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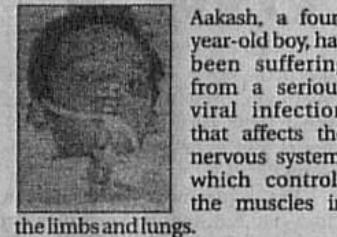
UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh has expressed her willingness to work together with the United States under the leadership of President George W Bush to face the global challenges and fulfill the dream of the developing world.

"Prime Minister Khaleda Zia's government is willing to work closely with US President George

Appeal for help

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Aakash, a four-year-old boy, has been suffering from a serious viral infection that affects the nervous system, which controls the muscles in the limbs and lungs.

The boy, now virtually paralysed, has been undergoing treatment at the intensive care unit (ICU) of Salvation Hospital in the city since December.

He has also been put on a ventilator because of breathing difficulties that developed following the progressive infection of the virus.

"We have been closely observing the child since the day he was hospitalised. He developed paralysis in his lower abdomen and limbs within 48 hours of his admission and was gradually losing control over muscles in other parts of his body," said Dr MD Abul Kalam of the hospital.

Dr Kalam also said Aakash has now been showing signs of improvement for the last couple of days. It may take three to six months for him to recover from illness.

But the cost of his treatment is so high that his father, a farmer in Manikganj, could not afford.

He appeals to the generous people to extend a helping hand to save his son's life.

Contributions can be sent to Md Enamul Haq, Savings Account No. 3303, Uttara Bank, Pikhana Branch, Azampur, or to the hospital at House # 36, Road # 3, Dhanmondi. Interested persons can also call at 018912417.

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Leaders of Left Democratic Front place a wreath at the scene of bomb blast at Paltan Maidan in the city yesterday to pay homage to those killed in the explosion in 2001.

Dhaka proposes special fund for disaster cut

BSS, Dhaka

Minister for Food and Disaster Management Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yusuf has called upon the international community to support efforts of the developing countries to deal with disasters.

He proposed that a special fund be set up to support disaster prone developing countries under the disaster risk reduction programme.

He was addressing a plenary session of the "World Conference of Disaster Reduction (WCDR) in Kobe of Japan on Wednesday, according to a message received here yesterday.

Kamal Ibne Yusuf iterated the critical need for creation of a global early warning system to address all forms of disasters following the devastating tsunami last month. He underscored the need for strengthening and creating necessary institutional mechanisms at every level to deal with disasters in an effective manner.

The minister in his statement also highlighted the measures taken by Bangladesh to mainstream disaster management into the national development agenda.

He told the meeting that an elaborate national machinery was in place in the country to reduce vulnerability to disasters through community empowerment and integration of sustainable risk management initiatives.

Bangladesh had successfully shifted its approach to deal with disasters from "relief and response" towards a more comprehensive approach towards risk management preparedness, early warning, prevention, mitigation and development, he added.

Female garment worker knifed to death

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A garment worker was stabbed to death by her cousin at Uttara in the city yesterday.

The victim was identified as Beauty, an employee of Dada Garments at Azampur, and resident of Jatrabari in Uttara.

Her cousin Liton Chambugon, son of Proshen Chambugon of Netrokona, called Beauty to one of her neighbour's room at around 12:00 noon but they were soon locked in an altercation.

At one stage, Liton stabbed her in the head, face and neck, said Rabeeya, her neighbour.

Liton, who is in love with Beauty, suspected that she is involved with another man, she added.

Rabeeya rushed injured Beauty to Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH) where doctors declared her dead at around 2:15pm.

Local people caught Liton from the spot and handed him over to the police.

In another incident, three muggers stabbed a tea-stall owner Fazlul Hoque, 50, when he was going to buy food items for his shop in Airport Road area and took away Tk 2000 from him at around 4:00am.

Critically injured Fazlul, a resident of Dalipara in Uttara, is now undergoing treatment at the DMCH.

Thousands leave Dhaka for home to celebrate Eid

SURANJIT DEBNATH

Tens of thousands of people yesterday left the capital for their village homes on the first day of the four-day Eid holiday to celebrate the Eid-ul-Azha tomorrow with their near and dear ones.

The home-bound journey of city dwellers had started a few days ago but the rush climaxed yesterday with a virtually unending stream of people crowding the bus terminals, Kamapur railway station and Sadarghat launch terminal. The rush will continue today.

Braving lot of sufferings, they boarded buses, trains and launches paying much higher than the usual fare. They will forget the troubles on their way once they reach home, said many of the passengers.

Every year, more than three million people leave the capital on the eve of the Eid.

Yesterday, launches left Sadarghat terminal highly overloaded and a mad rush of passengers was seen at

Bring bomb attackers to book: CPB

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leaders of the Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) yesterday demanded that the persons responsible for the bomb attack on its rally in 2001 be brought to justice immediately.

They also threatened to continue their movement until the culprits are brought to book.

If the government does not take steps to nab the criminals responsible for earlier bomb attacks, such incidents cannot be stopped, the leaders said at a rally at Paltan Maidan in the city marking the 4th anniversary of the bomb attack on CPB rally.

CPB and other political and social organisations placed wreaths at the spot at Paltan Maidan where the blast took place, killing five people.

Speaking at the rally, CPB President Manzurul Ahsan Khan said the communal forces tied to international organisations carried out a series of bomb attacks to make the country unstable.

The successive governments have failed to bring the real culprits to book as these evil forces get support from the international terror outfits, he added.

CPB General Secretary Muzahidul Islam Selim called on all to step up the ongoing 'oust government' movement for the greater interest of the nation.

Leaders and activists of the 11

Indian HC visa section closed February 3-7

Consular and Visa sections of the High Commission of India will remain closed from February 3 to 7, says a press release.

No visas will be issued during this period.

Party, Left Democratic Front, Bangladesh Jubo Union, Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal, Bangladesh Chhatra League, Bangladesh Chhatra Union and Bangladesh trade Union Centre paid tribute to those killed in the 2001 bomb attack.

Eighteen regular and two special trains -- all overloaded -- left Kamalapur station yesterday.

Eid special trains run from Dhaka to Jamalpur and Mymensingh. Railway authorities said they had no tickets at their counters, but many passengers disputed the claim.

BUSSTATION

Many people failed to collect tickets at Gabtoli bus terminal and bus stations at Kalabagan, Shyamoli and Kalyanpur. And those who could procure, had to pay much higher than the normal fare.

The situation at Sayedabad bus terminal appeared better yesterday as Rab, BDR and police prevented bus operators from charging extra fare.

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CORRIGENDUM-1

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE TENDER NOTICE FOR SELECTION OF REPAIR/OVERHAUL AGENCY FOR CF6-50C2 ENGINES INSTALLED IN BIMAN'S DC10-30 AIRCRAFT REF. TENDER SCHEDULE NO. DACMC/EN/04/005

- An International Tender was invited from Repair/Overhaul Agency or Airlines having in-house capability to repair/overhaul of CF6-50C2 engines installed in DC10-30 Aircraft published in the daily newspapers and Biman's website.
- Some amendments are made in the Tender Schedule Clauses which are mentioned below:
 - Tender schedule clause 1.3 is amended and to be read as the bidder shall have to provide the following information in respect of their production during calendar period of July 2000 to June 2003 inclusive:
 - Total Number of CF6-50C2 engines repaired/overhauled.
 - Number of only 3rd party CF6-50C2 engines repaired/overhauled. In support, a list of 3rd party repaired/overhauled engines is to be provided.
 - BUR (Basic Unscheduled Removal) Rate and SVR (Shop Visit Rate) achieved in regard to these engines.
 - MTBR (Mean Time Between Repair) of the repaired/overhauled engines.
 - Average Test-cell EGT margin achieved in respect of engines for full overhaul and intermediate repair to be quoted individually.
 - Tender schedule clause 4.5 is amended and to be read as QEC overhaul/repair and test capabilities must be defined. This shall also include wiring harnesses.
 - Tender schedule clause 4.6 is amended and to be read as overhaul agency should provide details of all performance items carried out by the shop and test cell to improve engine performance limits (EGT and SFC margins etc). For this purpose a bidder's own WPG (Worksopce Planning Guide) should be submitted. The preparation of customized WPG jointly by bidder and Biman will start once agreement is signed.
 - Tender schedule clause 4.17 is amended and to be read as Biman has two spare engines in the fleet, in case of zero-spare situation, the bidder must support Biman with FOC (Minimum 01) loan engines. Only usage (Flight Hours) would be charged (excluding daily fee).
 - Tender schedule clause 10.1 is amended and to be read as bidder must agree to offer FOC training to Biman engineering personnel as may be required for engine maintenance/transfer of technology.
 - Tender schedule clause 11.1 is amended and to be read as bidder must offer cost guarantee for schedule/unscheduled repair/overhaul of each engine including all applicable ADs, SBs and LLPs. The stub life of LLPs is to be considered 1500 FC. Biman will pay the repair/overhaul cost of the engine below the cost guarantee in actual.
 - Tender schedule clause 12.2 is amended and to be read as A Draft copy of the agreement highlighting corresponding each requirements of the tender schedule.
- Corrigendum-1 of the tender schedule may be viewed and downloaded from the website (www.bimanair.com) and also may be collected from Account Officer, Cash & Banking, Finance Directorate, Biman Head Office, Kurmitola, Dhaka-1229 and following Biman's overseas offices Free of Charge for those who have already collected the same. AMSTERDAM, DUBAI, FRANKFURT, PARIS, ROME, LONDON, NEW YORK, SINGAPORE, TOKYO.
- All other terms and conditions of the tender notice and tender schedule including submission date and time will remain unchanged.
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