

SIX RECEIVE TIB INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM AWARD 2008

## 'Battle against corruption will continue till its victory'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An adviser of former caretaker government yesterday expressed his unhappiness for not seeing, what he said, the expected results from the fight against corruption being carried out by the Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC).

"It seems that our dream to stamp out corruption will not be materialised fully," said Hafiz Uddin Khan while presiding over a seminar titled 'Role of investigative reporting in preventing corruption' at the National Press Club in the city.

Also treasurer of the trustee board of Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB), Hafiz said those people who were considered by the countrymen as big corrupts are being released one by one.

Speaking on the occasion, ACC

Chairman Hasan Mashhud Chowdhury said the battle against corruption is going on.

"You may lose the battle, not the war. I hope we will win the battle," he added.

Terming the fight against corruption a big battle, the ACC chief said still they have the chance to win the battle.

Hafiz also said if ACC, TIB and the media continue their efforts the anti-graft fight will be won.

The seminar was organised by the Transparency International Bangladesh on the occasion of award giving ceremony of TIB Investigative Journalism Award 2008.

The winners were Shanfuzzaman Pintu of the Prothom Alo, Anwar Sadat Imran of the daily Progar Alo published from Tangail, and Abu Sufian, Shahnaz Sharmin Rinvi,

Mozammel Shishir and Shovan Aref of BanglaVision.

Both Hafiz and Mashhud stressed the need for more investigation journalism to help eradicate corruption from the country.

They also assured the journalists of their continued assistance in pursuing investigation into the corruption.

The country has not seen much of investigative journalism, said the ACC chairman, adding, not resources, but backups and courage are important for investigative reporting.

He said if investigative journalism could be done in a bigger way, the anti-corruption drive will be easier.

Mashhud said the ACC may take a decision to reward people for their role against corruption.

Journalist Manjurul Ahsan Bulbul

presented a paper on the topic of the seminar where he brought out the overall picture of the country's journalism including the short comings of investigative reporting.

He requested the journalists to be more serious in writing a good investigative report.

TIB Executive Director Iftekharuzzaman, Syed Abul Maqsood, former Ambassador Waliur Rahman and Prof Asif Nazrul of Dhaka University also spoke on the occasion.

They said corruption will remain in the world but it can be curbed if all work together and play their parts.

At the function, Anwar Sadat Imran announced that he will donate the money to establish a hospital in Madhupur for destitute mothers and children. He urged all to come forward to help build the hospital.



Winners of the TIB Investigative Journalism Award 2008 pose with the guests at the award giving ceremony at the National Press Club in the city yesterday. Sitting from right are TIB Executive Director Dr Iftekharuzzaman, ACC Chairman Lt Gen (ret'd) Hasan Mashhud Chowdhury, Hafiz Uddin Khan and Manjurul Ahsan Bulbul.

## 13th Asian Art Biennale '08 begins today

UNB, Dhaka

The month-long 13th Asian Art Biennale '08, organised by Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, begins in the city today.

Chief Adviser Fakhrudin Ahmed is scheduled to inaugurate the art exhibition and competition at Osmani Memorial Hall. Cultural Affairs Adviser Rasheda K Chowdhury will preside over the function.

The exhibition will simultaneously begin at three venues -- National Art Gallery of Bangladesh at Shilpakala Academy, Bangladesh National Museum and Osmani Memorial Hall.

Some 27 countries are taking part in the exhibition and competition. The number of foreign artworks is 236 while home 242.

The exhibition will remain open for all from 11:00am to 7:00pm everyday and 3:00pm to 8:00pm on Friday.

Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy has been organising the exhibition since 1981.

## SAVE THE CHILDREN'S DAY OF ACTION

## Children urge govt to end violence against them

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Around 2000 children at a gathering in the city yesterday called on the government to end violence against them.

The gathering was part of a series of events that took place around the world to mark the Save the Children's 'Day of Action' to end violence against children, said a press release of Save the Children UK.

The participating children set up different stalls at the venue of the gathering at Azad Muslim playground in Lalbagh where birth registration service was offered by an NGO.

The participating children also drew pictures and displayed those in their stalls. Besides, child-related publications were also on display there.

A video documentary was shown and a lively debate competition on parental responsibility was also held.

This was followed by a cultural programme performed by the working children.

Shanta, a 12-year-old girl who works in a factory, said it was a wonderful day for her.

"I enjoyed a lot by playing and singing with friends, and I want to attend this type of event often," she added.

The programme was also attended by Geeti Ara Safia Chowdhury, former adviser to the Caretaker Government as chief guest, and Masuda Binte Kadir, joint secretary to social welfare ministry, as special guest.

Inaugurating the event, Geeti Ara said child protection should be ensured right from the family level.

Masuda said the government is in the process of amending the Children Act 1974 which till date has been the principal law on child protection.

## GRAFT CASES

## Arrest warrant against MK Alamgir's sons

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday issued arrest warrants against two sons of detained former Awami League state minister Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir in connection with two cases filed for non-submission of wealth statement to the Anti-corruption Commission (ACC).

Accused Jalal Alamgir and Joy Alamgir have been absconding since the cases were filed against them.

Dhaka Metropolitan Sessions Court Judge Mohammad Azizul Haque accepted the charge sheets and fixed October 23 for the submission of reports on arrest warrants against the two.

ACC Assistant Director Towfiqul Islam, also the investigation officer (IO) of the cases, on Sunday submitted the charge sheets against the two to the Dhaka Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court, showing six people as prosecution witnesses in each case.

The IO appealed to the court for issuing arrest warrants against them and the order to attach their properties.

On June 11 this year, the ACC filed the cases with Gulshan Police Station against the two, as they failed to submit their wealth statements to the commission.

## DU IBA admission test on Oct 31

BSS, Dhaka

The admission test of the BBA programme under Institute of Business Administration (IBA) of Dhaka University (DU) for the academic session 2008-09 will be held at 10:00am on October 31.

The application package is available at the Curzon Hall branch of Agrani Bank on the DU campus.

The application forms must be submitted to the BBA programme office between 9:00am and 5:00pm on working days. The last date for submission of application forms is October 28.

For details, applicants may visit the IBA website at [www.iba-du.edu](http://www.iba-du.edu).



Dhaka University Teachers' Association forms a human chain in front of the Aparajeyo Bangla on Dhaka University campus yesterday protesting vandalism at the vice-chancellor's office and demanding punishment to the culprits. (Story on Page 1)

## CHILD RIGHTS WEEK ENDS

## 'Raise awareness to stop teasing'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Child Rights Week-2008 concluded in the city yesterday with an awareness raising debate on 'Rule of law can cure teasing'.

The debate was aimed at raising awareness on the slogan 'Punish the teasers, free the girl children'.

Bangladesh Shishu Academy, National Girl Child Advocacy Forum and Debate for Democracy organised the debate at Shishu Academy in cooperation with Don Forum.

Mohammadpur Preparatory High School participated in the debate in support of the subject matter while Cambrian College opposed it. Debate for Democracy Chairman Hasan Ahmed Chowdhury Kiron moderated at the programme.

Vice President of the advocacy forum Prof Latifa Akand presided over the debate where Women and Children Affairs Secretary Rokeya Sultana was present as the chief guest.

Both the teams were declared

winners in the debate and all the six participants of the debate were awarded crests and certificates.

Rokeya Sultana said, "Social awareness is necessary to check teasing." She stressed the need for working on the participatory basis for giving a bar to teasing.

The secretary called on the students to have ambitious dream about life, which will take them to the zenith of their life.

Principal of Notre Dame College Father Benjamin Costa said, "Law is

enshrined in the conscience of each human being as the gift of God."

He called on all to use the conscience in order to free the society from any kind of malpractice. Values of the families play an important role to build good citizens, he added.

Educationists Dr Rawshan Jahan and Dr Meher-E-Khuda, Shishu Academy Director Shaoli Sumon, Don Forum Chairperson Gulshan Ara Chowdhury and Secretary of the advocacy forum Nasima Akter Jolly also spoke.



## Dutch-Bangla Bank Limited

## CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Dutch-Bangla Bank Limited, a reputed and leading joint-venture private commercial Bank is looking for competent IT professionals for the following positions:

## 1. Assistant Officer (Banking Software)

a)	Number of Posts	10 (ten)
b)	Duties and responsibilities	Writing auxiliary programs for Core Banking, Internet Banking, SMS & Alert Banking and support services.
c)	Required Qualification	Master in Computer Science or Computer Science & Engineering from a reputed university with no 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division/Class in any of the examinations.
d)	Age	Age should not exceed 30 years as on 30-10-2008.

## 2. Assistant Officer (ATM)

a)	Number of Posts	10 (ten)
b)	Duties and responsibilities	Writing auxiliary programs for switching software, Credit Card Management systems, installation, configuration, repairing and maintenance of ATM and POS terminals. Supervision and monitoring of cash replenishment, replacement of ATM and POS consumables. Supervision of ATM booth preparation and maintenance thereof.
c)	Required Qualification	Master in Computer Science or Computer Science & Engineering from a reputed university with no 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division/Class in any of the examinations.
d)	Age	Age should not exceed 30 years as on 30-10-2008.

## 3. Assistant Officer (Networking)

a)	Number of Posts	10 (ten)
b)	Duties and responsibilities	Setup and maintenance of the hardware and Intranet of the bank consisting of high-end CISCO networking devices and multi-media, redundant communication links.
c)	Required Qualification	Master in Computer Science or Computer Science & Engineering from a reputed university with no 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division/Class in any of the examinations.
d)	Age	Age should not exceed 30 years as on 30-10-2008.

## 4. Assistant Officer (ATM Help Desk)

a)	Number of Posts	05 (five)
b)	Duties and responsibilities	Attending ATM/ Card related phone calls and provide on-line technical supports to the card holders.
c)	Required Qualification	Master in any discipline from a reputed university with no 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division/Class in any of the examinations.
d)	Age	Age should not exceed 30 years as on 30-10-2008.

Eligible candidates are requested to send their applications alongwith complete C.V. and 02 (two) copies of recent passport-size photographs with following information in sequence as detailed below:

(1) Name, (2) Father's Name, (3) Mother's Name, (4) Date of Birth & age as on 30-10-2008, (5) Mailing Address with Contact phone number, (6) Present & Permanent address, (7) Home District, (8) Academic qualifications (Name of the exam /Passing years/ Subject/Division or Class or CGPA/Board or University), (9) Experience (if any): (Duration: From - To/ Name of the position/ Name of the Bank or organization/ Duties & responsibilities).

Application should be addressed to Human Resources Division, Dutch-Bangla Bank Limited, GPO Box- 2315, Dhaka-1000 and reach by October 30, 2008. The candidates are requested to mention the position applied for on the top of the envelop.

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An open manhole in the city's busy Eskaton Road poses threat to pedestrians as well as passengers, but the authorities remain indifferent. The picture was taken yesterday.