

DHAKA
TODAY**Lalan evening**

Purnima Basar organises an evening of Lalan song by Shahzad Belli. Venue: Mohanagar Natya Mancha, Gulistan. Time: 7.00pm.

Launching ceremony

The launching ceremony of a CD containing songs of the movie titled 'Chandrikath' by Humayun Ahmed will be held. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 5.30pm.

Film show

Academy Film Society will screen a comedy film titled 'White men can't jump'. Venue: 21/C, Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm.

Bangabandhu discussion

Bangabandhu Parishad organises a discussion in observance of 28th death anniversary of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Rahman. Venue: Institution of Engineers' auditorium. Time: 4.30pm.

Publication ceremony

The publication ceremony of a book titled 'Under the Krishnachura' (Fifty Years of Bangladeshi Writing) edited by Naz Zaman, will be held with National Professor Kabir Chowdhury as chief guest. Venue: Alliance Francaise Library, Mirpur Road. Time: 6.00pm.

Meeting

The 28th meeting of Bangladesh Jatiya Samaj Kalyan Parishad will be held with social welfare minister as chief guest. Venue: Office of the social service directorate, Agargaon. Time: 10.15am.

Lecture

On the occasion of its silver jubilee celebration, Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BISS) organises a lecture on 'Economic security of a least developed country' to be delivered by Dr Joseph Stiglitz, a Nobel Laureate. Venue: BISS auditorium, Old Elephant Road.

Workshop

A workshop on the dissemination of findings and recommendations of the study 'Assessing male psychological

attitude towards violence against women' will be held with Women and Children Affairs Minister Begum Khurshid Jahan as chief guest. Venue: BETS Centre, Dhanmondi. Time: 9.30am.

BLFCA workshop

A workshop on Artha Rin Adalat Ain, 2003, organised by Bangladesh Leasing and Finance Companies Association (BLFCA), will be held with Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Moudud Ahmed as chief guest. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 4.00pm.

Talk

A talk on 'Law, crime and morality in colonial India', organised by Asiatic Society of Bangladesh, will be held with Dr Tazeen M Mursid of University Libre de Bruxelles as guest speaker. Venue: Seminar room of the society, Old Secretariat Road. Time: 5.00pm.

Seminar

A seminar on 'Justice delayed, justice denied: Causes and remedies' will be held with Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Moudud Ahmed as chief guest. Venue: BCS Administration Academy, Shahbagh. Time: 11.30am.

Gonoforum meeting

A meeting of the standing committee of Gonoforum will be held with forum president Dr Kamal Hossain as chief guest. Venue: 7/C, New Bailey Road. Time: 6.00pm.

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TOMORROW****Film show**

Academy Film Society will screen a film titled 'Matrix Reloaded'. Venue: 21/C, Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm.

Reception

Vigarnnisa Noon School and College organises a reception for the students who made excellent results in SSC examination with LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan as chief guest. Venue: School premises. Time: 1.00pm.



PHOTO: STAR
Bangladesh Teacher Employee Coordination Council stages a demonstration at Muktangan yesterday to press for their various demands.



PHOTO: STAR
The City University and Korea Agency for Digital Opportunity and Promotion signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on the university campus yesterday to promote higher education, particularly in the field of Information and Communication Technology. Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr M Shamsul Haque and KADO representative Kyong Seok Min signed the MoU.



PHOTO: STAR
President of the Central Committee for Prevention of Begunbari-Kunipara Land Acquisition Syed Mohammed Hossain addresses a press conference at the National Press Club on Monday, protesting the government move to acquire 333 acres of private land along the proposed Panthapath-Pragati Sarani link road. Nearly five lakh people will be evicted if the land is acquired, he said.

Suraiya's death condoled**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

A condolence meeting in memory of Suraiya Begum, associate professor of the Department of Information Science and Library Management, Dhaka University, was held at the department on Sunday.

The speakers discussed the life and works of Suraiya Begum and paid tribute to her.

Suraiya Begum, wife of late Tawfiq Aziz Khan, former executive



PHOTO: STAR
Students of Gono Bishwabidyalay organised a press conference at the National Press Club yesterday demanding that the dental surgery department be registered with the Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council.

Bachelor of dental surgery dept registration**GB students seek president's intervention****STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Students of bachelor of dental surgery (BDS) department of Gono Bishwabidyalay (GB) have sought the intervention of the President to resolve the registration complication of their department immediately.

Addressing a press conference at the National Press Club yesterday, they expressed their deep anxiety about their professional career as their department has no registration with the health ministry and approval of Bangladesh

Medical and Dental Council (BMDC) although the first batch students of this department are going to complete their course soon.

"We have been deceived by the authorities concerned as they provided us wrong information through prospectus during admission test that the department is recognised by the government," they alleged.

"When a BMDC team came to inspect the university in 2000, we came to know that the BDS department has no registration," said the

students.

They also alleged that the GB authorities did nothing regarding the registration other than giving them false assurances.

"We will not be able to take part in final examination even after completing five years as the department has no registration," said the students.

Earlier on August 5, they confined the vice chancellor and the registrar to their rooms on the campus demanding registration.

The students will form a human chain in front of the National Press Club and submit a memorandum to the Prime Minister on Sunday to press for their demand.

**Save Wrettyik****STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Students of Fine Arts Institute, Dhaka University, has organised an art exhibition in aid of Wrettyik, a six-year-old boy, who has been suffering from viral encephalitis, an inflammation of the brain caused by a virus, since March 2002.

Wrettyik, the only child of his parents, used to draw beautiful pictures, but the disease has left him incapacitated.

He was treated in the Dhaka CMH and in Bangkok but still suffers from seizure disorder.

Doctors have advised his parents to take the boy abroad for advanced treatment which will cost a huge amount ranging from Tk 27 lakh to Tk 51 lakh.

The students have appealed to the generous people to extend a helping hand to save the boy by buying an artwork from the exhibition.

The exhibition is being held at the Institute of Fine Arts, open from 10.00am to 7.00pm daily.

200 forged DU certificates found**BSS, Dhaka**

Dhaka University (DU) has recently detected a good number of fake certificates on the basis of letters received from different government and non-government offices, foreign missions and institutions requesting verification of those certificates.

Sources said University Transcription Section has detected as many as 200 fake certificates while investigating 309 allegations of fraud.

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The Bar Council also recently submitted nine such allegations to the DU officer for verification of LLB and LLM certificates. Last year, the DU detected 40 forged certificates of BA, MA, M.Com, MSS, M.Sc, LLB and LLM. In June, the DU discovered a fake LLB certificate belonging to SM Hafiz Uddin following a complaint lodged by Dhaka Bar Council in April.

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necessary actions so that such incidents do not recur."

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