

Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and Awami League President Sheikh Hasina visited ailing journalist MR Akhter Mukul at the Birdem Hospital

## 'End discrimination against women'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a discussion yesterday urged the government to take necessary steps to eliminate all forms of discriminations against women.

They also called upon the government to take necessary measures to check trafficking in women and children.

The discussion on 'UN The discussion on 'UN Convention on Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) Shadow Report' was organised by Ain O Salish Kendra (ASK), Bangladesh Mahila Parishad (BMP) and Steps Towards Development (STD) at CIRDAP auditorium in the city.

Expressing concern over the government's reservations about articles 2 and 16.1(C) of the CEDAW, they called for withdrawing the reservations.

Three organisations from Bangladesh--ASK, BMP and STD-- submitted their reports to the CEDAW while the government would submit its fifth periodic report on July 9.

Murtaza Hossian Munshi, acting secretary of the Women and Children Affairs Ministry, said that the government sup-ported the shadow report.

Dr Hamida Hossain, a human rights activist, presided over the discussion while parishad General Secretary Ayesha Khanam read out a writ-

## One killed in wall collapse

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An unidentified man was killed when the boundary wall of the Dhanmondi Government Boys High School near Asad Gate collapsed on him yesterday.

The wall collapsed when the man, aged about 45, was walking along the pavement of Manik Miah Avenue beside the school at 4.15pm.

A policeman rushed him to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where the doctors declared him dead.

In another incident at Mirpur, a teenage boy was killed when a human hauler ran over him in front of the Lalkuthi Jame Mosque at about 5.15pm yesterday.

The victim was identified as Ranju, son of one Mohammad Israfil.

Police seized the vehicle and arrested its driver Alamgir

## Death anniversary



Today is the fourth death anniversary of former vice-principal Md Abdul Jabbar of Mumaniagh Mymensingh Anand Mohan

press release.

On the occasion, milad mahfil and Qurankhwani will be held at his village home at Musuli under Nandail upazila in Mymensingh after Asr prayers.