

DHAKA TODAY

Environment report

The publication ceremony of Bangladesh State of Environment Report 2001 will be held with Environment and Forest Minister Shahjahan Siraj as chief guest. Venue: Conference room of Forum of Environment Journalist of Bangladesh. Time: 12.00pm.

Concluding function

The concluding function of the 10th founding anniversary of Greater Mymensingh Cultural Forum will be held with Education Minister Dr M Osman Faruk as chief guest. Venue: Shaikat Osman auditorium, Central Public Library. Time: 7.00pm.

Exhibition

The inaugural ceremony of a week-long photo and book exhibition dedicated to the World Day of Chess will begin. The Russian Cultural Centre organises the exhibition. Venue: Library of the cultural centre. The exhibition will continue till July 28.

Fair

The inaugural ceremony of the IT Qualifications @ UK Fair will be held with Education Minister Dr M Osman Faruk as chief guest. Venue: The British Council auditorium, 5 Fuller Road. Time: 10.30am. The fair will continue till July 23 from 10.00am to 6.00pm daily.

Publication ceremony

Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) organises the publication ceremony of two books titled 'Agricultural Research in Bangladesh in the 20th Century' and 'Red Data Book of Vascular Plants of Bangladesh' with Agricultural Minister Mairur Rahman Nazami as chief guest. Venue: BARC auditorium. Time: 4.00pm.

CNG technology

Dana Engineers International Limited organises a function to introduce the Galileo CNG Technology in Bangladesh. Venue: Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 7.30pm.

Discussion

In observance of the death anniversary of poet Kaikobad, Bangla Academy will hold a discussion meeting. Venue: Seminar room of the academy. Time: 11.00am.

Rally

Bangladesh Anti-Tobacco Alliance will hold a rally and observe hunger strike to protest the activities of a foreign tobacco company. Venue: By the side of the Jahangir Tower, Karwan Bazar. Time: 12.00pm.

Seminar

A five-day national seminar on 'Globalisation, Labour Unions and Development of Leadership', organised by Bangladesh Sanjukta Sramik Federation (BSSF), will begin. Venue: House-69 Road-9/A, Dhanmondi. Time: 9.00am.

Death anniversary

The 13th death anniversary of Dr M Osman Ghani, a renowned scientist and founder general secretary of Kishoreganj District Association, Dhaka, will be held. Venue: Central Public Library auditorium. Time: 4.30pm.

DHAKA TOMORROW

Seminar

In observance of holy Eid-e-Miladunnabi, Dr Sirajul Huq Islamic Research Centre of Dhaka University (DU) will hold a seminar with Vice Chancellor Prof Anwarul Haque Chowdhury as chief guest. Venue: Arts Building of DU. Time: 3.00pm.

Drawing exhibition

The opening ceremony of a drawing exhibition by the Bangladesh children depicting their idea on the topic 'Water', will be held. Venue: Goethe Institut, Dhanmondi. Time: 4.00pm. The exhibition will remain open till August 8 from 2.00pm to 8.00pm daily except weekends and holidays.



BFUJ presidents Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury and Gias Kamal Chowdhury and DUJ presidents Kazi Rafiq and Ruhul Amin Gazi greet each other with a bouquet as they pledged to reunite their respective factions during a joint conference of the Sub-editors' Council and Sub-editors' Forum at the National Press Club in the city yesterday. The two organisations of the sub-editors merged into one at the conference.

SAARC ministerial meet in Kathmandu Aug 21-22

XINHUA, Kathmandu

A ministerial meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) will take place here on August 21-22 mainly to discuss trade and economic cooperation, The Rising Nepal reported Saturday.

"One of principal tasks of the 23rd session of the SAARC Council of Ministers' meeting, consisting of foreign ministers, is to review the progress in the implementa-

tion of the decisions made by the eleventh SAARC summit held in Kathmandu in January this year," the state-run English daily quoted a statement by the Nepali Foreign Ministry as saying.

The agenda of the meeting includes discussions on the regional economic cooperation, the follow-up actions on the decisions that was made in the Kathmandu Declaration and the report on trade liberalisation to initiate the fourth round of trade negotiations

on the South Asian Preferential Trade Area, the statement said.

The meeting will also review the convention on combating the trafficking of women and children and the measures taken in the field of poverty alleviation, the statement noted, adding that the progress of drafting the SAARC social charter, the SAARC youth awards scheme and the SAARC visa exemption scheme will also be considered at the meeting.

3 organisations keen to produce power, fertiliser from solid waste

BSS, Dhaka

Three private organisations yesterday placed proposals to the government for producing electricity and bio-fertiliser from solid wastes of the municipalities in the country.

They made technical presentations on this at a meeting chaired by the Environment Minister Shahjahan Siraj.

The meeting discussed the environmental and marketing aspects and price of the products to be made through waste management in an environment-friendly manner, an official handout said.

The Cambridge Bangladesh Limited, the Multi-trade Limited and the Enviro House presented the proposals.

Environment and Forest Minister Shahjahan Siraj said prompt decision would be taken in this regard after a detailed discussion on the project proposals and technical aspects of the proposals at an inter-ministerial meeting soon.

State Minister for Environment and Forest Jafrul Islam Chowdhury and Secretary to the Ministry Sabihuddin Ahmed were present on the occasion.

Jamiruddin greets Belgian king

UNB, Dhaka

Acting President Barrister Muhammad Jamiruddin Siraj has greeted King Albert II of Belgium on the occasion of the National Day of his country.

"I sincerely hope that the existing bonds of friendship between our two countries will be strengthened in the years ahead," Siraj said in a message to the King yesterday.

He also wished good health, happiness and long life to King Albert and continued peace and progress to the friendly people of Belgium.

Dr Osman Ghani's anniversary of death today



BSS, Dhaka

The 13th death anniversary of Dr Osman Ghani, former Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University and member of parliament will be observed here today.

Different socio-cultural organisations have chalked out programmes to observe the day. The programmes included discussion, *milad* and *doa mahfil*, said a press release in the city yesterday.

Father of Education Minister Dr Osman Faruk, the late Dr Ghani was the founder Vice-Chancellor of the Bangladesh Agricultural University, Mymensingh.

In observance of the day, Kishoreganj Samity in Dhaka and Greater Mymensingh Cultural Forum will jointly organise a discussion and *doa mahfil* at Shaikat Osman auditorium at Public Library here today.

Former Chief Justice Mostafa Kamal will attend the function as the chief guest. Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) will also hold a *milad* and *doa mahfil* on the occasion after *Asr* prayers today.

Besides a *milad mahfil* will be held at the residence of the deceased at 80, Indira Road here on July 26.

No change in Sylhet flood situation

BSS, Dhaka

The flood situation in the greater Sylhet district is likely to remain unchanged despite slight rise in the water level of the Surma river during the last 24 hours ending at 6am yesterday.

The Flood Forecasting and Warning Centre (FFWC) said excepting South Eastern Hill Basin, most of the rivers in the Brahmaputra, Ganges and Meghna basins registered further fall during the period.

The river Surma recorded rise at most of its points and was flowing 9 cm above the danger level at Kanaighat point yesterday morning.

According to FFWC's bulletin here yesterday, the rivers Muhuri, Halda, Sangu and Matamuhuri in the South Eastern Hill Basin covering the areas of Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) recorded further rise during the period.

But, all the rivers in the basin were flowing below their respective danger mark, the bulletin added.

The centre said out of its 46 monitoring points, water in only one point was flowing above danger level. It recorded rise in 19 points and 24 points fall during the period.

In Brahmaputra Basin, the Brahmaputra recorded further fall by 6 cm at Noonkhawa and 12 cm at Chilmani. The Jamuna registered further fall by 10 cm at Bahadurabad, 7 cm at Sirajganj and 12 cm at Aricha.

In the Ganges basin, The Padma registered further fall by 13 cm at Pankha, 15cm at Rajshahi, 16 cm at Hardinge Bridge, 13 cm at Goalonda and slight fall at Bhagayakul.

In the Meghna basin, The Surma recorded further rise by 47 cm at Kanaighat, 2 cm at Sylhet and by 25 cm at Sunamganj. The river Surma was flowing 9 cm above danger level at Kanaighat.

Excepting the Surma at Kanaighat, all the rivers of this basin were flowing below their respective danger levels, the FFWC said.

Forecasting the next 24 hours river position, the FFWC said the waters in the river Surma is likely to further rise by 3 cm at Kanaighat during the period.

Besides, light to moderate rainfall at most places with heavy fall at one or two places over the Brahmaputra basin, light to moderate rainfall at many places with heavy to very heavy fall at one or two places over the Ganges basin and light to moderately heavy fall at most places over the Meghna and the South Eastern Hill basins have been recorded during the last 24 hours ending at 9 am yesterday.

Significant rainfall of 48 mm was recorded at Dinajpur, 81.5 mm at Comilla, 32.0 mm at Chandpur and 25.7 mm at Barisal during the same period.

Bangabandhu Parishad Programme On Aug 15

UNB, Dhaka

Bangabandhu Parishad has chalked out elaborate programmes to observe August 15 as 'National Mourning Day'.

The programmes include discussion meeting, mourning procession, laying of wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu, quarkhwani and feeding the destitute.

The programmes were finalised at a meeting of the parishad here on Friday with its Acting President Justice KM Sobhan in the chair.

Among others, poet Shamsur Rahman, architect Mazharul Islam, Golam Akbar Chowdhury, Prof Abu Sayeed, Prof M Aminur Rashid, Dr Shamsul Huda Hamir, Dr Harunur Rashid, Maulana Abdul Awal, Abul Kalam Azad and Habibur Rahman Milon were present.

The meeting demanded the execution of the verdict of Bangabandhu murder case.

10 arms seized

BSS, Dhaka

Police arrested 1,311 people and recovered 10 firearms and 21 bullets during the ongoing country-wide drive in last 24 hours ending at 6 am yesterday.

Seven cases were filed under the Arms Act against seven people arrested in connection with the arms recovery.



Samajtantrik Chhatra Front staged a demonstration in the city yesterday demanding more classrooms, separate examination halls and appointment of more teachers in all university colleges.

WEATHER TODAY

Moderate rain likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at most places over Rajshahi, Dhaka, Sylhet and Chittagong divisions and at many places over Barisal and Khulna divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country during the period, Met office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 34.4 degree Celsius was recorded at Jessore and the lowest of 24.6 degree Celsius at Teknaf.

The sun sets in the capital at 6.47 pm today and rises at 5:23 am tomorrow.

The highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	32.5	25.5	83	83
Chittagong	30.5	25.0	79	81
Rajshahi	30.5	28.4	84	98
Khulna	33.0	26.0	84	84
Barisal	31.4	25.5	89	81
Sylhet	31.9	26.2	80	83
Cox's Bazar	28.6	26.0	91	100



The Muktiyoddha Sanghati Parishad staged a token hunger strike in the city yesterday demanding release of Awami League leader Goh (rt) Shawkat Ali.

Notice Inviting Auction

No. 2 C & 01/E/M (2002-2003)

Sealed quotations are hereby invited for the undermentioned auction from all classes of contractors/firm of this department/interested public and bonafide businessmen. The quotations will be received by the undersigned as well as by the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Jessore/Narail/Jhenidah/Kushtia/Meherpur/Chuadanga/Faridpur/Rajbari/Khulna PWD Division-II, Khulna in their respective offices upto 12-00 Noon on 28-7-2002 and will be opened on the same day at 12-15 PM in presence of quotationers who may like to remain present. Each quotation shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it. The quotation papers will be sold upto 27-7-2002 during office hours.

2. Name of work : a) Auction sale of survey reported un-serviceable materials of PWD Sub-Divisional Store (Civil) under Magura PWD Division, Magura. b) Auction sale of survey reported un-serviceable materials of PWD Sub-Divisional Store (E/M) under Magura PWD Division, Magura.
3. Earnest money : 2% of quoted value.
4. Quotations consisting notice, schedule of items and conditions can be seen and obtained from the office of the undersigned as well as from the Office of the all Executive Engineers under Jessore PWD Circle, Jessore and Executive Engineer, Khulna PWD Division-II, Khulna. Lottery (if necessary) will be held on 11-8-2002 at 11-00 AM in the office of the undersigned.

Quazi Muhiul Alam
Executive Engineer
Magura PWD Division, Magura
Telephone: (0611) 62505

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G-1869

Eastern Cables Ltd
Patenga, Chittagong

International Re-Tender Notice

বৈদ্যুতিক নিরাপত্তা ও দীর্ঘস্থায়ীত্বের জন্য আন্তর্জাতিক মানের ইন্টার্ন কেবলস ব্যবহার করুন

Eastern Cables Ltd, Patenga, Chittagong invites sealed tender in two envelopes system (one containing technical proposal and other containing financial proposal) for procurement of the following materials on C&F (C) Chittagong basis:-

Sl No	Tender No & date	Item	Cost of tender document	Opening date	Source of finance
01.	EC/PUR/F-239(R) dt 18-07-2002	Stranded Steel Core Wire Size: 7X1.57mm Qty: 40 MT	Tk 200.00	06-08-2002 at 11.05 AM	Any untied source
02.	EC/PUR/F-242(R) dt 18-07-2002	PVC Resin Qty: 200 MT	Tk 500.00	06-08-2002 at 11.05 AM	Any untied source

Tender documents will be available during working hours on cash payment (non-refundable) from the following offices:-

1. Cash Section, Eastern Cables Ltd, Patenga, Chittagong.
2. Cash Section, BSEC, BSEC Bhaban, 102, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka-1215.

Manirul Haque
Dy General Manager (Purchase)
For Project Head

GD-624

Md Abdul Mannan
Deputy Commissioner of Police (Supply)
Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Dhaka
DFP-17690-9/7
G-1845

Export Promotion Bureau
Information Division
122-124, Motijheel C/A
Dhaka

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from the printing presses enlisted with the Export Promotion Bureau for printing 1000 copies of books titled "Bangladesh Export Statistics 2000-2001" by 3.00 PM on 28-07-2002. Tender schedule can be procured on payment of non-refundable Tk 400/= (four hundred) from the common service section of the Bureau everyday during office hours till 27-07-2002. At least two design layouts will have to be submitted along with tender. The publication section of the Bureau may be contacted for details and to see the specimen.

DFP-17819-11/7/02
G-1837

Abdul Mazid Bhuyan
Director

Office of the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Supply)
Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Dhaka

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide mill owners/experienced supplier firms for supply of vanaspati ghee & soyabean oil on quarterly basis as per requirement per month for July, August & September of the 1st quarter of 2002-2003 financial year to Dhaka Metropolitan Police Rating Store, Rajarbag, Dhaka. Tenders will be received in the box kept at the chamber of Assistant Commissioner of Police (Supply), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Dhaka by 12-00 noon of 25-7-2002. Sample oil in clear clean glass bottle & sample dalda in another clean container in lac sealed condition should be submitted to the Assistant Commissioner of Police (Supply) at the time of receiving tender. The tender box will be opened on the same day i.e. 25-7-2002 at 12-30 pm in presence (if any) of the attending tenderers. Intending tenderers shall have to collect the schedule consisting terms & conditions on cash payment of the price of schedule Tk 750/= (seven hundred fifty) only for soyabean oil & Tk 400/= (four hundred) only for vanaspati ghee (non-refundable) to the Assistant Commissioner of Police (Supply), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Dhaka.

Terms & conditions:

1. Attested photocopy of the undermentioned up-to-date renewed certificates should be submitted at the time of receiving schedule. (A) Trade licence, (B) Bank solvency certificate with transaction statement, (C) Income tax clearance certificate, (D) Nationality certificate, (E) Past experience certificate, (F) Ownership affidavit, (G) VAT registration certificate.
2. Pay Order of Tk 1,00,000/= (one lakh) for soyabean oil & Tk 40,000/= for vanaspati ghee from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh must be submitted as earnest money (security receipt is not acceptable) with application at the time of receiving schedule.
3. Rate for the said vanaspati ghee per 16 (sixteen) kg with cannister and soyabean oil per 186 kg without drum & with drum should be quoted (excluding carrying cost) distinctly in figures & words in the firm's pad.
4. Schedule will be sold from the date of publication of tender notice in newspaper any day during office hours and upto 15-00 hours on the day before the date of receiving tender i.e. 24-7-2002. No schedule will be sold on the date of receiving tender.
5. Fresh earnest money for the new work should be deposited even if earnest money for any other work of the firm remained deposited.
6. The name of manufacturing company of vanaspati ghee & soyabean oil (BSTI approved) and the marketed brands i.e. oil & vanaspati of which brand to be supplied, should be mentioned in the tender.
7. The authority is not bound to supply schedule until ensured through investigation in case of any suspicion about any firms.
8. The tender committee may cancel the tender of the firm who might fail to produce the sample oil & vanaspati before opening of tender.
9. The said oil & vanaspati should be supplied to the representative of this office as per sample directly from the manufacturing mill.
10. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason.
11. Income tax & VAT will be deducted as per govt rules.