

EC goes all out for elections: CA

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chief Adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed yesterday said the Election Commission (EC) is now making all-out preparations for holding the national and upazila elections.

corporations and nine municipalities successfully and peacefully after preparing a voter list of over eight crore voters in only 11 months with support from Bangladesh Army," he said.

of the caretaker government said. He also added that the government, in formulating Right to Information Act, has fulfilled a long cherished demand of the civil society, general public and human rights activists.

Buet admission tests Nov 20

DU CORRESPONDENT

The admission tests for the 1st year honours courses at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet) under academic session 2008-09 will be held on November 20, says a press release.



Dhaka City Corporation Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka offers munajat after unveiling the plaque of a road renamed after Bir Pratik Mohammad Shafique Ullah at Uttara Sector-4 in the city yesterday.

ASIA REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION SUMMIT BEGINS Call for strong public-private partnership

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Asia regional higher education summit, first of its kind in Asia, began in the city yesterday with a call for stronger partnerships among public and private institutions across the globe to face the emerging challenges.

inaugural function, Education Adviser Dr Hossain Zillur Rahman said, "Degradation of ecology, population, rapid urbanisation and poverty are the major issues in the case of Bangladesh."

education institutions make vital contributions to national and international development. In many ways, American higher education community represents the US traditions of enterprise, pluralism, diversity, compassion and humanitarianism.

British HC closed on Oct 9

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British High Commission in Dhaka and its office in Sylhet will remain closed to the public on October 9 on the occasion of Sree Sree Sharda Durga Puja," says a press release.

DHAKA TODAY

Book publication

A book titled 'Bhubongayer Chalcitro' by Rezaul Karim Talukdar will be published. Bangladesh Writers' Guild organises the function. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4:00pm.

Discussion

A discussion will be held on the occasion of World Day for Decent Work Bangladesh Sanjuktta Samikha Federation. Venue: Bangladesh Photojournalist Association hall room. Time: 4:00pm.

Education summit

The second session of the education summit starts. American Centre of US Embassy hosts the summit to share strategies and explore opportunities for partnership between universities, multinational firms and foundations in the US and Asia. Venue: Hotel Westin. Time: 8:30am.



Light rain likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at many places over Dhaka, Khulna, Barisal and Chittagong divisions and at a few places over Rajshahi, and Sylhet divisions in the next 12 hours until 6:00pm today.

Table with 4 columns: City/Town, Temperature in Celsius (Max, Min), Humidity in percentage (Morning, Evening). Rows include Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Barisal, Sylhet, Cox's Bazar.

Appeal for help

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh



Sadik Bin Habib Dipu, a meritorious student of class ten of Muktagachha R K High School, has been suffering from blood cancer. Dipu is now undergoing treatment under Prof ABM Yunus of hematology department of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University in Dhaka.

Amar Desh

FROM PAGE 16 Adviser and acting editor Ataus Samad, news editor, chief reporter, reporters and employees of the daily also welcomed the directors and assured them of extending all out cooperation in running the paper.



Myanmar Ambassador to Bangladesh Phae Thann Oo calls on Chief Adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed at his office in the city yesterday.

AL won't take part in any polls without Hasina

Zillur reiterates

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Saying that the government might have an evil design to prevent Sheikh Hasina from taking part in the elections, Awami League (AL) acting president Zillur Rahman yesterday said his party would not take part in any polls without Hasina.

Andolon (ONA) Quazi Farque Ahmed went there to meet Zillur. Earlier at a press conference at the temporary office of ONA in Mirpur, Farque said ONA as a new political party will be formally launched tomorrow.

chiefs Hasina and Khaleda Zia. He also said the government is not following the court orders regarding the proceedings of cases and the release of Hasina on bail.

Khaleda sends money for her son's treatment

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson and former prime minister Khaleda Zia has sent Tk 6.33 lakh (\$5000) to her ailing son Tarique Rahman who is now undergoing treatment in London.

Reshuffle at brig gen, joint secy levels

UNB, Dhaka

A number of brigadier general and joint secretary-level officials were transferred and given new postings in a reshuffle in the administration.

Hasina leaves for London to meet sister

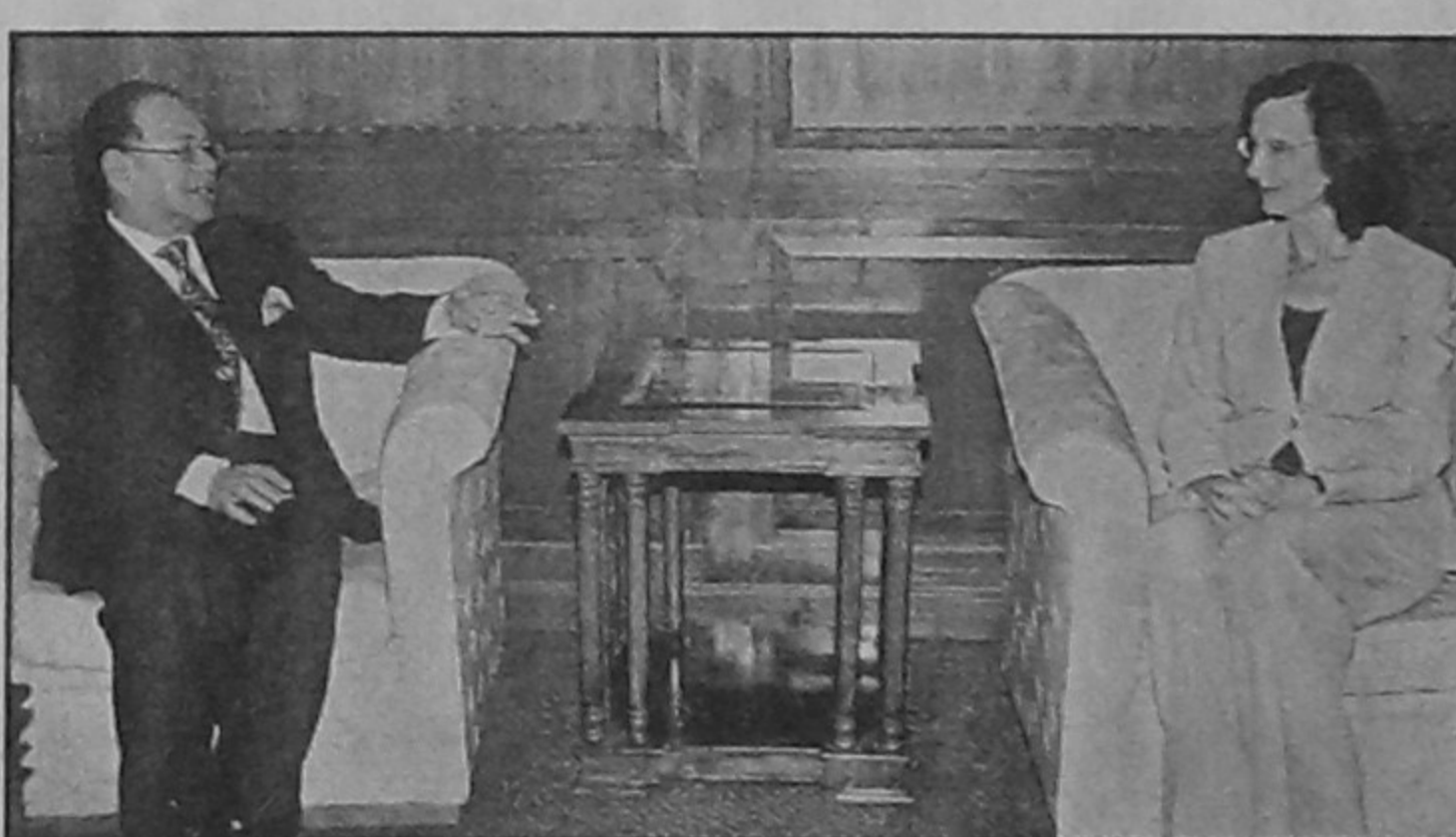
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Awami League (AL) President Sheikh Hasina left Canada for London on Sunday night to meet her sister Sheikh Rehana.

Cyclone may form in Bay this month

BSS, Dhaka

At least one cyclone may form off one or two depressions in the Bay of Bengal this month, the met office said in its long-range forecast for October yesterday.



UNDP Resident Representative in Bangladesh Renata Lok-Dessallien calls on Foreign Adviser Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury at his office in the city yesterday. (Story on Page 1)

Kapali spills the beans

FROM PAGE 16 Kapali, however, does not regret joining the ICL. "I don't regret joining the ICL. I hope, though, that in the near future everything is sorted out and better sense prevails in Bangladesh Cricket Board, just like in Sri Lanka."

which forced him to join the ICL. "Towards the end of international career, I became a lonely figure. I didn't command the same respect from the guys. I would sit alone in the dressing room. During critical situations, nobody would come to me for any suggestion, though I was the senior most guy. A feeling crept in that you were no longer required", Bashbar said.

Referring to the ban imposed by BCB, he said, "I know they are heavily dependent on Indian sponsors and BCCI. I can't blame them for their stand". Bashbar said after being dropped from the national team for the home series against South Africa, he joined the ICL and he was committed to the latter in the next three years before he calls it a day.

BKP to participate in JS polls under alliance

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Kalyan Party (BKP) Chairman Maj Gen (ret'd) Syed Muhammad Ibrahim yesterday said his party would take part in the upcoming parliamentary election under any of the alliances - Awami League-led grand electoral alliance or BNP-led four-party alliance.

Prof Kamruddin passes away

UNB, Dhaka

Prof KAA Kamruddin, former dean of Law Faculty of Dhaka University, passed away due to old age ailments at Bangladesh Medical College Hospital in the city yesterday at the age of 79.

Kamruddin was laid to rest at Mirpur Intellectual Graveyard after namaz-e-janaza at a mosque adjacent to Ramna Police Station after Zohr prayers.

Born in 1929 in Gopalganj, Kamruddin joined the Law Department of Dhaka University as senior lecturer in 1962.

He was given 'Life Time Achievement Award' by DU in recognition of his role in promoting law education in Dhaka University, Chittagong University, Rajshahi University and other institutions.

Staff correspondent adds: BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia expressed her profound shock at the death of Prof Kamruddin.

In a press release signed by BNP Office Secretary Ruhul Kabir Rivee, she said Prof Kamruddin has played a vital role in expansion of higher education in the country.

She said the nation has lost a bright son in his death and his contribution to the development of law education in the country will be remembered forever.

In a separate message, BNP Secretary General Khandakar Delwar Hossain also condoled the death.

Khandakar Abdur Rouf

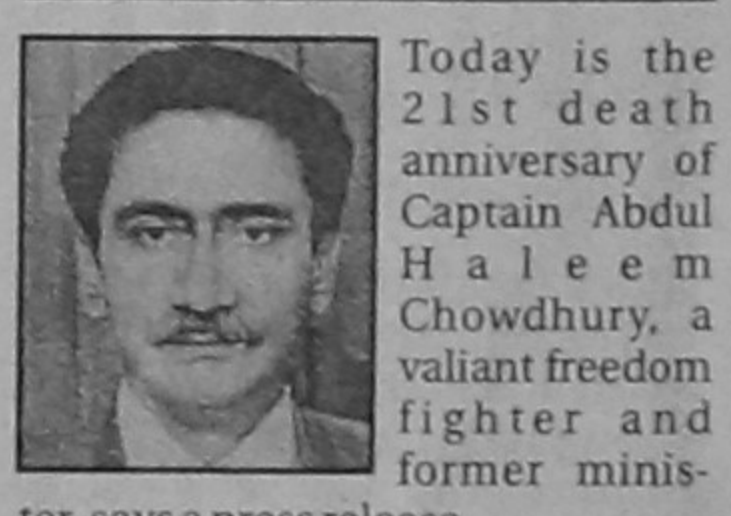
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Khandakar Abdur Rouf, a social worker of Tangail, passed away due to old age complications at a city clinic recently at the age of 92, says a press release.

He left behind his wife, four daughters and two sons and a host of relatives to mourn his death. He was buried at his village graveyard under Gopalpur upazila in Tangail.

Death anniversary

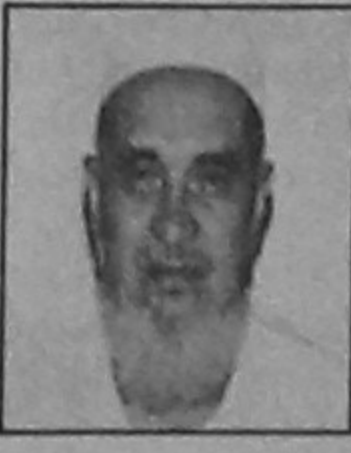
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Today is the 21st death anniversary of Captain Abdul H A I e e m Chowdhury, a valiant freedom fighter and former minister, says a press release. He was the commander of greater Dhaka Western Zone comprising 22 thanas of Dhaka, Gazipur, Manikganj, Munshiganj districts.

Alhaj Md Hamidur Rahman

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the fourth death anniversary of Alhaj Md Hamidur Rahman, father of Azizur Rahman, one of the organisers of the Liberation War and former chairman of Tangail Municipality, says a press release. On the occasion, a milad mahfil will be held at his village home after Asr prayers.