computer Network System taken by Local Government Division. Specification of computer machines are mentioned below:

Table with 3 columns: Item No., Description, and Specification. Items include Processor (Pentium III), Speed (Minimum 500 Mhz), RAM (Minimum 64 MB), Hard Disk Drive (Minimum 15 GB), Floppy Disk Drive (3.5 inch, 1.44 MB), Video Controller (8MB VRAM on AGP Card), Monitor (14 inch SVGA Color, 0.28 dot pitch NI), Keyboard (104 Win98 style), Mouse (2/3 Button MS compatible), Expansion Slot (Minimum 2 PCI, 1 ISA, & 1 PCI/ISA Shared), Network Interface Card (Must be present), Pre Loaded Software (Windows 98, MS-Office 2000, Bangla & other available software), and Warranty (Must ensure smooth operation of machines during the rent period).

Interpretation regarding any topic or any additional essential information will be available from the undersigned before submitting tender. Tenders can be submitted in the tender box kept at the office of the Project Director (Bhaban No-6, Room No-1620, Bangladesh Secretariat) on 15/01/2001 by 12:00 noon. Tenders submitted will be opened the same day at 12:15 pm in presence of the tenderers (if anyone remains present). 2.5% of the total quoted cost in the forms of Pay-Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the Project Director, Computer Network Installation Project must be submitted by enclosing with each rate offer.

The authority reserves the power to accept or reject any rate offer without assigning any reason.

DDP-199-8/1/01 G-88 HM Abul Kashem Director General & Project Director

Bangladesh Railway Project Management Organisation Chittagong

Invitation for Bids

No. COS/B/MISC Dated: 04/01/2001

Sealed tenders are invited from eligible suppliers/manufacturers in India for supply of bridge materials for Bangladesh Railway to be financed under Indian State Credit.

- 1. A complete set of tender documents may be purchased by tenderers on the submission of a written application and upon payment of a non-refundable sum of Tk. 750.00 (seven hundred fifty) only during office hours (9.00 AM- 5.00 PM) on all working days from 15/1/2001 to 27/02/2001 from the office of the Controller of Stores/Project, Bangladesh Railway, Central Railway Building, Chittagong as well as office of the Executive Engineer/Project, Bangladesh Railway, Kamalapur, Dhaka.

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- 2. Name of work: 1) Installation of meter outside alongwith single phase, meter of customer's neutral earthing under the area in 11 KV Boro Bazar Feeder, Sales & Distribution Division-2, PDB, Jessore. 2) Installation of meter outside alongwith single phase neutral earthing of customer's meter under the area in 11 KV Daratana Feeder, Sales & Distribution Division-2, PDB, Jessore.
- 3. Eligibility of: 'Ka' to 'Ga' categories PDB enlisted electrical contractors' establishments.
- 4. Estimated expenditure: 1) Tk 1,45,000/= (One lakh forty-five thousand taka) only. 2) Tk 1,06,550/= (One lakh six thousand five hundred fifty taka) only.
- 5. Cost of tender: Tk 100/= (one hundred taka) only (non-refundable) for each group.
- 6. Place of availability of tender and date: 1) Chief Engineer, Distribution, Western Zone, PDB, Khulna. 2) Superintending Engineer, Operation & Maintenance Circle, PDB, Jessore & 3) With permission from Executive Engineer, Sales & Distribution Division-2, PDB, Jessore, Janata Bank, Chashara Branch, Jessore. It can be purchased till 30/01/2001.
- 7. Date of receiving & opening tender: 1) Chief Engineer, Distribution, Western Zone, PDB, Khulna. 2) Superintending Engineer, Operation & Maintenance Circle, PDB, Jessore and (3) The undersigned till 12:00 Noon and tender box will be opened the same day at 12:30 PM before tenderers (if any of the tenderer remains present). Other terms and conditions of tender will have to be followed properly.

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