

Arguments in Shipu Murder Case begin

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Arguments in the Shipu Murder Case began in the First Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court, Dhaka yesterday.

After hearing arguments from the prosecution side, Judge Mohammad Serajul Islam adjourned the hearing till 2-30 pm today.

The prosecution side will make submissions on law points. During the argument the public prosecutor (PP) submitted points derived from deposition and cross-examination of the 23 prosecution witnesses in the case.

The PP said as the charges brought against the accused were proved, we want justice.

Earlier, the court recorded statements of 23 out of 30 prosecution witnesses.

Trial of the case began in the court on January 28.

Aftekar Ahmed Shipu, 38, a mobile phone trader at UAE Market in the city's Banani area, was shot dead on the night of May 24, 2000.

Victims brother Istiaque Ahmed filed a murder case with Gul-

shan thana accusing six people, including Jewel, son of former Awami League lawmaker Kamal Ahmed Majumder, the following day.

Metropolitan PP Abdullah Mahmud Hasan appeared for the state while Advocate Mahbub Ahmed and Syed Shamim Ahsan Habib for the accused.

Excellent grades

Informatics students have once again achieved excellent grades maintaining the standards set by Informatics Centres worldwide, says a press release.

The Diploma students' pass rate crossed 75 per cent and the Advanced Diploma pass rate reached 56 per cent.

Patrick Yang, a student with exceptional grades (A's in all 8 modules of DCS), was given the Informatics Meritorious Students Scholarship.

Another Informatics student was given a scholarship for outstanding grades a few months ago during the certificate giving ceremony at BRAC auditorium.

JCD leader Helal's death anniversary today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



The 4th death anniversary of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) leader Khandaker Wayes Ahmed Helal will be observed today.

Helal, former general secretary of Dhanmondi thana unit of JCD, was abducted from Dhaka Court premises at gunpoint allegedly by Awami League activists and killed on October 6 in 1998.

In a statement on the occasion, BNP Secretary General and LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan said the trial of the killers of Helal will gather pace in a free and democratic atmosphere.

He said a murder case was filed after his killing but the AL government did not try the killers.

Recalling his contribution, Bhuiyan said late Helal was a fearless fighter against the Awami League misrule.

He also prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.

'Positive attitude can change lives of street children'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Showing positive attitude toward the street children and creating social awareness among the people can change the lives of hundreds of street children in the country.

The participants at a roundtable on 'Problems of the Street Children and the Role of the Civil Society' said this yesterday.

The Social Welfare Ministry organised the event under a project of 'Appropriate Resources for Improving Street Children's Environment' (ARISE) on the occasion of Children's Rights Week-2002.

At the roundtable, experts, government officials and representatives from NGOs and international organisations placed their recommendations for the betterment of the street children.

The speakers stressed the need for concerted efforts with integrated approach to improve the situation of the street children.

They also emphasised the sustainable interventions ensuring mobilisation and utilisation of local and external resources through the participation of all

stakeholders including the local community.

Dr. Kamal Uddin Siddiqui, principal secretary to the prime minister, said political will of the government is vital to improve the lives of the street children.

He said the government is committed to implementing the welfare programmes for the children and now trying to take further initiatives.

"But we need more support from all stakeholders working in this field," he added.

The participants said the girl children who live on the streets are most vulnerable to abuse of different kinds.

Even the law enforcers have abusive attitude toward the street children, they said and urged the government to take punitive actions against those responsible for abusing street children.

In Bangladesh, 3 out of 10 urban children live under difficult circumstances and are involved in dangerous and hazardous jobs. There is violation of human rights at every stage of their lives in urban areas, having no means and access to protection, or support structure to prevent exploitation and negligence, the participants said.

They observed that drug addiction, involvement in criminal

activities and sexual and psychological abuse led the street children into a traumatic situation from where they could never come out.

They called upon the government to ensure social security to protect the distressed children from such situation.

They also demanded proper implementation of the national action plan against child abuse.

Some street children who got shelter in the drop-in centres run by NGOs narrated their terrible experiences on the streets.

Among others, UNDP Representative Dr. Nazim Sahar Sadeq, National Project Director of ARISE Dewan Zakir Hossain, Chairperson of Bangladesh Shishu Odhikar Forum Dr. Hamidul Haque, Wahida Banu of Aparajeyo Bangladesh, Director of the Bangladesh Shishu Academy Dr. Begum Jahana Ara, Farida Akhter of Inner Force, Hiroshi Anzo of UNDP, Iqbal Ahmed of Padakkep and Masud H. Siddique of ILO took part in the discussion.

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Permanent prosecution service suggested

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the meeting pointed out.

An inter-ministerial meeting yesterday strongly favoured the necessity of a permanent prosecution service for the development of criminal judicial system and enhancement of skills.

The first meeting on constitution of permanent prosecution unit to raise the skills of criminal judicial system was held at Law, Justice and Parliament Affairs Ministry with Minister Moudud Ahmed in the chair.

The meeting observed that under the current system there was no scope for training public prosecutors, assistant public prosecutors and the concerned people.

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The government was actively considering formation of a permanent prosecution unit to dispose of the cases smoothly and extend necessary legal cooperation to the government, the meeting was told.

The meeting formed a committee with Kazi Habibul Awal, additional secretary of the law ministry, as its chief to prepare a draft proposal on the issue for submission to the cabinet.

Representatives from the cabinet division, establishment, home and finance ministries and representatives of the IGP and the attorney general will be included in the committee.

After approval of the law and other concerned ministries, the draft would be submitted to the cabinet.

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WORKSHOP ON MANAGING CHANGE. By Prof (Dr) Ranjan Das, an outstanding Professor of Strategic and International Management of the Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta.

UPHCP BANGLADESH. আরবান প্রাইমারী হেলথ কেয়ার প্রকল্প. স্বাস্থ্য সকলের জন্য আপনার পাশেই রয়েছে.

CEPHALON International School. Head Office: Hs. 50, Rd. 8/A, Dhanmondi, Dhaka. CEPHALON INTERNATIONAL is starting its new academic year from November 2002.

ফ্রান্সের বিখ্যাত চিকিৎসক কর্তৃক চিকিৎসার সুযোগ। ন্যাশনাল হার্ট ফাউন্ডেশন হাসপাতাল এন্ড রিসার্চ ইনস্টিটিউটে আর্গামি ০৬ থেকে ০৮ অক্টোবর ২০০২ পর্যন্ত তিন দিনব্যাপী "Interventional Procedures in Peripheral Vascular Diseases" (Carotid Renal and Iliofemoral) এর উপর এক কর্মশালার আয়োজন করেছে।

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