

FFCF property Ultimatum to illegal occupants

BSS, Dhaka

The authorities yesterday issued an ultimatum asking the illegal occupants of the property of Freedom Fighters Complex Fund (FFCF) at Mirpur to leave their possession in next one week.

"A massive campaign to free the freedom fighters property from the illegal occupants has also been launched yesterday in the area," said an official press release issued after a FFCF national committee meeting with State Minister for Liberation War Affairs Ministry Redwan Ahmed in the chair.

13.72 acres of land allotted for the FFCF would be used for the freedom fighters under an integrated plan after the recovery.

"All out measures will be taken for optimum utilisation of all movable and immovable properties of the Freedom Fighters Complex Fund for their overall development," Redwan told the meet-

ing. This was the first meeting of the re-organised national committee of the FFCF.

The first seven-member National Committee of the organisation was headed by the then Vice-President Abdus Sattar.

The FFCF was transferred to the Liberation War Affairs Ministry after its formation during the present government and the committee was reorganised with Redwan Ahmed as its chairman in line with the directives of Prime Minister Khaleda Zia.

Committee members Mohammad Shahjahan, MP, Syed Mehedi Ahmed Rumi, MP, Kazi Mohammad Anwar Hossain, MP, Secretary of the Ministry Khandaker Fazlur Rahman, Secretary General of Muktiyoddha Sangsad (Finance and Planning) Jahangir Ameer and Managing Director of Muktiyoddha Kalyan Trust were present at the meeting.



Teachers and students of Dhaka University took out a procession on the campus yesterday marking the National Education Week 2003.

PM urges South Korea to recruit more Bangladeshis

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia urged the South Koreans to invest more in Bangladesh and recruit more Bangladeshis for the benefit of the two peoples.

Citing the incentives provided by her government to local and foreign investors, the prime minister hoped that the South Korean

entrepreneurs would come up in a bigger way to seize the opportunity.

Khaleda was talking to the newly appointed Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Bangladesh, Kyu-Hyung Lee, when he called on her at the Prime Minister's office yesterday.

She urged the Republic of Korea to recruit more skilled and semi-skilled workers from Bangladesh. "They are well trained and have reputation as hardworking people throughout the world," she told the Korean envoy.

Referring to South Korean Prime Minister Kim Suk Soo's planned visit to Dhaka later this week, the PM said Bangladesh is eagerly waiting for the tour "which will further cement the ties between the two countries".

It was a pleasant surprise for Khaleda when the ambassador inquired the prime minister about her well-being in clear Bangla-

Hyung said although diplomatic ties between Bangladesh and South Korea were established in 1973, the relationship between the two peoples goes a long way back.

He recalled Noble Laureate Rabindra Nath Tagore, the writer and composer of Bangladesh's national anthem, for his visit to Korea way back in 1929 when he wrote some poems on the beautiful country.

Hyung also said national poet Kazi Nazrul Islam and Jasimuddin are also well known in the peninsula.

Mentioning that next year will be the 30th anniversary of diplomatic relationship between the two countries, the South Korean envoy conveyed invitation to Khaleda to visit his country.

Reciprocating the invitation, Khaleda also extended invitation to the South Korean President to visit Bangladesh.

President seeks more Kuwaiti investment

UNB, Dhaka

President Iajuddin Ahmed appreciated Kuwaiti government's care and attention shown towards the expatriate Bangladeshi workforce contributing to Kuwait's economy and hoped that the Gulf country will recruit more Bangladeshis.

He expressed the hope when outgoing Ambassador of Kuwait Ali Hussain al-Sammak called on the president at Bangabhaban yesterday.

President Iajuddin put much stress on economic cooperation between the two countries and appreciated financial assistance provided by Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development in different development projects.

He told the envoy that the Kuwaiti investors might take advantage of the business-friendly investment atmosphere in Bangladesh, particularly in the fields of energy, power generation and distribution, telecommunications, IT and tourism.

President Iajuddin expressed his satisfaction at the excellent bilateral relations existing between Bangladesh and Kuwait - the two brotherly Muslim countries.

"The relations have been developed and diversified in various areas like employment of Bangladesh workforce in Kuwait, trade and investment and defence co-operation," he said.

The outgoing Kuwaiti Ambassador said Bangladesh is a good friend of Kuwait and the existing friendly and brotherly relations, particularly in economic fields, would be developed and diversified in future.

Secretary to the President M Abdul Huq and Additional Foreign Secretary Anwar-ul-Alam were present on the occasion.

1359 more held

UNB, Dhaka

Police arrested 1,359 people including seven extremists and 39 listed criminals from different parts of the country in 24 hours till 6am yesterday.

During the period, police recovered four firearms, one other weapon and three rounds of bullet and filed two cases against one person under the Arms Act, said a press release.

Anwarul Haq new minister (press) to Delhi



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A columnist and reporter, he served a long stint as a journalist.

Before joining his new assignment, he served various newspapers including The Daily Star and now-defunct Morning Sun. At various times, he was the diplomatic and defence correspondent besides being chief reporter and city editor. He resigned from his newspaper before taking up his new appointment given by the government.

Haq served two terms as the president of Dhaka Reporters' Unity (DRU).

A former student of Faujdharhat Cadet College, Anwarul Haq did his Honours and MA from the Department of International Relations at Dhaka University.

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