

## NAPSA AGM held

The annual general meeting of the National Association of Public Sector Accountants (NAPSA) was held in the city on Friday, says a press release.

NAPSA President Md Israil presided over the meeting. Vice presidents Md Yeasin Ali and SC Ghosh also attended the meeting while Safiqur Rahman and Advocate Syed Mofizur Rahman were present as the special guests.

Israil presented his Annual Report for 2007 at the meeting. He also informed the members of the association that NAPSA had commissioned BBC Associates, Consultants, to work out the losses incurred by Bangladesh due to devastating floods in 2007 -- NAPSA took it as a response to the call of responsibilities to the community.

The consultants took three months to study and survey the damages done by flood-2007 and came out with the sectorwise loss figures totaling to Tk 468,015 million (or \$6.88 billion). Among the important suggestions made in the AGM were: Name of NAPSA should be changed to Association of Public Finance Accountants on the lines of British Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, Election of the Board of Governors for 2008 should be held in January '08, Best Public Finance Accountant Award should be reintroduced, NAPSA's syllabus should be updated in line with the syllabus of the British Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy and Associate and Fellow Members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) and Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Bangladesh (ICMAB) should be admitted as Associate and Fellow Members of NAPSA granting them full exemption from the examinations of NAPSA as a mark of honour to the two prominent accounting bodies of the country -- this privilege should be allowed until the new syllabus on the lines of the British Institute is introduced.



TIB Trustee Board Chairman Prof Muzaffer Ahmad hands over the 'Charon Sangbadik Monajatuddin Smirti Award-2006' to Shankar Lal Das of the Daily Janakantha at a function at Dhaka Reporters' Unity in the city yesterday.

## Forming Truth Commission would be unfortunate

Says Quarishi

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Progressive Democratic Party (PDP) President Ferdous Ahmad Quarishi yesterday

said it would be unfortunate if the Truth Commission is formed.

"They [corrupt people] will take revenge if stern actions

are not taken against them," he said adding that the corrupt people who smuggled thousands of crores from the government coffers must be tried.

He was addressing a press conference at the party office at Segunbagicha in the city. Party leaders were also present on the occasion.

Praising former adviser Ayub Quadri for his resignation due to the theft of the artefacts, he said everyone should have morality and responsibility.

Asked whether housing adviser should resign for the failure to take quick actions to recover the bodies from Rangs building following the collapse of a portion of the building, he said, "I don't want to mention anyone's name but all should have morality."

In reply to another question, he said, "People hope that the government will implement the roadmap to hold a free and fair election."

He also urged the government to find out non-partisan officers for holding important posts in the administration before the election commences.

Paying tribute to the recently assassinated former Pakistan prime minister Benazir Bhutto, he said Pakistan-like situation would not be created in Bangladesh as the army is only assisting the government here.

## Monajatuddin had true love for country

Prof Muzaffer tells award giving ceremony

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Shankar Lal Das, Golachipa correspondent of the Daily Janakantha, was awarded 'Charon Sangbadik Monajatuddin Smirti Award-2006' for his series of investigative reports on 'life and livelihood of char people'.

Monajatuddin Smirti Sangsad organised the award giving ceremony on the occasion of the 12th death anniversary of journalist Monajatuddin.

TIB Trustee Board Chairman Prof Muzaffer Ahmad handed over a crest and economist Dr Atiur Rahman handed over a cheque for Tk 25,000 to Shankar.

Speaking as chief guest Prof Muzaffer said Monajatuddin had a true love for the country. He used his pen as a sword, he added.

Shawkat Mahmud, president of Jatiya Press Club, said he did not hesitate to reveal the truth.

Dr Atiur said we need journalists like Monajatuddin for the development of marginalised people.

Dhaka Union of Journalists President Altaf Mahmud, Kartik Chatterjee of the daily Sangbad also spoke on the occasion.

## 3 die in city incident

UNB, Dhaka

Three people were killed in separate accidents in the capital yesterday.

Police said an unidentified man, aged about 25, was crushed under the wheels of a bus near Ramna Park at 7:00am. Police recovered the body from Bhaishakhi Gate of the Park at 8:30am and sent to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) morgue.

A security guard named Dulal, 40, of Karwan Bazar area was killed on the spot when a BRTC bus knocked him while crossing Tejgan road at 10:00am. Police later recovered the body and sent to the DMCH morgue.

In another accident, a young man named Tajul Karim, 26, son of Fazlul Karim of West Nakhla, was killed on the spot when a running train hit him while he was crossing the rail line in the morning.

## Road accidents kill three

STAR REPORT

At least three people were killed and eight others injured in separate road accidents in Dhaka and Satkhira yesterday.

UNB from Keraniganj reports: Two passengers were killed and two others injured when a bus hit an auto-rickshaw from behind on Dhaka - Mawa highway at Rajendrapur in Keraniganj upazila under Dhaka district yesterday morning.

One of the deceased was identified as

Adhir Kumar Das, 40, son of Gour Pada Das of village Shakdah in Tala upazila.

Quoting local people police said the accident occurred when a Khulna-bound bus hit Adhir while he was crossing the road and fell into a ditch, leaving him dead on the spot and six others injured.

Our correspondent from Satkhira: One person was killed and six others were injured, two of them seriously, in a road accident on Satkhira-Khulna road near Shakdah Bridge in Patkelghata Police Station yesterday.

The deceased was identified as

Adhir Kumar Das, 40, son of Gour Pada Das of village Shakdah in Tala upazila.

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Of the injured Mahbubul Karim of village Shilchar in Kaliganj upazila and Khalilur Rahman of village Alipur in Sadar upazila were rushed to Sadar hospital in critical condition, hospital sources said.



Visitors at an exhibition held as part of the First Non-Resident Bangladeshi (NRB) Conference 2007 at Hotel Sheraton in the city yesterday.

## RCC Community policing launched

RU CORRESPONDENT

Community policing was launched at Ward No 9 under Rajshahi City Corporation (RCC) yesterday with a call to making the ward free from drug and terrorism.

RCC acting Mayor and chief adviser of community policing unit Rezaun Nabi Duda and Officer-in-Charge of Boalia Police Station Ramzan Ali jointly inaugurated the campaign.

The use of drugs will be reduced if people help the police arrest the drug-peddlers and rehabilitate the addicts, speakers said at the programme.

Earlier on Friday, community policing was also launched at Ward No 10 under RCC.



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