

Women's empowerment to strengthen democracy

DUVC tells int'l workshop

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka University Vice Chancellor (VC) AAMS Arefin Siddique on Wednesday said rule of law and empowerment of women should be established in every sphere of life to strengthen the path of democracy that can pave the way for ultimate development of the country.

"We are living in the world of change and the entire change can be brought about by the new generation," he said, adding that change is the ultimate condition for human development and empowerment.

The VC was speaking at an international workshop on 'Reflection on violence and empow-

erment: Gender justice in Bangladesh' organised by the Law department in association with British Council at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban.

The new generation students can be the agent for change and make a difference both in the national and international platforms, said Prof Arefin as the chief guest.

People should be made aware of the existing laws, information and rights to become responsible towards the society as well as state.

Chairman of the department Prof Taslima Mansur, Prof Shahnaz Huda, Education and Society Manger of British Council Raiqah Walle Khan and Prof Werner F Menski of London University School of Law also spoke.

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Launching ceremony

Grameenphone Ltd and the daily Prothom Alo will organise the launching ceremony of 'Ekalture Chithi', a collection of letters written to near and dear ones during the liberation war. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 4:15pm.

Art exhibition
The inaugural ceremony of a group art exhibition by Shako will be held. Venue: Gallery Chittrak. Time: 5:00pm.

Inauguration
The inauguration of Emith, a boutique shop, will be held. Venue: House # 47, Road # 11, Banani. Time: 6:00pm.

Debate
Debate for Democracy in association with National Debate Federation organises a debate programme to mark the Independence Day. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 10:30am.

Discussion
Samaj Chinta Forum will hold a discussion titled 'Transit and Tifa: Context Bangladesh'. Venue: Mukti Bhaban. Time: 4:00pm.

Memorial meeting
Centre for Bangladesh Culture organises a memorial meeting to pay tribute to poet Abu Jafar Obaidullah. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4:31pm.

Award giving ceremony
The Bazlur Rahman Memorial Award will be handed over to the winners. Venue: National Museum auditorium. Time: 4:00pm.

Concluding ceremony
The concluding ceremony of a ten-day programme to mark the International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination will be held. Venue: Mohanagar Natyamancha. Time: 9:30am.

Any govt move against judiciary separation to be protested

Say new SCBA leaders

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Newly elected President and Secretary of Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) AFM Mesbahuddin and SM Rezaul Karim yesterday said they would not hesitate to stand against the government if it takes any action against the spirit of the constitution and separation of judiciary from the executive.

They told The Daily Star that the election win gave a clear mandate of the lawyers of the apex court to ensure independence and uphold dignity of the judiciary as well as to establish rule of law for the welfare of the SCBA members.

The ruling Awami League (AL)-backed Sammilita Ainjibi Shamannay Parishad led by Mesbahuddin and Rezaul won a landslide victory in the polls on Wednesday.

The SCBA president, however, said he believes that the government would not do anything violating the spirit of the constitution or the Supreme Court directives for separating the judiciary.

The charge of the SCBA will be handed over to the new office bearers on April 5.

Three people were electrocuted in Shyampur area in the city last night.

Of them, Akhter Hossain, 25, and Zaved Miah, 26, were electrocuted when they were repairing the wiring of Eastern Asia Printing House in the Shyampur industrial area at around 9:00pm while Lokman Hossain, 22, was electrocuted when he was wiring up a residential house at Commissioner Road in East Jurain at around 10:30pm.

Mamunur Rashid, manager of the printing house, said Akhter was first electrocuted and Zaved was also electrocuted when he tried to save Akhter.

In the other incident, Lokman was electrocuted when he was wiring up the house.

The bodies were sent to Dhaka Medical College morgue for autopsy.

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Death anniversary

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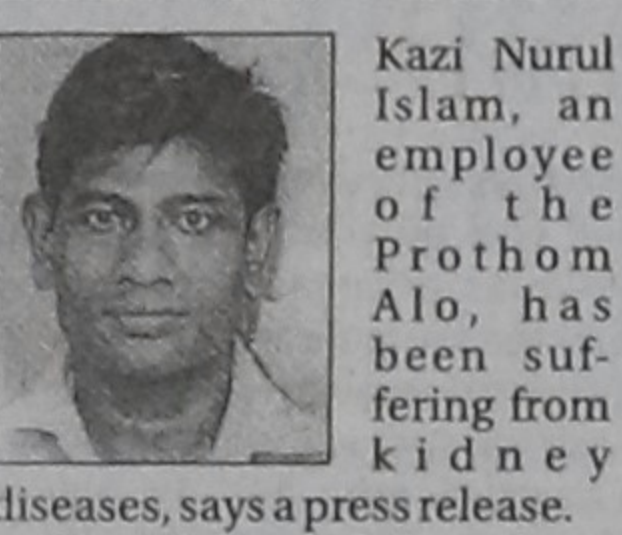
Today is the 38th death anniversary of Shaheed Dr Harinath Dey, former principal scientific officer of the BCSIR and nutrition consultant of Diabetic Hospital, Dhaka, says a press release.

Shaheed Dr Dey was killed by the Pakistani occupation forces on this day in 1971.

On the occasion, the Science Laboratory and different social organisations will place wreaths at the Shaheed Minar at Science Laboratory and foods will be distributed among the destitute and prayer session will be held at his residence at 43 Malakartola Lane at Sutrapur in the city for the peace of his departed soul.

Appeal for help

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Kazi Nurul Islam, an employee of the Prothom Alo, has been suffering from kidney diseases, says a press release.

Nurul Islam, a father of two children, has been on dialysis at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University Hospital (BSMMUH) since both of his kidneys have been damaged.

According to doctors, Nurul Islam requires at least one kidney transplant immediately, which can give him a new lease of life.

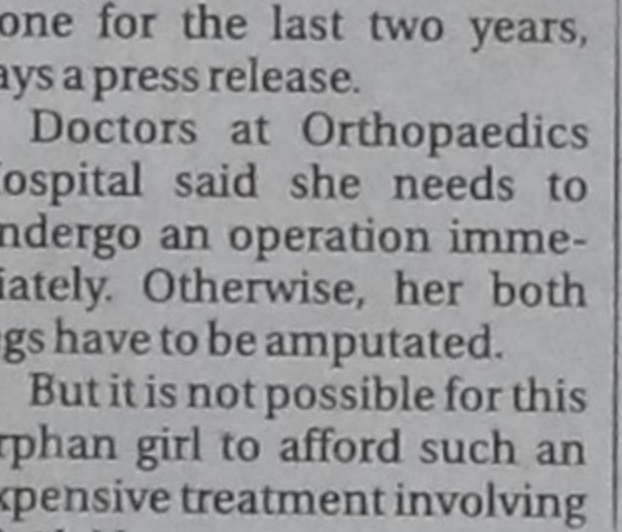
But it is not possible for him to afford such an expensive treatment involving about Tk 20 lakh, as Nurul Islam is the only breadwinner in his four-member family.

His wife Kazi Masura has appealed to generous people to extend a helping hand to save her husband's life.

Contributions can be sent to Kazi Masura, Savings Account No. 34068147, National Bank, Karwan Bazar Branch, Dhaka. Phone: 01716575577.

Fatema Akter

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Fatema Akter, daughter of late Abdul Haque Patwary at Mirpur in the city, has been suffering from tuberculosis of bone for the last two years, says a press release.

Doctors at Orthopaedics Hospital said she needs to undergo an operation immediately. Otherwise, her both legs have to be amputated.

But it is not possible for this orphan girl to afford such an expensive treatment involving Tk 4 lakh.

She has appealed to the generous people to extend a helping hand so that she can get back to normal life.

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Qualifications:

- Masters in any discipline with excellent academic background from a reputed university. MBA or LLB will get preference.
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Job Summary

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- 1 to 2 years experience in relevant field is must.

Job Summary

- Supervise the workshop and transport system and control of related cost.
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