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- University degree preferably in the Social Science at the Masters or higher level with a research background.
- Past experience in research related activities, particularly in promoting, supervising, monitoring and administering research projects relating to development and poverty alleviation.
- Fluency in written and spoken Bengali and English.
- The applicant is requested to write a short note, HALF OF IT IN ENGLISH AND HALF IN BENGALI, on what s/he has learnt from her/his previous work and experience what her/his thinking is on poverty alleviation strategy/approaches, on participation, how to improve women's status among poverty groups and how to help the "missing poor".

Applications with supporting documents may be sent to the address given below. After preliminary screening, short-listed candidates would be invited for interview.

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*In everlasting memory of*



**Brig. Intiaz Ahmed Chowdhury**

*whose untimely passing away this day last year has left a void in our lives that will never be filled.*

*May his soul rest in eternal peace.*

*Rjta,  
Twinkle, Tania, Imran, Ishan  
Russel, Shamim,  
Anaf, Sinam & Nazel*

**'Reject agreement on immunity for US citizens'**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Ganatantrik Biplobi Jote yesterday called on the government not to sign any agreement granting immunity to US citizens from prosecution under the International Criminal Court that will try war crimes, genocide and crimes against humanity.

In a statement yesterday, the Jote leaders said that signing such agreement with the US means saving the US soldiers responsible for mass killing in Iraq.

They said the agreement would not allow Bangladesh to take action against the US citizens accused of war crimes.

The signatories to the statement include Badruddin Omar, Faizul Hakim Lala, Hasibur Rahman, Mridul Kanti Das and Dr Abdul Hakim.

They also called for launching a mass movement against the 'servile foreign policy' of the four-party alliance government.

**BAEC, USGS sign MOU**

Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission (BAEC) and the United States Geological Survey (USGS) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Saturday for scientific study of ground water in deep aquifers, says a press release.

Under the MOU, the BAEC and USGS will conduct underground water samples for chemical and isotopic analysis.

The study will help determine the potential of the deep aquifer as a long-term source of pure drinking water.

Prof. Dr Naiyym Chowdhury, chairman of BAEC, and John Witney, project chief, South Asian Arsenic Project of USGS, signed the MOU.

Dr CS Karim, member (physical science), Quazi Fariduddin, director of International Affairs Division, Dr M Moukbul Hossain, director of Scientific Information Division, Nasir Ahmed, head of Isotope Hydrology Section, and Safiur Rahman, scientific officer of Nuclear & Radiation Chemistry Division, were present at the signing ceremony.



Dhaka Bank Limited has donated a passenger lift and two haemodialysis machines to BIRDEM hospital. Minister for Housing and Public Works Mirza Abbas hands over the letter of commitment in this regard to President of Diabetic Association Prof. Wahiduddin Mahmud at a ceremony at BIRDEM auditorium on Saturday.

**Dhaka Bank donates lift, haemodialysis machines to BIRDEM**

On the occasion of its 8th anniversary, Dhaka Bank Limited has donated a passenger lift and two haemodialysis machines to Bangladesh Institute of Research and Rehabilitation in Diabetic, Endocrine and Metabolic Disorders (BIRDEM), says a press release.

Minister for Housing and Public Works Mirza Abbas presented the Letter of Commitment by Dhaka Bank to President of Diabetic Association Prof. Wahiduddin Mahmud at a ceremony held at BIRDEM auditorium on Saturday.

The bank will replace one passenger lift at the hospital and purchase two dialysis machines for the Haemodialysis Unit of the hospital, now operating with only 11 dialysis machines.

Bank Chairman ATM Hayatuz-zaman Khan said the Dhaka Bank, as a corporate citizen, recognises its responsibilities towards the community.

In celebrating the successful completion of eight years of the bank, its board of directors decided to extend assistance to community healthcare, he said.

**Commercial production of herbal medicine stressed**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Participants at a workshop yesterday laid stress on commercial production of herbal medicine across the country.

They said Bangladesh imports herbal medicine worth about Tk 60 to 70 crore due to lack of proper attention in this sector.

The two-day workshop on the 'Use of herbal plants: prospect and problem' was inaugurated by Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain as chief guest.

He said the government is formulating a new drug policy putting importance on the use of herbal medicine.

He assured that the government would do everything possible to implement the suggestion of the workshop.

Speaking as special guest, Environment and Forest Minister Shajahan Siraj said health facilities of the poor people could be ensured with the use of herbal medicine.

He called upon non-government organisations and general people to come forward to supplement government's efforts to increase production of herbal plants in the country. State Minister for Agriculture Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said incentives will have to be given to farmers to plant herbal trees.

commercially by ensuring fair price to them.

In his keynote paper, Mahabur Rahaman Saki of Jayson Products Limited said India exports herbal medicine worth about Tk 3,000 crore every year to world market while Bangladesh has no share in it although it has a bright prospect in this regard.

He also suggested that proper training should be given to the persons who would produce herbal medicines.

Presiding over the session, Dr Abul Hasan, professor of Botany of Dhaka University, stressed the need for proper collection of herbal plants to prepare herbal medicines.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH HIGH COURT DIVISION (STATORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION) MATTER NO: 64/2003  
IN THE MATTER OF: An Application Under Section 151 of the Companies Act, 1994 AND IN THE MATTER OF: R.A.K Ceramics (Bangladesh) Pvt. Ltd. PETITIONER  
Versus  
The Registrar, Joint Stock Companies RESPONDENT.  
Notice is hereby given that an application under section 151 of the Companies Act, 1994 was filed before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh for condonation of delay in filing Return of Allotment. Upon hearing, the Hon'ble Court was pleased to admit the application 25.06.2003 and fixed the matter on 29.07.2003 for hearing.  
Any one interested to oppose the said application may appear before the Court personally or through a duly authorised Advocate on the date fixed for hearing. Copy of the application may be obtained from the undersigned upon payment of prescribed fees.  
Majedul Islam Patwary Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh K.M. Hasan & Co. 949/3/C, East Shewarapara Mirpur, Dhaka.

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<b>Total Issue</b>	<b>500,000</b>	<b>Tk. 50,000,000</b>

Opening Date of Subscription: 08 July 2003  
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**Statutory Declaration**  
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**DECLARATION OF THE DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS IN RESPECT OF THE PROSPECTUS**  
The Prospectus has been prepared, checked, evaluated and approved by us, and that we collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the authenticity and accuracy of the statements, information given in the prospectus, documents or financial statements, exhibits, annexure, papers submitted to the Commission in support thereof, and confirm after making all reasonable inquiries, that all conditions and requirements concerning this public issue and Prospectus have been met and that there are no other information or documents, the omission of which may make any information or statements therein misleading for which the Commission may take any civil, criminal or administrative action against us or any of us as it may deem fit. We also confirm that full and fair disclosure has been made in this Prospectus to enable the investors to make an informed decision for investment.

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Sd/- Imran Mamoon Director	Sd/- Mojibul Haque Abul Hamid Systems Administrator	Sd/- Biplob Kumar Roy Manager (Accounts) & Company Secretary	Sd/- Nazir Ahmed Chowdhury Marketing Manager	

**UNDERWRITERS:**  
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NRB applicants shall be directly sent their application to the Company Office by 9 July 2003 so as to reach the company by 18 July 2003. Applications sent after 9 July 2003 or received by the company after 18 July 2003 will not be considered for allotment purpose.  
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