CLIMATE CHANGE FUND MANAGEMENT

Ensure people's representation

Speakers urge govt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a seminar yesterday said representation of the people, who are vulnerable to climate the National Press Club in the city. change fallout in the country, should be ensured in the management of climate change fund and the WB had been maintaining development of climate change double standard at the same time

sion of World Bank (WB) in the various development projects management of Multi Donor Trust that are not environment-Fund which was formed after the friendly. climate change conference on Bangladesh held on September 10 not to take any fund given by the jects. in London and demanded its WB imposing tough conditions exclusion from the fund manage- and regulations.

The seminar was organised by Convention on Climate Change

Equity and Justice Working Group (EJWG) to create public opinion against the inclusion of WB in multi-donor fund management at

Presenting a keynote paper, Shamsuddoha of EquityBD said by telling about its concern over They also condemned the inclu- climate change and investing on

(UNFCCC) decided to establish an Adaptation Fund Board with the representation of the developing manage the adaptation fund, he said, adding but the developed countries are including the WB in

Former finance minister Abul Mal Abdul Muhit said the risks of climate change could not be faced only by undertaking few projects, the matter should be underscored He called on the government in all development plans and pro-

"The representation of the people who are vulnerable to cli-Though the UN Framework mate change should be included in fund management and developing

the climate change strategy paper," headded.

He further said that the stance of and least developed countries to any government in the country should be published to the people in a White Paper before joining any inter-governmental or international conference in this regard.

fund management to secure their Local government specialist and Chittagong University Prof Dr Tofail Ahmed said climate change issue is now a matter of national existence. So, it should be underscored seriously.

The seminar moderated by Dr Tofail Ahmed was also addressed by Ziaul Haque Mukta of Oxfam GB, former lawmaker engineer Md Shahiduzzaman and Mostafa Kamal Akand.



Justice Gholam Rabbani speaks at a discussion on 'Electoral reforms, constitution and political rights of war criminals' at Bilia auditorium in the city yesterday. On his right are Barrister Shafique Ahmed and Prof Panna Kaisar and on his left are Prof Ajay Roy and Prof Kazi Farook. (Story on Page 2)

27TH BCS EXAMS

'Cancel second phase results'

DU CORRESPONDENT

The unsuccessful candidates of 27th BCS Examinations yesterday reiterated their demand for immediate cartefletions of the second-pixist results of the examinations and reconsideration of the first-phase results.

Raising questions about the legality of publishing the second-phase results, the candidates also demanded infinediate removal of PSC Chairman Dr Saadat Hussain, appointment of those including children of freedom fighters who came out successfully as per firstphase results, and a judicial investigation into the irregularities in publish-

ing the second-phase results. The demands were articulated at a press conference at the National Press

Club in the city. The unsuccessful candidates alleged that due to autocratic interference by Dr Saadat, a total of 1137 candidates who were successful as per first- phase result but did not get any service on the basis of secondphase results, are now mentally depressed and leading a miserable life with their families.

They demanded immediate steps to make the PSC free from the grip of personal and group-based influences saying that the PSC chief is using his office as project centre of ADB and World Bank, rather than preserving the interests of meritorious students of the country.

They urged the government to appoint honest, efficient and competent persons to run the administration of PSC and preserve the interest of meritorious candidates.

Tarique's condition still critical

Says his lawyer

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The condition of Tarique Rahman, eldest son of BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia, remains the same, despite his better treatment in

Tarique is still in a critical condition and that he remains bedridden because of severe back pain, his lawyer Barrister Nasir

"The sixth and seventh bones of Tarique's spine have been dam-

aged. Condition of these two bones has worsened due to lack of treatment for a long time. He is also suffering from other spinal diseases," Ashim told reporters at his Dhanmondi residence.

Tarique was shifted to a renowned hospital on Thursday, he said, adding that Tarique needs to undergo prolonged treatment.

"Tarique also needs to do some Uddin Ahmed Ashim, who has physical exercise. But he feels returned from London, said severe pain when he tries to move,'

> Tarique went to London on September 11 for better treatment.

500 held, 44 vehicles recovered last month

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) recovered 44 stolen motor vehicles and seized about 38 kg of cannabis and over 5,000 bottles of Phensidyl The police also arrested around

500 criminals, including robbers, muggers and drug peddlers, during the month of September.

At a press conference at the top terrors. Police Telecom Auditorium at Rajarbagh Police Lines yesterday, DMP-Commissioner Naim Ahmed

highest for this year so far.

He also said that the DMP has decided to expand their drive outside the capital, as the criminals often flee the city after committing crimes.

Replying to a question, he said they are seriously trying to nab top fugitive criminals and their accomplices who had been carrying out criminal activities as the agents of

He also said the traffic department and the regular police forces have been asked to facilitate

3 army officers transferred

UNB, Dhaka

In a latest reshuffle in the adminis tration in the interim period, the government has given three army officers transfers and postings, one of them as ambassador.

An official notification yesterday said Brig General ATM Amin of Bangladesh Army has been appointed DG of Ansar and VDP under the Home Ministry while Brig General Abu Belal M Shafiul Huq made DG of BIISS on deputation under Foreign Ministry.

Meanwhile, Major General Abdul Hafiz, who was appointed DG of Ansar and VDP on deputation, has been transferred to the Foreign Ministry for appointing him Ambassador "on deputation".

140 cops to join East Timor peacekeeping

UNB, Dhaka

A 140-member contingent of Bangladesh police will join the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission in East Timor.

Of them, the first group of 70 police, led by Police Super Tanvir Haider Chowdhury reached East Timbr Friday hight by a chartered plane of United Nations while another group of 70 will leave Dhaka tonight, said a police headquarters release.

Deputy IGP (R&T) M Mokhlesur Rahman, AIGP (UN Desk) M Ekramul Habib and other police officials will see the East Timorbound team off at Zia International

Some 1,083 police members are working in UN Peacekeeping Missions in East Timor, Kosovo, Congo, Liberia, Ivory Coast, Darfur and Sudan.

Firm employee shot in city

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A private firm employee sustained severe injuries when a gang of muggers sprayed a bullet on him at Rahamatganj in old part of the city vesterday.

The victim was identified as Md Ferdous, 30, an employee of Sumon Enterprise at Sadarghat in the city.

The injured said two muggers shot at him and fled the scene when he was going to Rahamatganj by a rickshaw for an official work purpose. The muggers could not take anything from Ferdous. Local people rushed him to

Dhaka Medical College Hospital in a

PHOTOGRAPHY FEST

Artist can depict civilisation thru' paintbrush

Says Rasheda K Chy

BSS, Dhaka

Cultural Affairs Adviser Rasheda K Chowdhury yesterday said an artist can depict the culture and civilisation of a country through his or her paintbrush and colour.

She said this while inaugurating a week-long international photography exhibition at the National Museum auditorium in the city as the chief guest.

The show was jointly organised by Asia-Pacific Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU) in cooperation with Japanese embassy in Dhaka.

A large number of visitors, including Japanese Ambassador Masayuki Inoue and ACCU Director General Kunio Sato, also took part in the inaugural function.

A total of 80 important photo graphs from 38 countries have been put on display in the show.

The exhibition will remain open to public from 10:00am to 7:00pm every day until October 17.

1344 cans of adulterated coconut oil seized

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Police seized 1344 cans of adulterated coconut oil worth Tk 23 lakh from a truck yesterday from Khulna-Bagerhat highway under Bagerhat Sadar Police Station.

Officer-in-Charge (OC) Humayun Kabir of Bagerhat Sadar Police Station said the adulterated coconut oil weighing 11,960 kilograms was being transported to North Bengal for sale.

Madhu Dam, proprietor of Tilatisa Enterprise at Nager Bazar of Bagerhat Town, is owner of the oil. He remains absconding.

Police arrested Murad Sheikh and helper Aslam Khan of the truck on the spot. A case was filed against the

proprietor and the arrestees under section 25 (C) of the Special Powers Act-1974.

UIU orientation programme held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A two-day orientation programme for newly admitted students of 2008 Fall trimester of the United International University (UIU) concluded yesterday.

A total of 400 students enrolled at the School of Business and School of Science and Engineering took part in the orientation programme held at the university auditorium at Dhanmondi.

Speaking as the chief guest, eminent economist Prof Dr Wahiduddin Mahmud said, "Highly educated and experienced teachers, modern infrastructural facilities and advanced equipment are preconditions for quality education which are available in this university."

He advised the students to work

He hoped that the cordial and supportive relationship between teachers and students would contribute to a great extent to materialising the objective of the university.

Vice Chancellor of the university Prof Dr M Rezwan Khan chaired the



Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU) organised the event.

Plot on to erase spirit of 1/11 changeover

Says Syed Ibrahim

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Kalyan Party (BKP) Chairman Maj Gen (retd) Syed Muhammad Ibrahim Bir Pratik said an identified vicious circle is conspiring in the country to create anarchy and ill politics erasing the spirit of 1/11.

The nation does not want to go back to the situation before the 1/11 changeover, he added.

The BKP chairman said this at a view exchange meeting with the leaders and activists at the party office at Mohakhali New DOHS in the city yesterday. Syed Ibrahim said the country

was a safe haven of corrupts and criminals before the changeover and the nation was hopeful that the country would be freed from the grip of them when the caretaker government assumed

But it is a matter of regret that the identified corrupts are escaping from the loopholes of law and, on the other hand, the administration is failing to arrest listed criminals, he regretted.

Ibrahim said questions have been raised on a negotiation between an adviser of the government and a top leader who was recently freed from detention.

government to start rationing

system in order to combat the

price hike of essentials. He also urged his party men to be prepared for tackling any conspiracy to foil the election slated for December 18.

Alleged robber, cow lifter arrested in Ctg

BSS, Chittagong

Police in separate drives yesterday arrested an alleged robber from Chandanaish upazila and a cow lifter from Charlokkhya area at outskirt of the city early yesterday.

The arrested Mohammed Ali, 45, of Chandanaish Sadar area is accused of at least 12 criminal cases, police said.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of police nabbed him while he was roaming suspiciously in the upazila Sadar area last night.

Karnaphuli police picked up Kamal Ahmed, 34, of Charlokkhya area along with 6 stolen cows early yesterday. Police said Kamal, a notorious cow thief, lifted the The BKP chairman urged the animals from a village of Banshkhali upazila.

6th SAF scout friendship camp begins today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The sixth South Asian Foundation (SAF) Scout Friendship Camp will begin at Mouchak in Gazipur today, says a press release.

The scouts friendship camping programme started in 2002 in cooperation with South Asian Foundation (SAF) to boost friendship and cooperation, and cultural exchange among Saarc

Chief Adviser Fakhruddin

Ahmed will inaugurate the grand opening of the camp as the chief About 350 Rover scouts and

leaders from Saarc countries will take part in the camp. Chief National Commissioner

of Bangladesh Scouts Md Abul Kalam Azad will give his welcome speech in the opening ceremony while Education Secretary Md Momtajul Islam will preside over the function.

A correspondent from Benapole adds: A 39-member Indian delegation and 12member delegation from the Maldives yesterday arrived in Bangladesh via Benapole border to attend the camp.



programme. Member of the board of governors of UIU KM Ahsan Shamim, Pro-VC Dr Chowdhury Mofizur Rahman, Prof Dr Golam Rahman, Registrar ASM Salahuddin, Prof Habibur A garage owner is doing business occupying the sidewalk beside Square Hospital at Panthapath in the city, which hampers smooth movement of traffic and Rahman and Prof Mohammed Musa pedestrians. The photo was taken yesterday. also spoke at the programme.

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