

## Vested quarters trying to create instability: Huda

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Communications Minister Nazmul Huda yesterday said the government has taken a massive post-flood rehabilitation programme besides long-term food assistance through Vulnerable Group Feeding (VGF) cards.

The minister was distributing money among the flood-affected people of Muksudpur, Narisha and Uttar Joypara of Dohar thana of the district under the relief and rehabilitation programme.

Huda said some vested quarters are trying to create instability in the political arena and halting development activities when the government under the able leadership of Prime Minister Khaleda Zia is working relentlessly to implement the post-flood rehabilitation programme.



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LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan distributes relief among the flood victims at Segunbagicha High School yesterday. Bangladesh Red Crescent Society organised the programme.

## 'Ivy was killed by defeated forces'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a condolence meeting yesterday paid rich tributes to Ivy Rahman, women affairs secretary of Awami League (AL) who was killed in the August 21 grenade attack in the city.

The meeting was organised by Bangladesh Mahila Samity at Neelima Ibrahim auditorium.

In a statement sent to the meeting, AL President Sheikh Hasina said Ivy was killed by the defeated forces of 1971 who want to eliminate her party.

She prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.

Advocate Sahara Khatun read out the statement.

Justice KM Sobhan said Ivy was

killed for her secular politics.

He said her death has created a vacuum in politics.

AL Presidium Member Sajeda Chowdhury said the death of Ivy is a great loss for the nation.

The government is not at all interested in the investigation of the grenade attack that took away her life and other AL leaders, she added.

Prof Anisuzzaman of Dhaka University, President of Group Theatre Federation Mamun-ur-Rashid, Vice-president of BAMS Bela Nabi, and General Secretary of Mahila Muktijoddha Sangsad Dr Magduma Nargis also spoke on the occasion.



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Bangladesh Mahila Samity organised a meeting in memory of Awami League leader Ivy Rahman at Neelima Ibrahim auditorium yesterday.

## Minister leaves for S Arabia to monitor work of Hajj officials

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State Minister for religious Affairs Mosharref Hossain Shahjahan left Dhaka yesterday for Saudi Arabia on an official visit.

During his stay in Saudi Arabia, he will monitor and review the activities of officials concerned so that Bangladeshi pilgrims could perform the holy Hajj to be held in January next year smoothly.

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**Exhibition**

The inaugural ceremony of the multi-disciplinary visual art project titled 'Water is innocent' by Artist Dhali Al Mamun will be held. Venue: National Museum, Shahbagh. Time: 5.00pm. The exhibition will remain open till September 24 from 3.00pm to 8.00pm daily.

**Film show**

Academy Film Society will screen a Japanese film titled 'Spirited Away' (2001). Venue: Society Auditorium, 21/C Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm.

**Workshop**

A workshop on 'Monitoring and prediction of erosion applicability' will be held with Water Resources Minister Hafiz Uddin Ahmed as chief guest. Venue: Brac Centre Inn Auditorium, Mohakhali. Time: 10.00am.

**BNWLA workshop**

Bangladesh Jatiya Mahila Ainjibi Samity organises a workshop on 'Violence against women in Bangladesh'. Venue: BILLA Auditorium, Dhanmondi. Time: 3.00pm.

**Rally**

Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon organises a rally to demand immediate implementation of the

government decision to restore lake, canal and other water bodies to save the capital from water-logging and flood. Venue: In front of Rajuk Bhaban, Dilkusha. Time: 11.00am.

**Rotary Dhaka Central**

Weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka Central will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club, Shahbagh. Time: 1.30pm.

**Rotary Dhaka North West**

Weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka North West will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club, Shahbagh. Time: 5.30pm.

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**Film show**

Academy Film Society will screen two American films titled 'Gerry' (2001) and 'Net Games' (2003). Venue: Society Auditorium, 21/C Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm and 8.30pm.

**Seminar**

A seminar on 'Bangladesh and the UN: Thirty years Revisited', organised by Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic