



A child joins a procession with national flags brought out from Gonojagoron Mancha in Chittagong city yesterday protesting Friday's countrywide reign of terror. Jamaat-e-Islami and its sympathisers had attacked law enforcers and journalists, burned the national flag and vandalised Shaheed Minars to counter the mass demand for capital punishment to 1971 war criminals.
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Prof Mosharraf Hossain commemorated

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prof Mosharraf Hossain, noted economist and the Mujibnagar government planning commission member, will forever remain alive throughout the movement of Projonmo Chattar, said speakers at a commemorative meeting in the capital yesterday.

He passed away on February 21 due to old age complications.

Khushi Kabir, coordinator of Nijera Kori, said, "He (Mosharraf Hossain) was one of the core thinkers who researched on the then prevailing gross economic discrimination between East and West Pakistan. The role of his research and teachings was indispensable in every movement that weaved the way towards the independence of this country."

Gono Forum organised the meeting commemorating Mosharraf Hossain at

Dhaka Reporter's Unity.

Prof Zillur Rahman Siddiqui, eminent educationist, said, "Mosharraf has been my friend for decades. We completed our graduation together and joined Rajshahi University as young faculty members. The ignited days of 50s and 60s helped us rediscover ourselves. We had friendly terms with students and used to guide them through friendly advice."

Dr Kamal Hossain, a principal author of the Constitution of Bangladesh and president of Gono Forum, said, "Due to prolonged illness, he (Mosharraf Hossain) could not know about the present upsurge of youths. I would like to tell him that our vision of a secular democratic country is now flowing through the veins of the youth."

Advocate Subrata Chowdhury was also present at the meeting.

6 killed in road accidents

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In an incident, CNG-run auto-rickshaw driver Ekramul Haq, 30, died on the spot as a truck hit his vehicle on Dhaka-Chittagong highway near Kumira Bazar in Sitakunda upazila, said Sitakunda Highway Police Officer-in-Charge Sohel Imtiaz.

Meanwhile, garage-worker Abu Hanif, 26, was killed as a truck hit him when he was working at a motor garage beside a road in Salimpur area in the upazila.

He died at Chittagong Medical College Hospital, said sources in the hospital's police outpost.

Our Jessore correspondent reports, a madrasa student was killed and another was injured in a road accident on Jessore-Chaugachha highway at Koierpara in Chaugachha upazila of Jessore yesterday.

The deceased was Osman Goni, 16, a student of THL Karatia Dakhil Madrasa. The injured Hasibul, 17, was also a student of the madrasa.

Anwar Hossain, principal of madrasa, said the accident took place as the victims fell down from the roof of a bus when they were traveling by the bus to Mujibnagar on a study tour.

Our Faridpur correspondent reports, two people were killed in road accidents in Faridpur yesterday.

In an incident, Shahid Sheikh 32, died on the spot as a bus hit his motorcycle in Mohila road area in Faridpur sadar upazila around 7:00am.

Abdus Sattar, 40, died on the spot as a truck ran him over in front of Aziz Pipes Mills in Shibrapur area the upazila around 1:00pm.

Our Dinajpur correspondent reports, a man was killed in a road accident in front of Joypurhat Circuit House yesterday.

The deceased was Alam Hossain, 65, a resident of Hatil area in Joypurhat municipality.

Police said the accident took place as a bus hit Alam when he was crossing the road around 10:00am.

He died at Joypurhat Modern Hospital.

Islamia Eye Hospital gets new OT

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Ispahani Islamia Eye Institute and Hospital inaugurated a new, state-of-the-art, 15,000 square feet operation theatre yesterday.

Japanese Ambassador to Bangladesh, Shiro Sadoshima, inaugurated the Central Sterilisation Department of the operating theatre.

The Japanese government has provided a grant for world-class equipment for sterilising surgical instruments used in the non-profit hospital.

Sir Fazle Hasan Abed said the hospital has been contributing to strengthening the eye care sector in Bangladesh.

Chairman of the Management Committee, M Ali Behrouze Ispahani, Dr Steven Roy, Chief Executive Officer, and Dr Md Alamgir Hossain, Management Consultant, also addressed the inaugural ceremony.

Today's SSC exams rescheduled

UNB, Dhaka

The Secondary School Certificate (SSC) and equivalent examinations scheduled for today will be held on Friday (March 1) due to countrywide hartal called by eight Islamist and like-minded parties.

Prof Abdus Salam Hawlader, acting chairman of Dhaka Education Board and president of inter-education board coordination sub-committee, said the examinations will held from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

Examinees of eight general education boards were supposed to appear in the examinations on Chemistry (theoretical), Civics and Business Entrepreneurship.

Examinees of the technical board SSC (vocational) were supposed to sit for the exam on Physics (Paper-2) and Dakhil (vocational) on Physics (Paper-2).

Candidates of the madrasa board were slated to take the exam on General Mathematics, Tajbid Nasar, Nazam (Mujabid group) and Tajbid (Hifzul Quran group).

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