

## DHAKA TODAY

### Film festival

The inaugural ceremony of a two-day Iranian film festival will be held. On the opening day two films titled 'Kima' directed by Ahmed Reza Darvish and 'The Immigrant' directed by Kamal Tabrizi will be screened. Venue: Iranian Cultural Centre auditorium. Time: 4:00pm and 6:15pm respectively.

### Film show

Under its Friday movies, Alliance Francaise will screen two films titled 'Le sauvages' directed by Jean Paul Rappencou and 'Le Samouraï' directed by Jean Pierre Melville. Venue: Alliance Francaise auditorium, Dhanmondi. Time: 10:30am and 6:00pm respectively.

### Procession

As part of the programme to celebrate the World Tourism Day, a procession will be brought out. It will be led by State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Mir Mohammad Nasiruddin. Venue: National Museum premises, Shahbagh. Time: 7:30am.

### Art fair

The inaugural ceremony of a painting exhibition of famous painter Hashem Khan titled 'Art Fair: Six Seasons' will be held. Venue: Shilpangan, Road-5, House-25, Dhanmondi. Time: 5:30pm. The exhibition will remain open from 10:00am to 8:00pm daily till October 7.

### Movie show

Bishwa Sahitya Kendra will screen a movie titled 'Titanic' directed by Jean Negulesco. Venue: Bishwa Sahitya Kendra auditorium. Time: 5:00pm.

### Art exhibition

The inaugural ceremony of a solo art exhibition by artist Firoz Mahmud titled 'Memoirs-012345678901' will be held with Prof Mohammad Kibria as chief guest. Venue: Alliance Francaise La Galerie, Dhanmondi. Time: 5:00pm. The exhibition will remain open from 9:00am to 12:00pm and from 5:00pm to 8:00pm daily till October 3.

### Meeting

An opinion sharing meeting of 100 FM Listeners' Club of Dhaka will be held. Venue: Shahbagh. Time: 3:00pm.

### Rally

Muslim Society Bangladesh will hold a rally and take out a procession to protest the mass killing of Muslims in Iraq and Palestine. Venue: North Gate of Baitul

Mokarram Mosque. Time: After Juma prayers.

## DHAKA TOMORROW

### Film show

Arkka Film Zeal will screen two Iranian films titled 'Banu' directed by Daniush Mehrui and 'For the sake of Hayeah' directed by Qumars Pore Ahmed. Venue: Iranian Cultural Centre. Time: 4:00pm and 6:00pm respectively.

### Food festival

The inaugural ceremony of a week-long Bangladeshi Food Festival on the occasion of World Tourism Day will be held with State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Mir Mohammad Nasiruddin as chief guest. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 7:00pm.

### Fish exhibition

The inaugural ceremony of a three-day long exhibition of small fish and various forms of fish cooking, organised by Nangrantha Prabartana, will be held. Venue: Prabartana, 2/8 Sir Syed Road, Mohammadpur. The exhibition will remain open from 10:00am to 8:00pm.

### Trade show

The inaugural function of the Nepal Trade Show 2002 will be held with Commerce Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury as chief guest. Venue: The Royal Nepalese Embassy, UN road-2, Baridhara. Time: 10:30am.

### Seminar

Bangladesh Girl Guides Association organises a seminar titled 'Number of elderly people in new millennium: Challenges and future programmes' on the occasion of the World Ageing Day. Venue: Guide House auditorium, New Baitul. Time: 9:30am.

### Workshop

A two-day workshop on 'Fundamentals of Human Resources Management', organised by Bangladesh Society for Human Resource Management, will begin. Venue: International Islamic University Campus, Road-3, Dhanmondi. Time: 9:30am.

### Certificate award ceremony

The certificate award ceremony of the National Board of Revenue personnel will be held with Science, Information and Communication Technology Minister Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan as chief guest. Venue: Seral Restaurant Mohakhali. Time: 6:30pm.

## 15 more arms recovered

BSS, Dhaka

Police recovered 15 firearms and 64 bullets from across the country during the last 24 hours till 6 am yesterday.

They also arrested 1,525 people, including 11 identified criminals and an extremist during the period, a police headquarters press release said.

Of the arrested, 845 were wanted by police and 642 accused in different under-investigation cases.

Eighteen persons were arrested in connection with the arms recovery and police filed nine cases against them under Arms Act.

Of the firearms, Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) recovered five, Dhaka district three, Comilla district five and Kushtia district police recovered the rest.

Police also recovered seven explosives and lodged two cases under the Explosives Act.



## Hashem Khan's painting show begins today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An 11-day long special solo painting exhibition of noted artist Hashem Khan begins today in the city.

The exhibition dubbed as 'Art Fair: Six Seasons' will be inaugurated by eminent art critic Borhanuddin Khan Jahangir at the Shilpangan Art Gallery at Dhanmondi area at 5:30 PM, says a press release.

Artist and sculptor Nitun Kundu will preside over the inaugural ceremony while painter Qayyum Chowdhury will remain present as special guest.

Seventy-six recent works of Hashem Khan on canvas and water-colours will be put on display at the exhibition which will run till October 7 from 10 AM to 8 PM daily.



Outgoing Australian High Commissioner Robert K Flynn called on Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina at her Sudhasadan residence in the city yesterday.

## Political efforts a must for water security of poor

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Experts at a press briefing in the city yesterday stressed the need for concerted political efforts to ensure water security for the poor people.

They also focused the urgent needs for taking actions regarding the changes in water management policy for sustainable development in the Asia-Pacific region.

The press briefing was arranged on conclusion of a four-day long Asia-Pacific Regional Consultation Workshop on Water and Poverty in the city.

It was organised jointly by Water Resources Planning Organizations (WARPO) and the BRAC with the support of the governments of the Netherlands and Denmark, Japan Water Resources Association and the Asian Development Bank.

The workshop, held only three weeks after the Earth Summit in Johannesburg, was considered as a milestone event in the run-up to

the Third World Water Forum at Kyoto in Japan in March 2003.

Leading water resources experts of ADB Wouter Lincklee Arriens, John Soussan and Tim Cullen, Director General of WARPO, Giasuddin Ahmed Chowdhury and BRAC representative Salahuddin Ahmed spoke at the press briefing on the outcome of the workshop.

Expressing their serious concern over the non-access of safe and pure water, and lack of sanitation to a large number of poor in the region, the experts said there is an urgent need to demonstrate specific measures for improving the water security of the poor.

They said water has a vital role in poverty reduction in the region and approaches should be demanded where the poor themselves would set the agenda and define the priorities.

"Improving the access of the poor to water resources may challenge the interests of the powerful vested groups who benefit from

existing forms of management," experts observed.

They said it might require substantial investments of money, institutional capabilities and other resources to adopt pro-poor water management policy.

The ADB experts underscored the need for transparency of information and shared understanding for creating partnership and harmonising the potentials of different stakeholders to the common purpose of improving the water security of the poor.

They called upon all to see water as a positive contribution to poverty reduction. "Better access to water will improve the productivity and make many new livelihood opportunities possible," they said.

Stressing the need for changed attitudes, the experts concluded that the poor should not be seen as victims or part of the problem, but be recognised as creative adapters and the basis of the solution.

## BTV officials' murder Hearing on charge-framing October 20

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The First Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court, Dhaka, yesterday fixed October 20 for hearing on charge-framing in connection with the murder of four BTV officials in November, 1975.



## Faria Lara's anniversary of death today

BSS, Dhaka

The fourth death anniversary of pilot Faria Lara will be observed today.

Her family and Rajendrapur-based Lara Foundation have chalked out a two-day programme to recall the memories of the promising aviator.

Lara's friends and students will place wreaths at the site of her grave at Martyred Intellectuals Graveyard in Mirpur at 8 am. Her family has organised a road mahfil at her 16/A Shyamoli Road Number-2 residence.

Lara Foundation will organise a free health care clinic at Rajendrapur tomorrow.

Trainer pilot Faria Lara's career in aviation ended abruptly in a tragic aircraft crash in Postogola, Dhaka while she was returning to Old Teigaon Airport on completion of her flight to Barisal.

The co-pilot of the aircraft also died in the crash.



IUB Vice Chancellor Prof Bazul Mobin Chowdhury speaking at a workshop on Development Communication on the IUB campus in the city yesterday.

## Build awareness to stop violence against children

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a roundtable in the city yesterday underscored the need for building up a nation-wide awareness to resist growing incidence of murder, trafficking and repression on children.

A concerted effort by the government and the civil society is a must to stop increasing repression on children and realise their rights, the speakers observed.

The Kendriya Khelaghar Asar (KKA) organised the roundtable at the National Press Club in the wake of growing incidents of violence against the children.

The KKA announced that it would form a 'National Parliament for Children and Juveniles' to protect their rights and ensure their welfare.

"We will launch a nation-wide awareness campaign to build up resistance against murder, trafficking and repression on children", said Pronoy Saha, general secretary of the KKA.

With Prof Panna Kaiser, chairperson of KKA, in the chair, the roundtable was participated by noted litterateur Syed Shamsul Haq, former justice KM Sobhan, general secretary of Muktiyoddha Central Command Prof Ahad Chowdhury, engineer Sheikh Shahidullah, former director of Shishu Academy Golan Kibria, journalist Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul, Shamsuzaman Khan, Hena Das, president of Bangladesh Debating Society AHM Jamaluddin and RDB director SM Shah Alam.

Being alarmed at the over all deterioration of the law and order situation in the country, the

speakers said the government alone cannot check crimes and violence against the children. Voluntary organisations must come forward to achieve these objectives, they added.

The speakers, however, criticised the government for its negligence to implement the UN-declared Children Rights Convention (CRC) and asked for proper use of UNICEF funds for the development of the children.

They also stressed the need for introduction of 'Social Security Act' and deployment of community police in this regard.

## Obituary

S A Mohammad Iqbal, former controller general of defence (Finance) died at his residence in Chittagong yesterday morning at the

age of 62, says a press release. He left behind his wife, two sons, three daughters and a host of relatives to mourn his death.

He joined the civil service in 1963 and served as the managing director of Bangladesh Shipping Corporation and acting chairman of Bangladesh Power Development Board. He also served as a consultant of Asian Development Bank.

His namaj-e-janaza was held at Old DOHS Mosque at Fatehabad and he was buried in his family graveyard in the evening.



Bangladesh Jubo Union arranged a youth rally at Mukhtangan in the city yesterday.

বিশ্ব জুবো ইউনিয়ন (বজু) ও পুষ্টি ইনস্টিটিউট (পিআই) কর্তৃক আয়োজিত 'দুর্ভিক্ষ দূরীকরণ' কর্মসূচির আয়োজিত একটি আলোচনা সভা।



Bangladesh Garments Sramik Sangram Council staged sit-in and held a solidarity rally at Mukhtangan in the city yesterday.

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

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### Invitation of Bids (IFB)

IFB No 12/2002-2003 Dated: 15-09-2002

Memo No. LGED/GEN/CTG/2002/4399

Dated: 15.09.2002

### Credit No. 38-BD Credit Name: Primary Education Development Project

1. The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the Interim Fund administered by the International Development Association (IDA) in various currencies towards the cost of Primary Education Development (PEDP) for Dhaka, Rajshahi & Khulna Divisions (Phase-II) and intends to apply part of the credit proceeds to cover eligible payments under the contract(s) mentioned in paragraph 2 below.

2. The Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), District: Chittagong invites sealed bids for reconstruction/repair/renovation and completion of the works listed below. This invitation for bids is open to all bidders enlisted with Local Government Engineering Department (LGED); in addition, foreign bidders are eligible to bid without this endorsement but if awarded contract, would be required to enlist with LGED. Furthermore, when endorsement is done at district level, Bangladeshi contractors enlisted with LGED in other districts are also eligible to bid. Procurement in open to all bidders from eligible source countries as defined in the IDA's procurement guidelines. However, countries Darussalam, Cyprus, Israel, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Singapore, United Arab Emirates.

Sl No	Contract package No	Name of the work	Cost of bidding documents (Taka)	Bid security (Taka)	Time of completion of work (days)
01	CTG-01	i) Repair of academic bhaban & experimental school. ii) Repair of male hostel. iii) Repair of female hostel. iv) Repair of residence of PTI super. v) Repair of residence of hostel super, office assists & cooker. vi) Repair of boundary wall under Patiya Upazila, Chittagong.	1000.00	1,00,000.00	180 days
02	CTG-02	i) Repair of academic bhaban. ii) Repair of male hostel. iii) Repair of female hostel. iv) Repair of experimental school. v) Repair of residence of hostel super. vi) Repair of administrative bhaban. vii) Repair of boundary wall. viii) Repair of internal road under Chittagong City Corporation area, Chittagong.	1000.00	80,000.00	180 days

3. Bidding documents (and additional copies) may be purchased at the office of the (I) Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department, District: Chittagong, Tel: 651402, Fax: 651402, (II) Upazila Engineer, Patiya Upazila, District: Chittagong, Tel: 03035-529 and (III) Upazila Engineer, Boalkhali Upazila, District: Chittagong, Tel: 031-630798 (Extension-15) on non-refundable fee as mentioned under Para No. 2 above, for each set during normal office hours on all working days. Interested bidders may obtain further information at the same addresses during office hours.

4. The provisions in the instructions to bidders and in the conditions of contract are the provisions of the standard bidding documents: Procurement of Works (SBD), National Competitive Bidding (Trial Edition-February 1999), issued by the World Bank, Dhaka Office.

5. Bids shall be valid for a period of 91 days after bid opening and must be accompanied by a bid security as mentioned under Para No. 2 above.

6. Bids must be delivered to the office of the (I) Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department, District: Chittagong; and (II) Upazila Engineer, Patiya/Boalkhali Upazila, District: Chittagong on or before 2:00 PM of 28/10/2002.

7. Bidders may deliver their bids by any means including Courier Service, Registered Mail with acknowledgement due etc., which must reach the above offices before the deadline for submission of bids. Bids received after the deadline will not be accepted.

8. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidder's representatives who choose to attend at 3:00 PM on 29/10/2002 at the office of the Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department, District: Chittagong.

9. A pre-bid conference will be held on 06/11/2002 in the office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, District: Chittagong at 11:00 AM. All bidders are requested to attend the conference in time.

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