

NEWSIN brief

Shoeb Chowdhury meets White House press secretary

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M Shoeb Chowdhury, general secretary of the International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA), Bangladesh, has met Josh Earnest, press secretary of US President Barack Obama, and exchanged opinions on global press freedom, media strategy, cyber security, and globalisation aspects for developing countries like Bangladesh, says a press release.

They met during a special event in the USA, organised by the Institute of Politics of Harvard Kennedy School. Shoeb is also director of FBCCI and Bapex.

Dense fog disrupts Shimulia-Kawrakandi ferry service for 4hrs

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Corporation (BIWTC) yesterday halted ferry service on Shimulia-Kawrakandi route for four hours from 4:30am as all beacons became invisible in dense fog.

As a result, eight ferries got stuck in the river while some 200 vehicles got stuck on both sides of the river, said Abdul Alim, BIWTC manager at Shimulia ghat.

Now, 14 ferries are running on the route.

Couple injured by robbers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Locals held two of a robbery gang when they were fleeing after injuring an elderly couple in their house in Dinajpur town on Thursday night.

Some five robbers beat Mohit Kumar Saha, 70, and his wife Royally Saha, 55, of Borobandar area, with bricks when they shouted for help. Royally's condition is more critical, said doctors at Dinajpur Medical College Hospital. Anwar Hossain and Asim Majumder were handed over to police.

Fertiliser factory fined in Jessore for selling fake product

Another shut down in Nilphamari

CITY DESK

A mobile court yesterday fined a fertiliser factory in Noapara Bazar area in Jessore Tk 1.2 lakh for selling fertiliser without an expiry date, reports our Benapole correspondent.

The court led by Sifat Mahna, upazila nirbahi officer of Abhoynagar, also ordered police to destroy fertiliser of the factory, Akter Agro Fertiliser Factory.

Meanwhile, the upazila administration in Saidpur of Nilphamari shut down a fertiliser factory on Thursday night for selling fake fertiliser under the brand of another company, according to our Nilphamari correspondent.

The administration also seized a large amount of fertiliser from the factory.

Sources said the administration received complaints from authorities of Grameen Shakti Organic Fertiliser Factory that some people were selling products under their name.

Owners of the factory -- Abdul Mannan, Mizanur Rahmam Mizan and Badsha Mia -- fled when the administration reached there.

A case was filed.



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Chairman and CEO of Shornokishoree Farzana Brownia, State Minister for Information and Communication Technology Division Zunaed Ahmed Palak, and Managing Director of Microsoft Bangladesh Ltd Sonia Kabir, in the middle of the crowd, with other guests and 70 schoolgirls who were given laptops at the inaugural ceremony of the "YES SHE CAN" training campaign at Microsoft's Dhaka office in Gulshan yesterday.

YES SHE CAN

Microsoft to help train rural girls in info tech

Partners with govt, NGO

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Division, Shornokishoree Network Foundation, and Microsoft Bangladesh Ltd have taken a joint initiative to educate rural female students across the country on information technology, health and well-being.

The ICT training initiative will improve learning skills of students.

The inaugural ceremony of the training titled "YES SHE CAN" was held at the Microsoft Bangladesh Office in the capital's Gulshan where State Minister for ICT Division Zunaed Ahmed Palak donated 70 laptops to students from 64 districts, says a press release.

At the daylong training, the students were taught basic computing, Internet browsing, troubleshooting, MS Office, MS Excel, Outlook.com and video conferencing via Skype.

Palak said, "Bangladesh has made remarkable progress in education, especially in education for girls, helping the country achieve one of the Millennium Development Goals, gender parity, ahead of schedule."

"Despite this, the high rate of drop-out and quality of education remains a concern. A modernised system and the introduction of information technology are expected to bring rural poor children into the folds of mainstream education, and improve educator and student performance," he said.

The implementing partner, Shornokishoree, began working with female students in 2012, primarily in the area of health.

Microsoft is the technology partner for this project.

"Microsoft is proud to be partnering in a project that ties in three key accelerators for development -- women, education and ICT," said Sonia Kabir, managing director, Microsoft Bangladesh Ltd.

"I am personally passionate about bringing women into the world of technology, from creating employability to creating entrepreneurs. Microsoft is proud to be hosting the YES SHE CAN event and we look forward to more initiatives around women and technology," she added.

Dr CS Karim passes away

UNB, Dhaka



Dr Chowdhury Sajjadul Karim, former adviser to a caretaker

government and a nuclear scientist, passed away at the capital's Bangladesh Medical College Hospital last night, aged 67.

Dr Karim, also former chairman of the Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission, breathed his last around 10:40pm, said hospital sources.

He had been suffering from pneumonia for the last one week.

He was an adviser to the caretaker government, led by Dr Fakhruddin Ahmed.

RAKUB HIRING TEST HWY blocked protesting postponement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Hundreds of jobseekers blocked the Dhaka-Rajshahi highway in front of Rajshahi University's (RU) main gate for around three hours till 6:00pm yesterday after the second phase of a recruitment test of Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank was abruptly postponed.

The one-hour test was postponed indefinitely for unavoidable reasons an hour before its scheduled start at 3:30pm, said Zinat Ara Begum, chairman of RU management studies department, which was holding the test on the bank's behalf.

She said 50 percent of the

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Request for Expression of Interest

Project Team consisting of KNJV, a joint venture of Katahira & Engineers International and NEC Corporation, and Dhaka Transport Coordination Authority (DTCA) for the project for Establishment of Clearing House for Integrating Transport Ticketing System in Dhaka City Area (Project) invites suitable qualified companies (tenderers) to register their Expression of Interest in managing Rapid Pass System Trial Operation. Terms and Conditions of the undertaking are detailed in the tender document to be issued to short-listed tenderers. Tenderers shall be a company registered in Bangladesh or a joint venture of Bangladesh companies.

The Project is funded by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and JICA's rules for procurement are applied to this tender. KNJV administers this tender process with consultation of DTCA and JICA. Agreement will be made with KNJV and the selected tenderer.

"Request for EOI documents" is available by 5:00pm on 24 November, 2015 upon request by e-mail addressed to seiyamatsu@gmail.com with the following information:

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