

# Important documents of country damaged deliberately: Shafique

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Many important documents and records of the country including the one of Col Taher murder case have been damaged deliberately, revealed Law Minister Shafique Ahmed yesterday.

"After the birth of the country many important documents were destroyed wilfully... the records of Col Taher murder case asked by the High Court were damaged intentionally," he said.

The governments, which came to power through extra constitutional way in different times, damaged the documents of the democratic governments in their own interest, he said.

The law minister said this while inaugurating a daylong seminar titled 'The present state of archives and records management

in Bangladesh and future plan' organised by Bangladesh Archives and Records Management Society at National Museum.

Shafique Ahmed said preserving written documents and records are extremely important for the government as well as the country.

The documents, which have enormous importance to the nation and give future directions, will have to be preserved in archives, he said, adding that the main aim of preserving the documents is to use those as reference in future.

"But, it is unfortunate that the original documents of the constitution are missing," he said. Even the press in which the main constitution was printed was in dilapidated condition, Shafique said, urging the National Museum authorities to bring the press in the museum.

He also called on the people who maintain archives to collect original manuscripts of the documents.

Coming on the reprint of the constitution, the minister said the questions, raised by the opposition party and some lawyers, regarding the reprint of it are illogical, baseless and politically ill-motivated.

He said the court carried out its constitutional responsibility by giving the verdict on the 5th amendment.

The rules, which were incorporated in the constitution through military order, were cancelled by declaring unconstitutional, he said.

Dhaka University Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, Suraiya Begum, secretary of ministry of cultural affairs, and Prof Sharif Uddin Ahmed, president of the society, spoke at the session.

# Market monitoring team fines 4 traders

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A government market monitoring team fined four traders Tk 1.30 lakh during its drive in the city yesterday on charge of violating the

Consumer Rights Protection Act 2009.

A team of National Consumer Rights Protection Directorate under the Commerce Ministry conducted the drive at

Shantinagar Bazar in the morning and penalised four traders for selling essential goods at higher price.

Deputy Secretary of the Commerce Ministry M Abu Taleb led the drive in cooper-

ation with the members of Consumers Association of Bangladesh, Fisheries Directorate, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) and Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP).

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# Action against police deaf to stalking victim Says home minister

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Home Minister Sahara Khatun yesterday said action will be taken against the police officers of Barguna Police Station, who remained unresponsive to a complaint of assault filed by a stalking victim's father.

"I have learnt that the victim's (Shormi Akhter) family filed a general diary (GD) before the incident of attack. Why they didn't take the matter seriously and give protection to the girl?" she said, adding that the officer-in-charge (OC) and sub-inspector concerned will have to explain.

She was addressing a discussion on "Formulating Work-plan to Prevent Repression on Women" as the chief guest. Jatiya Mahila Sangstha (JMS) organised the programme at its office.

A stalker wildly assailed Shormi, 18, and her father with a sharp weapon in Barguna on December 4. Critically injured Shormi is now being treated at Trauma Centre in the city.

The Women and Children Repression Act alone cannot protect the rights of woman, said Shahara. People from all walks of life should step up for defending women's rights, she added.

Tariqul Islam, acting secretary of the ministry of woman and children affairs, was present at the discussion presided over by JMS Chairman Prof Momtaj Begum.

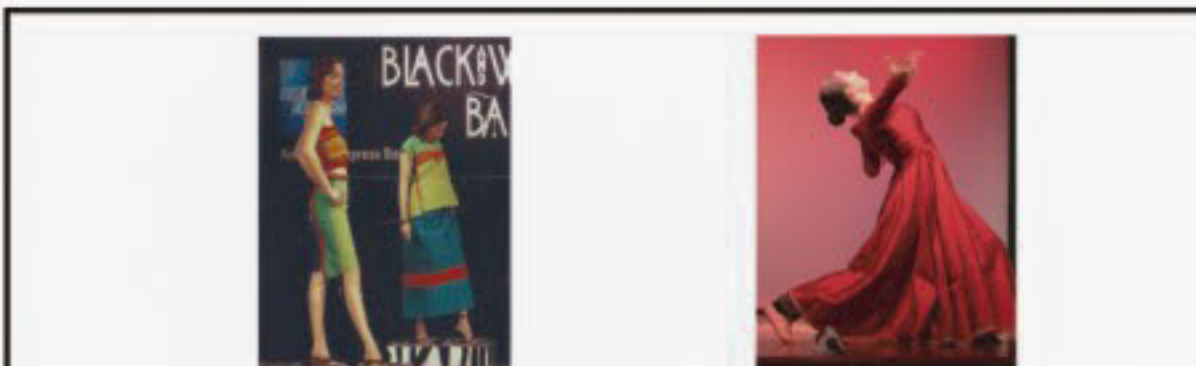


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# Begum Rokeya Day today

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The nation will observe Begum Rokeya Day today, marking the 130th birth anniversary and 78th anniversary of the death of Begum Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain.

Bangla Academy will hold a commemorative lecture to mark the day. The title of the lecture is "Thought of feminism and Rokeya" at academy seminar room in the city.

Prof Sonia Nishat Amin of history department of Dhaka University will deliver the lecture while Bangla Academy Director General Shamsuzzaman Khan will give the address of welcome. National Professor Kabir Chowdhury is expected to chair the meeting.

Begum Rokeya Shakhawat Hossain was born on December 9 in 1880 at Pairaband village in Rangpur. She passed away on December 9 in 1932.



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