

2 Chhatra Mukti men assaulted

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A group of students beat up two activists of Chhatra Mukti, student wing of controversial Islamist group Hijab Tahree, on the Dhaka University campus yesterday. Campus sources said a group of DU students swooped on Chhatra Mukti leaders and activists when they were addressing at a procession at Teacher-Student Centre (TSC) intersection at around 1:00pm. Injured Chhatra Mukti activists were Mizanur Rahman, a fourth year student of statistics department and Javed, a student of political science department. Chhatra Mukti activists left the spot immediately after the beating.



Bangladesh Forum for Educational Development awarded honorary life membership to Prof Dr Shamsul Haque and AF Fazlul Majid at a ceremony in the city yesterday. Sitting from left are Prof Shamsul Haque, Fazlul Majid, Prof Saleh Ahmed, Dr Md Selim and Prof Abu Hamid Latif.

Prof Shamsul, Fazlul Majid honoured

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Bangladesh Forum for Educational Development (BAFED) awarded honorary life membership to its two members -- Prof Dr Shamsul Haque and AF Fazlul Majid -- at a ceremony at FREPD auditorium at Nikhet in the city yesterday.

Prof Saful Alam and Associate Prof Shyamoly Akbar read out two citations for Prof Shamsul and Fazlul Majid. They also received crests at the ceremony. Prof Abu Hamid Latif presided over the ceremony while Dr Mohammad Selim and Prof Saleh Ahmed were present.

During his illustrious career, Prof Shamsul served in different educational institutes, including the Institute of Education and Research (IER) of Dhaka University. AF Fazlul, who graduated from the Department of Library Science of Dhaka University, served in different educational institutions, including IER and Jahangirnagar University, as a librarian.

Prof Salma Akhter, director of IER, recalled her memories with Prof Shamsul while he was in the IER and said Prof Shamsul is a role model.

Prof Shamsul, in his speech, expressed gratitude to BAFED and hoped that the organisation would work towards the betterment of education sector in the country.

Teachers, students, cultural personalities and members of BAFED attended the programme.

Educational instt staffs demand 100pc DA

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Bangladesh Educational Institution Employees Federation demanded formation of permanent pay commission and 100 percent dearness allowance.

They made the demand at a statement yesterday signed by its Secretary Marzu.

They said with the minimum salary of Tk 2500 it is very difficult to meet expenses of daily life.

Government gave 20 percent dearness allowance, but this is very meager to cope with the current price hike of essentials. It is an irony to the government employees, the statement read.

SAARC-JICA ALUMNI ASSOC FORUM FORMED

'Forge strong bond among South Asian peoples for poverty alleviation'

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Saarc-Jica Alumni Association Forum (SJAAF) was formed at a seminar yesterday with a view to forging strong bond among 150 crore peoples of South Asia and helping the governments eradicate poverty from their countries. The forum will represent 30,000 members of Jica Alumni Associations in the Saarc countries.

Jica Bangladesh and Jica Alumni Association, Bangladesh jointly organised the 'Regional seminar for establishing Saarc-Jica Alumni Association Forum: The role of Jica in the Saarc countries' at Biam auditorium in the city.

Speaking as the chief guest, Primary and Mass Education Adviser Rasheda K Choudhury lauded the initiative and said, "It is a big leap towards development."

This initiative will help

Bangladesh work towards development in a greater environment, she said.

Abul Hossain presented a thematic paper on enhancing the process of establishing SJAAF.

President of Jica Alumni Association-Bangladesh Mohammed Ajmol Chowdhury chaired the seminar.

In her speech, Resident Representative of Jica-Bangladesh Nobuko Suzuki Kayashima said, "Training programme of Jica is important to enhance cooperation among the Jica members."

Addressing the seminar, the presidents of Jica Alumni Associations of India, Pakistan, Nepal and Maldives hoped that the dream of an association of Asian forum is not far away.

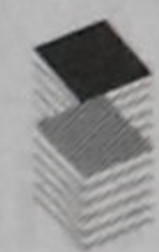
General Secretary of Jica Alumni Association-Bangladesh Mohammed Ijaruddin delivered the welcome speech.



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