

## CLIMATE CHANGE

# 3000-mile bus ride to raise awareness

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A group of environmental filmmakers have set to embark on a countrywide bus ride across 64 districts to educate the rural people about climate change.

They would travel some 3000 miles explaining the undertones of climate change to the rural people in simple words and help them relate to it with personal experiences.

"The idea is to raise awareness about climate changes in all 64 districts with the jazzy title '3000 Miles to Go'," said Rosemary Arnott, director, British Council.

British Council, Standard Chartered Bank, and Wild Eye (an organisation of wildlife and environment film producers) jointly launched the programme at Ruposhi Bangla Hotel in the city yesterday. Tanjilur Rahman, director of the 3000 Miles to Go initiative, said the bus ride may begin by the middle of October.

Rahman said, "Everyone seems to be talking about what needs to be done for climate changes, but nobody's actually explaining what exactly it is".

The point was demonstrated in a short film screened at the programme where a number of city people were asked about climate change. Many of them stared blankly at the camera trying to find the words to explain the phenomenon before finally giving up.

"Even many educated people, not only in Bangladesh but across the globe, are not fully aware of the magnitude of devastation we are heading towards on account of climate changes", said State Minister For Environment and Forests, Dr Hasan Mahmud. "What is about to come to the rest of the world is already here in Bangladesh", he said.

Noted environmentalist Dr Atiqur Rahman said farmers and rural people across the country know that something is wrong with the climate. But they cannot quite point a finger to the reason behind it. "So communicating the right message and giving the right tools is necessary to create awareness," he said.



Former adviser to a caretaker government Akbar Ali Khan speaks at a discussion styled Doable for Fair and Neutral Polls organised by Shushashoner Jonno Nagorik (Shujan) at Jatiya Press Club in the city yesterday. On his right is columnist Syed Abul Maksud and on his left are former advisers ASM Shahjahan and M Hafizuddin and Shujan Secretary Badiul Alam Majumdar. (Story on Page 2)

PHOTO: STAR

## DoE fines industry for pollution

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

Department of Environment (DoE) fined two brickfield owners Tk 5 lakh after a drive at Anwara upazila in Chittagong yesterday for destroying hills and the environment.

DoE Director (Monitoring and Enforcement) Mohammed Munir Chowdhury cancelled the environmental clearance certificate of the brickfields, Messrs Chak Bricks and Messrs Hossain Bricks. He also directed to close those within one month, says a press release.

The owners were collecting soil for the bricks by cutting hills.

In another drive in Noakhali sadar upazila, DoE fined Md Anwar Uddin Haoladar, Dharmapur union parishad

member, Tk 2 lakh for lifting sand illegally at East Shoolakia village of the union.

Anwar, without any DoE permission, was lifting sand by digging the soil beside the airport at the village, causing cracks to develop at the airport. A total 3,000 cubic feet of sand was also seized from the place.

On October 4, DoE fined Polymer Knitwear Industries Ltd Tk 35 lakh and closed the production of its dyeing unit for running without an effluent treatment plant and environmental clearance certificate.

It was discharging a huge amount of untreated liquid waste into the Turag river through Kamarjhuri canal, causing serious environmental pollution, says the release.

## 12 ACC officials to get trained in Korea

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Korea will impart capacity building training to 12 officials of the Anti-Corruption Commission of Bangladesh so that they can fight corruption more efficiently.

The training titled "Building Effective National Anti-Corruption Commission" will be held at the Anti-Corruption and Civil Rights Commission, Korea on October 9-22 under the sponsorship of Korea International Cooperation Agency (Koica), says a press release.

The ACC team will leave Dhaka on October 8.

## Prof Nurul Alam passes away

METRO DESK



Prof Dr Nurul Alam Khan, former head of the Department of Ophthalmology at Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH), breathed his last at his Dhaka residence on October 1 at the age of 86, says a press release.

Prof Nurul Alam, a renowned ophthalmologist, was laid to rest at the Banani graveyard after namaz-e-janaza after Zohr prayers on October 2.

He left behind his wife, two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and well-wishers to mourn his death.

Prof Nurul Alam, a student of the first batch of DMCH, started his career there. After obtaining higher degree on ophthalmology from the UK, he substantially contributed to the country in his field. He led several medical teams during the War of Liberation.

Relatives, friends, students, and well-wishers are requested to pray for salvation of the departed soul.

Delwar Hussain

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Delwar Hussain, the founder and chairman of Continental Garments Group, passed away

at a hospital in the city yesterday due to cancer at the age of 65, says a press release.

He left behind his wife, one son and one daughter to mourn his death.

He was buried at Banani graveyard after namaz-e-janaza at Azampur Jame Mosque in Uttara.

His kulkhwani will be held at his residence at House No-12, Road No-14, Sector No-4 of Uttara on Friday after Asr prayers.



Discussion

Agriculturist Forum of Bangladesh will hold discussion. Venue: Jatiya Press Club, Time: 10:30am.

Furniture fair

National furniture fair will be inaugurated. Venue: Bangabandhu International Conference Centre, Time: 12:00pm.

Discussion

Bangalee Jatiyatabad Parishad will hold a discussion. Venue: Dhaka Reporters Unity, Time: 10:00am.

Memorial forum

Nagorik Forum will hold a memorial meeting. Venue: Jatiya Press Club,

## Dhaka iterates support to Palestine

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Awami League MP Abdul Matin Khasru at an international conference reiterated Bangladesh's full-support for establishment of an independent, sovereign and viable Palestinian state with East Jerusalem as its capital.

Organised by Iran Majlis (parliament), the two-day conference began on October 1 in Tehran to mobilise support for the Palestinian Intifada movement, said a press release.

Parliament Speakers, delegates, political figures and scholars from around 50 countries attended the event styled, "Palestine, a land only for Palestinians."

The Supreme Leader of Iran Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei inaugurated the conference. Khasru, also former law minister, represented Bangladesh.

Khasru urged the UN member states in general and the Muslim Ummah in particular to come forward to resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict and settle the Palestine issue through the realisation of its sovereign statehood.

## JU masters students reject results

JU CORRESPONDENT

Some students of the Department of Government and Politics of Jahangirnagar University (JU) rejected their master's results raising question on the current downfall in the results.

The department's 51 non-thesis students of the 35th batch also demanded re-examination of their answer papers at a press conference at JU Journalist Association (JUJA) on the campus on Tuesday.

As per the results, none of these 51 students achieved more than a Cumulated Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.5 in their master's, while 22 of the same students achieved more than CGPA 3.5 in honours.

## Death anniversary

METRO DESK

The first death anniversary of Barrister Syed Mohammad Ali, MBE, will be observed today.

Ali, noted for his critical editorials in defence of Bengali rights in The People during the non-violent non-cooperation movement called by Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in March 1971, eventually settled in the UK, where he was elected a local councillor. He died in London.

His family, friends and well-wishers are requested to pray for salvation of the departed soul.

MA Rouf

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the 11th death anniversary of M A Rouf, a former secretary of the government and

former chairman of Bangladesh Muktiyoddha Sangsad, says a press release.

He also worked as a chief engineer of Public Works Department (PWD).

Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to pray for salvation of the departed soul.



PHOTO: FOCUS BANGLA

A human chain formed in front of Jatiya Press Club in the city yesterday demanding gas connections to 75 Compressed Natural Gas refueling stations.

## CDA website hacked

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The official website of Chittagong Development Authority (CDA) was hacked yesterday.

Engineer Mostafa Jaman, CDA systems analyst of IT department, admitted to the incident and said they found that the website was hacked when they opened it around 9:30am.

In primary investigation, the timing of the hacking or as to who hacked the website could not be ascertained, Mostafa added.

Hackers could not remove any information of CDA from the website, he added.

## Road crashes kill four

METRO DESK

Four people were killed and two others injured in separate road accidents in Thakurgaon and Satkhira on Tuesday and yesterday.

Our Thakurgaon correspondent reports: Three people were killed and two others injured in separate road accidents in the district on Tuesday.

In Sadar upazila, two motorcycle riders were killed when a Panchagarh-bound bus crashed a motorcycle coming from opposite direction on the Thakurgaon-Panchagarh highway at Salsoli village in the upazila on Tuesday evening.

The deceased were Shahar Ali, 40, son of Ishak Ali and Oliur Rahman, 55, son of late Koshiruddin, of Kochubari Milanipara village of the same upazila.

Protesting the accident locals barricaded the road for an hour.

Meanwhile, a cattle trader was killed on

the spot and two others were injured when a cattle-laden nosimon, locally made three-wheeler, lost control and fell into a roadside ditch beside the Haripur-Ranishakoil road at Chowrangi Ranhatta village in Haripur upazila on Tuesday noon.

The deceased was Azizul Haque, 32, son of Rejabul Haque, of Jibonpur village of the same upazila.

The injured were admitted to Haripur Health Complex.

Police sent the body to Thakurgaon Sadar Hospital morgue and seized the vehicle.

Our Satkhira correspondent says: An old man was killed when a motorcycle knocked him down while he was crossing the Satkhira-Khulna road near Patkelghata in Tala upazila yesterday.

The deceased was Rahmat Ali Moral, 75, of village Chomorkhali in the upazila.

Career Opportunity

Ananta Group, a reputed 'group of companies' of Bangladesh, is expanding its operations. To support the business growth, Ananta Group is hiring dynamic, talented, multi skilled & result oriented individuals who would be ready to take challenges and achieve goals. The group offers attractive & highly competitive compensation packages. Please send your CV by 20 October; to Ananta Group, House- 20, Road-99, Gulshan- 2, Dhaka - 1212 or E-mail to: [careers@ananta-bd.com](mailto:careers@ananta-bd.com)  
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- 1. GM - Production** : Education: Bachelor Degree from a Reputed University; **Experience:** 15 to 20 years; **Responsibilities:** Manage production related activities & work study department and implementing processes to improve efficiency & Production planning and follow up; Analyze and assess product risks, start-up/pilot runs and production; Analyze and assess Buyer/Customer feedback. Identify causes & actionable steps to improve product.
- 2. GM - Quality** : Education: Bachelor / Masters Degree from any reputed University. Excellent knowledge in quality control/audit; **Experience:** At least 12 years in relevant department; **Responsibilities:** Establish & oversee all quality assurance procedures for established leading global apparel brands; Managing existing in-line Quality Inspector teams; Ensuring Quality control & Assurance.
- 3. Manager - Admin** : Education: Bachelor / Masters Degree from any reputed University; **Experience:** 5 to 6 years in relevant department. Working experience in EPZ is must; **Responsibilities:** Maintain discipline & administration; Recruit & maintain workers quota; Physical protection of assets, workplace violence prevention, access control system, video surveillance.
- 4. Manager - Finishing** : Education: Bachelor Degree (flexible for higher experienced candidates); **Experience:** 3 to 5 years. Working experience in EPZ is must; **Responsibilities:** Manage finishing section; Handle woven garment products finishing; Maintain packaging system; Resolve finishing related issues; Follow up production shipment.
- 5. Manager - Washing** : Education: Chemical & Textile Engineering Preferred. Strong Technical Knowledge in Wet Process. washing chemical Knowledge is required.; **Experience:** At least 5 years; **Responsibilities:** Maintain strong production follow-up; Wet process production planning; Delivery training of operators; Handle multiple shades.
- 6. Manager - Cutting** : Education: Bachelor Degree (flexible for higher experienced candidate); **Experience:** 10 to 15 years; **Responsibilities:** Observe entire cutting section. Resolving all cutting related issues; Set & plan cutting targets & implement them; Lead, train and manage entire cutting department; Identify cases & actionable steps to improve.
- 7. Environmental, Health & Safety (EHS) - Manager / Officer** : Education: Bachelor / Masters Degree in Environmental Science from any reputed University; **Experience:** 5 to 8 years (for Manager) & 1 to 2 years (for Officer) in relevant field; **Responsibilities:** Support compliance department in maintaining EHS stands; Conduct training & awareness building workshop with workers & staff on safe chemical handling; Assist in internal compliance audit & prepare for buyers' and government audits.
- 8. Accounts Officer - Store** : Education: Bachelor / Masters Degree in Accounting from any reputed university. Knowledge in inventory management is required; **Experience:** 2 to 3 years in relevant field. **Responsibilities:** Track all the ingoing & outgoing products; Prepare the monthly valuation report.
- 9. Welfare - Sr. Executive / Officer** : Education: Bachelor Degree from any reputed university; **Experience:** 3 to 5 years (for Sr. Executive) & 1 to 2 years (for Officer) in relevant field; **Responsibilities:** Daily floor visit, check house keeping & compliance; Make workers aware about health, hygiene and safety issues; Provide documentation and support for the recruitment of workers; Regular counseling of workers; Organize and conduct training for workers.

Work Locations: Gulshan, Elephant Road, kanchpur, Tongi & Adamjee EPZ.