

Seven die in separate incidents

BSS, Dhaka
Seven people, including a child and a teenage girl, died in separate incidents in the city in the last 24 hours ending at 6 pm yesterday.

Ishak Sarkar, 35, an engineer of Dhaka City Corporation (DCC), was killed when his motorcycle skidded off the road at Khilgaon Talala yesterday afternoon.

Police said the accident took place at about 3:30 pm when Ishak

Sarkar, son of Noor Mian, a resident of Madhya Basabo, was returning home from Taltala Bazar.

After the accident he was taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where attending doctors declared him dead.

An eight-year-old unidentified girl died after falling from rooftop of a building at Tejribazar at about 10:30 am yesterday.

Gulshan police recovered the body of an unidentified man aged about 60 from a place near Dhaka Gate early yesterday morning.

A woman aged about 60 was killed in a road accident at Panthapath at about 9 am yesterday.

The woman was crossing the road when a speedy vehicle ran over her. Police recovered the body, but identity of the victim could not be known.

Sabina Begum, a domestic help, committed suicide at the residence of Shamsul Islam at 5/C, Asad Avenue under Mohammadpur police station on Thursday night.

Police said Sabina, 18, was the daughter of Abud Samad, a resident of Ullapara, Sirajganj district.

In another incident, Khilgaon police recovered the mutilated body of a man at around 10 pm on Thursday night.

The victim was identified as Noor Mohammad, 30, son of Abul Hashem, a resident of Purbanchal, Hatibandha, Lalmonirhat.

Sujan Mian, 25, a resident of 186, Shantibag, was poisoned to death on Thursday night. Police suspected that his mother-in-law poisoned him to death.

Sujan died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH), where he was admitted to earlier.

Sircar, Khaleda greet Megawati

UNB, Dhaka
Acting President Muhammad Jamrudin Sircar and Prime Minister Khaleda Zia have greeted Indonesian President Megawati Sukarnoputri on the occasion of the 57th Independence Day of Indonesia.

In his message yesterday, the acting President said, "It is my firm belief that the existing friendly relations between the two countries will be further strengthened and consolidated in the years to come to the mutual benefit of our two peoples."

He wished good health and happiness to her and continued peace, progress and prosperity to the people of Indonesia.

In a separate message, Prime Minister Khaleda Zia said, "I am confident that friendship and cooperation that mark the relations between the two countries will continue to grow in strength and substance in the years ahead to the mutual benefit of our two countries."

Anti-dengue campaign

Rotary Club of Uttara (RCU) in cooperation with Rotaract Club of Uttara, Sector-3 Kalyan Samity and Dhaka City Corporation launched a campaign in the city yesterday to create public awareness about Dengue, says a press release.

They took out a procession at sector-3 of Uttara Model Town in the morning.

The procession was led by Past President of RCU, Maj Gen (ret) Dr A K M Saifullah Khan.

Ward Commissioner Dr. Hafizul Islam Kushum, President of Sector-3 Kalyan Samity Dr Lutfar Rahman Talukder, President of RCU Col (ret) Mujibur Rahman, Dr N I Khan and Col (ret) Matur Rahman were among others who took part in the procession.



DCC Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka visited different areas of the city yesterday to see the condition of the roads.

Call to formulate textile policy

BSS, Dhaka
Conference-2002 of the Institution of Textile Engineers and Technologists (ITET) was opened in the city yesterday with a call for urgently formulating a textile policy to help the sector face the challenges of market economy.

Textiles Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury inaugurated the conference at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel.

Jute Minister Hafiz Uddin Ahmed and State Minister for Textiles Mizanur Rahman Sinha spoke on the occasion as special guests.

Speaking on the occasion, Textile Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury urged the entrepreneurs and textile engineers and technologists to invest in the textile sector as it needs huge investments to help

the country's readymade garment industries in the quota-free regime.

He said that as part of establishing adequate number of textile mills and both backward and forward linkage industries, 95 spinning mills, each with 25,000 spindles, should be set up urgently to meet the present requirement of yarn.

In addition, 175 weaving units with a capacity to produce 11.5 million metre cloths annually and 120 dyeing and finishing units with a capacity to process 17.5 million metre fabric per year should be installed. Investment of around 150 billion taka is urgently needed to set up the industries, he said.

Chaired by IIT president Dr Mustafizur Rahman, the confer-

ence was also addressed by vice-president of the institution Syed Fakhruddin Islam Murad, secretary general Md Daulatuzzaman Ansary and joint secretary general Ariful Haque Khan Tuhin.

Referring to a recent Newsweek report, Jute Minister Hafiz Uddin Ahmed said China would dominate 47 per cent of the global textile business in 2005.

If everybody comes forward, he said, it would not be difficult to get the country's due share in the world textile business at the time.

State Minister for Textiles Mizanur Rahman Sinha called upon textile engineers and technologists to be imbued with more professionalism to reduce dependence on hiring foreign experts in the country's textile industries.

Banglapaedia to be published in Jan

UNB, Dhaka
The Bangladesh Asiatic Society, country's one of the biggest research institutions, is publishing a national encyclopaedia titled "Banglapaedia", both in Bengali and English, including multimedia CD.

The 10-volume national encyclopaedia is now being printed in four big printing presses simultaneously.

The publishing work of the giant reference book is likely to be completed by December this year.

The Bangladesh Asiatic Society will unveil the cover of the Banglapaedia on January 3, 2003 on the occasion of its golden jubilee celebrations.

Initially, 10,000 sets of Banglapaedia will be published. Of which, 5,000 will be in Bengali and the rest 5,000 will be in English.

The Asiatic Society is publishing the Banglapaedia at a cost of

Tk 8 crore, of which 74 per cent fund has been financed by the government and the rest 26 per cent by various organisations.

Advance selling of the Banglapaedia has been started and, meanwhile, almost one-third sets of the reference book have already been sold. Chief Editor and Project Director Prof Sirajul Islam said.

A Bengali version of Banglapaedia is now being sold at Tk 5,000 while the English version at Tk 6,000 before its publication. But the prices of Bengali and English version of a Banglapaedia will be Tk 10,000 and Tk 12,000 respectively after publication.

Besides, if five or more sets of the Banglapaedia are purchased, 10 per cent commission will be given on the total price.

Advance selling of the Banglapaedia will continue till December this year, said a PID handout.

Seminar on earthquake

BSS, Ctg
Experts at a seminar here yesterday underscored the need for creating public awareness and strictly enforcing the Bangladesh National Building Code, 1995 in all construction work to reduce the extent of damage caused by quake.

The national seminar on "Earthquake in Bangladesh" was organised by the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh (IEB) at the local IEB Centre.

Citing examples of most terrible earthquakes in this region and around the globe in last centuries and analysing past and fresh records, the experts said Bangladesh is bordered by highly seismic belts in its northern and southeastern boundaries.

They said a comprehensive post-earthquake management preparation is badly needed considering the vulnerability of this part of the world as an earthquake zone.

IT festival begins at JU

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A two-day information technology (IT) festival began on Jahangirnagar University (JU) campus yesterday on the occasion of the 10th founding anniversary of Electronics and Computer Science (ECS) Department of the university.

Deputy Minister for Education Abdus Salam Pintu inaugurated the festival titled 'A decade of Glory' as chief guest in the Central Auditorium of the university.

Yesterday's programme included exhibition on information and communication technology (ICT), a roundtable on 'ICT in Bangladesh and Its Future', show of memorabilia, annual meeting, and cultural function.

Inaugurating the festival, the deputy minister said the develop-

ment of information and communication technology is the best option open for us to survive in the global economic competition.

He expressed the hope that the ECS students, at the end of academic life, would come forward to change the lot of the country's poor employing their knowledge, talents and expertise.

JU Vice-Chancellor Prof Jasim Uddin Ahmed, speaking as special guest on the occasion, announced that the construction work for a separate building for ECS and three other departments will begin this year.

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Goes Abroad
HAZM Mahegir, Fellow of Mastricht School of Management, Netherlands, is invited to deliver a lecture on the next 7th Int'l Conf. "Rio to Johannesburg" Aug 20-22, 2002. Presently he involves in research project of sustainable development with Hamburg University. C-1804

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BANGLADESH Proposed Social Investment Program Project [P053578]
Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) for Providing Community Support Services

- This request for expressions of interest follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for the proposed Social Investment Program Project (SIPP) that appeared in Development Business issue no. 588 of August 16, 2002.
- The People's Republic of Bangladesh has applied for a credit from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of the proposed Social Investment Program Project (SIPP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit towards eligible payments under the contract for providing community support services by Organizations/NGOs named as Community Support Organizations (CSO) in this project.
- The project would be implemented in two districts in Bangladesh, namely Gaibandha and Jamalpur. In each district, approximately 700 villages will be covered. One CSO will operate in one district. The expected duration of the service is four years subject to satisfactory performance, which would be reviewed annually. To provide results-oriented incentives, performance based contracts will be used.
- The CSO services would include:
 - Carrying out an extensive information and communication campaign to build awareness and share information about the project in the selected districts, at district, upazila, union and village levels. The CSO would communicate the project objectives and activities very clearly to the people, particularly the poor, women and other vulnerable groups through workshops and focused group discussions;
 - Community mobilization, development and strengthening of village level institutions (including training of community groups);
 - Local needs identification, preparation of Community Action Plan for Social Investment and Social Assistance Program using participatory methods;
 - Assisting interested communities with the preparation of sub-project proposals for small scale community infrastructure for financing (on a matching grant basis) and assistance during sub-project implementation and operation and maintenance;
 - Reporting on field level activities.
- Social Development Foundation (SDF) now invites eligible organizations to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested Organizations must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform these services (annual reports, external evaluation reports, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, knowledge of local issues and community needs, availability of appropriate skills in information and communication, and participatory planning). This includes: (a) legal establishment for about eight years and a copy of constitution of the organization; (b) names of executive committee members; (c) copies of last two annual and external audit reports; (d) proven track record of five years in experience in social mobilization, group related social and economic activities in the project area or in neighboring areas with similar socioeconomic and geographical characteristics; (e) experience with local level planning and supporting community in the implementation of small scale infrastructure; (f) evidence of the organization's Bank Account; and (g) a copy of its official registration document.
- Organizations are encouraged to associate with others to enhance their capacity. In the case of an association of organizations, there should be a lead organization with others as associates but all members should have real and well-defined inputs to the assignment. It is preferable to limit the total number of organizations in the association to a maximum of four.
- Organizations will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, January 1997 (revised September 1997, January 1999 and May 2002).
- Interested Organizations may obtain further information from the Managing Director of SDF, at the address below between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on all working days.
- Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 4.00 p.m. on September 4, 2002.

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LEGAL NOTICE
In the Supreme Court of Bangladesh
High Court Division
(Original Civil Jurisdiction)
MATTER No. 79 OF 2002
Abdus Satter, 1421, Dhania, P. S. Shyampur, Dhaka **Petitioner**
-Versus-
Registrar, Joint Stock Companies & Firms, Dhaka and another **Respondents**
NOTICE is hereby given that an application under Section 81(2) & Section 85(3) of the Companies Act, 1994 praying for condonation of delay in holding the Annual General Meeting of "Eastern Bank Limited" for the Calendar year 2001 was moved before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh on behalf of the petitioner and upon preliminary hearing Mr. Justice A.B.M. Khairul Haque was pleased to admit the said application on 03.08.2002 fixing 27.08.2002 for hearing. Any one desirous of opposing the matter may appear before the Hon'ble Court either personally or through his advocate on the date fixed. Copy of the application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of necessary costs.
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