

### Fakhruddin undergoes minor operation

UNB, Dhaka  
Chief Adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed yesterday had a minor operation at Dhaka Combined Military Hospital.

"He had a minor operation and he is well," CA's Press Secretary Syed Fahim Munaim told UNB over phone.

He said the chief adviser attended the office in the morning and had an operation at the CMH in the afternoon. He was expected to return home from the CMH later at night.

Munaim said he will do his office work for next two days, Wednesday and Thursday, from his official residence at Hare Road.

### One day Eid holiday for EC staffs

BSS, Dhaka

The Election Commission (EC) has shortened the holidays of Eid-ul-Azha from three days to one day for its officials and employees due to parliament and upazila elections.

The EC staffs will enjoy holiday only on Eid day, an official order of the EC said yesterday.

Earlier, the EC cancelled the weekly holidays and extended office time up to 7.00pm.



A visitor takes a close look at a mass of coral at an exhibition organised by the environment directorate at Shilpakala Academy in the city yesterday on the occasion of International Coral Year-2008.

### Pollution a threat to dev

Speakers say at seminar

METRO DESK

The Centre for Global Environmental Culture, and International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) jointly organised the seminar titled 'The role of education for sustainability in pollution control' at the IUBAT conference hall in the city, says a press release.

Prof Mahmuda Khanam, pro-vice chancellor of the university, at the inaugural session called upon the people to abide by the existing rules to protect environment.

# Restrictions on media obstacle to fair elections

## Speakers tell seminar

DU CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a seminar yesterday criticised the Election Commission (EC) for framing a code of conduct for the mass media covering the national election, saying that such restrictions may lead to a 'controlled' election and manipulation.

But Education and Commerce Adviser Hossain Zillur Rahman, who was present as the chief guest, said that although different quarters are sceptical about an acceptable election, the government is working sincerely to hold a free, fair and credible election.

He sought cooperation of all, including the media, to this end.

The government, the Election Commission and the mass media are not against each other, the adviser said and urged the media to look into the needs of the voters

alongside highlighting various aspects of the candidates and politicians.

Dhaka University Journalists' Association (Duja) organised the seminar on 'Democracy and Election: Role of Mass Media', at Nabab

Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban auditorium at DU.

DU Vice-Chancellor Prof SMA Faiz inaugurated the seminar and the annual reunion ceremony of Duja.

Prof Asif Nazrul, a teacher of law department of DU,

presented the keynote paper at the seminar.

Former president of Dhaka University Teachers' Association Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, Chief Editor of Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha (BSS) Zaglul Ahmed

Chowdhury, President of the National Press Club Shawkat Mahmud also spoke the seminar.

The speakers observed that restrictions on the media are unprecedented in a civilised society. These restrictions are obstacles to ensuring a free and fair election.

They also said the EC cannot impose any conditions on the media. It is the press council which has the right to introduce rules and regulations for the media, they added.

Prof Arefin Siddique said no news without reliable and competent source should be published. The role of media is very important to remove doubts from the minds of people, he added.

Duja also accorded a reception to its founding and former members at the Teacher-Student Centre auditorium and a cultural function was held in the evening.



Dhaka University Vice-Chancellor Prof SMA Faiz speaks at a seminar at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban auditorium at DU yesterday. Sitting from left are Dr Hossain Zillur Rahman, Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique and Shawkat Mahmud.

### Workshop on anti-trafficking intervention

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A two-day regional workshop on rights-based approach in anti-trafficking intervention was held at Brac Centre Inn in the city yesterday.

As part of its consortium project titled 'Developing a rights-based approach in anti-trafficking intervention in South Asia', Terre Des Hommes International Foundation organised the event to share experience at regional level and to formulate a common core of recommendations for future actions to combat human trafficking in South Asia.

Co-financed by the European Commission, the project, started in 2006, is being implemented in Bangladesh, India and Nepal for promoting a rights-based approach in the development of legal and social measures to combat internal and cross-border trafficking with a particular attention to the rescue, recovery and rehabilitation of the victims.

Sara Piazzano, country representatives of Terre Des Hommes in Bangladesh, welcomed the participants while Massimo Lanciotti, Asia programme manager of Terre Des Hommes-Italy, gave an introduction of the project, stressing its regional perspective and integrated approach.

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- Excellent written, verbal and communication skills
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