

Buet pro-VC finally

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Ashraful Islam, general secretary of Buet Teachers Association.

Asked about the resumption of classes, Buet VC Prof SM Nazrul Islam told The Daily Star, "I hope to resume classes within next two or three days after a discussion with all."

Sudipta Saha, a final year student of mechanical engineering department and also a front-liner of the movement, said, "We are ready to go back to classes whenever it starts as our demand has been fulfilled."

The teachers and students also thanked the government for removing the pro-VC.

Talking to reporters at his office yesterday afternoon, Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid hoped that the teachers and students will resume classes today.

"We have done the job as per their (teachers and students) expectation. Now, I hope they will also act as per our expectation," said the minister.

Teachers and students of Buet have been staging agitation since April 7 demanding removal of the

university's Vice Chancellor Prof SM Nazrul Islam and his deputy, raising 16 allegations of corruption and irregularities against them.

To end the deadlock at the university, education minister on Monday had pledged to remove the pro-VC and withdraw cases filed against teachers and students.

Although the teachers agreed to return to classes following the assurance, they remained rigid on their demand for removal of the VC.

A 16-member team of the protesting students, accompanied by two teachers, sat with Nahid over their demand on Wednesday.

Later on Friday, the agitating students announced that they will go back to classes only after the fulfilment of all assurances.

However, the implementation of the education minister's other pledge -- withdrawal of cases -- was under process.

Sirajul Islam, officer-in-charge of Shahbagh Police Station, told The Daily Star that they had appealed to the court for the withdrawal of the cases filed against the Buet protesters.

Industries to get gas link

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Tawfiq-e-Elahi said at a programme at the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry in the capital yesterday.

"We shall start giving new gas connections to industries or increase the load in phases from next month, after assessing the impact on total gas supply," he told The Daily Star.

The adviser added that gas supply had already resumed in all fertiliser plants, some of which had to suspend production due to gas shortage.

His comments came after FBCCI President AK Azad told the programme that there would be no new industries in the country if the government failed to offer adequate gas and electricity.

At present, the country's daily gas production hovers around 2,200 mmcf against the existing users' demand for over 2,500 mmcf. Production

rose by about 300 mmcf over the last three years.

The government stopped giving new gas connections both for domestic and industrial purposes in June 2010. Since then, however, 50 industrial connections have been given under special arrangements considering export growth and job creation.

Petrobangla sources say during the period nearly 200 industry owners applied for gas connections and some 250 existing industries sought to increase their demand load. Some of these applications go back two years.

"These pending applications demand a supply of 100 mmcf," said a top Petrobangla official. "So we are not giving out these connections at one go. We are also expecting an increase of supply by 130 mmcf by December, which will ease the present crisis." Right now there is a daily

shortfall of 300 mmcf. And if the government lifts the restriction, demand will soar significantly, he added.

"The government has decided to ease the restriction to make voters happy," he noted, requesting not to be named.

But for the voters there seem to be bad news too. The energy adviser hinted at another hike in power tariff.

The Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC) is working to announce the next hike, Tawfiq said, adding people would have to be ready to pay a higher tariff for electricity, as production cost had been rising.

Otherwise it would not be possible to provide electricity, he said.

Power distributing companies have proposed that BERC increase retail power tariff by at least 50 percent.

Over the last three and a half years, the government has increased power prices

Jamaat leader

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According to "Genocide '71", a book that details the accounts of the wartime killers and collaborators, Moulana Yusuf formed the Razakar force at a rally of 96 Jamaat workers at an Ansar camp on Khan Jahan Ali Road in Khulna in May 1971.

"It was Moulana Yusuf who named this force," says the book, adding that on November 28, 1971, Yusuf spoke to journalists in Karachi where he said, "The Razakars are standing shoulder to shoulder with our brave soldiers in combating Indian aggression."

In order to annihilate "miscreants", Razakars should be provided with more modern weapons, Yusuf suggested.

During his testimony on August 26, Shahriar said Razakar, Al-Badr and Al-Shams, three collaborating forces, committed genocide and other crimes against humanity in 1971 and such crimes were committed at the directives of the Jamaat high command for political purposes.

The three-member tribunal, headed by Justice ATM Fazle Kabir with members Justice Obaidul Hassan and Judge M Shahinur Islam, recorded the cross-examination of Shahriar, the first prosecution witness in the case against Jamaat Secretary General Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojaheed.

Defence counsel Mizanul Islam cross-examined Shahriar for two hours and 20 minutes and asked him more than 60 questions before the court adjourned the proceedings until today when Shahriar is set to face further cross-examination.

"Did the Pakistan government form the Razakar force through a gazette notification on August 2, 1971?"

asked Mizanul.

"I know that Jamaat leader Moulana AKM Yusuf formed the Razakar force first in Khulna in May 1971 and later the Pakistan government issued the gazette notification merging it [Razakar Bahini] with Ansars," said the 62-year-old journalist.

Mizanul asked him if any news had been published or if the government had issued any press statement in this regard.

"I don't know about that," replied Shahriar.

As the defence counsel wanted to know when the matter was first run by newspapers, the prosecution witness replied in the negative and said during field-level investigation in the 1980s for purposes of writing "Ekattorer Ghatok Dalalera Ke Kothai", he had come to know about it.

Replying to questions, Shahriar said Yusuf was a member of Malek's cabinet during the Liberation War and had surrendered before a court after liberation.

"He [Yusuf] was released under a court directive during Bangabandhu's rule," said Mizanul.

"It might be. But I don't know about that," responded Shahriar.

He further said he was involved with the Communist movement during the 1970s but now he was a humanitarian and had never been involved with any political party since the 1970s.

"Did Bangabandhu believe in a secret political agenda?" asked Mizanul.

"I did not conduct any research about it," Shahriar replied.

Before the 1970 election, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman did not say anything in favour of forming a secular state, commented Mizanul.

"It's true. But he [Mujibur] had spoken about

secularism," said Shahriar.

During yesterday's cross-examination, Mizanul asked several questions about Moulana Abul-Ala Maududi, founder of the Jamaat-e-Islami.

Shahriar said Faruk Maududi, son of Abul-Ala Maududi, in an interview with him said his father allowed none of his children to be involved with the politics of the Jamaat-e-Islami or Jamiyat.

CASE AGAINST KAMARUZZAMAN

The tribunal yesterday recorded the cross-examination of Md Hasanuzzaman, the sixth prosecution witness in the war crimes case against another Jamaat leader Muhammad Kamaruzzaman for the second day.

In his testimony on September 3, Hasanuzzaman, elder brother of martyr Badiuzzaman, said Kamaruzzaman and his accomplices abducted his brother, who was tortured at a military camp in Sherpur and was later shot dead on June 30, 1971.

During the over-two-hour-long cross-examination, Hasanuzzaman said he had heard that Kamaruzzaman was the chief of an Al-Badr camp established at the house of Surendra Mohan Saha and used to conduct his activities from that camp during the War.

At 4:30pm when defence counsel Kafiluddin Chowdhury said he would require half an hour more to complete the cross-examination, the tribunal asked him to complete it within 15 minutes today.

On June 4, the tribunal indicted Kamaruzzaman with seven charges in connection with crimes against humanity committed during the Liberation War.

Salary for Indian

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The proposal is being considered by Women and Child Development (WCD) Ministry for socio-economic empowerment of homemakers.

"We have got a survey conducted on this theme and are planning to hold more consultations about this plan, which at present is in consultation stage... Whenever we ask housewives what they do, most of them say they do nothing. So we feel that a mechanism can be devised to quantify and calculate the value of work that they do for their families. It will give a more socially empowered identity to these women," WCD Minister Krishna Tirath told PTL.

She said the idea, mooted by some NGOs, would also be discussed in a meeting to be held with ministers of different states on September 17-18.

"The work that women do at home is also economic activity but it goes unaccounted. If children are sent to a creche, then money has to be spent. If somebody from outside does cooking or any other work, money has to be spent. And the quality of work of homemakers cannot even be compared with others," Tirath said.

The minister said if a portion of a husband's income is allocated as wife's share, it is likely to be spent on better food for children, on their education and the overall quality of standard of living of that household.

"Working in homes is economic activity and if this is recognised, it will give us a truer reflection of what the GDP of our country is. It will also help us know more accurate figure of the rate of real unemployment in the country," Tirath said.

Biman

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to get any tickets from Biman Bangladesh Airlines. He apprehends that hajj agencies will be in the clutches of a "ticket syndicate" and devotees will be the ultimate sufferers.

Biman, however, started selling hajj tickets from yesterday.

Addressing a separate press briefing at Balaka, Biman headquarters, Civil Aviation Secretary Ataharul Islam and Biman acting managing director AM Mosaddique Ahmed brushed aside the concerns.

They claimed Biman was prepared to carry 58,500 devotees, which was around 2,000 more than the number of devotees Biman is scheduled to ferry. Biman is set to carry 56,284 pilgrims this year.

Speaking anonymously, a number of Biman officials said Haab had been raising a hue and cry because hajj agencies would be benefited if their demand was met. The agencies would have to spend \$800, whereas they have charged each pilgrim \$1,475 for return tickets, they added.

Pre-hajj flights will start from September 17 and continue till October 20, while the post-hajj flights are scheduled to be operated

Law doesn't

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said Michael Prue at a meeting at Jatiya Press Club in the capital yesterday.

Prue cited Article 12 of Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms which says, "Everyone has the right not to be subjected to any cruel and unusual treatment or punishment."

He was in Bangladesh on a private visit on the way to Colombo to attend a conference there. Prue said Canada refused similar extradition requests from countries like United States, China and South Africa.

However, the Canadian law maker said Noor Chowdhury, now a citizen of Canada, could be extradited if the Bangladesh government gives an assurance in a written statement that he would not face the capital punishment once he has arrived here.

Prue was elected from Beaches - East York constituency in Toronto of Ontario province on the ticket of opposition New Democratic Party. More than 10,000 Bangladesh immigrants live in his constituency.

On a question about the involvement of the Canadian firm SNC-Lavalin in the Padma bridge scam, he said it was no secret that the Crown Prosecution

Service brought corruption charges against some former executives of the firm in connection with the Padma bridge project.

Crown Prosecution Service of Canada is an independent judicial agency responsible for the preparation and presentation of criminal prosecutions in the country.

A former Dhaka University student leader Alamgir Hossain, now an expatriate Bangladeshi who accompanied Prue, also spoke at the meeting. Alamgir contested the 2008 federal parliamentary elections in Canada.



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13.	Asstt. Engineer (Civil)	06	25-30 Years	B.Sc. Engineer (Civil)	3-5 Years
14.	Asstt. Engineer (Mech.)	06	25-35 Years	B.Sc. Engineer (Mech.)	2-3 Years
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

1	Agency	Police Reform Programme (PRP)				
2	Procuring Entity Name	Police Reform Programme (PRP)				
3	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka				
4	Invitation for	Request for Proposal for designing-developing & organizing pot song (education & information dissemination through song & picture) on community policing for Police Reform Programme (PRP)				
5	Invitation Ref No & Date	2012/993				
6	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)				
7	Budget and Source of Funds	UNDP & DFID				
8	Project (if applicable)	Police Reform Programme (PRP)				
9	Tender Package Number & Name	Package No. 01 : Designing-developing and undertake the live show of pot song in 56 different locations of Khulna Division in Bangladesh within 1(one) year time.				
10	Mode of Payment	Credit				
11	Tender Publication Date	September 10, 2012				
12	Tender Last Distribution Date	September 20, 2012				
13	Tender Closing Date and Time	September 26, 2012				Time: 11:00 Hours
14	Tender Opening Date and Time	September 26, 2012				Time: 12:00 Hours
15	Name & Address of the office(s)	Addresses				
	- Selling Tender Document	Police Reform Programme, 3rd Floor of Bangladesh Police Headquarter, 1 Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.				
	- Receiving Tender Document	Police Reform Programme, 3rd Floor of Bangladesh Police Headquarter, 1 Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka				
	- Opening Tender Document	Police Reform Programme, 3rd Floor of Bangladesh Police Headquarter, 1 Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka				
16	Pre-tender Meeting	Pre-Tender meeting will be held on September 23, 2012 at 10.00 AM in the Police Reform Programme, 3rd Floor of Bangladesh Police Headquarter, 1 Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.				
17	Eligibility of Tenderer	(a) Minimum 5 yrs. of general experience of facilitating Popular Pot Song and Popular Musical Publications in Bangladesh. (b) Experience of at least 2 (two) similar nature assignment in Bangladesh with Govt. Semi-govt., NGO, National and International Development Organizations. (c) Experience in conducting programs for education & information dissemination in Bangladesh (documents / CDS in support of the statement need to be provided).				
18	Identification of Packages, Lots, Tender Security and Price of Tender Document					
	Pkg. No.	Lot No.	Identification	Location	Tender Security Amount in BDT (by Pay Order/Bank Guarantee)	Completion Time
	Pkg.-1	Nil	Designing-developing and undertake the live show of pot song in 56 different locations of Khulna Division in Bangladesh within 1(one) year time.	Police Reform Programme, 3rd Floor of Bangladesh Police Headquarter, 1 Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.	Tk.50,000/=	October 2012 to October 2013
19	Name of Official Inviting Tender		Henk van Zyl			
20	Designation of Official Inviting Tender		Project Manager			
21	Address of Official Inviting Tender		Police Reform Programme, 3rd Floor of Bangladesh Police Headquarter, 1 Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.			
22	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender		Tel: (8802) 9567831-33 Ext: 148, 152	Fax: (880-2) 9567835	email: raz.sadiq@prp-bd.org shahadut@prp-bd.org	
23	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.					



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