

Bill to recast FFs Welfare Trust tabled

BSS, Dhaka
A bill was introduced in the parliament yesterday to make the minister-in-charge of the ministry of Liberation War Affairs the vice-chairman of Freedom Fighters Welfare Trust.

The bill seeking to amend the Bangladesh (Freedom Fighters) Welfare Trust Order, 1972, also proposed the secretary, ministry of Liberation War Affairs be made a member of the trust.

In the original trust order, a minister nominated by the Prime Minister was to act as vice-chairman and secretary, ministry of defence as member of the Trust.

State Minister for Liberation War Affairs Redwan Ahmed introduced the bill in the House.

Piloting the bill, the state minister said the amendment became necessary with the creation of the Ministry of Liberation War Affairs to look after the welfare of the freedom fighters.

BSF returns body of Bangladeshi

UNB, Kurigram

Border Security Force (BSF) of India yesterday handed over the body of a Bangladeshi young man to Bangladesh Rifles 70 hours after shooting him dead.

The body of Kabir Hossain, 26, of Tetulur Char in Roumari upazila was handed over after a flag meeting between BSF and BDR in the afternoon.

Police said Kabir Hossain was shot dead by BSF near border pillar no 1064 in Roumari on Sunday.

Besides, BSF reportedly picked up two Bangladeshis -- Iskandar Ali, 45, of Bhandur Char and Sonu Miah, 26, of Fulbari village -- and they are yet to return.



A milad mahfil and doa in memory of late Azimur Rahman (Harun) was held at The Daily Star office yesterday. Azimur Rahman, an eminent industrialist and founder-Chairman of Medlaworld Limited, owning company of The Daily Star, died on October 23.

Cambodia keen to set up joint venture projects

UNB, Dhaka

Cambodia has assured Bangladesh of considering its proposals to introduce direct air services between the two countries and set up joint venture projects.

The assurance came when Environment and Forest Minister Shahjahan Siraj met his Cambodian counterpart Dr Mok Mareth in Phnom Penh on Tuesday, according to a message received in the city.

Dr Mok said a new chapter in bilateral relations between Bangladesh and Cambodia would be ushered in with the visit of Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen to Bangladesh in near future.

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Shahjahan Siraj is leading a Bangladesh delegation to the ministerial meeting of Asia Pacific Region on Sustainable Development being held at the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh.

Meanwhile Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen appreciated the spontaneous participation of Bangladesh people, particularly women, in the last general election.

"We are also preparing to hold parliamentary elections and many of the candidates would be women," he told Environment Minister Shahjahan Siraj who called on him yesterday.

During the meeting, the Cambodian PM responded positively to Bangladesh Minister's proposals for further strengthening bilateral cooperation between Bangladesh and Cambodia.

He also expressed his government's willingness to cooperate closely with the new government in Bangladesh for expanding the areas of bilateral cooperation.

TechnoKids launched

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

TechnoKids, a Canada based Information Technology (IT) education provider, specially for the children, launched its operation in the country yesterday.

As a first step of its operational activities TechnoKids will begin a 12-day computer camp titled "TechnoCamp" from December 1.

Delwar Hossain Titu, Managing Director of the TechnoKids Bangladesh Limited announced this yesterday at a press conference held at the National Press Club.

Addressing the press conference Delwar Hossain Titu said that TechnoKids develops and distributes an exemplary computer technology programme which enables teacher around the world to provide relevant and current computer skills to children aged between 4 and 17.

AL holds rally

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programmes at the rally held at AL central office on Bangabandhu Avenue in the city with city unit President Mohammad Hanif in the chair. The programmes include an eight-hour hartal in the city December 2.

Addressing the rally, central AL leaders as well as leaders of different front organisations of the party blasted the ruling alliance for perpetuating 'politics of vengeance'.

They expressed deep concern at the security of Sheikh Hasina and Sheikh Rehana, two surviving daughters of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

AL Presidium members Abdus Samad Azad, Sajeda Chowdhury, Abdur Razzak, Tofail Ahmed, Abdul Jalil, Organising Secretary Mohammad Nasim, Agriculture Secretary Motia Chowdhury, Law Secretary Shahara Khatun, Publicity Secretary Abdul Mannan, Health Secretary Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin and leaders of AL city unit and other front organisations also spoke at the rally.

Announcing the party programmes in protest against the government move, Zillur Rahman told the rally that BNP had forced AL to call hartal.

Abdur Razzak alleged that conspiracies were being plotted to kill Hasina. He warned that should Hasina face any security risk, the whole country would be in flames.

Tofail Ahmed said Shariful Haq Dalim, a killer of Bangabandhu had reportedly returned home at the patronage of the ruling alliance. Expressing deep anguish at the repression being perpetrated by the ruling alliance on the AL men, Tofail said days of Prime Minister Khaleda Zia are numbered.

The rally over, the AL brought out a procession from the party office.

IGP directed to be ruthless in curbing terrorism

UNB, Dhaka

The Cabinet Committee on Law and Order in a meeting yesterday directed the police chief to be ruthless in curbing terrorism in different parts of the country.

The meeting while reviewing the law and order situation decided to form 25 teams of plain clothed policemen to patrol 125 points in Dhaka City to check extortion and terrorism.

Presided over by LGRD Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan the meeting viewed with concern that terrorists were claiming themselves as members of the ruling party.

The police chief was instructed to prepare a list of such terrorists and round them up immediately.

The meeting appealed to members of the public to assist the police in fighting terrorism.

It was also decided that prompt action including administrative measures would be taken against officer-in-charge of any thana found neglecting his duties. Such action has already been taken against a number of police superiors and officers-in-charge of thanas, the meeting noted.

The meeting also instructed ministers-in-charge of different districts to regularly review law and order situation of their respective districts.

Law Minister Barrister Moudud Ahmed, Home Minister Atif Hossain Chowdhury, Education Minister Dr Osman Farooq, Works Minister Mirza Abbas, Fisheries Minister Sadeq Hossain Khoka, state minister Lutufzaman Babar, cabinet secretary Dr Akbar Ali Khan, home secretary Dr Sadat Hossain, Inspector General of Police Modabbir Hossain Chowdhury attended the meeting.

Eleven more SPs transferred

BSS, Dhaka

The government yesterday transferred 11 Superintendents of Police (SP) and promoted six Additional SPs to the rank of SP.

KM Hanif, SP Mymensingh, was transferred to Sylhet while SP of Chandpur Mohammad Motiur Rahman was transferred to Mymensingh, SP of Narail Sohrab Hossain was transferred to Satkhira replacing Mohammad Aminul Islam who was posted to Kurigram, while current Commandant of APBN Mohalchhari Nawsher Ali was transferred to Nababganj. SP Nababganj Ruhul Amin was posted to Special Branch (SB).

SP Nazmul Hossain, who returned home recently from a UN Mission has been transferred to Criminal Investigation Department of Police, while present SP of Habiganj and Sherpur Rahmat Jan Sikder and Amulla Bhushan Barua

were transferred to the Police Headquarters as Assistant Inspector General (AIG). Besides, SP Manikganj Amjad Hossain Miah was transferred to Pabna and DC Chittagong Metropolitan Police Nazrul Islam was posted to Natore.

Those promoted to the rank of SP are acting SP of Gaibandha Dr Aftab Ahmed, acting Deputy Commissioner of Khulna Metropolitan Police (KMP) Mir Shahidul Islam, Acting SP of Joypurhat Habibur Rahman, acting SP of Railway, Syedpur, Shafiqul Islam, acting SP of Rajbari Motiur Rahman and acting Commandant of Rangamati Armed Police Battalion (APBN) Iqbal Bahar.

Dr Aftab, Habibur Rahman and Motiur Rahman were posted to their previous stations while Mir Shahidul Islam, Shafiqul Islam and Iqbal Bahar were posted to Sumanganj, Narayanganj and Khagrachhari district respectively.

Govt urged not to scrap spl security for Hasina

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Different organisations yesterday strongly protested and condemned the cabinet decision to scrap the Security Act for the family members of the father of the nation and demanded its immediate cancellation.

President of Shammilito Shangkritik Jote Ramendu Majumder and general secretary Golam Kuddus in a statement called upon the government not to scrap the Security Act which was enacted to give state security to the daughters of Bangabandhu, Sheikh Hasina and Sheikh Rehana.

They said there were many reports on the newspaper that the killers of Bangabandhu had been conspiring to kill both of them. "So at this moment the decision of scrapping the act would be risky and inhuman", they added.

New cultural organisation formed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Folklore is like a forest tree with its roots deeply buried in the past yet continually putting forth branches, leaves and fruits afresh, said speakers yesterday at a ceremony marking the launching of a new cultural organisation, Shekor.

The speakers called for preservation and promotion of indigenous culture to retain distinct identity and authenticity of nationhood.

The new cultural body would publish a monthly magazine and open website on folklore and Lalton to disseminate Bangladeshi culture and literature to outside world.

Director General of the National Museum Shamsuzzaman Khan was the chief guest of the function which was attended among others by renowned Lalton singer Farida Parvin and Ramen Biswas, chairman of Shekor as special guest at Bishwa Shahitya Kendro in the city.

Kowsar Mahmud, Z E Mamun and Khairul Bashar Shameem of Shekor were also present.



Gano Forum brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting attacks on the religious minorities in different parts of the country.

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