

INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Primary school textbooks in 8 languages launched

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Primary school textbooks in eight indigenous languages were inaugurated in a book launch in the capital yesterday, celebrating the month of the Language Movement.

The books were published by Caritas Bangladesh.

Children of the Chakma, Murong, Tripura, Khashi, Garo, Santal and Oraon ethnic minorities will be able to access learning materials in their own languages now, said speakers during the programme organised at Cirdap auditorium.

For the Oraon community, which is further divided into two linguistic

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Customary laws provide little power to women over marriage

Discussion told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Customary laws followed by indigenous communities render very little power to women over matters of marriage, divorce and property, said speakers at a discussion yesterday.

They added that in social arbitrations women's opinions are not taken into consideration.

Bangladesh Nari Progati Sangha organised the discussion at Jatiya Press Club in the capital.

To ensure indigenous women's rights major changes must be brought into the customary laws that have been around for many years, said Chakma Circle Chief Barrister Raja Debashish Roy.

"However, the positive side is that these laws are easily changeable because none of them are in written form," he said.

Bomang Circle Chief Raja U Cha Prue said he has been trying to incorporate women's right to property in his community, but this would take some time as the laws have been in effect for long.

Mong Circle Chief Raja Sacheng Prue Chowdhury and Prof Dr Sadeka Halim, among others, spoke.

Human rights violation rampant last year: Report

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The violation of the human rights of indigenous people, which has been going on "alarmingly" in Bangladesh, intensified significantly in some cases last year, according to a recent report.

But, the state failed to investigate the incidents and punish the culprits in most cases. In addition, the victims were often denied essential protection and co-operation in suing the perpetrators.

The Human Rights Report 2013 on Indigenous Peoples, prepared by Kapaeng Foundation on the basis of news reports, was launched in the capital's Cirdap auditorium yesterday.

It shows 11 indigenous people including four women--three from Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) and eight others from plains--were killed, while Bangalee settlers and grabbers destroyed and looted houses and properties of 346 families--275 in CHT and 71 in plains--in 10 attacks.

In 2013, some 3,792 acres of land in CHT

were either grabbed or went under the process of occupation and acquisition. Of this, 3,717 acres were grabbed by outsiders and influential persons and 75 acres by the government. In plains, 103 bighas were grabbed.

Last year, 67 indigenous women and children--53 from CHT and 14 from plains--faced violence. Of them, 15 were raped. At least 47 houses were burnt to ashes, while 2,000 people of 400 families in CHT fled to "no man's land" adjacent to India due to attacks in 2013.

Referring to the fact that 200 indigenous families from North Bengal migrated to India in the last five years, indigenous leader Sanjeeb Drong said it proved that they were not well here.

Dhaka University's Prof Mesbah Kamal stressed the fact that indigenous people were not the enemy of the state, while educationist Prof Zillur Rahman Siddiqui advised taking the report to all political parties.

The speakers stressed the full implementation of the 1997 peace accord for solving the problems in CHT.

HC throws out Khaleda-Hasina dialogue plea

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday rejected a writ petition filed last year seeking its directives on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and then opposition leader Khaleda Zia to sit in a dialogue to resolve the country's political stand-off.

In a short verdict, Justice Naïma Haider and Justice Zafar Ahmed observed that the petition had become ineffective after two state counsels argued that the plea was not acceptable, as there was no more confrontational situation in the country.

Supreme Court lawyer Eunus Ali Akond filed the petition on March 14 last year. Two weeks later, on March 27, the HC asked Hasina and Khaleda to explain why they should not be directed to hold a dialogue. But none of them responded.

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DHOLPUR GRAVEYARD High Court asks govt to maintain status quo

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed authorities concerned of the government to maintain status quo on construction of any structure for private purposes in Dholpur graveyard area established by Dhaka City Corporation.

Responding to a writ petition, the court asked the authorities to submit a report after complying with the order in three weeks. It also issued a rule upon the government to explain why it should not be directed to protect the graveyard and free it from land grabbers.

The HC bench came up with the order and the rule after hearing the petition filed by Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh seeking necessary orders from it to save the graveyard from land grabbers.

The petitioner said some local influential people have reportedly been constructing structures in the graveyard land for their personal purpose.

Empower family court

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to use the term 'minor' instead of child."
The organisation also opposed a section that calls for dissolution of the child marriage. The society is not yet ready for such a drastic measure, said BMP President Ayesha Khanam.

Citing an example of a village where BMP successfully prevented a child marriage, she said, "Some villagers took their daughter to another place, got her married and then came to us."

"They said they had no choice but to marry their daughter off, as we could not ensure their daughter's security or livelihood."

BMP recommended that the child be taken to a shelter or kept with her parents until she becomes adult while the guardians provide the follow-ups to court regularly.

HC orders stop to encroachment

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Quazi Reza-Ul Hoque and Justice ABM Altaf Hossain also asked officials concerned to explain in two weeks why they should not be directed to save the river and take action against the encroachers.

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NEWSIN brief

Documentary evidence not sufficient to prove Sayedee guilty: Defence

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Convicted war criminal Delawar Hossain Sayedee's lawyer yesterday told the Supreme Court that there is no sufficient documentary evidence to prove any charge brought against his client.

Sayedee's counsel SM Shahjahan said this while placing his closing arguments on the appeal filed by the Jamaat leader challenging the International Crimes Tribunal-1 verdict that sentenced him to death for war crimes.

He argued that the prosecution witnesses' statements upon which the verdict was based on were not reliable.

The counsel prayed to the apex court to acquit the Jamaat-e-Islami leader from the war crimes charges.

Polls to women's reserved seats in JS now Apr 3

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Election Commission has rescheduled the timetable of elections to reserved seats for women in the 10th parliament setting the polling date April 3.

Now the last date for filing nomination papers is March 9, those will be scrutinised on March 11 and the last date of withdrawal of the papers is March 18.

Out of 50 reserved seats, Awami League-led alliance will get 41 seats, Jatiya Party six and the alliance of independent candidates three.

Girl rescued from child marriage

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A team led by Advocate Salma Ali, executive director of Bangladesh National Women Lawyers' Association, rescued a 10-year-old girl from Barisal city, who was being forced to marry a 44-year-old man yesterday morning.

The daughter of a day labourer and a domestic worker, is a class-IV student, said she wanted to continue her study rather than getting married.

The would-be-groom, Jamal Mia, who works at Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital morgue, is a widower and has a son.

India, Bangladesh to intensify health cooperation

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The first meeting of the Joint Working Group (JWG) on health cooperation, established between Bangladesh and India to train Bangladeshi doctors in premier Indian medical institutes, begins today in New Delhi.

During the two-day event, the JWG will discuss many issues, including exchange of visits, development of human resources for health and cross border health issues.

Computer fair
BCS Computer City will start an eleven-day "City IT 2014 Computer Fair"; Venue: the computer city, IDB Bhaban; Time: 10:30am.

Seminar
Bangladesh Shishu Adhikar Forum will arrange a seminar on "Pornogra-

phy: The emerging threat to children"; Venue: Mahboob Kabir Hall, Biam Foundation; Time: 10:00am.

Discussion
Rangpur Bibhag Samity, Dhaka will hold a discussion on the development of Rangpur; Venue: Jatiya Press Club; Time: 5:00pm.

Community Legal Services

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