

Chobi Mela III Festival of Photography Asia 2004 6-23 December - 2004



Festival Director Shahidul Alam, third from left, speaks at a press conference on Drik premises yesterday. The press conference was held on the occasion of the Third International Festival of Photography Asia 2004 Chobi Mela III.

Change attitudes to stop repression on women

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

As repression on women starts within the family, it should be resisted there by changing attitudes and values of the members, said the

Use solar energy to electrify rural areas: Bhuiyan

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan emphasised the need of using solar energy to electrify remote and rural areas, says a press release.

He was speaking as chief guest at a ceremony marking installation of 30,000 Solar Home Systems (SHS) financed by Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL) at UTC Convention Hall at Kauran Bazar in the city recently.

Chaired by IDCOL Chairman and Economic Relations Division Secretary Mirza Tasadduq Hussain Beg, the function was also addressed by Executive Director and CEO Dr M Fouzul Kabir Khan, World Bank Sector Manager (Energy) for South Asia Ms Penelope J Brook.

speakers at a discussion yesterday.

They urged all irrespective of male and female members of the family to come forward to resist domestic violence against women.

The discussion titled 'Promote and practice women friendly culture in family to resist violence against women' was organised by Bangladesh Mahila Parishad at its auditorium in the city to mark the international fortnight protesting violence against women.

"As the persons concerned are the members of our family, it is possible to change their mindset through proper awareness, education and guidance within the family," said Ayesha Khanam, general secretary of the parishad.

She said the number of acid throwing incidents is the highest in Bangladesh compared to other countries in Southeast Asia.

Presided over by Vice-president of Mahila Parishad Dr Mahyudum Nargis, the discussion was also addressed by Shana Kabir, Dr Maleka Banu, Advocate Masuda Rehana Begum, Rekha Chowdhury and Bela Nani.

Young girls from different colleges and universities and journalists took part in the discussion.

3rd Int'l Festival of Photography begins today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The third International Festival of Photography, Asia 2004 Chobi Mela III, one of the largest photography exhibition in the world, begins in the city today.

A total of 1068 photographs from 17 countries will be exhibited in the festival which will be participated by internationally renowned photographers like Pedro Meyer of Mexico, Morten Krogvold of Norway, and Tarek Al-Ghoussein of the UAE.

Organised by Drik, the festival will be formally inaugurated at the Alliance Francaise gallery at 4.00pm.

Earlier, a procession will be brought out from Pathshala, a photography teaching institution, which will end at the Alliance Francaise.

The exhibition will continue till December 23 at seven venues including Goethe Institut, British Council, Drik Gallery, Russian Cultural Centre, Abahani Ground and Muldhara International Centre.

Addressing a press conference yesterday, festival director Shahidul Alam said four legendary Bangladesh photographers—Golam Kashem Daddi, Manzoor Alam Beg, Amanul Haque and Shamsul Alam Almaz—would be awarded for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the field of photography.

There will also be a mobile exhibition in the city with the help of ten vans.

Apart from photography exhibition, lectures, seminars and screening of films from different countries would be held at Goethe Institut Auditorium from today to December 9.

The press conference was also attended by participating photographers of the exhibition.

Malaysian health team due today

BSS, Dhaka

A seven-member Malaysian Healthcare Services (MHS) delegation led by Deputy Chief Executive of Malaysia External Trade Development Corporation (MATRADE), Ismail Saleh, arrives in the city today.

The objective of the MHS mission, first of its kind to be launched by the Malaysian government, is to apprise Bangladesh of the competitiveness and quality healthcare services available in Malaysia.

6 receive Berger art competition prizes

The prize giving ceremony of Berger Young Painters' Art Competition-2004 was held at the Hotel Sonargaon on Saturday, says a press release.

Six winners of the competition were awarded in the ceremony. They were selected by a jury from 348 paintings submitted by 192 young artists from across the country.

Masih-ul-Karim, managing director of Berger Paints Bangladesh Ltd., said "Social responsibility as well as corporate interest in nurturing the young talents worked as the driving force for us to continue this effort of patronising the young Zainul Abedins of the country for the last nine years." Professor Qayum Chowdhury, chairman of Berger Young Painters' Art Competition-2004 Jury Committee, congratulated the winners.

The winners are Salina Haque Lina, Md Imran Ali, Pintu Chandra Deb, Dip Narayan Biswas, Touhin Hasan and Shahida Begum.

Berger will organise an exhibition of 40 selected paintings at the Zainul Art Gallery of the Institute of Fine Arts, University of Dhaka from December 6 to December 10.

The exhibition will remain open from 11:00am to 7:00pm every day.

Mass dialogue resumes at N'ganj today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mass dialogue programme resumes at Narayanganj today after a gap of about one and half months.

Jatiya Oikya Mancha (JOM) and Bikalpa Dhara Bangladesh (BDB) are holding the dialogue across the country to formulate a people's manifesto reflecting the aspirations of voters.

BDB President Badruddoza Chowdhury and Oikya Mancha Convenor Dr Kamal Hossain will attend the programme at Narayanganj Press Club Auditorium at 3:00pm.

Civil society members as well as the commoners will speak at the programme.

Earlier, two such dialogues were foiled by the activists of ruling alliance.

On October 19, activists of BNP's front organisations swooped on the audience at a mass dialogue in Rangpur Town Hall and foiled it.

They also foiled similar programme in Mymensingh on October 25.

Only the inaugural dialogue was held peacefully in Dinajpur on October 18.

Grenade recovered

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

A powerful hand grenade was recovered from a tea stall at Sonadanga in the city yesterday morning, police said.

The tea stall is adjacent to the residence of Ward Commissioner Anwarul Kadir Khokon. Police recovered the grenade in presence of Khokon.

Khokon said the grenade was planted at the stall to kill him. He said that the outlaws gave him death threats several times in last two months as he refused to pay toll to them.

8 Bangladeshi fishermen held by Indian police

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Indian police arrested eight Bangladeshi fishermen on December 1 from the Sundarbans on charge of trespassing.

The arrested fishermen hailing from Chittagong and Noakhali districts were identified as Afzar Mandol, Lokman Mistry, Noor Hossain, Moyeedul Islam, Mohammad Ismail, Nazimuddin, Noor Nabi, and Abu Taher. All of them are in their early 30s.

According to a report published in the Dainik Ajkaal of Kolkata on December 3, a magistrate of Diamond Harbour court sent the Bangladeshi fishermen to jail when they were produced there by police showing them arrested under section 14 of Indian Foreigners' Act.

Obituary

UNB, Dhaka

Valiant freedom fighter M Gias Uddin, Bir Protik, died of cardiac arrest yesterday morning at the Mirpur National Heart Foundation at the age of 57.

He left behind his wife, one daughter, two sons and a host of relatives and admirers to mourn his death.

Gias Uddin former secretary general of Bangladesh Muktiyodha Sangsad central command council, was buried with state honour at Masdar graveyard in Narayanganj after namaz-e-janaza at Narayanganj IET Government High School ground after Asar prayers.

Several thousand people from all walks of life, including central leaders of the Muktiyodha Command Council and officials of the district and police administrations, attended the janaza.

Water Resources Minister Hafiz Uddin Ahmed Bir Bikram, also minister in-charge of Narayanganj district, and State Minister for Liberation War Affairs Prof. M Rezaul Karim in separate messages condoled the death and prayed for salvation of the departed soul.

They also conveyed sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

Dr MAMannan



Dr MA Mannan, a soil scientist and former executive chairman, of Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC), died in early hours of yesterday at the age of 73, says a press release.

Mannan, also former director general of the Rice Research Institute (BIRRI), left behind his wife, three sons and one daughter.

He was buried at the Mirpur Intellectuals Graveyard after namaz-e-janaza on the BARC campus after Asr prayers yesterday.

His qukhwani will be held at his residence at 1/8 Lalmitia, Block-A in the city after Magrib prayers on Wednesday.

Qulkhwani



Qulkhwani of M o s a m m a t J a s i m u n n e s a Khan, mother of M o h a m m a d Atiqullah Khan, Masud, Editor of the Bengali daily the Janakantha, will be held at the Janakantha Bhaban at 24/A New Eskaton Road in the city after Asr prayers today (Monday), says a press release.

Jasimunnisa died of old age complications at the Combined Military Hospital (CMH) in the city on Friday night.

Relatives and admirers have been requested to attend the qukhwani.

Physiotherapy equipment for disabled children

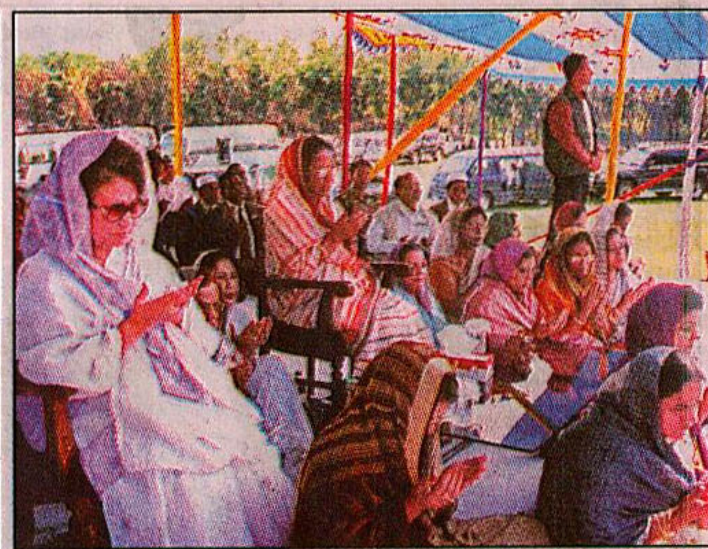
CityCell yesterday donated physiotherapy equipment to Trust Special Education for Intellectually Disabled Children (SEID) Trust for underprivileged intellectually challenged children under its community programme titled 'CityCell Changing Lives', says a press release.

The programme was taken to consolidate the mobile operator's various community initiatives. The main objective programme is to help improve the quality of life and open up new opportunities for the disadvantaged people in Bangladesh.

SEID Trust runs a school and a community based rehabilitation (CBR) programme for the intellectually disabled. Currently the school provides therapy, food and conveyance to 42 children with various disabilities.

CityCell Chief Executive Officer Chris Maloy handed over the equipment to the SEID Trust Director Dilara Sattar at a ceremony at its office at Mohakhali in the city.

Chris Maloy in his speech said "As a large private organisation, we feel we have an obligation to be engaged in corporate community activities."



Prime Minister Khaleda Zia joins in akheri munajat (final prayer) at Biswa Ijtema on the bank of Turag River at Tongi yesterday.

Madrassa student beaten, dies in hospital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

A madrasa student beaten by angry mob on November 30 at Foila Bazar under Rampal upazila succumbed to his injuries on Saturday at Mongla Upazila Health Complex of Bagerhat district.

Hossain Ali, a first year student of Gobindapur Fazil Madrasa of Bagerhat, eloped with the wife of local fish trader Khalilur Rahman, police said. Hossain, only son of Ali Shaikh of Mongla Township, was arrested by

Rampal police from Mongla on November 10 in this connection.

Khalil and his associates beat Hossain mercilessly on November 30 when he went to Foila Bazar to meet his classmates after release on bail from Bagerhat jail.

He was rushed to Mongla Upazila Health Complex where he died on Saturday noon.

A case was filed with Rampal thana yesterday accusing fish trader Khalilur Rahman and six others.



No change in weather likely

UNB, Dhaka

Weather is likely to remain mainly dry with light to moderate fog during early morning over the country till 6pm today. Night temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country during the period, Met Office said.

Highest temperature 31.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Cox's Bazar and Sitakunda and lowest 12.5 degree Celsius at Dinajpur.

The sun sets in the capital at 5:11pm today and rises at 6:29am tomorrow.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	28.1	16.1	67	65
Chittagong	30.8	17.0	59	44
Rajshahi	28.5	14.4	68	60
Khulna	29.0	16.0	78	77
Barisal	29.0	15.6	87	92
Sylhet	29.9	16.2	56	62
Cox's Bazar	31.0	18.0	66	64

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Section Manager, Recruitment, HRD&M Department, CARE-Bangladesh Pragati RPR Centre, 20-21, Kauran Bazar, Dhaka, on or before December 15, 2004.

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