

Victory fair begins in Chittagong Dec 16

CU CORRESPONDENT A 15-day 'Mukujuddher Bijoy Mela' (victory fair) will begin at the outer stadium in the port city on December 16.

Mohiuddin Chowdhury, the meeting was attended by Prof. Abu Yusuf Alam, pro-vice chancellor of the Chittagong University (CU).

Munshi Faiz new envoy to Singapore

BSS, Dhaka The government has decided to appoint Munshi Faiz Ahmed, at present Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations, New York, as the next High Commissioner of Bangladesh to the Republic of Singapore.

1180 more held

UNB, Dhaka Police arrested 1,180 people, including two listed criminals, from different parts of the country over the last 24 hours ending at 6:00 am yesterday.



PHOTO: STAR Crammed with home-bound people, a launch makes its way through Buriganga river after leaving the Sadarghat Launch Terminal in the city yesterday.

Two extortionists get 5 years' RI in Ctg

BSS, Ctg Metropolitan Magistrate of Law and Order Disrupting Crimes (Speedy Trial) here on Tuesday sentenced two persons to five years Rigorous Imprisonment (RI) and fined Tk 3,000 each, in default, to suffer three months more RI for demanding extortion from a hotel owner in the city.

The prosecution story, in brief, is that the convicts came to Janapriya Hotel at Muradpur in the city and demanded Tk 50,000 from Nurul Alam, owner of the hotel, on October 10 last.

When Nurul Alam refused to give money, the convicts tried to kidnap him. He raised hue and cry and the local people rushed to the spot and caught red-handed the extortionists. Later, they were handed over to the Panchlaish police.

After investigation, Panchlaish police submitted charge sheet accusing the persons following a case filed by the victim.

Magistrate Wahidul Islam pronounced the verdict convicting

the two extortionists.

The convicted persons are Pervez Ahmed, son of Shafulul Islam and Alauddin, son of Shahjahan of Panchlaish thana of the city.

Liberation War Museum to remain closed Dec 5-8

UNB, Dhaka The Liberation War Museum will remain closed from December 5 to 8 on the occasion of holy Eid-ul-Fitr.

The museum will open on December 9, said a press release.

Postal holiday

UNB, Dhaka All the post offices across the country will remain closed on December 5, 6 and 7 on the occasion of holy Eid-ul-Fitr.

However, the post offices having GEP-EMS services will continue their activities during the holidays.

Muslim leaders greet President

BSS, Dhaka Heads of state and government of Muslim countries have wished continued peace and progress of Bangladesh and welfare of its people.

In their messages of good wish to President Iajuddin Ahmed on the occasion of the Holy Eid-ul-Fitr, the leaders of the Muslim countries also prayed to Almighty Allah for blessings, welfare and unity among Muslim Ummah.

The messages received so far were from: Sultan of Oman Qaboos Bin Said, King of Jordan Abdullah II, King of Bahrain Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa, Amir of Qatar Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, President of Syria Bashar Al-Assad, President of Egypt Mohamed Hosny Mubarak, President of UAE Zayed Bin Sultan Al-Nahyan and President of Libya Colonel Muammer El-Qadhafi.

595 to be freed

UNB, Dhaka The government has decided to release 595 under-trial prisoners on the occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr and Victory Day, an official handout said yesterday.

American International University Bangladesh advertisement with logo and text: 'Where Leaders are Created', listing various degree programs and admission details for 2002-2003.

Moochie advertisement for ladies shoes and handbags, featuring images of shoes and the text 'Celebrate your feet With beautifully handcrafted Ladies shoes and matching handbags'.

Blazers and Suits advertisement for FIT ELEGANCE, featuring a man in a suit and text: 'Blazers 5-button shirt collar, 2 button blazers, 3 button blazers' and 'Suits Zipper m-suits, 3 Button m-suits'.

Advertisement for 'Talikabazujir' (Toll-free) service, mentioning a 2003 award and providing contact information for the service.

Large advertisement for GrameenPhone 'Eid arrival' featuring various mobile phone models (Nokia, Siemens, Motorola, etc.) with prices and promotional text: 'Share the Magic, Send Eid Greetings through GP Text Mail Service.'.

Memorial advertisement for Jenny, Yasmeen Rahman, dated Mar-17, 1955 to Dec-6, 2001, with a portrait and text: 'It's been a year; since our dear sister left us.'.

Large 'Eid Greetings' advertisement for GrameenPhone, featuring a colorful illustration of a house and people, with text: 'Eid Greetings to our subscribers, patrons & well wishers'.