

JCD-BCL peaceful coexistence at DU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leaders and activists of two arch rival student wings of ruling BNP and main opposition Awami League are residing peacefully at the residential halls of Dhaka University apparently ending their enmity on the eve of the resumption of the academic activities of the university tomorrow after 67 days.

At least 100 leaders and activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), student wing of Awami League returned to the halls after their reopening on September 29. Presidents and secretaries of all the hall units of BCL have also returned.

SSC exams results under BOU announced

UNB, Dhaka

Results of the Secondary School Certificate (SSC) 1st and 2nd year final examination of 2001 under the Bangladesh Open University (BOU) have been announced.

A total of 18,000 students appeared in these examinations, held in March this year, of which 7,283 came out successful. Pass percentage is 40.46 per cent.

Of the successful examinees, 211 obtained grade A, 4,539 grade B, 2,495 grade C and only 39 got D Grade.

Examinees have been advised to contact their own examination centre or Regional Resource Centres for detail information of the results.

No result will be available from Gazipur campus of the University, newspaper offices, Radio and TV, said a press release.

The BCL leaders and activists who dominated the DU residential halls during the five-year tenure of Awami League fled the halls after debacle of AL on October 1 election last year.

Vice Chancellor Prof SMA Faiz visited the halls regularly and asked the students about their welfare. He advised them to keep in touch with the authorities concerned for any kind of problems.

The VC will address all the teachers of the university at TSC auditorium today.

Meanwhile, university authorities have established two monitoring cells, one at VC's office and the other at Proctor's office to monitor campus situation and prevent any untoward incident.

Besides, hall provosts also formed separate vigilance teams with the house tutors to monitor the atmosphere in the halls.

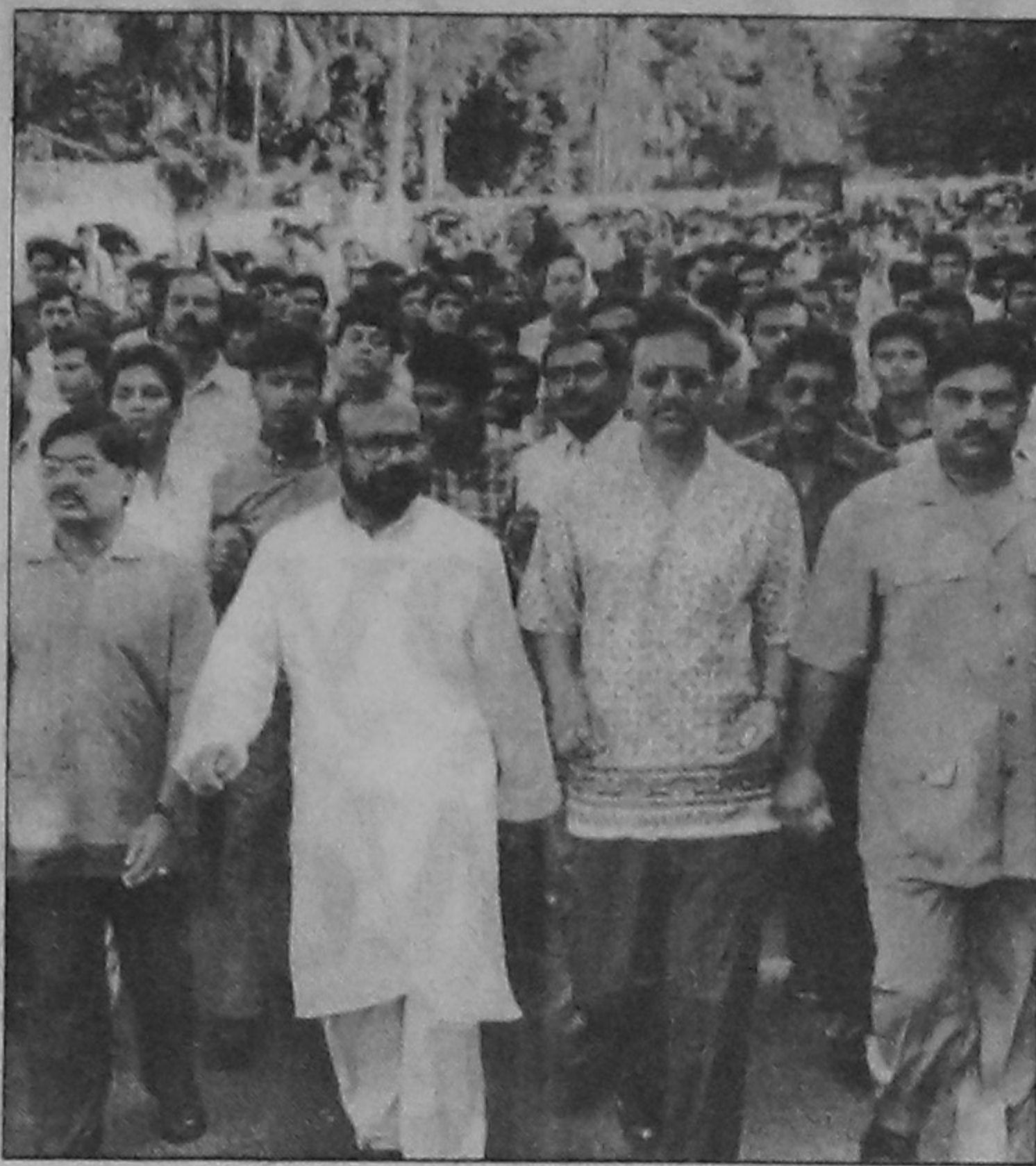
Ruling BNP's student wing the JCD also formed seven teams to monitor activities of its own men in the dormitories. The JCD teams regularly visited the halls and directed their fellow workers not to misbehave with the BCL men.

DU unit leaders of BCL also visited the halls regularly and enquired condition of their fellow activists.

Delwar Hossain, president of DU unit BCL said, "We have visited all the halls and found the atmosphere positive".

Talking to The Daily Star, Prof SMA Faiz said there may be differences of opinion among the students but we don't expect violence as a result of such differences.

Meanwhile, Progressive Students Unity (PSU), an alliance of left leaning student bodies submitted a memorandum to President Iajuddin Ahmed yesterday in support of their six-point demands.



Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka leading a procession of the Jatiyatabadi Samajik Sangskritik Sangstha (JASAS), a cultural front of the ruling party, from the Central Shaheed Minar in the city yesterday. The JASAS is holding a series of programmes at the Shaheed Minar from Monday to celebrate the BNP's one year in power.

Bangladesh excellent example of communal harmony: Vatican envoy

UNB, Dhaka

The out-going Vatican Ambassador Joseph Edward Adams described Bangladesh as an "excellent example of religious and communal harmony in the world", at a time when ethnic strife jolted world's different corners.

The Ambassador, during a farewell call on Prime Minister Khaleda Zia at her office here yesterday, also appreciated the role of the government in maintaining social unity.

Adams termed his six-year tenure in Bangladesh as the "golden time of his life". He said the people of Bangladesh were

very warm and hospitable. Khaleda appreciated the role of Pope John Paul in promoting peace, harmony, tolerance and compassion in different societies across the globe.

She urged the envoy of the Holy Sea to convey her deep respects to His Holiness Pope John Paul II. She wished the pope good health and a long life.

Appreciating the role of the envoy during his tenure in Bangladesh, the Prime Minister wished him success in his next diplomatic assignment.

Adams thanked the government for extending cooperation and support to him during his stay in Bangladesh.

Prime Minister's Principal Secretary Dr Kamal Siddiqui was present.

Only 700 beds for mental patients in govt hospitals

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

There are only 700 beds in government hospitals for huge number of mental patients in the country while private hospitals provide 200 beds, said the speakers at a press briefing in the city on Monday.

The number of specialised doctors is only 70 which is also inadequate for the treatment of mental patients whose number is increasing due to growing awareness about mental health among the people, they added.

The National Institute of Mental Health and The National Forum for Psychiatrists organised the press briefing to announce their ten-day programme in observance of the 'World Mental Health Day, 2002' on October 10.

This year the theme of the day is 'The effects of Trauma and Violence on Children and Adolescents'.

Ten per cent of world population suffers from minor mental diseases like anxiety, hysteria, phobia and obsession while one per cent suffers from serious mental disorder like depression and schizophrenia, the speakers quoted a survey by the World Health Organisation.

"Only 25 to 30 per cent of medicines necessary for the treatment of mental patients are produced by the local drug manufacturing companies", said Dr A H Mohammad Firoz, secretary general, National Forum For Psychiatrists.

"The drug companies are not interested in manufacturing medicines related to mental disease since it is not much profitable,"

Death anniversary

The third death anniversary of Sheikh Alem Khatun, former chairperson of the Solidarity Bangladesh and a social worker, will be observed today, says a press release.

On the occasion, quarkhwani, milad mahfil and feeding of the destitute have been arranged in the city and at her village home in Satkhira.

he said adding that for this the doctors have to depend on limited number of 10 to 12 medicines.

Moreover, some of the medicines which are not manufactured locally, are very expensive, said Dr Firoz.

However, the cost of the treatment does not exceed the means of general people. One can complete the treatment of mental illness with medicine worth Tk 300 in an average, he added.

Dr Md Faruq Alam, Dr AHM Mustafizur Rahman, Dr Md Enayet Karim and Dr M A Muhiur were present on the occasion.



Rajbari Samity executives

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A new executive committee of the Rajbari Zila Samity, Dhaka, has been elected with Dr. MHS Sirajul Haq and NAM Iftekhher Rafiq as its president and general secretary respectively, says a press release.

The election of the committee for 2003-2004 was held in the city on September 20.

Dr KM Mohsin, M Bodiuz-zaman, M Imtiaz Uddin Ahmed, M Abdur Razzag Mia and M Shamsul Haq were elected vice-presidents while M Ruhul Amin was elected treasurer.

The other elected office-bearers are ATM Harun-ar Rashid, M Abdur Razzag, Sukumar Adhikari and Ashok Sinha - joint secretaries; Zobaida Parvin - woman joint secretary; M Abdur Rob Mia - education and literary secretary; Abu Sayed Reza - publicity secretary; M Abdul Quddus Mandol - cultural secretary; Shahabuddin Ahmad - relief and rehabilitation secretary; M Habibur Rahman - student welfare secretary; M Obaidulla - organising secretary; Dr. Masuda Chowdhury - women affairs secretary; ABM Siddiqui Rahman - office secretary and M Yusuf Kamal - sports secretary.

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Thursday 10 Oct 2002. 2-5pm at: Vantage International Education Centre 9/2 Kabi Jashimuddin Road (1st Floor) North Kamalapur, Dhaka-1217, GPO Box No. 2521, Bangladesh. Phone: 8315524

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Sealed applications are hereby invited from internationally reputed suppliers/manufacturers for enlistment as suppliers/manufacturers to supply the security ink for printing currency and banknotes for this corporation as per under noted schedule. Tender schedule will be available from the Gazipur Head Office and its Liaison Office at Annex Building-1, 5th Floor (East Corner), Bangladesh Bank, Dhaka-1000 during Saturday to Wednesday between 2.00 PM to 3.30 PM and Thursday between 12.00 to 1.30 PM.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer Sher-e-Bangla Nagar PWD Division-II Dhaka

1st Corrigendum Notice

For Tender Notice Called Vide this Office Memo No. D-2/T-26/Dev./2002-2003/507 Date: 11-09-2002

This is for general information that the tender invited vide this office Memo No. D-2/T-26/Dev./2002-2003/507 date: 11-09-2002 for construction of Archaeological Bhaban at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka. Sub-Head: Construction of basement floor and ground to 8th floor with 11 storied foundation including internal sanitary and internal electrical works. The following amendments/corrections have been made for the mentioned work.

Amendments/Corrections Are:

- Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited for undermentioned work from enlisted special class contractor/firm of PWD who have the experience of constructing a single building on package contract, having civil, internal sanitary & water supply and internal electrical works for which the value of work not less than Tk. 3.00 (three) crore successfully completed within last 5 (five) years, instead of "Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited for undermentioned work from enlisted special class contractor/firm of PWD who have the experience of constructing a single building with a basement floor on package contract, having civil, internal sanitary & water supply and internal electrical works for which the value of work not less than Tk. 3.00 (three) crore successfully completed within last 5 (five) years".
- Last Date of Selling Tender: The last date of selling tender on 19-10-2002 during office hour instead of 09-10-2002 and last date of taking permission for purchasing tender documents 17-10-2002 during office hour instead of 07-10-2002.
- Last Date of Receiving Tender: The last date receiving tender on 20-10-2002 up to 12.00 Noon and will be opened on the same day at 12.15 PM instead of 10-10-2002.
- Date of Lottery: If two or more contractor's become lowest by quoting same rate in that case lottery will be held on 30-10-2002 at 10.00 AM in the office of the Superintending Engineer, Dhaka PWD Circle-III, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka, instead of 24-10-2002.
- Amendments/Corrections: A few amendments/corrections are made in the bidding documents in the corrigendum notice. The bidders who have already purchased the bidding document without the corrigendum notice are requested to collect the corrigendum notice including the amendments/corrections from the offices from where they purchased the bidding document.
- Part and Parcel of the Tender Document: The corrigendum notice including the amendments/corrections will be the part and parcel of the Tender (bidding document).
- All other terms and conditions mentioned in the tender notice called vide this office Memo No. D-2/T-26/Dev./2002-2003/507 date: 11-09-2002 will remain unchanged.

Executive Engineer S B Nagar PWD Division-II Dhaka