

Suranjit hospitalised for chest pain

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Awami League leader Suranjit Sengupta was admitted to Labaid Hospital with chest pain last night.

Hospital sources said he was being treated at the Coronary Care Unit and his condition was improving.

An advisory council member of the ruling AL, the 69-year-old was taken there around 10:00pm.

He was present at the interview of the aspirants of the party's reserved seat lawmakers in the afternoon.

He returned to his Jigatola residence after feeling unwell around 8:30pm, following which his family members took him to the hospital.

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the opposition demand for holding the election under a nonparty caretaker government.

Today's rally is part of the opposition alliance's series of "peaceful" programmes that Khaleda announced on January 15. The Dhaka Metropolitan Police has given permission to hold the rally.

Similar rallies are expected to take place across the country today to "thank people for boycotting" the January 5 polls.

Meanwhile, the BNP observed the 78th birth anniversary of its founder Ziaur Rahman.

Khaleda, flanked by senior party leaders and activists, placed wreaths at Zia's grave at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar in the capital around 10:45am.

BNP acting secretary general Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir told journalists there that his party men were committed to restore people's voting rights by ousting the government, which grabbed power by holding "a farcical election".

Law minister

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Movement: Duty of Government and Civil Society" organised by Ekatturer Ghatok Dalal Nirmul Committee, a pro-liberation civilian platform, at the Poet Sufia Kamal Auditorium of the National Museum to mark the 22nd founding anniversary of the committee.

On January 19, 1992, the Nirmul Committee started its journey under the leadership of Shaheed Janani Jahanara Imam with the aim to exterminate killers and collaborators of 1971 Liberation War.

Addressing the programme, Anisul Huq asked the committee to raise awareness among people to boycott Jamaat and its organisations.

Professor Anisuzzaman echoed the law minister and said the committee should work to raise the awareness especially among the rural people, who were more vulnerable to be duped by Jamaat-Shibir propaganda.

Anisuzzaman also asked the prosecutors of the international crimes tribunals to stay cautious so that the lawyers of the war crimes accused could not prolong the trials using different tactics.

The law minister said the tribunals would continue until the war crimes trials were completed.

The Nirmul Committee and the Hindu-Buddhist-Christian Oikya Parishad had long been requesting the government to publish the probe report of Sahabuddin Commission, a judicial commission that probed the 2001 post-polls violence on the minorities.

The law minister said he would look into the matter and take steps to publish the report.

Acting president of the committee Shahrijat Kabir said should the Awami League allow Jamaat men to infiltrate in the party, it would be a big defeat for all the pro-liberation forces.

He also said their movement would continue till Jamaat was banned from politics and the 1972 Constitution was restored.

Historian Professor Muntassir Mamoon and vice president of the committee Shyamoli Nasrin Chowdhury also spoke in the programme.

TERRITORIAL DISPUTES

Japan PM calls for 'frank' talks with neighbours

AFP, Tokyo

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe yesterday called for "frank" summit talks with China and South Korea to help solve historical and territorial disputes that have soured ties between the neighbours.

A year of heated arguments have prevented the three from holding any top-level meetings, with Beijing and Seoul accusing Abe of showing a lack of remorse for World War II wrongs.

"We should hold a summit meeting and have a frank discussion," Abe said in an interview on public broadcaster NHK, two

days after Japan's foreign minister called for similar talks.

Abe, China's President Xi Jinping and South Korean President Park Geun-Hye all came to power around a year ago, but entrenched positions and growing nationalism in the three countries have prevented them from getting together.

Seoul and Beijing were angered by Abe's visit last month to a shrine in Tokyo that counts 14 senior war criminals among the 2.5 million souls it commemorates.

China and South Korea see the Yasukuni shrine as a symbol of Japan's wartime aggression in Asia.

Tarique asked

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after he surrenders.

The bench of Justice Md Nizamul Huq and Justice Md Jahangir Hossain also asked the lower court to send the case records to it [HC] as early as possible.

ACC's counsel Khurshid Alam Khan told The Daily Star that the HC did not mention any specific date when Tarique, who is now staying abroad, would show up before the trial court.

A notice will now be served on Tarique, informing him about the appeal filed by the ACC against his acquittal, so that he can challenge the appeal through his lawyers.

The HC would hold the hearing on the appeal after getting the case records, he added.

In October 2009, the ACC filed the case against Tarique and Mamun for laundering Tk 20.41 crore to Singapore between 2003 and 2007.

Stop showing

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Chairperson Khaleda Zia, three former BNP MPs and four BNP central committee members.

Moudud Ahmed, Rafiqul Islam Mia and MK Anwar were accused in five cases each so far while another standing committee member ASM Hannan Shah was accused in seven cases.

BNP Vice-chairman Maj (retd) Hafiz Uddin Ahmed was accused in three cases.

The HC in its order said police cannot implicate or show Anwar, Moudud, Rafikul, Shimul and Bakul arrested in any other cases if their names are not in the first information report and if there is no specific allegation or arrest order against them, said the counsel of five leaders.

The bench of Justice Salma Masud Chowdhury and Justice Md Habibul Gani passed the order after hearing five separate

The charges were pressed in July 2010, and the trial began in September 2011.

On November 17 last year, a Dhaka court acquitted Tarique in the money laundering case.

But his friend and business partner Giasuddin Al Mamun was sentenced to seven years in prison and fined Tk 40 crore.

It was the first judgement in one of the 16 cases, including the August 21 grenade attack cases, against Tarique. He was arrested on March 7, 2007 during a crackdown by the military-backed caretaker government.

After securing parole, he went to London in September 2008 for treatment, and later obtained bail in other cases as well.

The ACC on December 5 last year filed an appeal with the HC, challenging the acquittal of Tarique in the case.

Attorney General Mahbubey Alam and Deputy Attorney General Amit Talukder appeared for the government.

petitions filed by the detained BNP leaders last week.

In the petitions, the leaders sought directives from the HC on the government not to harass or show them arrested in any new cases without due process of law.

After hearing both the sides, the bench passed the order.

Meanwhile, two Dhaka courts yesterday rejected the bail petitions of former BNP lawmakers Mahbub Uddin Khokon and Shammi Akhter in four separate cases.

Detectives, in separate drives, arrested Khokon and Shammi from the capital in December last year.

On January 14, the HC directed the government not to show the detained BNP leaders Abdul Awal Mintoo and Khokon arrested in any case "without the due process of law".

No EU plan to scrap GSP

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labour and factory conditions in the next couple of months.

"We will have to sit down with the government to see where we are."

The government signed a tripartite agreement -- called the Sustainability Compact -- with the International Labour Organisation and the EU in Geneva last July after the collapse of Rana Plaza building, which killed at least 1,132 people, mostly garment workers.

Earlier in June last year, the US scrapped the GSP benefit for Bangladesh over factory safety and poor working condition.

But according to Hanna, there has been progress in some areas and there are some areas that need to be improved.

Bangladesh should specifically speed up its recruitment process for new inspectors and set up the database for factories, he said.

"The recruitment of inspectors is not as quick as expected as committed in the agreement. The database of information about factories has not yet been properly set up."

Hanna said the GSP was important for Bangladesh as well as for Europe. "We want to continue to source from Bangladesh. And our companies are interested in continuing to invest."

The envoy mentioned that both the statement and the resolution had called on the Awami League and the BNP to enter into dialogues and have an agreement, which would be the way forward for elections.

Bangabandhu Airport

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incoming aircraft to enter terminal in a shorter time, requiring less fuel and saving time for passengers.

Menon also said he would give top priority to upgrading the Cox's Bazar Airport to boost tourism industry.

To this end, he would complete all formalities in three months, he added.

Regarding the harassment of passengers at the airport, Menon, who has lately taken charge of the ministry, said he had asked all service providers to work in a more coordinated way to alleviate the woes of the passengers.

A total of four taxiways -- south taxiway, high-speed taxiway, north taxiway, and central taxiway -- will be constructed under the project involving Tk 567 crore.

The work of south taxiway has already been completed. Danish construction firm Mungk Ashfault has been implementing the project.

With the implementation of the total project, the Pavement Classification

Number (PCN) of taxiway will be increased from 40 to 85.

The project work also includes 1,36,000-sq metre taxiway pavement work, and 80,000-sq metre shoulder work (on the slope of taxiways and empty spaces).

More than 60 percent of the total project work has been completed, and the rest of the work will be completed within seven to eight months, well ahead of the schedule, said officials of the Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (Caab).

Addressing the programme, Denmark Ambassador to Bangladesh Hanne Fugl Eskjaer said the development of the airport was essential.

She expressed her satisfaction over the quick implementation of the project and good quality.

Caab Chairman Air Vice Marshal Mahmud Hussain said the runway had already been renovated.

Once this project is completed, he added, Shahjalal Airport's sustainability would be guaranteed until 2025.

Rodman checks into alcohol rehab

AFP, Los Angeles

Former basketball star Dennis Rodman, facing a backlash for a series of visits to North Korea, checked himself into an alcohol-rehab facility, US media said Saturday.

Rodman entered the undisclosed rehab centre on Wednesday and it is not clear how long he intends to remain there, CNN said.

The 52-year-old apologized earlier this month upon his return from his latest visit to secretive North Korea for saying a fellow American imprisoned there may have caused his own fate.

Rodman blamed alcohol for his comments.

Rodman took a team of former National Basketball Association players to North Korea for his most recent visit and sang "Happy Birthday" to leader Kim Jong-Un inside a packed sports arena.

The former NBA star was widely criticized for refusing to bring up human rights abuses or the plight of detained US missionary Kenneth Bae during his latest week-long visit.

EU weighs new climate goals, economic needs

AFP, Brussels

The EU will announce climate change targets for 2030 next week but sharp differences over priorities and an unwillingness to take the lead while global rivals hang back may result in a modest compromise deal.

The 2020 programme is widely judged a success but some argue this means the European Union can now actually ease up to focus on a struggling economy while others want a more ambitious package to keep the momentum going.

European Commission head Jose Manuel Barroso will unveil the new package on Wednesday, ahead of a March EU leaders summit, and is also expected to propose new rules on the controversial 'fracking' extraction of shale gas.

Barroso will also address ways to boost the EU's carbon dioxide emissions market, meant to help combat global warming but which has so far disappointed.

The current 20-20-20 EU programme is based on a binding 20 percent cut in CO2 emissions by 2020, compared with 1990 levels.

Member states are also supposed to source 20 percent of their energy from renewables and achieve a 20 percent energy efficiency gain by the same date.

The European Parliament's environment committee wants a more ambitious and binding 40-30-40 package, but such targets are opposed by those who insist that national governments should decide their

country's energy mix, not the EU.

EU Climate Commissioner Connie Hedegaard meanwhile backs the CO2 reduction target of 40 percent.

"That implies an additional but not excessive effort," said one source close to the negotiations ahead of Wednesday's formal announcement.

By end-2012, the EU had cut CO2 emissions by 18 percent, putting it on course for perhaps 24 percent by 2020.

Perversely, this success takes some of the pressure off for a 40 percent target on the view the EU is already doing more than its fair share while competitors such as China and India lag behind.

EU Energy Commissioner Guenther Oettinger and Industry Commissioner Antonio Tajani are ready to accept a 35 percent reduction target, sources said.

"Nothing has been decided yet," said one source while another said a figure of 38 percent was on the table.

If the CO2 reduction target is 40 percent, then renewables might be fixed at 27 percent; if the cut is 35 percent, renewables could be 25 percent, the source close to the negotiations said.

"Renewables have become a bargaining chip," the source said, with many also opposed to their being made a binding target.

Economic powerhouse Germany is switching into renewables as its closes down its nuclear power plants and so is anxious to ensure its peers do not get a free ride to its disadvantage.

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1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief.								
2	Agency	Department of Disaster Management								
3	Procuring Entity Name	Project Director. (PD)								
4	Procuring Entity Code	Nil								
5	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka								
6	Invitation for	Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelters.								
7	Invitation Ref No	-								
8	Date	-								
KEY INFORMATION										
9	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)								
FUNDING INFORMATION										
10	Budget and Source of Funds	GOB								
11	Development Partners (if applicable)	Nil								
PARTICULAR INFORMATION										
12	Project/Program Code (if applicable)	5013								
13	Project/Program Name (if applicable)	Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelters in the Coastal belt of Bangladesh								
14	Tender Package No.	3 Nos.								
15	Tender Publication Date	Date, 20 th January, 2014								
16	Tender Last Selling Date	Date, 3 rd February, 2014								
17	Tender Closing Date and Time	Date, 4 th February, 2014								
18	Tender Opening Date and Time	Date, 4 th February, 2014								
19	Name & Address of the office									
- Selling Tender Document		1. Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh Secretariat Dhaka. 2. Project Office, Room No 506 (5 th floor), DDM 3. Divisional Commissioner's Offices, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.								
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- Opening Tender Documents		PD, Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelters Department of Disaster Management, Mohakhali, Dhaka. Tk. 2000.00 (two thousand) each set (non-refundable)								
20	Price of tender document	Tk. 2000.00 (two thousand) each set (non-refundable)								
21	Place/Date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	N/A								
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER										
22	Eligibility of Tenderer	a) General Experience: Minimum 5 (five) years overall experience. b) Specific Experience: The Tenderer/ Tenderers shall have minimum experience completed 1 (one) No. Building/Cyclone Shelter construction works value 140.00 (one hundred forty) Lac in single contract. c) Average annual turnover : The required average annual turnover as shown in tender document. d) Free funds (Liquid Assets) and / or credit facilities: The Tenderer shall have minimum amount free fund (liquid assets) or credit facilities as shown in tender document. e) Updated Income Tax clearance certificate, VAT Registration certificate and Trade license.								
		f) Project equipments and technical personnel shall be provided as per Tender document.								
23	Place/Date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	Not Applicable.								
24	Brief Description of work.	Civil, Sanitary, Electrification works etc.								
25	Brief Description of Related Services	N/A								
Particular of Package:										
26	District	Upazila	Pac. No	Identification of site	Tender Security Money in lakh	Time for Completion of work (in days.)				
	Khulna	Dakop	81	Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter at Joynagar Dakhil Madrasa.	5.00	210 days.				
	Chittagong	Boalkhali	88	Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter at Charandip Rasbia Ishlimic Fazil Madrasa, Boalkhali(Rest work)	5.00	210 days.				
	Barishal	Bakerganj	99	Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelter at Doudalmou Faez Hossain Sr. Fazil Madrasa	5.00	210 days.				
27	Name of Official Inviting Tender		Md. Shamsuzzaman Bhuiyan							
28	Designation of Official Inviting Tender		Project Director							
29	Address of Official Inviting Tender		Construction of Multipurpose Cyclone Shelters Project. Department of Disaster Management Bir Uttam A. K. Khondoker Road, 92-93, Mohakhali C/A, Dhaka.							
30	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender		Tel. No.: 02-9860523, 02-9854156		Fax No.: 02-9854156					
31	SPECIAL CONDITIONS: i) Tenderers who have been awarded upto 3 packages and previous Tenderers of these packages are not eligible for this tender. ii) Tender security money should be submitted in the form of Pay order. iii) Tender documents & related papers should be submitted with Book binding. iv)Tenderers must fulfill all the conditions mentioned in the Tender Data Sheets(TDS) v) Attested copies of all necessary supporting documents should be submitted along with the tender documents that are to be issued by an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer or equivalent officer with their contract address and Telephone number. All such copies of the supporting documents/certificates must be signed by the tenderer or his authorized representative with date and seal. vi) If any declaration/certificate/document submitted by the tenderer along with the tender document is found to be fake/forged/false, the tender security (earnest money) shall be forfeited & the tender shall be declared as informal, void and Non-Responsive. vii) Tenderer shall be submitted a Work Plan along with tender document.									
32	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.									



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