## Regional cooperation needed to exploit energy resources

BSS, Dhaka

A two-day workshop on "Regional Cooperation in Energy Sector began in the city yesterday with a resource production, transmisrenewed pledge of coordinated sion, training and dissemination efforts in exploiting the huge un- of technologies to get out of the tapped regional energy resources energy poverty. for overall economic benefit of the

Alamgir said the regional cooperation should be based on energy

regional countries to shun their Inaugurating the workshop at political shortsightedness for a our country. BRAC Inn, the State Minister for long term benefit in energy sector

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Planning Dr Mohiuddin Khan cooperation. "We are determined ergy experts for survey and mapfor regional cooperation, he

"We have to overcome regional prejudices," he said adding that Bangladesh could be benefited immensely by taking surplus Dr Alamgir called upon all the hydro electricity from Bhutan, which is only 13 miles away from Policy Dialogue (CPD) and Coali-

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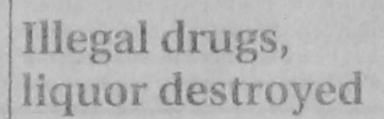
ping of the region especially from Nepal to Hunan province of China. Emphasis should also be given on renewable energy sources like solar and wind, he opined,

Organised by the Centre for tion for Action on South Asian Cooperation (CASAC), the inaugural function was also addressed by CPD Chairman Dr Rehman Sobhan, CASAC Co-Chairman Laroog Sobhan and CPD Executive Director Dr Debapriya Bhat-

tacharva. Experts from Bhutan, India, Nepal. Pakistan. Sri Lanka and host Bangladesh are participating the workshop.

Prof Rehman Sobhan said the future of the region lies on cooperation on "win-win basis" rather than confrontation. Regional energy situation should be viewed on a common perspective for optimising the benefit in a globalised economic scenario, he pointed

Faroog Sobhan said only 10.5 per cent hydro energy of the region has been exploited so far and regional efforts should be made to find out potential area of cooperation in hydro-power development as well as laying of gas pipe line to contribute in economic growth of the region.



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Police vesterday destroyed a huge amount of illegal drugs and liquors recovered by the Detective Branch of police and different thanas of the city in the last six months at Shahbagh Police Control Room yesterday.

Police also organised an exhibition of various illegal arms re covered DB police during the periad in front of the control room. Home Minister Mohammad

Nasim, Inspector General of police M Nurul Huda, magistrate of Dhaka Metropolitan Court and senior police officials were present at the time.

The drugs, damaged by bulldozer, are 29,760 bottles of phenidyl, 115 bottles of foreign liquor, to bottles of homemade liquor, 1.594 cans of bear, 320 carroons of foreign cigarette, 25 kilogram cannabis, one kilogram heroine, 1,295 njections and 2.5 kilogram pow

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The development works of the city's DC hill (also known as Baishakhi Prangan) into cultural spot cum park resumed on Thursday last after a break of 16 days.

Development work of the park came to a halt from February 28 as the land secretary, in a letter issued on February 27 to the Secretary of the Cabinet Division and Deputy Commissioner of Chittagong, termed such construction work by the Chittagong Development Authority (CDA), without prior permission from the respective authority, as illegal.

Minister for Civil Aviation, Tourism. Housing and Public Works Engineer Mosharraf Hossain, who returned home from Saudi Arabia a few days ago, told BSS yesterday that the ongoing development work of the park will

be completed within the time frame and none have the right to impede the construction work as the project was approved by a pre-ECNEC meeting.

The minister inaugurated the development works of the park on February 20 at a cost of Taka 1.5

Eng. Mosharraf visited the cultural spot cum park yesterday morning and ordered the officials concerned to complete the work within the stipulated time. Chairman of the CDA Col A Z Jalalabadi and Deputy Commissioner Mohammad · Hasan accompanied

The CDA has undertaken the self-financing project of developing picturesque DC hill into cultural spot cum park over eight acres for promotion of the century old Bengali heritage and culture.

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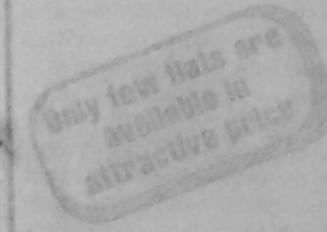
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