

FIGHTING CLIMATE CHANGE Industrialised countries should financially assist Seminar told STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Brac University (BU) in collaboration with a global network of activists, Avaaz, yesterday urged the prime minister to ask industrialised countries to provide financial and technological assistance to the countries which are affected by climate change.

The prime minister should also ask the industrialised states to curb their green house gas emission, they added.

They made the comments at a seminar titled "People's March for Climate Justice" in BU auditorium in the capital. The activists will bring out a procession on September 20 from Shahbagh to Jatiya Press Club to make people aware of the threats of climate change.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Ban

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320 illegal structures near rail tracks demolished in capital STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The railway authorities yesterday demolished around 320 illegal shops and other establishments along the rail lines from Nakhal Para to Banani in the capital.

With these, around 1,700 illegal structures, mostly shops, were demolished from Khilgaon to Banani in the five-day drive

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ACID THROWN ON WIFE HC upholds death sentence of husband STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday upheld a lower court verdict that had sentenced a person to death for throwing acid on his wife.

Akbar Ali of Baro Dugali village in Sirajganj threw acid on his wife Ayesha Siddika following a family feud on February 18, 2008.

On August 23 in 2009, the Acid Control Tribunal of Sirajganj sentenced Akbar to death for damaging Ayesha's face and some other parts of her body.

Akbar filed an appeal with the HC challenging the Sirajganj court judgment. Yesterday Justice

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This is a simple mud building bearing testimony to vernacular architecture and an extraordinary tale of unity of the residents of Kadhurkhal village in Chittagong's Boalkhali upazila early last century. This rectangular structure, Kadhurkhal High School, was built by the villagers between 1918 and 1920 as a symbol of resistance against British colonists during the Swadeshi Movement. Officials say the building, 200 feet in length and 41.5 feet in width, is often called the largest surviving mud edifice in the country now. However, it keeps wearing down by the day because of a lack of government's efforts to protect it as a heritage site. *Inset*, chunks of mud falling off the wall testify its vulnerability. The photos were taken yesterday.

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GRAFT CASE DMCH ex-director, doctors indicted COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday framed charges against former director Brig Gen (retd) Bazle Quader of Dhaka Medical College Hospital and six others in a case filed against them for misappropriating Tk 2.31 crore in the name of drug purchase.

The court fixed October 20 to start the trial of the case. Six of the accused, including Bazle Quader, now in custody, claimed themselves innocent and demanded justice before the court.

The other accused are DMCH assistant professor Dr Atiar Rahman, former deputy director Dr Md Faizullah, two ex-accounts officers—both named Nazrul Islam -- and proprietor of MS Habib Traders Habibur Rahman.

The court yesterday again rejected bails of the six accused after their lawyers submitted separate petitions.

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WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT ICT, English skills must Seminar told STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Women need to study information and communication technology (ICT) and English language for their empowerment, said speakers at the inaugural ceremony of a seminar yesterday.

If women are provided with proper training on ICT and better English language lessons they can contribute to economic and social development immensely, they added.

British Council and English in Action jointly organised the two-day seminar on "Education, Technology and Women: Key Issues for Development" at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the capital.

In the keynote session, the speakers also stressed the need for developing contents to improve teaching practices in the country.

Tom Power from The Open University, UK, gave examples of some countries like Myanmar where schools have ICT devices but progress of digital classroom is slow. He said, sole use of ICT devices is not enough; ensuring proper training for teachers is the key.

British High Commissioner Robert W Gibson said the British government hopes that the participants at the seminar will share their experiences and insights and work together for the benefit of women in Bangladesh and around the world.

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'Sighted after 132 years'

JU CORRESPONDENT

A Jahangirnagar University (JU) teacher yesterday informed of sighting a butterfly for the third time in Bangladesh after a gap of 132 years.

Prof Monwar Hossain of zoology said he had seen the Jungle Glory (Thaumantis Dioreas) on March 30 this year in Bardarban's Thanchi upazila while working on a project of International Union for Conservation of Nature.

Addressing a press conference at JU Journalist Association, he said the butterfly's wing structure inspired scientists of Japan and China to invent dye-sensitised solar cells which are 10 times more efficient than conventional ones.

The species, ranging from Sikkim to



Myanmar and not so common in India, was first sighted in Sylhet by Doubleday in 1845, followed by Marshall and Niceville in 1882, he added.

Prof Monwar said he had spent the last five months going through 11 publications, the oldest dating back to 1932, on the region's butterflies to conclude that it was the third sighting.

Very little is known about its habitat and ecology in Bangladesh and more research is needed to clarify the lack of sightings, stated Shafigue Hider Chowdhury, a former zoology professor of Dhaka University and Chittagong University and co-author of "Butterflies of Bangladesh".

According to Prof Monwar, there are 300

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Second 'stalker' held over Ritu's suicide STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police yesterday arrested a second youth over the stalking of Umme Kulsum Ritu, who had subsequently committed suicide by taking pesticide inside her residence in Khilgaon's Nandipara area in the capital on September 6.

Rafiqul Islam, 20, a friend of the main accused Shimul Chandra, 22, was arrested in the area, said Mustafiz Bhuiyan, officer-in-charge of Khilgaon Police Station.

During preliminary interrogation, Rafiqul admitted that he, Shimul and two other friends had gone to Ritu's house and repeatedly insulted and verbally abused her just hours before she took her own life, he quoted Rafiqul as saying.

Of the two others, Mohammad Ziad, 22, was arrested on September 8. Ritu's family filed a case with the police station accusing five people including Shimul. He would talk the sixth grader regularly on her way to East Point Education School and College, said family members.

Publish JS info for good governance TIB urges Speaker STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) has urged the Speaker of Jatiya Sangsad to take an initiative in publishing information regarding all activities of parliament like enactment of laws for the promotion of democracy and good governance.

The anti-corruption watchdog made the request in a letter to the Speaker on Sunday, marking International Day of Democracy (September 15) and International Right to Know Day (September 28).

TIB Executive Director Iftekharuzzaman in a press note yesterday said, "Such an initiative is also important to make the parliament more functional and earn people's trust."

He suggested that the application of technology could add a new dimension to people's access to information regarding parliamentary activities.

36 get Meena Media Award 20 of them journos STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A total of 36 people including 20 journalists and 16 creative writers from print and electronic media won the 10th Meena Media Award 2014 yesterday for their excellence in creative media and journalism to promote child rights in Bangladesh.

The winners received the prizes at Sonargaon Hotel in the capital last evening. Unicef gave the award in three categories: contents of submissions--journalistic and creative; types of media--print, radio, and television; and age group--above 18 and under 18.

In print media reporting, Zahidur Rahman (above 18) of the First News magazine and Zahid Islam (under 18) of the daily Barishaler Katha secured the first prize.

In television reporting, Khadija Nahar Rita (above 18) of

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SEXUAL HARASSMENT, CORRUPTION Ambassador Golam to be recalled DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Ambassador to Greece Golam Mohammad, recently found guilty of sexually harassing a female IOM official of Bangladeshi origin in Athens and of being involved in corruption, will be called back shortly.

"Official process for recalling him is at the final stage and the foreign ministry will take punitive measures for his series of sexual scams," said a senior official at the ministry.

The government recently recalled four ambassadors, one over sexual harassment, two over financial corruption, and the last over failure to run the mission.

Following investigations in Athens, a three-member inquiry team headed by Maritime Affairs Unit Secretary Khurshed Alam recommended that Golam be punished.

The foreign ministry officials concerned said the International Organisation for Migration (IOM) official and her office filed a complaint with the ministry after she fell victim during an invitation to the ambassador's residence.

Tight security measures

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Committee at Police Headquarters in the capital.

The law enforcers have been directed to be alert so that any quarter cannot make troubles centring on the celebrations.

Durga Puja will begin on September 30. Around 28,000 puja mandaps have been set up across the country.

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Jewel and Firoz are on the run while Kader, Akil and Alam, now on bail, pleaded not guilty and demanded justice from the court which fixed October 23 to start trial.

On June 9 last year, four crude bombs were hurled at the capital's Mirpur residence of Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu.

Although no one was hurt during the explosion, the crude bombs had cracked the walls and windows of the first and second floors of his house.

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