

Govt's development efforts have boosted economy

Ministers tell Jatiya Sangsad

The successes of the government achieved during the last four and a half years represent a glorious chapter in the history of governance of Bangladesh, ministers told the Jatiya Sangsad yesterday, reports BSS.

Taking part in the general discussion on the motion of thanks to the President's address to the Jatiya Sangsad, they said the present government inherited an economy which was in total shambles but the scenario is now different in all areas of national life because of the development efforts being carried out by Sheikh Hasina's administration.

Shaheen Monwar Huq, member of the panel of the chairman, presided over the most part of the general discussions.

Minister for Works, Civil Aviation and Tourism Engr Mosharrar Hossain, Minister for Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs Kalpa Ranjan Chakma, State Minister for Religious Affairs Maulana Nurul Islam, State Minister for Jute A K Faezul

Huq and Whip Prof Khaleda Khanam took part in the discussion.

Mosharrar Hossain thanked the president for his realistic address that reflected the objective conditions prevailing in the country and said such a speech deserves praises from all.

He listed the achievements in the ministries under him and said the government has completed a number of projects and working on many others for the development of "Bangladesh Biman", the accommodation sector and other areas of the Works Ministry as well as the Tourism Sector.

He said the Bangladesh Biman was a subject of reckless corruption during the regimes of H M Ershad and Khaleda Zia whereas the condition of this airline is much healthier now.

The minister said the present government has increased the revenue income of Biman by taking various steps. As a result, the airline is expected to earn profit soon, he added.

He said in the works sector,

a National Housing Authority has been set up and steps have been taken to ease accommodation problem in Dhaka, Chittagong and other places.

Minister for Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs Kalpa Ranjan Chakma said Bangladesh Sheikh Mujibur Rahman is the architect of independent Bangladesh and his daughter Sheikh Hasina is the architect of peace in the Chittagong Hill Tracts.

He said the government not only restored peace there, but also allocated more money for the development of the areas.

State Minister for Religious Affairs Maulana Nurul Islam said that no governments in Bangladesh could claim that it had done as much as the governments of Bangladesh or Sheikh Hasina had done for the cause of Islam.

He said Bangladesh had established Madrassa Board for the promotion of madrassa education in the country and set up Islamic Foundation.

Moulana Islam said headquarters for Islamic Foundation was being built at Agargaon at a cost of Tk 10 crore. We have also constructed the permanent Hajj camp, he added.

State Minister for Jute A K Faezul Huq said a component of Mercedes Benz will now be manufactured from raw jute in Bangladesh. The company has agreed to launch such a project in the country soon, he added.

Speaking about the modernisation of jute mills, Faezul Huq said the government will carry out BMRE in 21 jute mills. And the old machines of Adamjee Jute Mills will be replaced with new ones for the first time.

Whip Prof Khaleda Khanam said Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has made positive contributions to empowerment of women in Bangladesh and taken measures to put an end to the repression of women.

She said the Awami League government has ensured participation of women in the local government institutions by creating provision for reserved seats for women in those bodies.



Jatiya Party (Mizan-Monju) Chairman Mizanur Rahman speaking at the Jatiya Party conference 2001 at the National Press Club yesterday.

Case against BNP leaders in Keraniganj

Case filed by forging my signature : AL leader

The plaintiff of a case filed under Public Safety Act (PSA) against some leaders and workers of BNP and JCD of Keraniganj thana in Dhaka claims that he knew nothing about the case, reports BSS.

"I knew nothing about it. It's only on Monday that I came to know from a newspaper report that I'm the plaintiff of a case filed under PSA," Ataur Rahman told newsmen.

At a press conference at 29 Minto Road on Monday evening, Ataur, president of Awami League of Ward-6 at Konda union unit of Keraniganj, said a case was filed with Keraniganj thana on January 20 under PSA against 18 leaders and workers of BNP and JCD Dhaka district and Keraniganj units by forging his signature.

According to the FIR, the accused included Dhaka district JCD president Nazimuddin thana Jubo Dal president Ziauddin Pintu, president and general secretary of the thana JCD unit Rezaul Kabir Pol and Hazi Delwar Hossain Masum and local BNP leader Mohammad Zakir Hossain.

BNP's student affairs secretary Amanullah Aman, MP, of Keraniganj was present at the briefing.

Ataur said he has submitted an affidavit along with an affidavit copy to Keraniganj OC on Monday stating that he knew nothing about the case and it was filed forging his signature. He urged the OC to take necessary legal action in this regard. "The copies of my appli-

cation have also been sent to the Home Secretary and the IGP," he said.

Asked why he came to the BNP office, a frightened Ataur said, "I don't believe in politics of harassment. To clear my position, I came to Aman Bhat."

In response to another query whether the Aman group forced him to make the statement, he said, "No, such a question does not arise."

Replying to another question he said local Awami League men might have filed the case and acknowledged that there was internal conflict in local Awami League, particularly between the newly recruited activists and those who belong to former Awami League leader Mostafa Mohsin Montu.

"Montu Bhat was my political mentor. And he asked me to consult with Aman Bhat," Ataur, a 35-year-old businessman, told the newsmen.

Meanwhile, BNP MP Amanullah Aman in a statement condemned and protested the false case filed under PSA against the party activists of his constituency. He asked the government to immediately withdraw the case.

Two hurt in RU bomb blast

RAJSHAHI, Jan 23: At least two persons were injured, one of them critically in a bomb explosion at Motihar Hall of Rajshahi University at 10 am today, reports BSS.

According to witnesses, the bomb exploded in a store room of the hall when day labours Tazul 30 and Ismail, 32 were working there. Both the victims were admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital. One of them Tajul is critically injured.

After the area and road were cordoned the area and road were cordoned three live bombs were there. No case was registered nor anybody arrested in this connection as yet.

M Akram Hossain, acting provost of Motihar Hall told BSS that they will form a probe body in this regard and take action against those who are found to be involved in the incident.

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Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
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Re-Tender Notice

No-7/94

Sealed tenders are hereby invited by the undersigned for selling in auction the assets of the following groups of the abolished BJC on as and where it is basis. The schedule and terms and conditions can be purchased till 13-2-2001 from the Head Office, BJC (Adamjee Court Annex Bhaban-2, 119-120 Motijheel C/A, Dhaka) on payment of Taka 100/= (Taka one hundred) (non-refundable) in the forms of DD/Pay Order/Bank Draft to the Secretary, Ministry of Jute. The volume of assets as mentioned in the tender may be more/less. Earnest money at the rate of 2 1/2% in the forms of Pay Order/Bank Draft will have to be submitted as per terms and conditions of the tender along with the tender. If any tenderer submits tender as 'group' then their names along with the volume of assets separately will have to be submitted. Otherwise tenders will not be acceptable. As per income tax rule, the buyer, at the time of payment of price of asset, will have to give income tax at the rate of 3% of the sale cost.

Tenders will be received on 14-2-2001 till 2-00 PM in the tender box kept at the Ministry of Jute, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka (Bhaban-6, Room-Nos-708 & 710). Tenders received will be opened on the same day at 2-30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if anyone remains present). The authority reserves the power to reject/accept partially or wholly without assigning any reason.

Group no.	Description of asset
9	About 5520 running feet trolley line, 3 tubewells and useless irons and sundries of Bandar (Amin) Press House of abolished Bangladesh Jute Corporation on as and where it is basis (8th times) in tender). Valued rate: Taka 3,13,587/=.
10.	Temporary assets including furniture and office equipment, trailer, pumps, trolley car, iron plate, platform scale etc including other goods and tedh machine, drill machine, paper machine, welding machine etc workshop machineries of Bandar (Amin) Press House of abolished Bangladesh Jute Corporation on as and where it is basis (11th times tender). Valued rate: Taka 15,85,400/=.

Md Shafiqur Rahman
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Ministry of Jute
&
Member Secretary
Assets Selling Committee of
Abolished BJC
Phone: 8610379.

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Rotary News

Weekly meeting
Regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhanmondi, Dhaka will be held today at 5:30 pm at Dhaka Club Upstairs Family Lounge, says a press release.

The guest speaker is ABMG Kubria. He will speak on "Activities of Bangladesh Anjuman-e-Mufidul Islam". All members are requested to attend on time.

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Notice Inviting Tender

- Tender No : 98/SDI/2000-2001.
- Name of work : Disposal of sewerage line from Dogs Squad to WASA line at BRP Complex at Mirpur, Dhaka during the year 2000-2001.
- Estimated cost : Tk. 9,55,679/-
- Earnest money : Tk 19,114/-
- Time allowed for completion of the work : 45 (forty-five) days from the date of issue of work order.
- Class of contractor : Enlisted as special class-I, class-I bldg. contractors under PWD & class-II bldg. contractors under PWD Dhaka Zone and class-III bldg. contractors under Savar PWD Circle, Dhaka.
- Place of selling and receiving tender : Savar PWD Division/Eden Bldg. PWD Division/Gazipur PWD Division/Manikganj PWD Division & this Division.
- Last date of selling tender : 04-02-2001 during the office hours.
- Date and time of receiving tender : 05-02-2001 up to 12:00 Noon.
- Date and time of opening : 05-02-2001 at 12:15 PM.
- No tender will be sold to a contractor/firm who has no "VAT" registration certificate & TIN certificate. Attested copy of "VAT" registration certificate & TIN certificate must be submitted along with the tender.
- In case more than one contractor stood by quoting same rates, the lowest contractor will be selected by the lottery on 15-02-2001 at 11:00 AM in the chamber of the Executive Engineer, Mirpur PWD Division, Dhaka in presence of the tenderers who may like to remain present.
- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders received without assigning any reason thereof.

Executive Engineer
Mirpur PWD Division
Dhaka

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Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad speaking at an international seminar on "Foreign Policy of Bangladesh as dreamed by Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman" at the LGED auditorium yesterday. The seminar was organised by International Centre for Sheikh Mujib Studies, UK.

BJMC Advertisement International Re-Tender Notice

General Manager, Bangladesh Jute Mills Ltd, Paribahan Bhaban (5th floor), 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh invites sealed quotation from the manufacturers/indentors/commission agents/representative of foreign firms both on FOB, C&F(C), Dhaka/Chittagong/Benapole for Import of No (1) Hemming & Herackle Sewing M/c Parts, (2) Brass Tube against "23RD-JDRG/IST-TRANCE" foreign exchange allocation.

Tender may be dropped either at BJMC's Planning Division, Adamjee Court, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000, BJMC's Dhaka-Zone, 99, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000 or at the Office of Bangladesh Jute Mills Ltd, Paribahan Bhaban (5th floor), 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh up to 12:00 Noon on 20-2-2001 and will be opened in public at 12:30 PM on the same day in presence if any at the above mentioned office. Tender documents with full details of requirements, specification, terms and conditions will be available on all working days (excepting opening date) from the (1) Controller of A&F, BJMC, Adamjee Court, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka (2) Dy General Manager (Prod) & Liaison Officer, BJMC, Dhaka Zone, 99, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000 (3) General Manager (A&F), BJMC, Chittagong Zone, 99, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong (4) General Manager (A&F), BJMC, Khulna Zone, Town Khalishpur, Khulna and Dy Manager (SP) Bangladesh Jute Mills Ltd, Paribahan Bhaban (5th floor), 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh on payment of Tk 150/- per set of Serial No 1, Tk 40/- per set of Serial No 2, (non-refundable). The management of Bangladesh Jute Mills Ltd. reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Doctor held on charge of raping patient
From Staff Correspondent

KHULNA, Jan 23: Dr Kumud Bihari, 35, a private physician of Swarankhola thana of Bagerhat district was arrested on Monday on charge of raping a patient on the night of January 20.

He was arrested by order of the upazilla court as OC of Swarankhola thana Nikhil Moidol refused to take the case.

The patient, a student of Swarankhola Girls, High School was allegedly raped in the private chamber of Dr Bihari, victim's mother said.

Police said the case could not be recorded earlier due to influence by some politicians as the alleged rapist is a local thana Awami League leader.

Law Commission submits report on proposed enactment

The Bangladesh Law Commission yesterday submitted its report to the government on the proposed enactment entitled, "Filing of False Accusation and Giving of False Evidence Prevention Act, 2000", says a press release.

The report was formerly handed over to the Secretary in-charge, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Abdul Hye by the Secretary of the Commission Ikhter Ahmed.

Earlier on a reference from the government, the Law Commission reviewed, examined and also studied the proposed enactment together with relevant Indian laws and came to the view that instead of enacting a separate law the object may be achieved by amending as well as inserting some sections in the Code of Criminal Procedure.

The Law Commission in its report has pointed out that it is not advisable to enact a separate law when the existing law by way of amendment is sufficient to achieve those purpose, because, more than one law on the same issue often results in conflict or laws which should better be avoided.

The amendments as proposed by the Law Commission will incorporate two new sections in the Code of Criminal Procedure as sections 477 and 478 of which the former would empower all Criminal Courts to deal with matter concerning giving of false evidence more effectively while the latter would empower the same court to deal with matter concerning false, frivolous or vexatious accusations in a better manner.

Reflect rural life thru' press reports: Amu

Food Minister Amir Hossain Amu has stressed the need for proper reflection of the life and aspirations of the country's rural people through press reports, reports BSS.

He said this at the inaugural function of a training programme for journalists of Jhalakati and Barguna, organised by the Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB) at Jhalakati yesterday, said a PIB press release yesterday.

He narrated the different steps taken by the government for creating awareness of women and also against child labour.

Jhalakati Press Club general secretary Hemayetuddin Hinnu presided over the function, which was also addressed by Additional Deputy Commissioner of Jhalakati Abdul Hamid and Moinuzzaman, Superintendent of Police.

Ctg Mass Killing Day today

From Staff Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Jan 23: Chittagong city unit Awami League, Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and few other organisations will observe 'Chittagong Mass Killing Day' tomorrow.

On this day in 1988-24 people were killed when police and BDR personnel opened fire on an anti-Ershad procession led by Sheikh Hasina, who was then leader of the 15-party alliance, in Kotwali thana area of the city.

Later, a case was filed by an eye-witness, Advocate Shahidul Huda, against then CMP Commissioner Mirza Raquibul Huda and others.

Eight persons including Mirza Raquibul Huda were charged in this case.

The next hearing of this case will be held on February 6 in the court of Additional Sessions Judge of Chittagong.

Gen (ret) Munim's qulhwani today

The qulhwani of Gen (ret) Mohammad Abdul Munim will be held today after Margreb prayers at his residence at House 33, Rd No 7, Dhanmondi R.A. says a press release.

Munim died on January 21 at the age of 67. He was a former minister.

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The authority reserves the power to accept or reject all or any tender without assigning any reason.

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