



HSBC Bangladesh CEO Steve Banner and ABC President Rahim Asafjah pose for photograph with the children at the ABC Complex in Gazipur.

HSBC donates Tk 3.50 lakh to ABC

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) donated Tk 3.50 lakh to the Assistance for Blind Children (ABC) on the occasion of its 27th founding anniversary at the ABC Complex in Gazipur recently, says a press release.

The funds will be used to procure ophthalmic equipment for the ABC Complex Eye Hospital.

Established in 1978, ABC has been working for awareness building, blindness prevention, eye treatment, education, basic rehabilitation training and socio-economic rehabilitation of the visually impaired poor children of the society.

HSBC Bangladesh CEO Steve Banner in his speech as chief guest said, "As the world's local bank HSBC carries with it the task of being in tune with the local communities, the people and the culture of the country."

ABC President Rahim Asafjah said "ABC has passed its 27 years in the endeavour of achieving some smiles on the face of visually impaired children with the help of philanthropic supports." She said that the procurement of ophthalmic instruments and IOL lens with HSBC's contribution would strengthen ABC Eye Hospital complex enormously and would help in the blindness prevention programme.

CHAND SULTANA LITERACY PRIZE-2004 'Make new literate's edn meaningful'

Minister for Posts and Telecommunications Barrister Md Aminul Haque said there should be more reading materials for the new literate.

The new literate persons with limited literacy need various reading materials to retain their literacy as well as to make their education meaningful, he said.

He was speaking as the chief guest in a function organised yesterday by Dhaka Ahsania Mission on the occasion of awarding Chand Sultana Literacy Prize-2004 in the auditorium of Dhaka Ahsania Mission at Dhanmondi in the city.

Muhammad Azizul Haque, director of the Association for Community Education (Bace) received the prize for his organisation's contribution in the field of rural and educational development.

President and Chief Executive of Dhaka Ahsania Mission (Dam) Kazi Rafiqul Alam presided over the function.

The speakers underscored the contributions of Chand Sultana in the field of materials development and thereby in the spread of literacy and education among the masses and invited others to devote themselves in this important field in the interest of the country.

Save the Children (USA) Director M Habibur Rahman presented a paper on 'Problems of Non Formal

Education in Bangladesh and Remedies' while Dam Public Relations Director Prof Nurul Islam delivered the welcome speech. Dr Azharul Islam of Dhaka University also addressed the function.

'No alternative to trade unions'

OUR CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a workshop said there is no alternative to united trade unions for the survival of the workers and to ensure their rights as well as safety.

They said this while speaking at the concluding ceremony of the three-day long training course on 'Organising the Unorganised-Increasing and Enrolment of New Members' held recently at the Sundarban Hotel in the city.

Bangladesh Printing and Packaging Karmochari Federation (BPPKF) and Bangladesh Federal Union of Newspaper Press Workers (BFUNPW) organised the seminar with the help of FNV and UNI Graphical, two trade union organisations based in the Netherlands and Switzerland respectively.

Head of the department of UNI Graphical, Adriana Rozenziag attended it as the chief guest while BPPKF Advisor and MSF Executive President Advocate Nurul Islam Babu was special guest.

A total of 20 BPPKF and BFUNPW representatives from different districts were awarded with certificates upon successful completion of the course.



Association for Community Education Director Muhammad Azizul Haque receives Chand Sultana Literacy Prize-2004 from Posts and Telecommunications Minister Barrister Md Aminul Haque at Dam auditorium in the city yesterday.

Qulkhani

Engineer Md. Abul Faiz, former Chairman, Steel and Engineering Corporation and former Chairman, Petrobangla, breathed his last on Tuesday, 10 May 2005, at Shikder Medical Hospital, Gulshan. He was 84 at the time of his passing away.

The Namaz-e-Janaza of late Md. Abul Faiz was held after Zohr prayer at Azad Mosque, Gulshan, on Tuesday and second Namaz-e-Janaza held after Zohr prayer on Wednesday at Qazi office mosque, Bara Moghbazar, Dhaka. He is laid at Azimpur graveyard for eternal rest.

The Qulkhani of the departed soul will be held on Friday after Asar prayer at his own residence (Green Garden Apartment, House-3, Road-95, Gulshan-2, Phone-9880210). All his relatives, friends and well-wishers are cordially requested to be present at the Qulkhani.

-Razia Faiz, Munia, Osman & Aman

2 shot in city

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A security guard and a garment worker were shot when local criminals stormed a garment factory at Rampara in the city yesterday.

Security guard Abdul Aziz, 42, and Iron machine operator Hamidur Rahman, 18, of Mega Star Apparels Ltd were shot in their legs. Colleagues rushed them to the Dhaka Medical College and Hospital where they are now undergoing treatment.

A gang of around six stormed the five-storey factory to buy garments byproducts (jhut) at about 2:30pm. The criminals got angered when they came to know that the byproducts have already been sold. They used to force the owner to sell jhut to them.

"They fired at least seven shots," said the injured security guard Abdul Aziz.



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