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Artistes perform traditional Malaysian dance at the inaugural ceremony of Malaysian Food Festival in the city on Monday.

Check all steps against people's interests

Khaleda urges countrymen

UNB, *Dhaka*

BNP Chairperson and Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Khaleda Zia on Monday night called on the countrymen to check all steps against people's interests, as she apprehended alien powers at play.

"Awami League (AL) wants to cling to power through handover of the country to foreign power," the former prime minister said in support of her call for a resistance against such a sell-off.

She made the call when newly elected President and General Secretary of Jatiyatabadi Swechchhasebak Dal Habib-un-Nabi Khan Sohel and Mir Sarafat Ali Sapu along with leaders and workers made a courtesy call on the BNP chief at her Gulshan office at 9:30pm.

The opposition leader, who is leading a long boycott of the parliament, said: "People have become fed up with the nine-month rule of the AL government."

People now could understand that there is no alternative to BNP, she said, adding: "Persons of any profession are not supporting any activities of this government."

She called on the Swechchhasebak Dal leaders to strengthen the organisation and shore up strength to move forward.

She told them to inform the countrymen about the previous history of Awami League, saying: "People's life and property are not safe in AL's hands."

Khaleda reaffirmed that the national council of BNP would be held next December. "Dedicated and tested party leaders and workers would be evaluated," she said, adding that those who come to the party for getting something have no need in BNP.

BNP Secretary General Khandakar Delwar Hossain and Office Secretary Ruhul Kabir Rizvi, also former president of JSD, also spoke.

Ex-UN staffs' get-together

METRO DESK

Association of Former United Nations Staff of Bangladesh (AFUNSOB) will organise a get-together of all members/prospective members with their spouses, says a press release.

The AFUNSOB invites its members and all retirees/former staffs of UN system along with their spouses to the get-together-cum-meeting followed by lunch at 11:30am on October 15 at the 3rd floor of IDB Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar in the city.

Interested persons are requested to contact to the following persons to confirm their participation: Mahjabeen Masood (phone: 01711-520790), Tahera Ahmed (01713-046971), Mashud Ahmed (01671093562), and AKM Sharfuddin (01711-591517).

Malaysian food festival begins

Metro Desk

A seven-day Malaysian Food Festival organised by Radisson Water Garden Hotel Dhaka began on Monday.

The festival is an initiative of the High Commission of Malaysia, Malaysia Airlines and Radisson Water Garden Hotel Dhaka with Tourism Malaysia and Club Malaysia Bangladesh to showcase the culture and food of Malaysia.

Due to its diversity, flavors, spices and taste, the Malaysian cuisine has become famous around the world. Master Chef Mustaffa Bin Hassan and Master Chef Abd Mutalib Bin Sanin are specially flown in from Kuala Lumpur to transport the charms and flavors of Malaysian fine cuisine to Radisson Water Garden Hotel Dhaka, says a press release.

The Radisson culinary team will also be joining them to add to the delectability of the cuisine.

The festival presents some of the various delicious and popular dishes from the colorful variety of gastronomic spectrum of Malaysia at the "Water Garden Brasserie" restaurant located at the Lobby Level of the hotel.

Apart from the food, there will also be traditional Malaysian dance performance everyday.

The guests at the Malaysian Food Festival also get a chance of winning Dhaka-Kuala Lumpur-Dhaka return air tickets (Excluding Tax) for a couple courtesy of Malaysian Airlines with two nights accommodation and breakfast.

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40,000 children visually impaired in country

UNB, *Sirajganj*

Speakers at a meeting said there are 40,000 visually impaired children in the country and, of them, 12,000 are facing sight problem due to cataract which can be treated by a simple operation.

Quoting the statistics of World Health Organization (WHO), they said there are 8.20 lakh people who are sightless in the country.

Referring to presence of two-third of total sightless people in Asia, they urged the authorities concerned to take steps for prevention of visual impairment.

Child Sight Foundation (CSF), a national NGO, organised the meeting at Khanjandiar in Shahjadpur upazila yesterday on the occasion of World White Cane Day to be observed tomorrow.

Masudur Rahman, deputy director of district Social Service department, attended as the chief guest while Dr MA Muhit, founder president of CSF, as chief discussant.

Addressing the meeting, Masudur Rahman assured of arranging VGF, VGD and handicapped allowance card for visually impaired children.

In his address, Dr Muhit called for identifying visually impaired children and providing them treatment and education. He urged the government to provide education and rehabilitation for the visually impaired children.

The speakers called for adopting inclusive education, which can ensure the education rights of all children, including visually impaired children.

They said even the visually impaired children can contribute to country's development if they get proper rehabilitation.

Mohammad Abdur Razzak, manger of ASA, Sirajul Islam of NDP, among others, addressed the meeting which was chaired by district coordinator of CSF Mohammad Ali Ahad.

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