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Hefajat's Shafi urges parties to solve political crisis

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Hefajat-e Islam Ameer Shah Ahmed Shafi in an open letter sent to the media yesterday requested the major political parties to take effective initiatives to solve the present political crisis.

Nobody accepted the upcoming election and the AL-led incumbent government is responsible for the prevailing situation in the country, he said.

He urged a stop to "the mockery in the name of election" and its postponement. "As the parliament exists, call a parliamentary session in order to amend the law...Then hold an acceptable election with the participation of all parties," he said.

"If you do not do this, people of the country will no longer see this mockery sitting idle...Hefajat-e Islam will be compelled to come out on the streets with the masses," he said.

NURUL, TAMOHAR'S DEATH It was murder

Say speakers on fifth anniversary

DU CORRESPONDENT

The house fire that killed Gonotantri Party president Nurul Islam and his son was an "arson attack", speakers said yesterday, reiterating their demand for a proper investigation.

The call came from a programme, organised by Nagorik Committee at TSC of Dhaka University, marking the fifth anniversary of Nurul and Tamohar Islam's death. Nurul was to run the 2008 national elections as an

Awami League-led alliance candidate but a fire mysteriously

broke out in his Dhaka residence on December 3, 2008. He died the next day, 25 days before the election took place on December 29 that year. Speaking on the occasion, Information Minister Hasnul Haq Inu called it "a political murder", while educationist

Muhammad Zafar Iqbal questioned the sincerity of the investigators. Nurul's wife Rubi Rahman said, "On the last death anniversary, the home minister admitted that it was a murder and

assured us of proper investigation. But that didn't happen yet." A total of six investigations, mostly regarding the origin of the fire, have been carried out separately by different law enforcement agencies and other institutions so far.

न जुनामत्नत कना नागतिक ২৮ ডিসেম্বর ২০১৩ শোর হোটেল, ঢাকা

From right, BNP Vice-Chairman Shamsher M Chowdhury, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) fellow Dr Debapriya Bhattacharya and Chairman Prof Rehman Sobhan, Workers Party of Bangladesh President Rashed Khan Menon and former adviser to a caretaker government Manzur Elahi at a discussion, "Bangladesh in Crisis", organised by CPD, Ain o Salish Kendra, Shushashoner Jannoy Nagorik (SHUJAN) and Transparency International Bangladesh at Lakeshore Hotel in the capital's Gulshan yesterday. They called for a postponement of the January 5 general election, which has been boycotted by the main oppsoition BNP.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

RANA PLAZA RUINS

100 more bones, a skull recovered

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

More than 100 bones and a skull were recovered from eight different points in the Rana Plaza ruins at Savar, on the outskirts of the capital, yesterday.

This is the sixth time remains were found in that jungle of concrete in two weeks. The ninestorey Rana Plaza collapsed eight months ago, on April 24, killing over 1,100 people and injuring or maiming several hundred. Many other victims went missing after the tragedy.

Yesterday's finds include at least 16

backbone parts, six arm bones, eight shoulder joints, 19 chest bones, and a lower jaw, among others, according to witnesses.

Some street boys, who came across the remains, said they saw many more bones in the rubbles but could not reach them because they were buried at depth.

Md Kamruzzaman, sub-inspector of Savar Model Police Station, visited the spot and collected the remains. "We will take necessary steps after talking to the high-ups," he said.

The first recovery came on December 13.

Star-GP project launched

FROM PAGE 3 commitment to spark an

interest in science among the students, the speakers remarked. "The project plans to do

so by holding three different types of competitions. The first titled "Discover Science" will consist of quizzes and trivia questions geared towards teaching children interesting facts about science. The second competition called "Idea Flight" will require students to craft their own projects,

The online form, through

The number of peace-

while the third contest "Imagine the Future", is where student can propose ideas and solutions yet to invented," said The Daily Star's business development

manager, Shahriar Shahid. Dr Salehuddin Ahmed, managing editor of The Daily Star, stressed that the programme does not exclude schools in rural areas. "The project should also facilitate students coming in contact with scientists to inspire them," he said.

Prof Azad said the DGHS

would distribute laptops

from next month in the

community clinics across

Bangladesh so that its work-

ers could collect informa-

tion in it and store the infor-

mation in the online data-

base which would be

reviewed from time to time.

increased by the UN

Security Council following

a series of casualties in the

ongoing violence, it

on him.

diplomatic sources.

Jon played a crucial role in the political arena and all eyes were always focused

Obituary

Rokeya Begum, sponsor shareholder of MI Cement Factory Ltd and

She left behind her husband, two sons and five

She was buried at her

Rokeya's husband Md

সংশোধনী বিজ্ঞপ্তি

গত ১/১২/২০১৩খ্রিঃ তারিখের "দৈনিক প্রথম আলো" এবং "Daily Star" পত্রিকায় প্রকাশিত ডায়াবেটিক এসোসিয়েশন মেডিকেল কলেজ, ফরিদপুর- এর ২০১৩-২০১৪ শিক্ষাবর্ষের ১ম বর্ষ এমবিবিএস কোর্সের ফলাফল সংক্রাম্ত প্রকাশিত বিজ্ঞপ্তিতে সাধারণ কোটায় অপেক্ষমান তালিকায় ৩৩ নং ক্রমিকে প্রকাশিত মেধাক্রমের পরিবর্তে জাতীয় মেধাক্রম "৩৭৪৪১" দারা প্রতিস্থাপিত হইবে।

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Public transports were rarely seen on the streets of the capital yesterday ahead of the BNP-led opposition's march to Dhaka today as law enforcers asked transport owners not to operate their vehicles warning that they might face troubles if they did so. The photo was taken at Gulistan. PHOTO: STAR Powered by Citycell



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Food and Nutrition Security in Selected Districts of Southern Bangladesh (GCP/BGD/049/USA)" to be

Interested qualified candidates will find the post descriptions, the link to the Personal Profile Form (PPF) and

the information on how to apply in the following web link: http://www.fao.org/asiapacific/bangladesh and All

applicants must submit their PPF to: FAOBD-Vacancies@fao.org by close of business on 07 January 2014.

(UN Salary scale and benefits for similar position apply)

Farmer Field School Training Specialist

CALL FOR APPLICATION: TRAINING ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Relief International-USA, is currently implementing a 2-year-long project titled "Protection of Victims of Human Trafficking in Bangladesh" supported by the US Department of State's Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Person. The overall objective of the project is to support male victims of human trafficking in Bangladesh and to disseminate information on the Human Trafficking Deterrence and Suppression Act-2012 (HDTSA). Through the project, RI-USA intends to support the recommendations of the US State Department Trafficking in Persons Report 2012 and 2013 that highlight the need for support services for adult male trafficking victims and victims of forced labor.

RI-USA is currently accepting applications from organizations in Bangladesh for a training program designed to strengthen the capacity of officials of the organizations to monitor, identify and support victims of human trafficking. Interested organizations with prior experiences in implementing projects to prevent human trafficking and to support victims of human trafficking are encouraged to apply for the training program. The organizations having registered with the NGO Affairs Bureau and the Ministry of Social Welfare will be eligible to apply for the training program. Interested organizations are requested to visit the following link for detailed application procedures and to avail the relevant application form: www.media-humanrights.org/tipbd. Deadline for submission of application- 15 January 2015. The training will be provided free of charge. Thirty (30) organizations will be selected for the training programs. The selected organization will also be eligible to participate in a grants competition to receive small funding to support male victims of human trafficking.

Manpower export

FROM PAGE 5 recruitment process, which gained popularity for its low migration costs.

On the brighter side, around 57,557 females went abroad for work, an increase of over 54 percent than of last year's, she said.

Tasneem opined that the government should allow the private sector to export manpower to all countries but under stringent conditions, otherwise the sector might fall in a severe crisis in

the coming days. She also stated that the recruitment was highest in Oman while it was in the

UAE last year. Addressing as chief guest, Manusher Jonno Foundation Executive Director Shaheen Anam also urged the government to take effective measures to

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Deadline for Application: 07 January 2014

remove the existing barriers to the sector.

"The migrants are considered as only remittance machines which is degrading and an injustice to them. The government as well as the other authorities concerned must be respectful towards migrants' rights, she said.

She also stressed improving migrants' skills as the remittance basically depended on it.

Presiding over the programme, noted jurist Dr Shahdin Malik said the government must pay attention to the decline.

He welcomed the government's move for enacting the migrant's welfare law but expressed doubts over whether it will be duly applied.

attempted to organise a rally around 2:30pm that day.

demand."

35 of 50 detained

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They distributed leaflets reading, "People of the country! Establish khilafat under the leadership of Hizt-ut Tahrir and remove the Awami-BNP rulers. Raise the demand among sincere army officers and come out on the streets with this

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BANGLADESH **VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

INDEPENDENT UNIVERSITY,

Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) invites applications from suitable candidates for the following positions in the Department of Operations & Maintenance at the University.

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a. Minimum educational qualification is SSC or equivalent;

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Dhaka DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT Influentia US diplo-

US diplomat

transferred to

Peshawar from

Jon Danilowicz

mat in Dhaka Jon F

Danilowicz, who has spent a long time of his diplomatic career in Bangladesh, is leaving for Pakistan sometime in January to take up

his new assignment there. Though Jon, in his previous two postings in Bangladesh, completed three years of tenures, this time he is leaving only after about 17 months. His replacement is

yet to be named. Jon is currently deputy chief of mission at the Embassy of the United States of America in Dhaka. He has been appointed consul general at the US Consulate General in Peshawar, Pakistan, according to

During his current assignment in Bangladesh,

CITY DESK

director of Molla Salt Group, died of kidney and lung diseases yesterday at Apollo Hospitals Dhaka, aged 64.

daughters to mourn her death, says a press release.

family graveyard in Munshiganj following three namaz-e-janazas.

Khabiruddin Molla is managing director of the two companies.