

## 'Govt distorts history of November 7'

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Speakers at a discussion yesterday alleged that the government is observing the November 7 as 'National Revolution and Solidarity Day' by distorting the history of the day.

They said that on this day in 1975, the sepoy and the people led by Col. Taher had embarked on a revolution to restore chain of command in the army and establish democracy with a representation of the working people.

The Taher Smriti Sangsad organised the discussion on 'Revolution and Counter-revolution: Experience of the 7th November' at the TSC seminar room on the

Dhaka University campus. Presided over by Kamal Lohani, the discussion was addressed by Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD) President Hasanul Haq Inu, Haidar Akbar Khan Rono, Abdul Kader Hawladar and Group Captain (Retd) Fazlul Haq.

Inu said Col. Taher saved the lives of hundreds of army officers by leading the revolution which had a positive effect on the nation.

Abdul Kader Hawladar called for upholding the ideals of Taher who wanted to ensure the rights of people of all walks.

Fazlul Haq urged the left-leaning parties to launch a movement unitedly to resist the communal force.

## Bhutanese envoy calls on Hasina

UNB, Dhaka

Newly appointed Bhutanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Dasho Dophu Tshering called on Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina at her Sudha Sadan residence in the city yesterday.

During the meeting, the envoy said he would try his best to further strengthen the excellent bilateral relations between the two countries.

He conveyed the greetings of Bhutanese King and the Prime Minister to Hasina.

Sheikh Hasina, also the Awami League president, recalled that Bhutan is the first country to recognise Bangladesh as an independent nation and hoped that the excellent ties would further be consolidated in the years to come.

She said the bilateral relations between Bangladesh and Bhutan, particularly in the fields of trade and commerce, developed remarkably during the tenure of her government and it had a plan to set up an international airport at Syedpur to facilitate air link with Bhutan.



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## Ctg BNP programmes to observe Nov 7

BSS, Chittagong

All preparations have been completed to observe the historic 'National Revolution and Solidarity Day' in the city and elsewhere in the district today in a befitting manner.

Besides the national programmes, BNP and its front organisations, different socio-cultural bodies have drawn up elaborate programmes to observe the day.

The programmes include holding of rally, discussion, milad mahfil, placing of wreaths at the monument of Sholashahar Biplob Udyan and painting competition for the children.

The programmes of the Chittagong City BNP and its front organisations will herald with hoisting of the national and party flags atop party offices, placing of wreaths at Monument at Sholashahar, holding of rally and discussion.

Identical programmes will also be held in all city ward offices of BNP and its front organisations till November 18.

State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism and city BNP presi-

dent Mir Mohammad Nasiruddin at a preparatory meeting recently called upon the workers and supporters of the party to make the programmes a success.

The programmes of the district administration include discussion meeting and painting competition for the children.

Food minister and joint secretary general of BNP central committee, Abdullah Al Noman is expected to be the chief guest at the discussion meeting at Zia Memorial Museum auditorium this afternoon.

The Chittagong south district BNP programmes also include, hoisting of the national and party flags atop party offices, placing of wreaths, at Biplob Udyan, discussion meeting and illumination of its office at Dost building in the city.

To mark the occasion, Chittagong Medical College unit of the Doctors Association of Bangladesh will hold a discussion meeting to be followed by Iftar Mahfil.

Islamic Foundation Chittagong divisional office will hold a Milad and Doa Mahfil at its Andarkilla office today.

## Death anniversary



The 3rd death anniversary of Alhaj Dr. Rafiuddin Ahmed, a philanthropist, religious personality and ex-chairman of Bengal Bay

Group, will be observed tomorrow, says a press release.

On the occasion, khatem-e-Quran Sharif, doa and milad mahfil, will be held at his village home at Chowra Mia Bari, Shahdargaon, Gazipur, after Asr prayers.

## Advocate Fayzur Rahman



The first death anniversary of Advocate Fayzur Rahman will be observed tomorrow, says a press release.

On the occasion, a quran-

khwani, doa and iftar mahfil will be held at his residence at 57 Satish Road, Gendaria tomorrow.

In 1954, Fayzur was elected MIA on Juktafont ticket. He was also elected president of Dhaka, Ainjibi Samity twice.

To mark his death anniversary, a milad and doa mahfil was held at his village home at Kaliganj, Gazipur, on October 30.



Students of Spectrum International School explain their project to the visitors at the science fair held at the school on Sunday.

## Science Fair at Spectrum Int'l School

Spectrum International School organised a day-long Science Fair on its campus in the city on November 3, says a press release.

Renowned scientist Prof Dr Shamsher Ali, Vice Chancellor, South East University, graced the occasion as chief guest while Dr A Hasan R Khan, director, IFRD was present as special guest.

Thirty-seven projects of different nature including global warming, environment pollution and its effect, electromagnet and generator were on display in the fair.

Prof Shamsher Ali urged the students to be science-minded. He emphasised more on practical side of science rather than the bookish knowledge only.

## NMACC to oversee poverty alleviation programmes

BSS, Dhaka

The government has formed a National Micro-credit Activities Coordination Committee (NMACC) with Finance and Planning Minister M Saifur Rahman as chairman to monitor the micro-credit activities and oversee the poverty alleviation programmes.

Secretary of the Rural Development and Cooperative Division Dhiraj Kumar Nath has been made its member secretary.

Minister for LGRD and Cooperatives Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan told this at a workshop on "Bangladesh Rural Development Board (BRDB): Success and Future," organised by BRDB at its office here yesterday.

Moderated by BRDB Director General A F M Motiur Rahman, the workshop was addressed by State Minister for LGRD and Cooperatives Ziaul Huq Zia, Deputy Minister Ruhul Qaddus Talukder, Secretary of the Rural Development and Cooperatives Division Dhiraj Kumar Nath, former chiefs of BRDB Hasnat Hye, Azizur Rahman, Heuayetul Islam Chowdhury, and Karar Mahmudul Islam, president of BRDB Officers Association Shamsul Alam and general secretary Shahebul Islam.

Bhuiyan said poverty alleviation is one of the prime pro-

gramme of the government and the activities of this programme would be channelled through BRDB -- the only government agency working on it for many years with a good number of success stories.

He said BRDB had taken scattered programmes on it, particularly in the agriculture sector. But these programmes were either abandoned or suspended for lack of follow-up measures.

The minister asked the BRDB officials to undertake long-term comprehensive programmes in different sectors on poverty alleviation and the government will

definitely extend all-out cooperation in this regard.

Bhuiyan suggested them to have round the year time-befitting training programme to pass on their expertise to the remote areas for the grassroots level development so that the next generation can avail the benefit of it.

Deputy Minister Ruhul Qaddus Talukder said if the officials and field-level workers work sincerely, BRDB will regain its glory. Hasnat Hye stressed the need for regular round-table discussion involving different professionals and experts and media representatives which, he said, will help bring more accountability of the officers concerned.

Azizur Rahman suggested to formulate strategy for sustainable poverty alleviation programme through a national rural development policy.

## EWU concludes education week

East West University (EWU) concluded its national education week yesterday, says a press release.

The theme of this year's education week was "Education for self-reliance". This was the first participation of the university in such a national event. Organised under the supervision of the Dean of Faculties, Prof Abdul Mannan, students of the university participated in recitation, extempore speech, dance, music and essay writing.



Aptech Worldwide Bangladesh celebrated 'Aptech Day' at the IDB Bhaban auditorium in the city on Monday on completion of 5th year of its operation in Bangladesh. Minister for Science and Information & Communication Technology Dr. Abdul Moyeen Khan distributed prizes among the winners of Nationwide Programming Contest organised on the occasion.

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Office of the Director, Project Coordination  
Mymensingh, Jamalpur & Sherpur Smallholder  
Agriculture Improvement Project  
Directorate of Agriculture Extension  
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Memo No. SAIP/D-74/2002/851 Dated 23-10-2002

### Tender Notice

Tenders in own pad are hereby invited from interested English to Bengali translator firms/persons/organisations for Bengali translation of approximately 850-page Project Appraisal Report Vol-1&2 of Mymensingh-Jamalpur & Sherpur Smallholder Agriculture Improvement Project (SAIP). Sample can be seen on next 5 (five) working days after issue of the notice. Sealed tenders should be submitted during office hours within 15-11-2002 at the project office. No tender will be acceptable after the said date. Tenders will be opened on 16-11-2002 at 11:00 hours at this office in presence (if any) of the tenderers.

Terms and conditions:

- Bengali translation should be done in customary language following Bangla Academy approved spelling rules.
- Technical words can be written intact in Bengali.
- Final draft translation typed in A4 size offset paper should be submitted to the office of the Director, Project Coordination within 1 (one) month of receiving work order. Soft copy (floppy) should be supplied later.
- There shall be no binding for acceptance of the lowest rate. The decision of the authority will be treated as final in this regard.
- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.
- The claimed bill amount will be paid through Account payee cheque in favour of the work order holder person or firm subject to submission of bill after satisfactory completion of overall works.
- If necessary, the Director, Project Coordination, SAIP, DAE, Khamarbari may be contacted.

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**Head Quarters**  
Bangladesh Coast Guard  
DOHS Baridhara, Dhaka-1206

Tender No-Log-178/2910 13 Kartik 1409/28 October 2002

### Tender Notice

1) Tenders under sealed envelope are invited from manufacturers or suppliers with VAT registration in VAT-8 form enlisted as Procurement Provider, for purchase (in local currency) of the undermentioned items for Bangladesh Coast Guard.

Sl No	Name of item	Quantity	Remarks
A)	Jersey without CG pocket	215 nos	As per stocked sample of Coast Guard
B)	Jersey with CG pocket	85 nos	---do---
C)	Sports jersey white	42 nos	---do---

2) Tender schedule with necessary terms & conditions can be collected from the Coast Guard Head Quarters, during office (0900-1230) hours on any working day. Price of tender schedule Tk 450/00 (Taka four hundred fifty) only (non-refundable). The last date of selling tender schedule is 23 November 2002. Last time of receiving tender is up to 1200 hours of 24 November 2002. Date of opening tender by the committee in presence (if any) of the attending tenderers, is on 24 November 2002 at 1230 hours.

3) Separate tenders in two copies for each item of serial no 'A' to 'C' should be submitted in sealed envelope to the Director General of Coast Guard. Tender no. and date should be mentioned on the envelope. Total price should be mentioned beside the unit price. Sample must be submitted at the time of opening tender. It is to be mentioned that, supply of goods should be completed within 30 days of issuing work order.

4) Coast guard authority reserves the right to accept/reject any or all the tenders, without assigning any reason.

**M A Gaffar**  
Commander BN  
For Director General

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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Local Government Engineering Directorate  
Office of the Executive Engineer  
Cox's Bazar

Memo No. LGED/EE/Cox/Tender-2/2002/888 Dated: 24-10-2002

### Tender Notice

No. 11/2002-2003

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited for implementation of 2 schemes under Rural Infrastructure Development Project: Greater Noakhali & Chittagong District Project in Cox's Bazar district during 2002-2003 financial year under Local Government Engineering Directorate. Only up to date renewed (as per financial capacity) contractors having fit-in/joint registration can participate.

1. Place of purchasing & submitting tender schedule	: 1. Divisional Commissioner, Chittagong Division, Chittagong. 2. Project Director, Rural Infrastructure Development Project: Greater Noakhali & Chittagong District Project, Local Government Engineering Directorate, LGED Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207. 3. Executive Engineer, LGED, Chittagong. 4. Upazila Engineer, LGED, (all), Cox's Bazar.
2. Date of receiving tender in tender box	: 14-11-2002 up to 1:00 PM at the respective offices.
3. Date of opening tender	: 14-11-2002 up to 1:30 PM at the respective offices.
4. Last date of selling tender schedule	: 13-11-2002 (during office hours).
5. Earnest money	: The amount mentioned in tender notice in the form of BD/CD/Pay Order from any scheduled bank in favour of Executive Engineer, LGED, Cox's Bazar.
6. Rate in percentage at par/above/below should be quoted in designated place in tender schedule & Form No. 2911.	
7. Detailed tender notice & other information can be seen & known from the office of the undersigned & respective offices during office hours and this notice of LGED can be seen on web site <a href="http://www.lged.org">www.lged.org</a> .	

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**DHAKA TODAY**

**Cultural show**  
The annual cultural show of Step by Step School, Lalmitia will be held. The show aims at raising fund for treatment of Thalassemia patients-a community service project of the school. Venue: Public Library auditorium, Shahbagh. Time: 10.30am.

**Art exhibition**  
The inaugural ceremony of a two-day art exhibition by Manendra Singh will be held with Madame Ines Lummaux as chief guest. Venue: Essentials, House-30, Road-42, Gulshan-2. Time: 6.30pm.

**Presentation**  
Dhaka Community Hospital organises a presentation on 'New framework for water quality management' by Australian water expert Dr Peter Nadebaum. Venue: Hospital auditorium, Bara Moghbazar. Time: 10.30am.

**Discussion**  
Tomoddun Majlis organises a discussion on the occasion of National Revolution and Solidarity Day. Venue: 141, New Circular Road. Time: 10.00am.

**Installation ceremony**  
The installation ceremony of the newly elected executive committee of Jalalabad Association, Dhaka, will be held with Finance and Planning Minister M Saifur Rahman as chief guest. Venue: BIAM auditorium, New Eskaton. Time: 2.30pm.

**Memorial meeting**  
Bangladesh Mahila Parishad organises a meeting in memory of Ela Mitra, the legendary leader of Tebhaga movement. Venue: Mahila Parishad Office, 10/B/1 Segun Bagicha. Time: 10.00am.

**Seminar**  
The closing session of a seminar on 'National Society and the State', organised by Ahmed Sofa Institute of Political Studies, will be held. Venue: Dhaka Community Hospital auditorium, Bara Moghbazar. Time: 10.00am.

**Rally**  
Institute of Diploma Engineers, Bangladesh (IDEB) organises a rally on the occasion of its 33rd founding anniversary with Science, Information and Communication Technology Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan as chief guest. Venue: In front of IDEB central office, Kakrail. Time: 10.30am.

**French film show**  
Alliance Francaise will screen a film titled 'A double tour' directed by Claude Chabrol. Venue: Alliance Francaise auditorium, Dhanmondi. Time: 6.00pm.

**Indian film show**  
Zahir Raihan Film Society in collaboration with the High Commission of India will screen 'Shyam Benegal Retrospective'. On the inaugural day, a film titled 'Ankur' will be screened. Venue: High Commission of India Cultural Centre auditorium, Salmajid Road, Dhanmondi. Time: 6.15am.

**DHAKA TOMORROW**

**WEATHER TODAY**

**Light rain or drizzle likely**

UNB, Dhaka

Light rain or drizzle is likely at one or two places over Dhaka, Rajshahi, Khulna and Sylhet divisions today.

Weather may remain mainly dry with partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country during the period, Met office said.

Country's highest temperature 33.2 degree Celsius was recorded at Chittagong and lowest 17.8 degree Celsius at Srimangol yesterday.

The sun sets in the capital at 5:16 pm today and rises at 6:08 am tomorrow.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	30.7	22.4	70	62
Chittagong	33.2	23.0	68	72
Rajshahi	30.4	19.5	79	87
Khulna	32.0	22.2	78	74
Barisal	31.3	22.0	83	88
Sylhet	31.8	20.0	67	77
Cox's Bazar	32.7	22.0	71	74