

### Reserved seat for women in parliament demanded

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
Leaders of the Bangladesh Mahila Parishad have protested the law minister's statement on reserved seats for women in parliament.

On Monday, Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Moudud Ahmed told a workshop that reintroduction of women's reserved seats in parliament as a permanent system would not be possible in the eighth Jatiya Sangsad.

In a statement yesterday, Parishad president Hena Das and general secretary Ayesha Khanam said, "We strongly protest the remarks of the minister that came after one year of the election to the eighth Jatiya Sangsad."

They said the demand for direct election to the reserved seats is now a national issue and every woman and human rights organization of the country are now

united to realise the demand. Demanding an increase in the women's reserved seats and direct election to those, the leaders urged the government to take necessary steps to place a bill in parliament soon to this end.

### Japanese Language Lab handed over to DU BSS, Dhaka

The Japanese Language Laboratory, set up at the Institute of Modern Languages of Dhaka University with the grant of Japanese government, was handed over to the Dhaka University yesterday.

Dhaka University Vice-Chancellor Prof SMA Faiz attended the handing over ceremony as the chief guest while Japanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Jiro Kobayashi was present as special guest.

## Deadlock at Viqarunnisa University Guardians seek PM's intervention

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
Guardians of 133 students of Viqarunnisa University have sought intervention of the prime minister for resumption of academic activities of the university.

The frustrated guardians made the appeal at a press conference at Dhaka Reporters Unity auditorium yesterday after they failed to have any cooperation of the authorities concerned in this regard.

The university was closed on September 13 following scuffle between the University Foundation and the School and College Governing Body.

After the closure, signboard of the university was removed, construction work of university building was stalled and the school governing body is not letting students

and teachers of the university enter the compound.

"Whenever we call them over telephone to know the situation, members of the governing body say there is no university here", said a guardian Nazmul Haq while addressing the press conference.

The University Foundation gave us so far eight dates for reopening the university but failed, he said alleging that none of them disclosed the fact.

The foundation told us twice that a new building would be constructed at Moghbarar but denied later, said Shagufta, a first batch student of English.

Some guardians said the tussle between the foundation and the governing body erupted over the construction of the 22-storied university building which ultimately

resulted in the closure of the university.

There may be tussle between the school governing body and the university foundation but that must not hamper the academic activities, the guardians said. If there is any irregularities or anomalies, let it be settled in the court.

They urged the prime minister to take immediate steps to resume academic activities under any arrangement.

Asked about taking legal aids, Nazmul Haq said "It is a long procedure and our sons and daughters will have to suffer a long time in that case".

The guardians said they would stage a sit-in programme in front of the Prime Minister's Office after three days unless the government takes step to resume academic

activities of the university.

"If the sit-in fails to press the government and the authorities concerned, we will go for a fast unto death programme", said Nasiruddin Ahmed, another guardian.

A total of 133 students are now studying in three batches in three departments English, BBA and Computer Science.

"Can you please tell us what fault we have done getting admission in Viqarunnisa University? Now we have no place to go for admission after completion of three semesters here" said Tania, a first batch student, expressing a gush of frustration.

"We studied in the school and college for last 12 years but our teachers now do not hesitate to misbehave with us whenever we go there", said Naushin, another first batch student of English.

## Plan to integrate donors in arsenic mitigation

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
The Local Government Ministry is preparing a national plan to integrate all donor agencies working for mitigation of arsenic contamination for well-coordinated efforts in this regard.

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan disclosed this when a 6-member delegation of the World Bank called on him at his secretariat office yesterday.

He said currently a number of organisations and donor agencies including DANIDA, UNDP and WB, are working separately for mitigation of the arsenic problem in the country but those isolated efforts are not bringing satisfactory results.

As the arsenic contamination is detected in the ground water of almost all parts of the country, a coordinated effort is a must for resolving the problem urgently, he added.

Later, talking to reporters, the LGRD minister said usually the donor agencies place proposal for any project. But this time the government is preparing a national plan to involve all the donor agencies to work together under one project for immediate mitigation of the arsenic problem.

He said the WB and other donor agencies have appreciated the initiative of the government and agreed to work under the plan because all ongoing projects are aimed to mitigate arsenic.

The LGRD minister said he had asked the WB delegation to extend all-out supports for arsenic mitigation programmes after preparing the national plan.

During the meeting, the delegation also discussed construction of eastern bypass, planned urbanisation and other issues of common concern.

Members of the WB delegation included Country Director F Temple, Director for South Asian Transport Affairs Vincent Guan, Guang Chen, Fabio Gally, Moniruzzaman Kazi and Masudul Mannan.

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Location guide : In between Gulshan-1 & 2, opposite Azad Mosque/ behind France Embassy/ Grameen Phone Head Office celebration point area.

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OPPORTUNITY EXISTS FOR INVESTMENT IN HOTEL/ MOTELS. YOU CAN BE PART OWNER. INVESTMENT REQUIREMENT 1 TO 5 LAC US DOLLAR. SEND OFFER TO BOX NO. A 4997, C/O. DAILY STAR, 19 KAWRAN BAZAR, DHAKA-1215 BY 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2002.

**Study in UK**  
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Sport-Admission at Coming Friday (8 Nov-2002) for January-2003.  
Sub : (i) Computer (ii) BBA (iii) MBA (iv) Hotel Management (v) Law (vi) Design. (vii) Nursing.  
Please Contact: MR. ERIC R-FORBES (Principal) Queens Park College London.  
Please come with your all Academic Documents. Time : 10a.m. to 7p.m.  
Dhaka Office : **Royal Global Network**, H # 139, Lane-4, Eastern Road, New DOHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka. Phone : 9885293, 018-284135  
Sylhet Office : Attention: Harunur Rashid (Panna), Tajmahal Travels, Shahjalal Road, Jindabazar, (Opposite of Krishi Bank Sylhet), Tel: 714161, Mob: 0171-140840

**In Gratitude..**  
We, the family of the late Akber Kabir, who breathed his last on 17 October 2002, would like to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who has taken the time to pay their respects to him and shared our grief in person or through different means.  
We wish to thank all who grieved and prayed for the departed soul with the warmth and closeness of a family member. Thank you kindly for being there.  
Family Members of Akber Kabir

**Death anniversary**  
Today is the first death anniversary of Barrister Lutfur Rahman Shahjahan, a noted social worker, Child and Human Rights activist, advocate of Supreme Court of Bangladesh and Founder Chairperson of Chinnamul Shishu Kishore Sangstha (CSKS), says a press release.  
On this occasion, memorial and condolence meetings and milad mahfils will be held at CSKS centres and bases including central centre at Sadarghat in the city.

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Sales Girls for a Handicraft Shop. Apply with CV & Photograph by 15-11-2002. Box No. A-4996, C/O. The Daily Star, Dhaka-1215

**Car Sale**  
MERCEDES Car, Registration-95, Serial-11, CC-2299, Celender-4, Gear Manual, All Power, Color-White, Mob. 018-130300. C-2422

**Dhaka Electric Supply Company Ltd. (DESCO)**  
House # 5, Road # 11/2, Block # B, Section # 10, Mirpur, Dhaka-1216, Bangladesh.  
**Extension of Time Bid Notice No. 09/2002**  
Due to unavoidable circumstances, the schedule of bid submission & opening of bids against Bid Notice No. 09/2002 under Memo No. DESCO/Secy/01/2002/1541 dt. 04/09/2002 is hereby revised. The revised schedule is shown in table below. This notice has reference to Amendment 02 of the bidding document.

Contract/Lot No.	Item	Selling of Bidding Documents starts from	Deadline for Bid Submission	Time of Opening of bids
(i) 1731DESC-3	11KV, 3-Core, XLPE, 300 sq.mm Copper and 240 sq.mm Aluminium Cable with Jointing Kits.	10/09/2002	12.00 hours on 20/11/2002	12.30 hours on 20/11/2002

All other terms and conditions of the bid notice shall remain unchanged.  
November 05, 2002  
Memo No. DESCO/CS/01/2002/2279  
A.H.M. Nurul Huda  
Company Secretary

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PLEASE CONTACT:  
**HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER**  
PH: 9571920, 9667591  
GOLDEN TULIP OVERSEAS  
CONVERSATION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ENGLISH ONLY.  
C-2423

**INDEPENDENT UNIVERSITY, BANGLADESH**  
House 3 Road 10 Baridhara Dhaka 1212.  
Tel : 9884498, 9881917, 9881681,

**PURCHASE OF VEHICLE**  
Sealed quotations are invited for supply of a Sedan Toyota car, more or less 2000 c.c. 1999/ 2000 or latest model, 6 cylinder, petrol engine with A/C, power steering, from bonafide importers / suppliers.  
Interested parties are requested to send sealed quotations with price and delivery schedule by 2 p.m. of 21 November 2002. IUB reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the offers without assigning any reason whatsoever and not be under any obligation to accept the lowest quotation.

**বাংলাদেশ মুক্তিযোদ্ধা কল্যাণ ট্রাস্ট**  
স্বাধীনতা ভবন  
শিল্প ও বাণিজ্য বিভাগ  
৮৮, মতিঝিল বাণিজ্যিক এলাকা, ঢাকা-১০০০।  
**বিষয় : আন্তর্জাতিক পুনঃ দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

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০১।	পিই/ডাবানী/আইএনটি/পুনঃ/টিআর-০৪৬/২০০২-২০০৩ তারিখ ০৪-১১-০২	(১) টেক্সটাইল বিপি	২%	৪০০/- টাকা (চারশত) টাকা	২৪-১১-০২ ৩০-১১-০২ ০২-১২-০২	২৪-১১-০২ ৩০-১১-০২ ০২-১২-০২

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কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন বা সকল টেন্ডার বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।  
মোঃ আজিজুর রহমান  
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For further details please contact the following AUB-offices (Admission office is open everyday)  
Main Campus : House 9, Road 5, Sector 7, Uttara, Dhaka. Tel: 8916116, 8912366, 8922992  
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**AFTAB AUTOMOBILES LIMITED**  
125/A, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka  
**ANNOUNCEMENT**  
This is for information to all shareholders of the Company that the Board of Directors in the Meeting held at its Registered Office on 05.11.2002 at 3:30 p.m. have recommended Dividend @ Tk. 18/- per ordinary share of Tk. 100/- each fully paid-up i.e. 18% for the F.Y. ended 31.08.2002 (subject to approval by the shareholders in the ensuing 22nd Annual General Meeting of the Company scheduled to be held on 22.12.2002).  
In this connection, the Members Register of the Company shall remain closed (Book-Closing) from 24.11.2002 to 22.12.2002 (both days inclusive).  
By order of the Board  
Dated : Dhaka 05.11.2002  
Sd/-  
DEPUTY SECRETARY

**পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ**  
**POWER GRID COMPANY OF BANGLADESH LTD.**  
(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)  
Red Crescent Concord Tower, 17, Mohakhali C/A, 6th Floor, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh

**TENDER NOTICE**

- Tender Notice No. : GMD/Dhaka/North/30/02/1021 dated:28.10.02
- Name of the work : Local Tender (Open) for supply of 9 (Nine) Nos. Single Phase 33KV/110V P.T. (V.T.) for GMD, Dhaka (North) PGCB.
- Earnest money : Earnest money equal to 5% of the tendered amount shall have to be submitted along with the offer in the form of Bank Draft/Pay-Order in favour of Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Ltd.
- Tender documents will be available at : a) DGM, Grid Circle Dhaka, PGCB I, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.  
b) Company Secretary, PGCB, 17 Mohakhali C/A, Red Crescent Concord Tower, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.  
c) Manager, GMD, Dhaka North, PGCB, 80 Mohakhali C/A, (First floor), Dhaka-1212.
- Cost of tender documents : Per set Tk. 300/- (Three hundred) only (Non-refundable) in the form of Bank Draft/Pay-Order in favour of Power Grid Company of Bangladesh Ltd.
- Qualification of Contractors : Bonafide Manufacturers or their local Agents/ Pre-Qualified contractors of BPDB & DESA.
- Tender documents will be received at : Offices of serial No. 4 (a) & 4 (c) mentioned above.
- Last date & Time of sales of tender documents : On 17/12/02 till 15.00 hours
- Last date & time of receive of tender documents : On 18/12/02 at 12.00 hours
- Date & time of tender opening : On 18/12/02 at 12.30 P.M.
- Completion time of supply work : 90 (Ninety) days from the date of issuance of work order.
- Special terms & conditions : a) Proper documents of manufacturing or Pre-qualifications should be produced before purchasing of tender documents.  
b) After successful completion of supply payment will be made by Bangladeshi currency (Taka) only.

The tender will be opened by tender committee in presence of the tenders (if any). The Undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason.  
**Eng. Md. Billal Hossain**  
Manager  
GMD, Dhaka (North) PGCB.

**WONDERLAND TOYS LTD.**  
HOUSE # 133, ROAD # 1, BARIDHARA DOHS, DHAKA-1206.  
**NOTICE OF THE 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
Notice is hereby given that the 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of Wonderland Toys Ltd. will be held on Tuesday, the 24th December 2002 at 10:30 a.m. at the factory premises of the company at B.K. Bari, Rajendrapur, Gazipur, to transact the following business :

**AGENDA**

- To confirm the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the company held on 26th December, 2001.
- To receive, consider and adopt the Audited Accounts as of 30th June, 2002 together with reports of the Auditors and the Directors thereon.
- To declare dividend @ Tk. 10.00 per Share for all Shareholders other than Sponsors.
- To elect Directors.
- To appoint Auditors for the year 2002-2003 and to fix their remuneration.
- To transact any other business of the Company with the permission of the Chair.

By Order of the Board  
Sd/-  
(Md. Monir Hossain)  
Company Secretary  
Date : 5th November, 2002.

**NOTES :**

- The Register of the Members and Share Transfer Book of the Company will remain closed from 3rd December 2002 to 24th December 2002 (both days inclusive). During that period no share transfer will be effected. The shareholders whose names will appear in the share register of the Company at the close of business on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2002 will be entitled to the dividend.
- A member entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and vote on his/her behalf. The proxy form, duly stamped, must be deposited at the Head Office of the Company not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the meeting.
- Members are requested to notify change of address, if any, to the Company.
- For the sake of convenience shareholders are requested to submit their queries on the Directors' report/Audited Accounts for the year 2001-2002, if any, at the Head Office of the Company preferably 7 days before the day of the Annual General Meeting.
- Admission to the meeting room will be strictly on production of attendance slip sent with the Annual Report.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITY**  
for Junior Medical Representative  
The IBN SINA Pharmaceutical Industry Ltd. a leading healthcare company in the country, is engaged in diversified marketing activities with a range of pharmaceutical finished products. To meet ever increasing market demand, the company invites applications for the post of Junior Medical Representative with the following criteria :  
◆ M.Sc/B.Sc or postgraduate in Marketing, Economics, International Relation, Public Administration, Accounting, Social Welfare and Political Science but must have science group up to H.S.C level.  
◆ No third division or class at any level.  
◆ Age : within 28 years,  
◆ Must have excellent communication skill & good appearance.  
◆ Must be willing to travel extensively and ready to work anywhere in Bangladesh.  
◆ Should be ideologically sound.  
◆ Height minimum 5'-4" with sound physical & mental health.  
◆ Should be dynamic, hard working and self-motivated.  
Attractive pay package shall be offered to really deserving candidates with fast-track career opportunity.  
Candidates should mail detail C.V. and attested copies of certificates. (Academic and experience) along with recent colour photograph by 15<sup>th</sup> November 2002 to the following address :  
**COMPANY SECRETARY**  
House # 41, Road # 10/A  
Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1209