

'Independent anti-corruption commission to be set up'

BSS, Dhaka

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Moudud Ahmed yesterday said the government would constitute an independent anti-corruption commission in the country as per election pledge.

"Bangladesh will regain its lost glory after it was described as the world's most corrupt nation during the rule of the previous regime," he said while exchanging views with a delegation of the World Bank here at his office.

World Bank Country Director Frederick D Temple led a five-member World Bank delegation, an official handout said.

The World Bank team lauded the government efforts to separate the judiciary from the executive, make the ombudsman law effective and establish human rights commission.

The law minister informed the delegation that the government was committed to establishing human rights commission and appointing an ombudsman to establish transparency, and ensure accountability and good governance in society.

Ahmed said that the presence of the Opposition in Parliament

was essential for strengthening democracy.

They also discussed overall reforms of the judicial system under the Legal and Judicial Capacity Building Project jointly financed by the Bangladesh government and the World Bank.

Law Secretary Afzal Hossain Ahmed and Sector Director of South Asia Affairs of World Bank Mary Lou Jany Duy were also present.

Cancer detection centre opens tomorrow

UNB, Dhaka

A cancer detection centre of Ah-sania Mission Cancer Hospital will be inaugurated in the city's Mirpur area tomorrow.

President AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury will inaugurate the centre at 10:30 am.

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khandakar Mosharruf Hossain and Post and Telecommunications Minister Minister Aminul Haq will be present as special guests.



Prime Minister Khaleda Zia (left) and Opposition Leader and Awami League president Sheikh Hasina offering munajat on the concluding day of Biswa Ijtema at Tongi yesterday.



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Over 1400 held

BSS, Dhaka

Police seized 15 firearms, and 42 bullets during the countrywide operation in the last 24 hours ending at 6 am yesterday, a police press release said.

Police also arrested 1,429 people, including eight identified terrorists, during the drive.

Of the arrests, 28 were held in connection with arms seizure and 10 cases were filed against them under the Arms Act.

Prevent exodus of patients for treatment abroad: President

Asia Pacific Congress of Cardiac Rehabilitation opens

UNB, Dhaka

President Prof AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury has called upon the doctors and nurses to be sincere and attentive to their patients to prevent the exodus of patients for treatment abroad.

"Every year, Bangladeshi patients spend huge amount of our hard-earned currencies in the overseas centres for treatment. From my experience I emphasize that nothing can substitute for a well behaved, affectionate nurse and a sympathetic doctor with a heart. Dollars so saved can be spent in nation-building programmes," he said.

The President was addressing the inaugural ceremony of the 7th Asian Pacific Congress of Cardiac Rehabilitation in the city yesterday.

He said human heart is certainly the most efficient pump ever created but unfortunately this beautiful human organ is also prone to be affected by disease at times.

Cardiology science has evolved

over the decades to deal with such anomalies, the President said, adding that the medical cardiologists and the cardiac surgeons all over the world are trying their best to save and improve quality of life of the affected patients which involves, very importantly, appropriate rehabilitation programmes.

Recalling the establishment of National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman in 1978, President Chowdhury expressed his happiness that the institute has served the people as the principal centre for cardiac care and has produced the majority of the cardiologists and cardiac surgeons of the country.

Termining the cardiac care a very specialised and highly sophisticated issue, the President requested the cardiac society executives and the NICVD to initiate professional training at home and abroad, particularly for the younger cardiologists and surgeons as well as the nurses and technicians and others working in

this specialised sector.

Prof Chowdhury hoped that the post-graduate courses in different colleges will help meet the growing demand of the medical specialists at home and abroad and ensure more opportunity for attainment of post-graduate qualification and training for junior doctors.

Regarding Asia Pacific region, which is the biggest region of the world in terms of area and of population, the President said, "We can learn from each other's experience like in the EU countries."

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khondker Mosharruf Hossain, State Minister for Health and Family Welfare Amanullah Aman and Health and Family Welfare Secretary M Fazlur Rahman also addressed the function.

Among others, Chairman of APCCR Prof M Jalaluddin, Secretary of Bangladesh Cardiac Society Prof AKM Mohibullah and President of APSC Pakistan Prof Shahryar Sheikh also spoke on the occasion.

Workshop on 'creative writing for children' begins in Ctg

BSS, Chittagong

Scottish-Indian poet Dr Bashabi Fraser yesterday launched a two-day workshop on 'Creative writing for children' in the British Council auditorium here.

"The creative writing workshop has generated huge enthusiasm among the members of Chittagong Young Learners' Centre (YLC) and students of various schools here," YLC coordinator Tasneem Parveen Abedin said.

Dr Bashabi Fraser told BSS that Bangladeshi children have got lots

of talent and it is amazing that kids in the port city have displayed eagerness about such a difficult subject like creative writing.

"Today, I am assisting the kids who belong to the privileged and affluent section of the society. But two sessions scheduled for tomorrow have been earmarked for the under-privileged children of the NGO-sponsored schools. The medium of instruction would be both Bangla and English."

I have long association with Chittagong," a beaming poet said. Bachabi Fraser, who is a faculty

member in the University of Edinburgh, UK, said that she enjoys writing sessions with the kids. The kids would be participating with their work in a public reading session at Zia Memorial Hall here at 6 pm today.

The poet said the kids yesterday presented their write-ups on kaleidoscopic subjects including sandcastles on the shore, environment, sea-shells, breakers on the sea beach, picnic on the beach, fishing with trawlers and captain of a fishing trawler.

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DHAKA TODAY

Seminar
Mian Immigration Assistance & Services Inc will hold a seminar on 'Business Immigration to Canada'. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 11.00am.

Freshers' reception
City Dental College will hold its certificate award ceremony and freshers' reception with Works Minister Mirza Abbas in the chair. Venue: Institution of Engineers.

BIA course
A two-week course on 'Insurance and Risk Management in International Trade' organised by Bangladesh Insurance Academy (BIA) will begin. Venue: Academy Bhaban, 53 Mohakhali.

Memorial lecture
Dr Rashid Memorial Lecture will be held. Engr SM Kamaluddin, Chairman, Concord Group of Companies will speak on 'Entrepreneurship and Engineers of Bangladesh'. Venue: Council Bhaban, BUET. Time: 10.30am.

Workshop
The inaugural ceremony of the national workshop for presenting the Draft Final Report on 'A Study of Girls Dropouts and Non-completion of Programme in the Primary and the Secondary Education in Bangladesh' will be held. Venue: LGED Bhaban, Agargaon. Time: 9.00am.

Discussion
A discussion meeting will be held to mark the 66th birth anniversary of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman and the first founding anniversary of Dhaneer.

Shish. Fisheries and Livestock Minister Sadek Hossain Khoka will be the chief guest. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4.00pm.

Workshop
A two-day workshop on 'Rural Non-Farm Economy of Bangladesh' organised by Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS) will begin. Venue: BIDS conference room, Agargaon. Time: 9.30am.

Annual conference
The annual conference of Bangladesh Chapter of the New York based international organisation for human rights, South Asia Watch Inc. will be held with Communications Minister Nazmul Huda as chief guest. Venue: National Sports Council auditorium. Time: 10.00am.

DHAKA TOMORROW

Lecture programme
Department of Women's Studies, University of Dhaka in collaboration with the British Council will hold a lecture programme on 'Women's Studies: Linkages between Academia and Community'. Venue: Centre for Advanced Social Science Research, DU. Time: 9.30am.

Installation ceremony
The 1st installation ceremony of the newly elected Executive Committee for 2001-2002 of Seafood Export Buying Agents Association of Bangladesh will be held. Venue: Sheraton Hotel. Time: 7.00pm.

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