

CUTA concerned over attacks on minorities

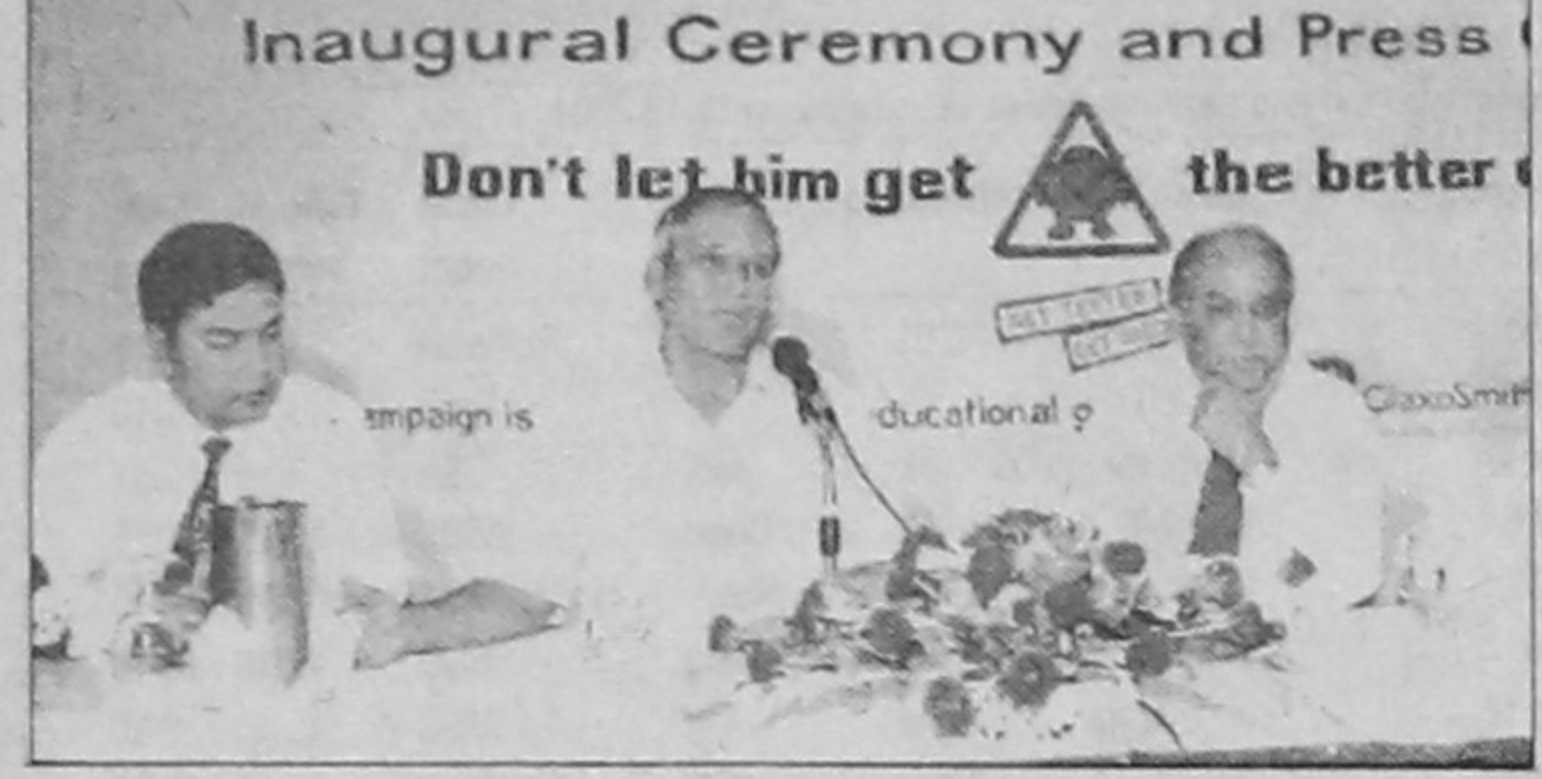
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Chittagong University Teacher's Association (CUTA) yesterday expressed grave concern over repression on the religious minorities across the country.

In a statement, CUTA president Dr. Iftakhar Uddin Chowdhury and general secretary Mohammed Emdadul Haq said that thousands of minority people have fled their homes to escape repression and they are now passing their days in miserable conditions.



A procession was brought out in the city yesterday to mark World White Car Safety Day. The procession was organised by different NGOs.

Hepatitis B Action 15-21 October 2001



Speakers at the inauguration ceremony of the Hepatitis B Prevention Week held at the Surma room of the Hotel Sonargaon yesterday. The ceremony was presided over by Syed Fazul Haq, Managing Director of GalaxySmithKline, and Prof Rashid-i-Mahbub, President of Bangladesh Medical Association was present as chief guest.

BFUJ, DUJ condemn attack on minorities

BSS, Dhaka
Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) and Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) yesterday condemned the attacks on the minority community and political rivals across the country following the general elections.

In a joint statement, BFUJ president Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, secretary general Akhter Ahmed Khan, DUJ president Atif Mahmud and general secretary Abdul Jalil Bhuiyan demanded exemplary punishment to the culprits and immediate steps to stop such attacks.

Referring to the decision of the Hindu community to celebrate Durga Puja without festival, they said it is a "shame" for the nation that the Hindus are forced to take such decision.

UN university sponsors IT training at NSU

United Nations University has sponsored a month long training on IT for North South University computer science faculty, says a press release.

Dr Partha Pratim Dey and Tamim E. Mursalin at Institute of International Software Technology, Chennai, India will conduct the course.

The training will cover new research and development in IT field and will also include theoretical foundations of computer science to strengthen the role of IT in the national development.

Obituary

BSS, Manikganj
Mosharrar Khan Hashu, a veteran freedom fighter, died of cardiac arrest at Manikganj Sadar Hospital last night. He was 65.

He was buried at Seota Graveyard with state honour yesterday. Hashu is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.



Children take part in an art competition titled 'Colgate Bright Smile' organised on the occasion of World Children Day recently. Colgate Palmolive, the Marketing Partner of ACI Limited in Bangladesh, sponsored the event. The then Advisor for Ministry of Social Welfare and Women and Children Affairs Rokia A Rahman and Associate Director of Colgate Palmolive SK Notani were present as chief guests.

Employees of Times, Dainik Bangla meet tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An emergency meeting of the journalists, employees and press workers of now-defunct Bangladesh Times, Dainik Bangla, Weekly Bichitra and fortnightly Ananda Bichitra will be held at 11:00 am tomorrow at the Time-Bangla Trust Bhawan in the city.

The meeting will discuss the ways of resolving the problems of the workers and employees.

All journalists, employees and press workers of the defunct organisations have been requested to attend the meeting, a press release said.

Leaders of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ), Bangladesh Sangbadpatria Press Samikha Federation, Bangladesh Sangbadpatria Karmachari Federation and Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) have been requested to join the meeting.

Attack on minorities CPB urges govt to take remedial measures

UNB, Dhaka

Voicing concern at the outbreak of post-election violence in various parts of the country, Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) has urged the government to come up with immediate remedial measures.

In a joint statement issued yesterday, CPB President Monjurul Ahsan Khan and General Secretary Mujahidul Islam Selim urged the members of law-enforcing agencies to neutrally perform their duties.

They demanded immediate arrest and exemplary punishment of those involved in terrorism and urged the conscious section of the people to build up a united resistance against the terrorists.

Death anniversary

The fourth death anniversary of Maniuzzaman Zahid will be observed today, says a press release. Zahid, student of Dhaka University, died in a road accident in 1997.

On the occasion of his death anniversary, a milad mahfil will be held at his father's residence at House-34/E, Road-17/A, Banani after Maghrib prayers today. Friends and relatives have been requested to attend the milad.

Chehum

Chehum of Al-haj Abdur Rahim Mandal, a social worker of Jolpurhat district, will be held at his residence in Akkelpur on October 19, says a press release. Abdur Rahim died on September 15 at the age of 96. He left behind his wife, three sons, three daughters and a number of grandchildren.



Light rain likely

UNB, Dhaka

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

Little change in day temperature is expected over the country during the period, Met Office said.

Country's highest temperature recorded yesterday was 34.7 degree Celsius at Sitakunda and lowest 22.5 degree at Srimgongal.

The sun sets in the capital today at 5:31 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:57 am.

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

Table with columns: City/Town, Temperature in Celsius (Max, Min), Humidity in percentage (Morning, Evening). Cities include Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Barisal, Sylhet, Cox's Bazar.

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