

Govt won't make law

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provision. "I would request them to show us the part of the National Women Development Policy that goes against the Quran and Sunnah."

The group is raising their voice without going through the policy, she claimed. She also stressed on upholding Islamic tradition in the country at any cost.

Hasina urged the country's ulama-mashayekh (Islamic scholars) and common people to remain alert about such motivated propaganda against AL and the government.

On women's rights, she said Islam is the only religion which protects the rights of women.

Those who are plotting to create an issue over the women development policy should know that the person who first accepted Islam was a woman, Hazrat Khadija (RA), and the person who first sacrificed life for Islam was also a woman, Hazrat Sumaiya (RA), she noted.

"Hazrat Ayesha (RA) had accompanied Hazrat Mohammad (PBUH) even in the war field."

She requested the Islamic scholars to come up with suggestions to decide on the share in family property of those women who have no brother.

Education cannot be

complete without religious lessons, observed the premier adding, "We want to give people complete education, that's why we've made religious education compulsory in the new education policy."

According to her, madrasa education has played a significant role in spreading education in Bangladesh.

In this regard, she said the government has set up 30 model madrasas and introduced vocational courses in 100 and honours courses in 31 others.

The prime minister also reiterated her strong commitment to root out militancy from the country. "There is no place of militancy in Islam. When Islam says committing suicide is a great sin, how can a Muslim launch a suicide bomb attack?"

Chaired by State Minister for Religious Affairs Md Shahjahan Miah, the function was also addressed by Religious Affairs Secretary Kazi Habibul Awal and Islamic Foundation Director General Shamim Mohammad Afzal.

Khatib of Baitul Mukarram Mosque Maulana Salahuddin conducted a special munajat at the function seeking divine blessings for the nation and world humanity.

Bangladesh flags

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The Bangladesh flags were sold briskly from the streets of Dhaka from dawn. Soon a number of processions converged on the residence of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, where the Bangladesh flag was hoisted.

Rooftops all over the city as well as vehicles displayed the flag, a clear sign of the determination of the Bangladeshis to carve their separate niche in the new political conditions that had arisen. Displaying Bangladesh flags on their vehicles, the members of the Awami League negotiating team arrived at the President's House. The flag obviously did not please the military officers gathered on the compound of the presidential residence. Throughout the day representatives of the junta and the Awami League focused attention on the economic aspects of the projected deal on a transfer of power. The government team was led by M Ahmed while the Awami League delegation com-

prised the economists Nurul Islam, Anisur Rahman, Rehman Sobhan and others.

Meanwhile, unbeknownst to the Awami League, President Yahya Khan was not present in the President's House when the party team turned up for discussions on economic matters at the spot. General Peerzada mumbled something about the president being in the cantonment at the time. Dr Kamal Hossain reports that it subsequently emerged that on March 23, the hierarchy of the Pakistan army had decided on exercising a military option in East Bengal. It was on this day that final shape was given to Operation Searchlight, a pseudonym for the genocide that would commence in the next couple of days. The regime, while appearing to convey the impression of negotiations going on over such issues as economic matters, was in reality putting its plans for military action against the Bangladeshis into final shape.

CID seeks 45 days more

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with supplying and using grenades for the attack.

Metropolitan Magistrate Keshob Roy Chowdhury passed the order after the CID produced Rouf before it with a further five-day remand prayer on completion of his earlier five-day remand.

CID's Special Superintendent of Police Abdul Kahar Akand, also the investigation officer (IO), submitted the petition seeking 45 more days to complete investigation into the murder case.

Judge Fozila Begum of Second Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court will hear the petition today.

On March 7, the same court warned the CID for delaying the investigation and asked it to submit the probe report by March 23. The court said the time would not be extended further.

Judge Mohammad

Zohurul Hoque of the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court on March 1 also warned the IO for delaying the probe into the case filed under explosives act and directed him to submit the report by April 4.

Twenty-three people, including Ivy Rahman, were killed and scores were injured in the grenade attack on the AL rally at Bangabandhu Avenue in the capital.

In yesterday's forwarding report, Kahar said he took Abdur Rouf on a five-day remand for interrogation where Rouf gave important information about the incident, which will help prove the charges against the accused.

But there are several others who are still out of touch although they were involved with the incident. So he needs further time to find more information about the attack, the IO said.

Rising heat new

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reactor No.3 had stopped and there was only a small amount at No.2.

He gave no more details, but a Tepco executive vice president, Sakae Muto, said the core of reactor No 1 was now a worry with its temperature at 380-390 Celsius (715-735 Fahrenheit).

"We need to strive to bring that down a bit," Muto told a news conference, adding that the reactor was built to run at a temperature of 302 C (575 F).

"Injecting more water is

one option (to cool it)," he said.

Asked if the situation at the problem reactors was getting worse, he said: "We need more time. It's too early to say that they are sufficiently stable."

Reuters earlier reported that the Fukushima plant was storing more uranium than it was originally designed to hold, and that it had repeatedly missed mandatory safety checks over the past decade, according to company documents and outside experts.

RADIATION FEARS

Away from the plant, mounting evidence of radiation in vegetables, water and milk stirred concerns in Japan and abroad despite officials' assurances that the levels were not dangerous.

Tepco said radiation was from the Pacific Ocean nearby, not surprising given rain and the hosing of reactors with sea-water. Tepco officials have said some of the water from the hosing was spilling into the sea.

Radioactive iodine in the sea samples was 126.7 times

the allowed limit, while caesium was 24.8 times over, the Kyodo news agency said. That still posed no immediate danger, Tepco said.

"It would have to be drunk for a whole year in order to accumulate to 1 millisievert," a TEPCO official said, referring to the standard radiation measurement unit.

People are generally exposed to 1-10 millisieverts a year from background radiation caused by substances in the air and soil.

WC's first qrts today

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thing is for sure that there will be no shortage of cheering from the stands when ball rolls onto the green turf from 2.30pm.

Anything can happen in the knock-out stage as there had been a number of incidents in the history of World Cups, but as on paper Pakistan will definitely be going into the match as hot favourites. Pakistan put aside the unsavoury spot-fixing scandal to make a second round berth with an impressive performance in the group stage where they won five matches out of six, including the win against defending champions Australia.

Pakistan's bowling, led by captain Shahid Afridi, the leg-spinner who is leading the table with 17 wickets, was outstanding in the group stage and as a team, that is popularly known as 'unpredictable', they showed a lot of character.

On the other hand West Indies, who shot Bangladesh out for 58 runs at this very

venue in the group match, qualified for the quarterfinals despite finishing on same six points with Bangladesh by virtue of better run-rate. The Caribbean batting was terrible in the last two games against England and India as they lost the matches from winning positions.

But they can take inspiration from 1996 World Cup as under the leadership of Richie Richardson, who is accompanying the team as a manager, they overturned the form book in the quarterfinal in Karachi by stunning South Africa, who had come through the league phase unbeaten.

Both dashing opener Chris Gayle and fast bowler Kemar Roach, who missed the last match against India, participated in practice yesterday and are likely to play the match while Afridi hinted to go with a winning combination which meant speedster Shoaib Akhtar had little chance to play the first knock-out match in the tournament.

Give info or face legal

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designated official an amount between Tk 50 and Tk 5,000 per day or recommend departmental action for not furnishing information.

Held at the commission's office in the capital yesterday, this was the fourth hearing by the body since its inception.

CIC including two of his fellow Information Commissioners MA Taher and Professor Sadeka Halim heard the appeals.

One of the appeals heard was of a Mosharrif Majhi of Banaripara who applied to the Department of Agricultural Extension of Barisal on May 31 last year through the upazila nirbahi officer for information on irrigation pumps, fertilisers and seeds distributed to the farmers and the list of trainees who underwent training during 2001-2010.

Upazila Agriculture Officer Haridash Shikari, however, did not provide any information within the stipulated time of 30 days.

Consequently, Majhi appealed to the commission which summoned the official concerned.

"The information applied for is nothing secret or involves the state's sovereignty. You must provide the information by April 10," the CIC told Shikari, saying they were still showing mercy which would not repeat.

"Don't force us to take legal action," warned Zamir.

Asaduzzaman, project coordinator of Social Activities for Environment (SAFE), in his plea said he sought information from the Department of Labour in Khulna on the number of shrimp processing plants that implemented minimum wage.

The department came up with information saying 39 units implemented it. Of these, one was actually in Chittagong, Asaduzzaman told the commission.

But according to SAFE findings, only 34 factories were in operation while the rest were closed.

Asked about it, the then deputy chief inspector of the labour department, Belayet Hossain said he misspelled the name of a factory.

He also added that he considered drivers and employees of five factories as workers which made him count 39 units.

Muhammad Zamir said employees of a factory are not workers. He ordered

Belayet to provide accurate information by Tuesday next week.

Faridul Islam, deputy chief inspector of labour department in Khulna and Aminul Islam, chief inspector of the department, were also present. The commissioners rebuked them.

Until yesterday, the commission disposed of 19 appeals while another 13 are pending with it.

মিনিবাস বিক্রয়ের পুনঃ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

সুইড বাংলাদেশ, রমনা শাখা ২০০০ মডেলের ২টি মিনি বাস "যে অবস্থায় আছে" ভিত্তিতে নিলামে বিক্রয়ের জন্য আর্থহী ক্রেতাদের নিকট থেকে সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে। সাধারণ সম্পাদক, রমনা শাখার অনুকূলে ৫০০/- (পাঁচ শত) টাকার পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট (অফেরৎযোগ্য) আগামী ৩/০৪/২০১১ তারিখ রোজ রবিবার পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালে ১। হিসাবরক্ষন কর্মকর্তা, রমনা শাখা, ৪ ইন্সটান গার্ডেন, ঢাকা ২। সিনিয়র হিসাবরক্ষন কর্মকর্তা, সুইড বাংলাদেশ, ৪/এ ইন্সটান গার্ডেন, ঢাকা ৩। হিসাব রক্ষন কর্মকর্তা, জাতীয় প্রতিনিধী উন্নয়ন ফাউন্ডেশন, এ/২, মিরপুর-১৪ এর নিকট হতে গাড়ি বিক্রয়ের সিডিউল ক্রয় করা যাবে। দাখিলের শেষ তারিখ ০৪-০৪-২০১১। দরপত্র দাখিলের দিন কোন সিডিউল বিক্রি করা হবে না।

(মাকসুদ আহমেদ শিকদার)
সাধারণ সম্পাদক, সুইড বাংলাদেশ, রমনা শাখা, ফোনঃ ৯৩৩০৫৯০।

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Following positions are open for immediate appointment in a leading joint venture company. Motivated individuals seeking challenging career are encouraged to apply for these positions:

Executive-Sales & Marketing (01 Position)

Job Location: Dhaka

Job Responsibilities:

- To achieve volume target and manage goals, both personal and team, to meet overall company objectives;
- To develop new customers in assigned territory and provide feedback to management for strategic planning.

Qualification / Experience:

- Masters in Marketing or MBA with the major in Marketing from any recognized University.
- Work experience is not mandatory.

Executive-Field Marketing (02 Positions)

Job Location: Dhaka

Job Responsibilities:

- To develop market strategies and performing various promotional marketing programs for Trade Intermediaries, Retailers and End Users to ensure continuous business growth;
- To plan, organize and update contacts with existing distributors and target accounts for profitable sales;

Qualification / Experience:

- Masters in Marketing or MBA with the major in Marketing from any recognized University.
- Work experience is not mandatory.

Maintenance Engineer (01 Position)

Job Location: Chittagong

Job Responsibilities:

- To carry out regular preventive maintenance, emergency and routine repairs, inspection of all mechanical and electrical equipments, including vehicles;
- To monitor and control the expenditure in all equipments and assist jetty operations for safe unloading of base oil;

Qualification / Experience:

- B.Sc in Electrical Engineering or Electronic & Instrumentation from any recognized University.
- 3 years minimum experience in preventive maintenance or electronic equipment for a manufacturing concern.
- Familiarity with process instrumentation equipment, and general electrical/electronic equipment.

Territory Sales Officer (02 Positions)

Job Location: Faridpur & Barisal

Job Responsibilities:

- To achieve volume target and manage goals, both personal and team, to meet overall company objectives;
- To develop new customers in assigned territory and provide feedback to management for strategic planning.

Qualification / Experience:

- Graduate / Hons Graduate from any recognized University.
- Work experience is not mandatory.

The above positions offer attractive pay package commensurate with experience and ability. Candidates fulfilling the above requirements are requested to send a cover letter, one passport size photograph and resume to Box No: D-05, The Daily Star, 64-65, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka-1215, by 30 March, 2011. The position being applied for should be marked clearly on the envelope. Only short listed candidates will be contacted for interview.



Career Opportunity

State Bank of India, the largest commercial bank of India, is looking for suitable candidates for the following positions in Bangladesh. The candidates should have excellent communication skills, leadership and marketing capabilities.

1. Assistant Vice President

Requirements:

- Up to 12-15 years banking experience.
- At least 5-7 years experience in Accounts, Taxation and Audit related work with sound all round knowledge in Banking operations & services.
- Well conversant with preparation of financial statement, specially Profit & Loss A/c. Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement, Liquidity statement and having good analytical ability.
- Well conversant with the Core Risk Management areas of the Bank. The incumbent should be able to formulate the guidelines of risk policy and ensure compliance thereof.
- Well conversant with the guidelines of BASEL-II.
- Capability to handle all compliance matters in accordance with Bangladesh Bank's circulars.
- Adequate knowledge about Banking Regulation Act of Bangladesh.
- Experience in Trade Finance/International Banking will be an added advantage.

Age Limit: 45 years; relaxable in deserving cases.

2. First Assistant Vice President

Requirements:

- Candidates should have excellent track record, leadership and communication skills.
- Up to 10 years banking experience with adequate knowledge on branch operations.
- At least 5-7 years experience in Accounts, Taxation and Audit related work with sound all round knowledge in Banking operations & services.
- Well conversant with preparation of financial statements, specially Profit & Loss A/c. Balance Sheet, Cash Flow Statement, Liquidity statement and having good analytical ability.
- Capability to handle all compliance matters in accordance with Bangladesh Bank's circulars.
- Adequate knowledge about Banking Regulation Act. of Bangladesh.
- Experience in Trade Finance/International Banking will be an added advantage.

Age Limit: 40 years

3. Assistant Manager

Eligibility: The candidate should be a Post Graduate from a recognized University. The degree should preferably be in Economics or a discipline related to Business Management/Finance

- Up to 7 years experience in Credit Appraisal.
- Experience in Credit Administration in a reputed Bank operating in Bangladesh.
- Experience in Trade Finance/International Banking.
- Experience in Accounts, Taxation and Audit related work with sound knowledge in General Banking and customer service.
- Adequate knowledge about Banking Regulation Act. of Bangladesh.
- Knowledge about Laws pertaining to Banking Sector.

Age Limit: 35 years

Candidates may apply with CV in their own hand writing, enclosing two recent passport size photographs naming two referees to the Country Head, State Bank of India, 24-25, Dilkusha Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000 latest within 10 days from the date of publication of this advertisement.