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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday inaugurated a six-day hardware display on the occasion of Independence Day 2010 at the east and west sides of the

old airport runway. The display was jointly organised by the Army, Navy and Air Force.

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Hasina inaugurated the display by cutting a ribbon and releasing balloons.

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Immediately after cutting of the ribbon, fighter aircrafts of the Bangladesh Air Force flew past the avenue. A MIG-29 fighter aircraft displayed aerobatic show and para commandos of Bangladesh Army Marshal SM Ziaur Rahman and showed para trooping. Principal Staff Officer of Armed

39 Years Onward

The prime minister signed a Forces Division Major General board titled 'Swadhinatar AbdulWadud. Shakkhar'.

The PM went round different stalls and pavilions set up Earlier, upon her arrival at the venue the PM was received by the three services and witby Chief of Army Staff General nessed both light and heavy Md Abdul Mubeen, Chief of weapons. Naval Staff Vice Admiral ZU Ahmed, Chief of Air Staff Air

There were 21 stalls, 19 from Army and one each from Navy and Air Force.

Hasina also visited models of different sectors of the War of Liberation and stalls made to show the contribution of armed forces in nation building, UN peacekeeping and other activities.

She saw various still photographs, video clippings and statistical charts on the role and activities of the Armed Forces in national development and their activities in different UN peacekeeping missions abroad.

Death anniversary STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the 4th death anniversary of Khondoker Abdus Sami, a joint secretary and mem-

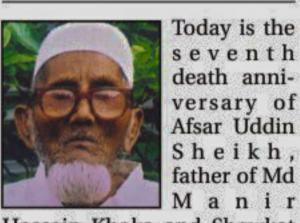
ber of BCS 82 Admn Cadre, says a press release.

mahfil will be held at Eskaton Garden Officer's Quarters Jame Masjid after Asr prayers today.

Friends and relatives are requested to attend the doa mahfil and pray for salvation of the departed soul.

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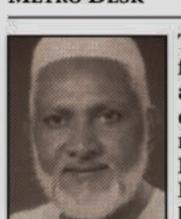
Sheikh, father of Md Manir Hossain Khoka and Showkat Hossain Litu, proprietor of

press release. On the occasion, a milad mahfil will be held at his residence at Farashganj Road in the city after Asr prayers today.

Parijat Prakashoni, says a

Relatives and well-wishers have been requested to attend the milad mahfil.

Haji Md Sirajul Islam METRO DESK



Today is the first death anniversary of businessman Haji Md Sirajul Islam (Babul), says a

press release.

Relatives, friends and admirers have been requested to attend the death anniverdence after Juma prayers and pray for the departed soul.

Qulkhwani

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Qulkhwani of Samsunnahar Kashem, a social worker, writer and politician, will be held at her residence at

No # 4, Sector # 3 at Uttara in the city after Asr prayers today, says a press release. Relatives and admirers are

Oranya at House No #52, Road

requested to attend the qulkhwani and pray for salvation of the departed soul.

She passed away at Apollo Hospitals in the city on March 22.

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18 Japanese volunteers arrive

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Eighteen new Japanese Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JOCV) arrived in Bangladesh on Wednesday.

The new JOCVs will work with public organisations or NGOs in Bangladesh for the next two years and extend cooperation in different sectors such as PC instructing, computer technology, electric and electronic apparatus, infection control, environmental education, architecture, landscape architecture, primary school education, Japanese language, environmental education, rural community development, cooking and swimming.

Equipment for Japanese language learners

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Japanese Ambassador On the occasion, a doa Tamotsu Shinotsuka handed over Japanese language equipment to Dr AKM Moazzem Hussain, president of Japanese Universities Alumni Association in Bangladesh (JUAAB) on Wednesday under the Grant Assistance for Cultural Grassroots Projects of Japan.

JUAAB, known as the 'Face of Japan', aims to improve the social environment of its Japanese Language School by facilitating the students with new furniture, modern audiovisual instruments and computer-based technology, says a press release.

With this new set-up, the Japanese language learners can enhance their Japanese writing skills using computers. In addition, they can easily get any kind of information related to Japan by browsing the internet.

Ambassador Shinotsuka expressed his hope that the function of the JUAAB Japanese Language School would be strengthened by the equipment and the school would have a leading role in Japanese language education in Bangladesh.

JUAAB was formed with the support from the Government of Japan in 2000, aiming to strengthen the cultural and academic relations between Japan and Bangladesh.

Since then, JUAAB mema n d the Monbukagakusho scholars sary programme at his resi- have been working towards supporting Bangladeshi students to study in Japan and introducing Japanese culture to Bangladesh.

The organisation is involved in various activities such as education counseling, arranging education seminar, Ikebana workshop and Japanese language education.

The equipment have been provided under the project 'For the Improvement of Japanese Language Learning Equipment of the Japanese Language School of the JUAAB'.

No headway in schoolboy Shoumen killing case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

None could be arrested in schoolboy Shoumen Biswas killing case till yesterday, although three days had passed since the killing.

Police raided the residences of Chittagong Govt High School students Md Anas and Saleh Md Akib in the port city's Chandgaon residential area and Sirajuddowla Road respectively on Wednesday night suspecting their involvement in the killing but could not nab them.

Investigation Officer (IO) of the case Sub-Inspector (SI) Safayet Hossain Chowdhury of Kotwali PS said guardians of the both the students expressed their ignorance about their sons' where-

abouts as they left home couple of days ago. He said although the victim's mother filed the case accusing some unidentified persons for the

killing, police got a few names interrogating some companions of the victim. A group of 12 youths with lethal weapons attacked some 15 students of Chittagong

Collegiate School near a coaching centre on Monday afternoon. The group also beat up and stabbed Shoumen who succumbed to his injuries early Tuesday.

Meanwhile, students of Chittagong Collegiate School yesterday brought out a protest procession demanding exemplary punishment to the culprits.

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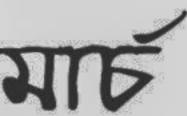
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