

## Dhaka elected chairman of SC sanctions body

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh has been unanimously elected chairman of the Security Council Sanctions Committee on Sierra Leone.

Ambassador Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury, permanent representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, would chair the committee, according to a message received here yesterday.

As chairman of the committee, he would oversee the implementation of UN arms embargo on the rebel group opposing the democratically elected government in Sierra Leone.

The Security Council had put in place a travel ban on rebel leaders and approved a diamond certification scheme for preventing illegal export of diamonds by the rebels to purchase weapons.

As chairman Chowdhury would also recommend to the Council measures to be considered for their implementation.

With a fragile reconciliation process on in Sierra Leone, the work of the committee is critical for securing a future for peace and democracy in the war-torn country.

## Truck driver killed in bus accident

BSS, Gazipur

A truck driver was killed in a bus accident at village Bagra on the Dhaka-Gazipur Highway early yesterday morning, police said.

They said Jalek Ali, 30, died on the spot at about 5 am when he was crossing the road near Barsha cinema.

A case was registered with Jaydevpur Sadar police.

## Dr Muhsin elected APASP councillor

BSS, Dhaka

Dr A U M Muhsin, Associate Prof of Histopathology of the National Institute of Cancer Research and Hospital (NICRH), has been elected a councillor of Asia Pacific Association of Societies of Pathology (APASP) for the 2001-2003 term.

He was elected in the 7<sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Pathology Congress in Singapore from November 18-23, a press release said yesterday.

Muhsin is also the coordinator of public education of cancer of Bangladesh Cancer Society.



PHOTO: INAM AL HAQ

Close to Nature...Bangladesh Astronomical Association will organise a six-day excursion, beginning on December 30, to the Sundarbans rich in bio-diversity.

## Sun festival, bio-diversity congregation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Bangladesh Astronomical Association has arranged a six-day programme, Sun Festival and Bio-diversity Congregation, for school and college students as well as adventure-loving people.

The purpose of the programme is to know about life, civilisation, adventure, nature and science.

Beginning on December 30 from the Buriganga River in Dhaka, the adventurous journey will continue up to the Sundarbans by launch and come to an end in Dhaka on January 4 after a five-day stay at the mangrove forest.

The first day of the programme on December 30 includes full moon and lunar eclipse observation. The second day includes

speech on birth and death of sun, sun of the ancient era, speech and slideshow on bio-diversity of the Sundarbans, discussion on astronomy with Dr AR Khan and Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, sky observation, screening of a film "Vertical Limit and New Year Festival".

The third day will see sunrise observation, speech and slideshow on the birds of the Sundarbans and screening of the film "Cosmos".

Strolls in the Sundarbans area, tree observation, analysis of foot-prints of the Royal Bengal Tiger and screening of the film "Casta-way" will be held on the fourth day.

The fifth day covers speeches by Muhammad Zafar Iqbal and Sajahan Miridha Benu on science clubs of Bangladesh, discussion on

story writing with Anisul Haq, a painting competition on the Sundarbans directed by Shishir Bhattacharya and Ahsan Habib and screening of the film "The Infinite Journey".

A quiz competition on the Sundarbans and astronomy will be held on the concluding day. Two other camps will be set up to watch birds and to observe the sky through telescopes.

The deadline for registration is December 20 and the registration fees for per school student have been fixed at Tk 2,500 and for per college student and others at Tk 3,500.

Enthusiasts have been asked to contact the Bangladesh Astronomical Association, 75 Science Laboratory Road (third floor), Dhaka.

## Display of exotic flower in city

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A vibrant display of exotic flowers in the city's Lalmita area yesterday drew hordes of flower connoisseurs.

Syngenta Bangladesh Limited organised the daylong exhibition and sale of seasonal and all-season flowers at its head office.

There were colourful displays of Inca, Zinnia, Verbena and many more at the exhibition. The price of each tub with full-blooming flowers has been fixed at Tk 150.

Syngenta Managing Director Sarwar Ahmed told newsmen at the exhibition that the company imported seeds from Holland and sold them to distributors who nursed the flower plants up to a certain stage. The distributors then sell the plants to general customers.

Over the last two years, these exotic flowers have got tremendous response from the flower lovers in Bangladesh, said Md Khorshed, a distributor of Syngenta flowers.

Also of relevance, Syngenta Bangladesh Limited is a concern of Syngenta AG, Switzerland and Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation.



PHOTO: STAR

Flower Exotica...Syngenta Bangladesh Ltd. arranged a daylong exhibition of colourful flowers in the city yesterday.



PHOTO: STAR

Bangabandhu Sangskritik Jote formed a human chain in front of the Jatiya Press Club yesterday to protest the scrapping of law providing state security to former prime minister Sheikh Hasina and her sister Sheikh Rehana.



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National Women and Human Rights Forum brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting use of firearms, terrorism, killing and rape across the country.

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**Prof. Dr. Md. Mujibur Rahman**  
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## Kendua Students Welfare Assoc formed

DU CORRESPONDENT

Sanwar Hossain Bhuiyan and Mustak Ahmed were elected president and general secretary respectively of the Kendua Students Welfare Association in Dhaka recently, a press release says.

The 31-member committee of the association was announced at the annual council at the Curzon Hall Cafeteria of the Dhaka University on December 3.

Nurul Amin Talukdar MP of the Kendua-Atpara constituency under Netrokona district was present as chief guest with immediate past president of the association Khondokar Abdul Haq was in the chair.

The programme was addressed among others by Nurul Islam, Ershadul Islam, Enamul Haq and Sekul Islam Sagor.

## DRU new committee takes over

BSS, Dhaka

The newly-elected Executive Committee of Dhaka Reporters' Unity (DRU) took over charges at a function at its office in the city yesterday.

M Anwarul Haq, president of the immediate past committee handed over the charges to newly-elected president Shahjahan Sardar with a bouquet and a crest.

The office-bearers of the new and the immediate past committees, and general members of the DRU were present on the occasion.

DRU general secretary Motaher Hossain Masum conducted the function.

## Dr S B Siddique new DG of BTRI

Dr S B Siddique, a renowned agronomist, joined the Bangladesh Rice Research Institute as its new director generally.

Dr Siddique is one of the pioneer scientists who joined BTRI in 1970. He was the Director (Admn) of BTRI and Director (Agril) of the Bangladesh Jute Research Institute (BJRI).

He was born in 1945 in Baraiyadhala of Sitakunda, Chittagong. He obtained PhD degree from the Cornell University, USA.

He has more than 60 research articles published in different journals and proceedings at home and abroad. As a technical expert or member of delegation, he visited the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, China, Japan, USA, India, Nepal, Thailand, the Netherlands and the UK.

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