

METROPOLITAN

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Hasina asks police to ensure law and order

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday asked the police to earn people's confidence through their dedicated services.

"Uphold your image and dignity by rendering selfless services to the people," she told the newly elected office bearers of Bangladesh Police Service Association who called on her at the office yesterday.

The Prime Minister advised the police personnel to change the colonial attitude and render service to society with new approach and attitude befitting to that of a sovereign state.

She directed them to ensure law and order to keep the pace of development unhindered and as well as safety and security of the people.

Earlier, the delegation led by association's president Mohammad Fazlul Huq lauded the leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh

Hasina and expressed their gratitude for taking various steps for the welfare of the police.

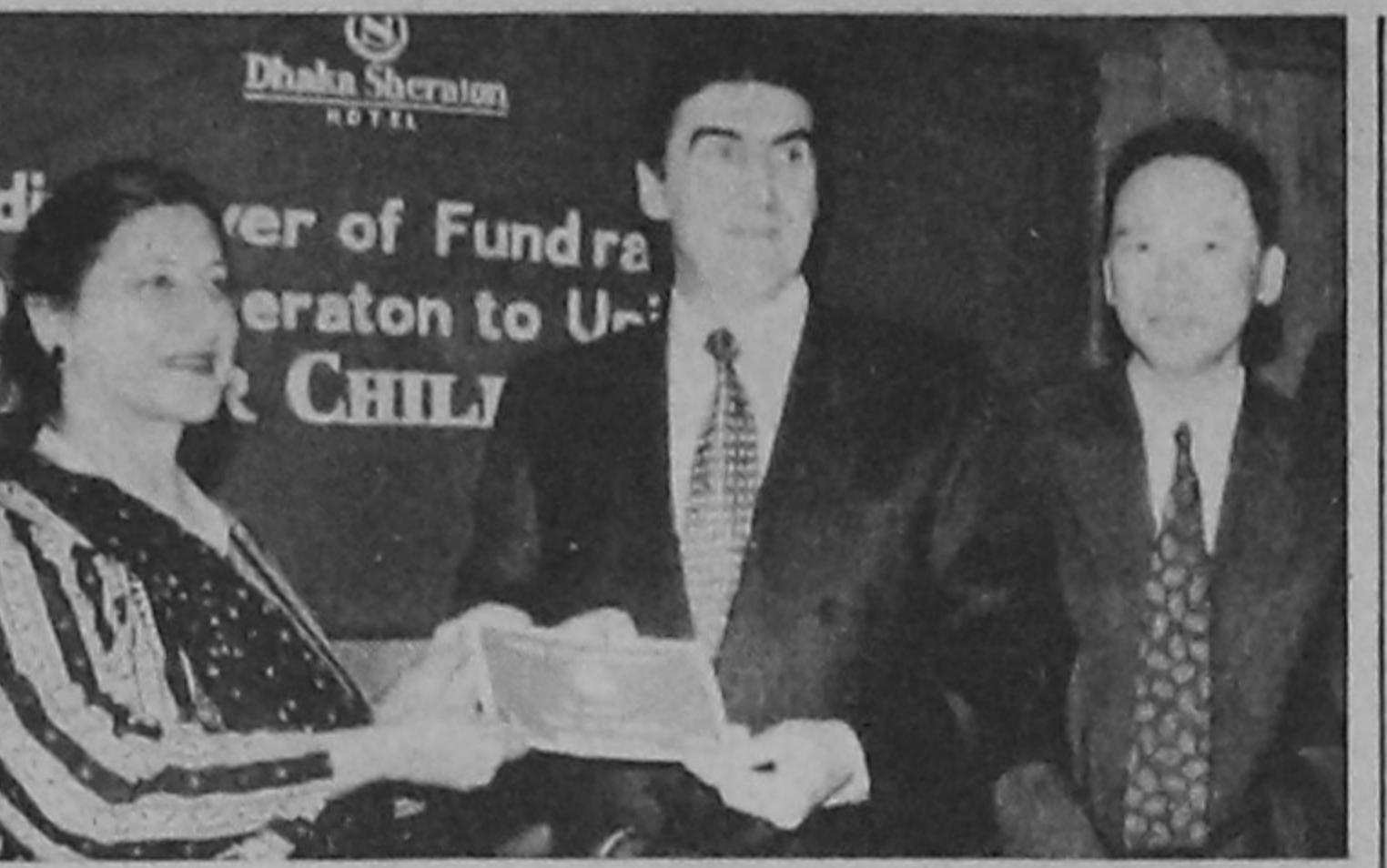
Among other things, they referred to the enhancement of family rations and compensation to the victims, introduction of risk allowance and construction of central police hospital at Rajarbagh.

They also lauded the present government for introduction of education allowance for the children of police, sanctioning of special fund for their treatment and setting up of a police welfare trust.

Chehlum

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Chehlum of Rawshan Ara Karim, eldest daughter of late Kazi Muzaffar Uddin Ahmed of Cheora Kazi Barri of Comilla and wife of late Ahmed Fazlul Karim, will be held on Friday after Asr prayers at 10/12 New Colony, Asadgat.



General Manager of Dhaka Sheraton Hotel Ian Reid handing over a cheque for Tk 19.25 lakh to UNICEF country Representative Shahida Afzal at a simple ceremony yesterday. Dhaka Sheraton raised the fund through its 'Check out For Children' programme to help UNICEF's immunisation and nutritional programme for the children.

Sheraton hands over fund to UNICEF for immunisation drive

UNB, Dhaka

Guests of Hotel Sheraton have contributed Tk 19.25 lakh to UNICEF to carry out immunisation programme for the Bangladeshi children.

Dhaka Sheraton's general manager Ian Reid handed over a cheque for the amount to UNICEF Country Representative Shahida Afzal at a simple ceremony yesterday.

The fund has been collected under 'Check Out For Children' programme over two years from the guests of the hotel.

Photo competition

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Rima, a participant of the art competition organised recently in the city by Surovi, a school for the destitute children, in collaboration with Unocal Bangladesh (UBL), is receiving her prize from Scott Barber, President, UBL. Also seen in the picture are: Greg Gritters (second from left), vice president, UBL and Mostafa Monwar (third from right), a renowned artist of the country.



The Netherlands government awarded a multi-year grant for core funding to Centre for Health and Population Research ICDDR,B. The Picture shows Dutch Ambassador to Bangladesh JL Ijzerman presenting the agreement document for US\$3 million to Professor David Sack, Director of ICDDR,B.

Zinat Nur Shelly, a retired professor of Jagannath University College and Chairman of Organisation of Education Social Welfare and Health Care, died at BIRDEM hospital on April 16. She was 63, says a press release.

Zinat, wife of late Principal Anwarul Islam, left behind three daughters, one son and a host of relatives and admirers.

Her namaj-e-janaza will be held today at Kalyanpur (Mirpur) Housing Society Mosque after Jahnar prayers.

A milad and doa mahfil will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 5 pm at her daughter's residence at House 12, Road 6, Block-C, Banani.

Relatives and admirers have been requested to attend the milad mahfil.



Obituary

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Forum for Information Dissemination on Agriculture (FIDA) has invited entries for a photographic competition on the theme "Rice and Life in Bangladesh."

Each participants can send a maximum number of four entries, all colour photographs (10" x 12") depicting rice culture and heritage in Bangladesh, a FIDA press release said in the city yesterday.

Photographs on sowing, planting, harvesting, husking, sun-drying, milling and rice related cultural programmes in rural settings would be appreciated. The best three photographs would be selected for prizes.

Entries should be reached either of the following two addresses - Professor Golam Rahman, President, FIDA, Room No-1011, Arts Building, University of Dhaka and IRRI Dhaka Office, House No-39, Road No-23, Block-J, Banani, Dhaka - by May 10.

DUJ leader's mother dead

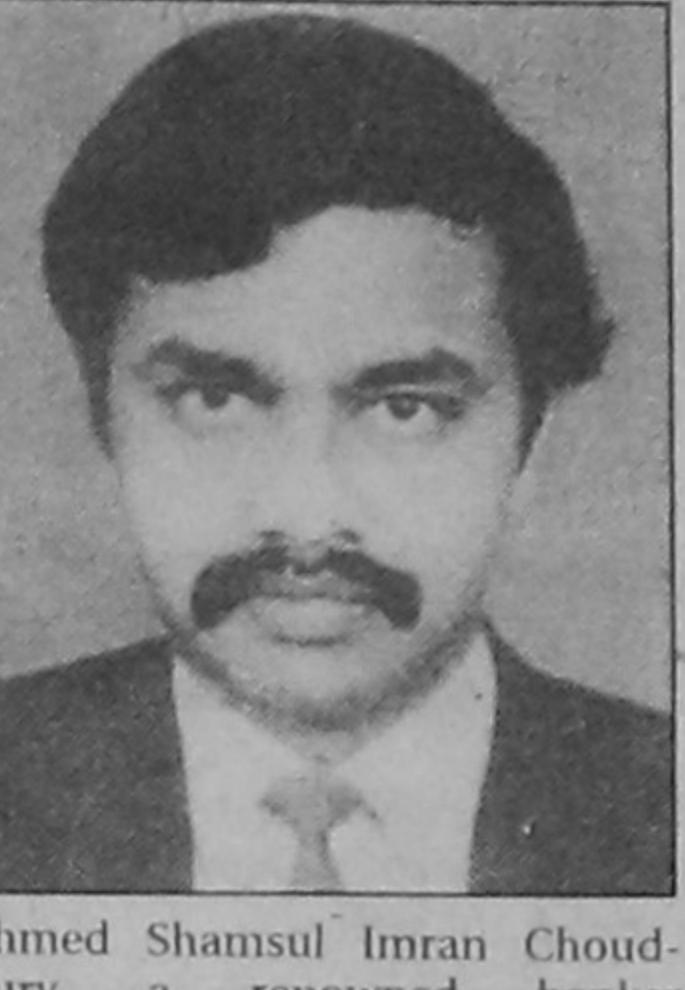
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Asia Khatun, mother of Ruhul Amin Gazi, President of Dhaka Union of Journalists, died of cancer in the city yesterday. She was 65.

Asia Khatun is survived by her husband, three sons and seven daughters.

She will be buried at a graveyard adjacent to Wazia Madrasa at Govindapur village in Chandpur today.

Friends and relatives have been requested to attend the qulukhwanai.



Ahmed Shamshul Imran Choudhury, a renowned banker (NCCBL), died on April 15 at Samorita Hospital in the city, says a press release.

Eldest son of AM Imran Choudhury of Uttara, Imran left behind a host of relatives.

His qulukhwanai will be held tomorrow (Friday) after Asr prayers at his residence at House-8, Road-12, Sector-1, Uttara.

Friends and relatives have been requested to attend the qulukhwanai.



ADO launching

Asian Development Bank will launch its Asian Development Outlook 2001. Venue: ADB office premises, Hotel Sheraton annex building (2nd floor). Time: 4:00 pm-5:00 pm.

Film Show

Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen Chitra Nadir Pare by Tanvir Mokammel and Crouching Tiger; Hidden Dragon by Ang Lee of Taiwan. Venue: Goethe Institut, House No 10, Rd No 9, Dhanmondi/R/A. Time: 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm.

IT seminar

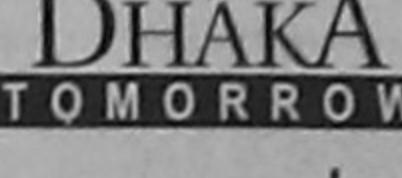
Institute of Computer Communication and Technology (ICCT) will hold a seminar on GIS (Geographic Information System). Venue: ICCT office premises, 18, Green Road (1st floor). Time: 6:30 pm.

DRU meeting

Dhaka Reporters Unit will hold a meeting of its executive committee. Venue: DRU office. Time: 1:30 pm.

Product launching ceremony

The product launching ceremony of GAT Katalysatoren GmbH, Germany will be held. Catalytic Converter/Diesel Particulate Filter will be introduced at the ceremony organised by GAT and Marly Trade Ltd. Venue: Plot-406, Tejgaon Industrial Area. Time: 10 am.



Dance evening

Alliance Francaise de Dhaka is presenting a dance evening by 'Jhankar'. Venue: The open stage of Alliance Francaise. Time: 6:30 pm.

Movie day

Alliance Francaise de Dhaka will screen two films 'Pile Ou face' and 'De guerre lassee' by French director Robert Enrico on its movie day. Venue: Alliance Francaise. Time: 10:30 am and 6:00 pm.

Discussion and cultural function

Dhaka University Alumni Association has organised a discussion to mark the International Mother Language Day and a cultural function in celebration of Bengali New Year. It will also hold the Annual General Meeting. Venue: Teacher-Student Centre of DU. Time: 3:30 pm (discussion) and 6:30 pm (cultural function).

IT seminar

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Biennial conference

The 17th biannual conference of Narsingdi Thana Janakalyan Samity will be held. Venue: BCIC auditorium. Time: 9 am.

Premiere show

The premiere of 'Let the Light Spread from House to House', a television drama will be held. Organiser: Esho Bangla Shikhi. Venue: German Cultural Centre auditorium, House No 10, Road No 9 (New), Dhanmondi. Time: 5 pm.

Painting show

The 4th solo painting exhibition by Syed Iqbal will be inaugurated. Organiser: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts. Venue: Bengal Shilpalya. Time: 6 pm. The exhibition titled 'Mindscape' will run till May 4 from 12 noon to 8 pm daily.

WEATHER TODAY

Rain likely

UNB, Dhaka

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at few places over Khulna, Dhaka and Barisal divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi, Sylhet and Chittagong divisions in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today.

Little change in day temperature is expected over the country, Met Offices said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 36.0 degree Celsius was recorded at Khulna and the lowest of 19.5 degree Celsius at Srimangal and Tangail.

The sunsets in the capital today at 6:22 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:33 am.

Maximum and minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

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