

Martyred Intellectuals Day in Picture



Miscreants take away wreaths from martyred intellectuals' graveyard at DU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Unknown miscreants took away the wreaths from the martyred intellectuals' graveyard beside the Dhaka University Central Mosque after the teachers and students placed those to pay homage to the martyrs yesterday.

Dhaka University Teachers' Association (Duta) brought the incident to the notice of the authorities after being informed by Sajeda Banu, a teacher of mathematics and daughter of Prof Giasuddin, a martyr.

The authorities formed a three-member committee headed by Treasurer Prof Syed Rashidul Hasan to probe it. The incident took place between 8.00am and 9.00am.

Vice-chancellor Prof SMA Faiz placed a wreath at the graveyard on the occasion of the Martyred Intellectuals' Day. Several student organisations and the family members of martyred intellectuals also placed wreaths.

The Duta termed the incident a deliberate act and demanded punishment to the persons involved.

"We are simply surprised and shocked," said Duta President Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique.

When contacted, DU Proctor AK Firoz said the security guards informed him of the incident. "I don't know what actually happened there but the flowers might have been stolen by drug addicts," he added.

TANORE GANGRAPE Case fate uncertain as documents 'missing'

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

The fate of the case on gang rape of a 34-year woman allegedly by four BNP men 17 years ago at Tanore upazila is now uncertain as the documents concerned went 'missing'.

Rajshahi district magistrate's court police said they could not find out the case documents till yesterday while a copy of the High Court (HC) order dated August 16, 1995 reached the magistrate's court on December 12 last.

Some judicial section officials might have misplaced the documents of the case for saving the criminals, Habibur Rahman Hasibul, the victim's lawyer said.

The victim in her petition filed with the special tribunal set up at Rajshahi to deal with cases involving violence against women in January, 1989, said four BNP men (names mentioned in the petition) raped her.

In August, 1995, a HC bench issued rule in favour of the victim, rejecting a challenge petition by the accused four.

A copy of the HC order, which was missing for long, reached the Rajshahi tribunal judicial section on December 12 last, following a petition of the victim.

Meanwhile, the victim went into hiding following threats on her life by the rapists as the HC order reached the destination.

The Daily Star published a report of the incident on December 13.

6 textile diploma instts to run second shift

UNB, Dhaka

A decision has been taken to start second shift in six textile diploma institutes under the Textiles Department.

The decision came following a discussion between the finance ministry and the textiles and jute ministry.

Earlier, the authorities allowed only three diploma institutes to run the second shift, prompting the admission seekers to go on rampage at one of the institutes that did not get the go-ahead.

Textiles Department will complete the admission formalities for the second shift soon after a discussion with Bangladesh Technical Education Board, said a press release.

It has urged the admission seekers to refrain from any such untoward incidents.

Obituary

Mirza Mohammad Abdullah of Jhilioti Faridpur town, died of old age complications yesterday at holy Family Hospital in the city at the age of 85, says a press release.

Mirza Abdullah left behind his nine daughters and three sons to mourn his death.

He will be buried at Faridpur Central Graveyard today after namaz-e-janaza at Ambika Maidan after Zohr prayers.

His quirkhwan will be held at his Faridpur residence after Asr prayers on December 16.

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Students of Fine Art Institute paint a road on the Dhaka University campus in red to symbolise blood spilled by the martyrs of the Liberation War. Bangladesh Chhatra Union took the initiative to decorate the campus with paintings in observance of the Victory Day.

2004 UNDP award giving ceremony today

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The 2004 UNDP awards in the field of human development will be presented at a special ceremony in New York today.

Fazle Hasan Abed, founder and chairperson of Brac, won the United Nations Development Programme's (UNDP) Mahbub ul Haq Award for his outstanding contribution to human development.

"Fazle Hasan Abed is being recognised for his extraordinary achievements in helping the rural poor to combat hunger, disease and illiteracy on a massive scale," the UNDP said in a statement yesterday.

The UNDP Awards for Human Development reports will also be presented at the ceremony.

Argentina, Colombia, Latvia, West Bengal, Zambia, and the Roma people of Eastern Europe are among those being honoured in recognition of their excellence in the field of human development.

Brac is a non-governmental organisation working in every district in Bangladesh with people whose lives are dominated by extreme poverty, discrimination and exploitation. More than US \$2 billion in BRAC micro-loans have been distributed with no collateral, with a 98 per cent repayment rate, said the UNDP release.

To link rural producers with expanding urban markets, Brac operates commercial ventures, including the second largest dairy in the country. Its programmes in health and nutrition have reached 31 million, many in the most remote and marginal areas. This work has made a significant contribution to Bangladesh's achievement of the fastest decline in infant mortality rates in Asia.



Dr Fazle Rabbee's anniversary of death today

Today is the 33rd death anniversary of Shaheed Dr Md Fazle Rabbee, says a press release.

He was a professor of medicine and cardiology at Dhaka Medical College.

The Pakistani occupation forces and their collaborators, Razakar and Al-Badr, took Dr Rabbee away from his residence on this day in 1971 and killed him. His body was found at Rayerbazar killing field on December 18.

In observance of the day, wreaths will be placed at his grave and fateha will be offered at the Azimpur Graveyard.

Int'l Political Science Assoc confce Jan 7-9

Today is the death anniversary of Major (rd) Mohammed Afsaruddin, former member of the Pakistan National Assembly, says a press release.

On the occasion, a discussion and milad mahfil will be held at Baitul Afsar in Barisal after Asr prayers.

Prof SM Fazlul Haque

Today is the ninth death anniversary of Prof SM Fazlul Haque, former Principal of Barisal Islamia College, says a press release.

On the occasion, a dha mahfil will be held at his College Road residence after Asr prayers.

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Executive : 12

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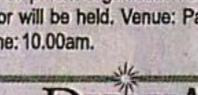
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Telephone Operator : 01 (Female)

Must be fluent in English.



Children's cultural function

As part of its Victory Day programmes, Liberation War Museum organises a children's cultural function. Venue: Museum premises, Segun Bagicha, Mohammadpur. Time: 6.00pm.

Concluding function

The concluding function of 'SAF and SOS Joint Environmental Work Camp 2004' will be held. Venue: SOS Children's Village, Shyamoli. Time: 3.00pm.

Seminar

A seminar-cum-expert consultation on the preliminary report of the Poverty Monitoring Survey 2004 will be held.

Moitree discussion

Bishwasihilya Kendra will hold a discussion titled 'The emergence of Bangladesh and the government in exile' with H T Imam as guest speaker.

Venue: Bishwasihilya Kendra Auditorium, Bangla Motor. Time: 5.00pm.

Zia Parishad discussion

In observance of Victory Day, Shaheed Zia Samajikay Parishad will hold a discussion. Venue: Ramna Park. Time: 4.00pm.

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