

Grameen Bank staff form a human chain in front of its headquarters at Mirpur in the city yesterday protesting the removal of Prof Muhammad Yunus.

Clean Dhaka mission starts

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A six-day long 'Clean Dhaka' mission by Japanese and Dhaka University (DU) students begins yesterday to change the people's mindset in freeing the city from waste materials.

The objective of the mission aims to create awareness among the city dwellers for environment protection regarding solid waste management.

The mission was inaugurated at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban auditorium of DU.

DU Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, President of DU Teachers Association Dr Anwar Hossain, Rokeya Hall Provost Prof Nazma Shaheen, Japanese Language Course Teacher of DU Modern Language Institute Rezaul Karim, DU Pro-VC Harunur Rashid, ambassador of Japan to Bangladesh Tamotsu Shinotsuka, Chief Representatives of JICA Dr Takao Toda were present at the programme.

Through working together, students of Japan and DU will have an opportunity to stay and work together to develop the friendly relations between the two countries, speakers said.

100 Japanese volunteers of International Volunteer University Student Association (IVUSA), along with 130 students from DU, in cooperation with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and Dhaka City Corporation are conducting the mission.

Volunteers' activities include cleaning-DU campus, Sohrawardy Udyan, Some historical places, Ramna Park, Dhanmondi Park and purification of Jagannath Hall's pond water.

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to death in city Hearing deferred

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A rickshaw trader was beaten to death by his relatives over a land dispute at Trimohoni Beparibari at the city's Khilgaon yesterday. The deceased is identi-

fied as Mohammad Salahuddin, 50.

Masud, brother-in-law of Salahuddin told reporter that Salahuddin's elder brother, three sisters and four nephews and he were holding arbitration at the elder brother's house to settle a land dispute between Salahuddin and Monwara.

He added during the arbitration a tussle occurred at about 9:00am and at one stage Salahuddin's elder brother caught him while others severely beat him up and leaving him critically injured.

He was rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead at about 12:00pm.

Trader beaten | CASE AGAINST HASHEM

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday deferred the hearing on charge framing against former BNP lawmaker and Partex Group chairman MA Hashem till March 30 in connection with a tax evasion case. Judge Mohammad Zohurul Haque of the Senior Special

Judge's Court passed the order after Hashem's lawyer submitted a time petition on ground that his client would clear all the income tax mentioned in the case by March 30. The National Board of Revenue (NBR) on August 23 last

year filed the case against Hashem for evading tax of Tk 47.6 crore from 1977-1978 to 2005-2006 fiscal years. The court also ordered that if the accused fails to comply or pay off the income tax, charge will be framed against

Hashem on that day. Meanwhile, the same court granted bail to Aziz Al Mahmud, a son of Hashem and one of the directors of Partex

Beverage Ltd, in connection with another tax evasion case. The NBR on February 27 filed the case against nine people including Hashem, his wife, his five sons, and two officials of the company, for dodging Tk 232.91 crore in income tax for

The same court on February 20 issued an arrest warrant against Hashem canceling his bail in the case, as he had gone abroad for treatment without permission.

the fiscal years of 2005-2006 to 2007-2008.

On February 28, Hashem got bail in the case upon surrender. In the case statement, NBR Deputy Tax Commissioner Kabir Uddin Mollah said Hashem evaded Tk 4,76,09,845 in income tax on Tk 18,93,42,380 earned from different sources.

He repeatedly provided false information about his income and expenditure, the statement said.

Bangladeshi women help reduce hunger

Says WFB official

BSS, Dhaka

With gender equality being important for reduction of poverty and hunger, Bangladeshi women are playing a critical role in World Food Programme's work to break the cycle of hunger and create food secure communities.

"WFP Bangladesh commemorates International Women's Day by renewed efforts to prioritise women in all our operations, and by underlining the value of involving men in the struggle to eradicate gender gaps and achieve lasting equality," said Christa Rader, WFP Bangladesh Representative. Despite impressive gains in public participation over the

last two decades, women in Bangladesh remain particularly vulnerable to poverty and food insecurity. Due to social restrictions, they face additional barriers in generating income and are more vulnerable than men to the consequences of natural disasters. The high prevalence of early marriage and adolescent

pregnancies and of under-nutrition in mothers means undernourishment is often passed from one generation to another, with more than one in every three children born with a low birth weight. "WFP is fully committed to supporting the government of

Bangladesh in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) of promoting gender equality, and reducing poverty and hunger. Working together we can help remove the barriers that prevent women and children in this country achieving their full potential," said Rader. In 2010, WFP assisted over 2.5 million ultra poor women

and young girls. Its programmes include the innovative Food Security for the Ultra Poor (FSUP) project that supports 30,000 of the poorest and most vulnerable women in the country. Each woman receives a unique cash grant to set up an

income generating activity, along with a cash allowance,

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Two BGB men plead guilty

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two accused mutineers of Sadar Rifle Battalion of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) yesterday pleaded guilty and sought mercy at a special court at the Darbar Hall of Pilkhana.

On the previous proceeding day of the court, four also pleaded guilty.

The Special Court-9, headed by BGB Dhaka Sector Commander Col Habibul Karim, yesterday took depositions of the plaintiff and witness of the case, Subedar Munsi Jahangir Alam.

He gave depositions against 30 accused and revealed the activities of 735 mutineers on the mutiny day.

The allegations against the accused include leaving Darbar Hall defying the orders of the then director general, failing to control subordinates, refraining from providing information about the mutiny to the higher authority, doing nothing to prevent mutiny, taking firearms and ammunition from the cote (arms depot), and taking part in the mutiny actively.

The court adjourned the proceedings till 9:00am of April 9.

Result of written Test for the post of TJO (General)

The Admit Card Numbers of qualified candidates who appeared before the written test for the post of Trainee Junior Officer (General) on 08.01.2011 are available at our Bank's website i.e. www.premierbankltd.com.

Human Resources Division, Head Office will very soon issue Interview Cards inviting the qualified candidates for appearing before interview at Head Office, Banani, Dhaka.

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