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The Dhakabasi organised a Pitha (home-made cake) exhibition at the Azimpur Estate People's Welfare Association office in the city yesterday.

Professionals' body to probe violation of human rights

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Manabik Sahajya Sangstha (MSS), a non-government organisation, will form a Human Rights Watch Group (HRWG) at grassroots level by involving various professional groups to investigate human rights violation and extend legal aid to the victims.

Under its human rights education project, the MSS will expand its activities to 210 unions under 15 districts of the country, said MSS Director A N M Enam Hasanath at his office in the city on Wednesday.

"Most of the people are not aware of human rights violation in remote areas of the country where

it is a regular phenomenon, and that's why we will make them aware of their rights," he added.

Samsad Ara Rana, programme officer of the project, said the HRWG would discuss human rights issues with the local administration on regular basis in order to check the incidents of human rights violation.

She said the group would inform the policy makers regarding human rights violation cases through organising seminars at the divisional and national level.

Anik Asad, Golam Mostafa and Abir Ahmed of MSS were present on the occasion.

Japan to provide relief for Iranian quake victims

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Japan will provide 770 thousand dollars to Iran for its earthquake victims in Bam, says a press release.

Besides, the Japanese government will provide tents, blankets, plastic sheets and other materials for affected people.

JUTA election Jan 14

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Election to the 15-member committee of Jahangirnagar University Teachers' Association (JUTA) will be held on January 14.

Yesterday was the last date for submitting nomination papers.

The final list of the candidates will be published on January 10, the last date for withdrawal of the nominations.

The polling will be held at the Teachers' and Officers' Club of the university from 10:30am to 1:30pm.

A total of 240 teachers are expected to cast votes.



Md Yeasin Ali, managing director of Dutch-Bangla Bank, hands over a cheque for Tk 50,000 to Sayed Zonaid Mia for treatment of his four-year-old daughter Nishat, who has been suffering from thalassaemia, at the bank's Head Office in the city on Wednesday.