

Unesco book fair begins

UNB, Dhaka
A two-day 'UNESCO Book Fair-2002' began on the Central Public Library premises in the city yesterday.

State Minister for Education Ehsanul Haq Milon inaugurated the fair, first of its kind in Dhaka, organised by National Association of UNESCO Clubs in Bangladesh.

Secretary general of the organisation Mahbubuddin Chowdhury chaired the function in which Secretary of National Commission for UNESCO Dr M Mahbubur Rahman was present.

Some 2,000 books published by UNESCO have been put on display in the fair, which will remain open from 10 am to 5 pm for public, said a press release.

16 firearms seized

BSS, Dhaka
Police arrested 1250 people, including two alleged listed terrorists, from across the country during the last 24 hours ending at 6 am yesterday.

They also seized 16 firearms, one other weapon and 29 bullets during the period.



State Minister for Education Ehsanul Haque Milon visits a stall after inaugurating the 'UNESCO Book Fair-2002' on the Public Library premises in the city yesterday.

Malaysia keen to expand trade with Bangladesh

UNB, Dhaka
Malaysia is keen to expand bilateral trade with Bangladesh and accelerate the activities of the joint commercial commission.

Malaysian High Commissioner Ashaary Sani gave the assurance during a meeting with Commerce Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury at his ministry yesterday.

CGVC training programme

CU CORRESPONDENT
A day long training for the placement providers of the Veterinary Internship programme of Chittagong Government Veterinary College (CGVC) will be held on the college campus today.

The programme will be organised by the CGVC in collaboration with the DFID and the British Council, Bangladesh.

Prof AIM Nuruddin Chowdhury, Vices-Chancellor of the Chittagong University (CU) will present as chief guest while Mohamad Abdur Razzaque Miah, Director General of department of Livestock Services, Bangladesh and Tayyeba Nasir, Assistant Director of British Council, Dhaka as the special guests.

The envoy laid importance on exchange of trade missions at both government and non-government levels between the two friendly countries.

The Commerce Minister stressed the need for identifying the prospective sectors of cooperation between Bangladesh and Malaysia to enhance bilateral trade and investment.

Khasru said Bangladesh gives great importance in enhancing trade between Bangladesh and Malaysia.

He said skilled and semi-skilled manpower of Bangladesh have earned reputation working abroad and requested the Malaysian High Commissioner to import more manpower from Bangladesh.

Body of new born baby recovered

BSS, Dhaka
Cantonment police yesterday recovered the slaughtered body of a new born baby from Joarshahara area in the city.

Police recovered the blood stained body of the one or two-day old baby from Joarshahara and sent it to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) morgue for autopsy.

The body bore a big cut mark on its throat and was packed in a polythene bag.

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BETS SHIFTED TO NEW OFFICE

The office of Director (Operation) and Director (Planning & Development) of BETS Ltd. will be shifted to its new location on March 9, 2002. All are requested to note the new location.

Old Address:
Road No. 3A House No. 44
Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1209

New Address:
Road No.135, House No.10
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However, the BETS centre will continue functioning at its present location at Road No. 4A, House No. 55, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1209

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OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE BUSINESS VENTURES

The Sri Lanka - Bangladesh Business Council is proud to present in Bangladesh a Sri Lankan Delegation consisting with prominent business personnel having proven track record in Financial Consultancy, Manufacturing of Footwear, Rubber Goods, Shipping, Airline, Chartered Accountancy, Gems & Jewellery, Garment Trade, Information and Technology, Legal Services, Non-Paper Stationary Items, Spices, Fruits & Vegetable, Water Management, Steel & Building System, Adhesives, Footwear etc.

The Team is led by the Honourable Minister of Enterprise Development, Industrial Policy, Investment Promotion and Constitutional Affairs of Sri Lanka, Prof. G. L. Peiris MP.

The Council in association with Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DCCI) arranged interaction sessions (One to One meetings) with the Delegation Team and interested entrepreneurs of Bangladesh to explore joint venture business opportunities both in Bangladesh and Sri Lanka at DCCI Auditorium 5th Floor, 65-66, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. Schedule for the one to one meeting is given below:

March 10, 2002	from 2 pm to 6 pm
March 11, 2002	from 10 am to 4 pm

Interested entrepreneurs are requested to register their names to meet the delegation members. For further details please contact:

The Secretary
Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DCCI)
Tel: 9558122
Fax: 9550103

Ms. Harini Alles
Vanik Bangladesh Limited (VBL)
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SANDEE
South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics

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THE SOUTH ASIAN NETWORK FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMICS

The Economics of Natural Resource and Environmental Management - Fall 2002 Research Competition

Deadline: May 15, 2002

The South Asian Network for Development and Environmental Economics (SANDEE) seeks to strengthen individual and institutional capacity to undertake research on the linkages between economic development and environmental change. SANDEE supports research that uses economic analyses to address environmental and natural resource problems. SANDEE invites researchers from South Asian countries to submit research proposals in three areas:

- Poverty and Natural Resource Management.** The rural poor are dependent on natural resources and make rational decisions about how to use these resources. What conditions (market failures, institutional failures, policy failures) make it optimal for poor households to mine or conserve natural resources? What economic situations allow the poor to invest in natural resources? What public investments and co-management strategies assist the poor and improve environmental quality? Proposals that address these and related issues will be considered.
- The Economics of Pollution Management and Environmental Health.** Water, waste, and indoor and outdoor air pollution have serious implications for humans. SANDEE seeks to support research that assesses the costs of pollution and analyzes policy instruments that can curb pollution. How do we value the impact of pollution on health? What economic incentives will result in improved air or water quality? Are environmentally-friendly energy policies economically optimal? These are some questions that proposals can address.
- Sharing of regional and global resources.** Mountain ecosystems, watersheds, rivers, climate etc. are some of the resources that countries in the South Asia region share, and in some cases, jointly use. What are the benefits and costs associated with cooperative mechanisms for using these resources? Under what conditions will there be investments in transnational resources, whether regional or global? SANDEE seeks to promote research on the management of global and regional transboundary resources. Joint activities by researchers from different South Asian countries will be given priority.

SANDEE will make grants ranging from \$5000 to \$12000 for a duration of 12-24 months. Proposals are sought from junior to mid-career faculty and researchers, and Ph.D. candidates; multi-disciplinary proposals are encouraged. An international experts' committee will assess proposals based on academic merit and policy significance. Selected researchers will need to attend a meeting to discuss their ideas. Institutional affiliation is required for receiving support. Please mail 2 copies of your proposal to:
The Program Manager, SANDEE, P.O. Box 8975, EPC-1056, Kathmandu, Nepal. Tel: +977-1-528761; Fax +977-1-536 786. Please also send an electronic copy of your proposal to
manikd@sandeeonline.org or mduggan@sandee.wink.com.np

The deadline for receiving proposals is May 15, 2002. Electronic copies of proposals are acceptable. Regrettably, proposals received after this deadline (by mail or email) will not be accepted.

RESEARCH PROPOSAL FORMAT
Proposals should be no more than 15 single-lined pages (12 point font) in length. Joint proposals from more than one researcher are acceptable in case of multi-disciplinary/multi-country projects. Please use the following format:

- Cover Sheet (1 page)**
 - Study Title
 - Name of Principal Investigator(s), Address, Telephone, e-mail and fax number
 - Institutional Affiliation and Country
 - Date of proposal
 - Amount requested and duration of project
 - Summary of research project (1-2 paragraphs)
- Project Description (no more than 15 single-lined pages)** This section should include the following:
 - Research Problem (1 page). Please provide a clear and simple description of your research problem, the socioeconomic context, and potential policy implications of the study.
 - Study Goals. Please identify your research question and/or the overall goal of the study. Please also identify specific objectives.
 - Literature Review (no more than 2 pages). Please restrict your review to literature and results most pertinent to your study.
 - Research Methods (3-6 pages). Information to be included:
 - Hypotheses/research questions to be tested or answered
 - Theoretical ideas underlying the study (no more than 2 pages)
 - A description of the study site, if any
 - Variables to be measured, if any
 - Data to be used and collection methods (sample size, unit, etc.)
 - Methods for data analyses.
 - A matrix showing the links between each proposed hypothesis, research design, data variables, and data sources.
 - Results and dissemination. Please include a description of:
 - Expected results
 - Any local, regional, or national policy implications
 - A dissemination strategy, if any.
 - Researchers' Skills. Please identify the specific roles and responsibilities of team members (if more than one researcher is involved).
 - Timeline. Please include a schedule of activities. Grants are likely to be made for 12-24 month duration.
 - Bibliography.
 - Draft questionnaire if primary data collection is proposed.
- Financial information (to be submitted in local currency)** SANDEE will provide grants ranging from \$5000-\$12000 for a 12 to 24 month period. Please include "Explanatory Budget Notes" with budgets. An example budget is given below:
 - Research Expenses. Please include the following costs:
 - Research travel, if any (e.g. Rs. 1000 train fare x 2 persons x 2 trips)
 - Field work, if any (e.g. Rs. 600 x 10days x 2 persons)
 - Research equipment / supplies, if any (specify items and costs)
 - Research assistant, if any (e.g. Rs. 8000 x 1 person x 6 months)
 - Other (please specify)
 - Dissemination Expenses. Please include detailed costs of presenting and publishing research.
 - Remuneration: Honorarium will be provided if this is consistent with the policies of the researcher's institution. Please provide a written justification for the remuneration requested and specify what remuneration may/may not be available from other sources.
- Biographical information (no more than 3-4 pages)** This section should include:
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