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## Concern over law & order situation

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situation in the country.

sies increased in an alarming rate Prof. Sultana Shafi, Prof. M Enation came to power.

ties have come to a standstill, said Samad. the DU teachers adding that the government has suspended fresh recruitment aggravating the unemployment problem of the country.

A large number of government officials have also been sacked creating shortage of skilled manpower in the administration, they

demned attack on the motorcade of the opposition leader Sheikh Hasina during her visit to Nao-

They called upon the govern-

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### UAP discussion

on Women's Day The University of Asia pacific (UAP) organised a discussion meeting yesterday to mark the International Women's Day, says a

press release. Presided over by its Vice-Chancellor A S M Shahjahan, the The statement also con- meeting was addressed by Prof M A Sattar of Mathematics, Prof H J Alam of English, Shahriar Anam of Business Administration and Nafisa Sultana of English.

The meeting expressed dissatisfaction over present state of ment to take necessary steps to women in the country and stop all types of criminal activities adopted some resolutions for across the country and bring dy- safeguarding the women's rights.

#### Discussion on press freedom

Reporters Sans Frontieres (RSF) Network and Bangladesh Centre for Development, Journalism and Communication (BCDJC) jointly organised a discussion on 'Press Freedom Now' in cooperation with Bangladesh Press Watchdog Network yesterday, says a press

Newsmen, government officials, press freedom and human rights watchdog groups attended the discussion held at the BCDJC office in the city.

Speaking on the occasion, Naveemul Islam Khan, president of BCDIC and the Advisory Editor of Daily Ajker Kagoj, expressed concern over the attack on the journalists and the press as a

The discussion was moderated by Hasan Shahriar, Executive Editor of the Dainik Ittefaq, while Vincent Brossel, RSF Asia Pacific desk-in-charge, made a brief outline of the RSF Mission.

Among others who took part in

the discussion were Matiur Rah-

man Chowdhury, Chief Editor, Dainik Manay Zamin; Anwarul Haq, special correspondent of The Daily Star; Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul. Chief News Editor, ETV; Sohrab Hassan, Assistant Editor. Dainik Sangbad; Saleem Samad. Correspondent of RSF; Afsan Chowdhury, Sr Assistant Editor of The Daily Star; Moazzem Hossain, Correspondent, BBC; Motaher Hossain Masum, General Secretary, Dhaka Reporters Unity; and Mukhlesur Rahman Chowdhury,

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## PRESS FREEDOM NOW

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Vincent Brossel, Head of the Asia Pacific Desk, RSF Network, speaking at a discussion on 'Press Freedom Now' at the BCDJC seminar room in the city yesterday. Reporters Sans Frontiers (RSF) Network and the BCDJC jointly organised the discussion.

## Second round of 10th NID 2cr children to be vaccinated today

UNB, Dhaka

Nearly two crore under-5 children will be vaccinated across the country today in the 2nd round of 10" National Immunization Day.

Volunteers from UNICEF, WHO, IOCH, JAICA and Rotary International as well as health workers, teachers, students, NGO

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activists, goy scouts and Giris Guide will work in 1.20 lakh vaccination centers across the country. As part of the worldwide pro-

gramme to eradicate polio the National Immunization Day is being observed in the country

Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khandakar Mosharraf Hossain formally inaugurated the programme administering two drops of vaccine to some children at the head office of EPI here yesterday, said an official release. Health Secretary M Fazlur

Rahman, DG of the Health Directorate Prof ABM Ahsanullah, DG of Family Planning Fazlur Rahman and WHO representative Sunitee Achariya were present on the oc-

Representatives from donor countries and agencies including Japan, Rotary International, USAID, IOCH and UNICEF were DFIDB is responsible for managing Britain's international development programme in Bangladesh, which is aimed at lalso present.

#### DU Islamic History dept Golden Jubilee

Department of Islamic History and Culture of Dhaka University will celebrate its Golden Jubilee on March 29, says a press release.

Former students of the de partment have been requested to register their names along with Tk. 300 per person at the department by March 15.

#### JU drama festival begins

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A five-day drama festival 'Natyaparban-2002' began at Jahangirnagar University yesterday.

"Jahangirnagar Theatre (JT)" has organised the festival.

JT activists brought out a colourful procession in the morning from the university central cafeteria after inauguration of the festi-

'Prachchyanat', a city-based theatre group staged 'koinya' at the university amphitheatre 'Muktamancha' in the evening. Earlier, a discussion was also

held on the occasion. Chitra theatre of Narail will stage "Tradition and Some Questions" on March 11 while Desh

Natak will stage "Birsha Kabya" on March 12. IT will organise a cultural function on the concluding day on

March 13 where Pagla Bablu will render songs of Lalon Fakir. The dramas and other func-

tions will be held at Muktamancha in the evening daily.

### Stop cruelty against women

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Speakers at a rally urged the government and the political parties to take necessary steps to stop cruelty against women.

The Civil Society Movement for Women's Empowerment organised the rally in front of the National Press Club on March 8 to mark the International Women's

The speakers also placed a list of demands to pave the way for Arjumand Banu spoke at the rally.

women's empowerment.

The demands include an increase in the number of seats reserved for women in the parliament and direct election to these seats, uniform family code for all irrespective of religion, quick trial of repression on women, and participation of women in the decision-making process at all levels.

Hosne Ara Khan, Foujia Khondaker, Shirin Akhter and Laila

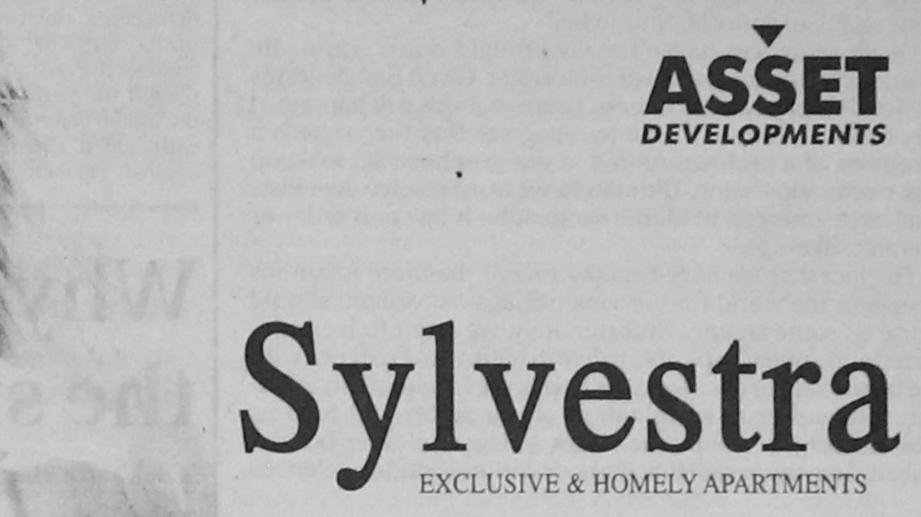
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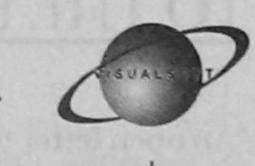
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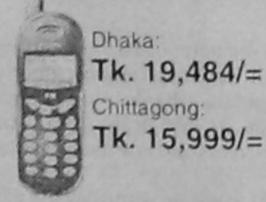
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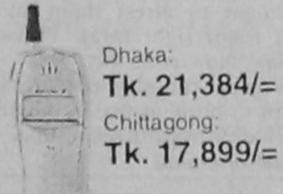


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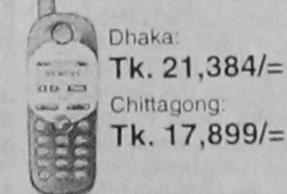


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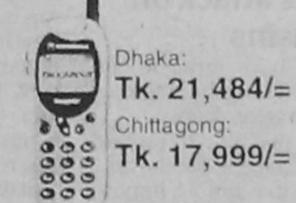
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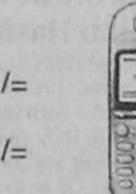
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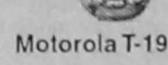


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