

DU admission competition drops by 17pc

DU CORRESPONDENT

With the deadline to apply online for admission to Dhaka University for the 2015-16 honours session passing yesterday, it is estimated that 38 students will be competing for each seat, a drop by eight from that of last year.

A total of 2,54,404 students have registered for the 6,685 seats, which have been increased by 103. Last year, 46,734 more students had contested.

Moreover, coming into effect this year is a new rule stipulating that a student can take the admission test only once.

The A (Ka) unit (science faculty) exam will be held on October 30 when 72,161 students are scheduled to vie for 1,660 seats (43 contestants per seat).

On October 9, 31,421 students will battle for 2,280 seats (14 students per seat) in the B (Kha) unit (arts faculty) exam.

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina inaugurating a guesthouse named "Torunima" at Bangladesh Police Academy in Sardah of Rajshahi yesterday.

PHOTO: PID

NEWS IN brief

3 including cop mugged in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least three people, including a traffic constable, had fallen prey to muggers in the capital's Sayedabad early yesterday.

A group of muggers swooped on constable Mobarak Hossain and his wife Sumi Akhter near Sayedabad bus terminal area when they were waiting for a rickshaw to reach home, police said. The muggers stabbed Mobarak in the leg and snatched his mobiles, money, and Sumi's earrings. They also beat up a Dhaka College student, Rashed, there and looted his valuables.

Man's decomposed body found

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police recovered the decomposed body of a man, aged around 40, from Gulshan Lake in the capital yesterday.

The man was killed and there were several injury marks in his body caused by sharp weapons and beating, Dhaka Medical College Hospital morgue sources confirmed.

Police said locals informed them in the morning after seeing the body floating in the lake.

Three 'human traffickers' held with fake passports, visas

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rapid Action Battalion arrested three alleged members of a human trafficking gang with fake passports and visas in the capital yesterday.

Md Jahangir Hossain was arrested in Moitjheel; Md Khokonin Tajagaon; and Md Monirullahin Wari. Acting on a tip off, Rab-3 seized 147 forged passports and fake

20,000 commit suicide annually in Bangladesh: WHO statistics

CITY DESK

On an average 20,000 people annually commit suicide in Bangladesh, said speakers citing a statistics of World Health Organization at a press conference yesterday.

Ahsania Mission Female Drug Treatment Centre organised the programme "Preventing Suicide: Reaching out and Saving Lives" at Dhaka Ahsania Mission in the capital's Dhanmondi, marking World Suicide

Nirapod Jibon launches micro life insurance as pilot project

CITY DESK

UDDIPAN, a micro finance institution, and Fukoku Mutual Life Insurance Company, Japan launched a cooperative test marketing of micro life insurance project said a press release yesterday.

The project, titled "Nirapod Jibon" initially will be run as a pilot programme for one year with the support of

Mass awareness must to end misogyny

Prothom Alo, ActionAid roundtable told
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mass awareness to change people's negative attitudes towards women is required to ensure their security, speakers said at a roundtable yesterday.

They said respect towards women should be implanted in children's minds during the early development years (0-3 years) and later through special classes in school.

Besides noting the importance of education, Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Rashed Khan Menon stressed the need for an effective helpline with hunting numbers.

Referring to Dhaka Metropolitan Police's helpline 999 and National Helpline Centre for Violence Against Women and Children's 10291, he said people did not know much about these.

"People will know the numbers if they work. Its effectiveness must be visible," he told the discussion on women's security in cities, organised by the daily Prothom Alo and ActionAid Bangladesh at the newspaper's office.

Dhaka North City Corporation Mayor Annisul Huq asked women and human rights activists and organisations, present at the discussion, to send him five short, medium and long term doable strategies to improve security of women in the city.

He said with the help of WaterAid, DNCC would put up 100 public toilets in the north by next year.

ActionAid Country Director Farah Kabir suggested that the mayor make it mandatory for companies to carry messages to prevent violence against women in the corner of every billboard in the city.

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Govt to revise national youth policy

Prioritising empowerment

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government is going to revise the national youth policy prioritising eight specific sectors including empowering youths by providing them with education, training and jobs.

The government has already prepared a draft of National Youth Policy-2015 and now taking opinions of different stakeholders to develop it further.

The officials, who are involved in the drafting, disseminated information about the draft policy at a stakeholders' views exchange meeting yesterday.

The Directorate of Youth Development (DYD), and Bangladesh Youth Leadership Center (BYLC) jointly organised the programme at Jubo Bhaban in the capital's Moitjheel.

DYD Director General Anwarul Karim said the previous youth policy was enacted

in 2003 but it needs to be changed to make it time befitting.

Ejaj Ahmad, president of BYLC and principal consultant for National Youth Policy-2015, said they had tried their best to have the policy reflect the needs and aspirations of the country's youths so that they could be adequately prepared to take on the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century.

Nur Mohammad, secretary to the youth and sports ministry, said more than one-third of the country's population are youths, which is a very positive thing for a country.

Their potentiality has to be used for development, he said, adding that after approval of the policy, they would try to implement it.

The other priorities in the draft policy are health and recreation, good governance, sustainable development, comprehensive development, rebuilding a healthy society,

Housewife 'gang-raped' in capital

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Police Station Mahbubur Rahman told The Daily Star.

Quoting the case statement, he said the victim was locked in the room till 1:00pm and at one stage she came out of the room by breaking

its window.

Police sent the victim to the one-stop crisis centre at Dhaka Medical College Hospital for a forensic test.

The crisis centre coordinator, Bilkis Begum, told The Daily Star that they found evidence of rape in the test conducted yesterday.

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Dr. Sarwar Ali elected new Chairman of Renata Limited

Meeting of Board of Directors of Renata Limited held on September 10, 2015 condoled sad demise of Mr. Syed Humayun Kabir, Chairman of the Board since 1972. Under his guidance Renata Limited grew to be one of the top five Pharmaceuticals and retained the top position in Animal Health business.



Board of Directors elected Dr. Sarwar Ali former Managing Director of Renata Limited as new Chairman of the Board. Dr. Sarwar Ali is Trustee of Liberation War Museum and Chairman, Board of Management Birdem General Hospital. Dr. Sarwar Ali represents majority shareholder of the company Sajida Foundation, NGO involved in health, micro credit related programmes for disadvantaged people.



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To learn more and apply visit: <http://dhaka.usembassy.gov/> Approximate salary Tk. 98,000.00 per month.

Closing Date: September 21, 2015 (before 4:30 p.m.)

Seeking Interest for Enlisting as Potential Partners

Plan International is one of the oldest and largest children's development organizations in the world. Plan International Bangladesh is implementing its fourth Country Strategic Plan from July 2015 to June 2020 through partnership with local and national NGOs to meet the interest and needs of most marginalized children and young people. On this setting, we are seeking an expression of interest to enlist as potential partner (Implementing partnership) for implementing future projects of Plan International in its working areas. Plan International Bangladesh will assess the proposals/applications from potential partners according to Partners Assessment Guidelines for shortlisting. The ToR and Self-Assessment form is available in the link: <http://tinyurl.com/bgd-partner>.

Interested organisation who meets most of the criteria mentioned in the ToR is invited to submit the filled in self-assessment tool through email to planbd.purchase@plan-international.org by 22nd September 2015.

Note this is only for initial enlisting for possible mutual assessment and in NO way guarantees either further assessment or funding.

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IRRI (International Rice Research Institute) Bangladesh office is seeking talented candidates to work at its country office, Bangladesh for the USAID financed Rice Value Chain project. The Rice Value Chain is a 15 months pilot project of IRRI that will support the private sector improve the efficiency of the rice value chain. All positions are project based and subject to availability of funding.

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Community Legal Services Programme in Bangladesh announces the following vacancy:

- Learning and Knowledge Management Coordinator- 1 position

Please visit the following website for more information: <http://communitylegalservice.org/cls.php?info=jobs>

Last date of submission of the application: 04 October 2015
Female candidates are particularly encouraged to apply.

LITB Ref. No. 2015-9120882

Invitation to Bid (ITB) for Emergency Recreation Kit for two groups of children as follows: (1) Children : age-6-11 years (2) Children: age -12-14 years under Long Term Arrangement (LTA)

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