



**Bent, a play by Martin Sherman, being staged in TSC auditorium of Dhaka University where a six-day theatre festival kicked off yesterday. The theatre and performance studies department of DU organised the festival celebrating the 20th anniversary of its founding.** PHOTO: STAR

**DU theatre festival opens**  
DU CORRESPONDENT

The 10th Annual Theatre Festival of Dhaka University started at the Teacher-Student Centre (TSC) yesterday.

The theatre and performance studies department of DU organised the six-day festival, celebrating its 20th founding anniversary.

Speaking as chief guest, Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor urged the cultural activists to continue promoting fine arts.

Editor and Publisher of The Daily Star Mahfuz Anam said one needed to grow a good taste for fine arts to become a quality human being.

Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique inaugurated the festival.

Later, a drama named "Bent" by Martin Sherman was staged.

The cultural affairs ministry has sponsored the festival, with support from The Daily Star and Standard Chartered Bank.

**NEWS IN brief**

**Four get Kazi Mahbubullah Award**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Four personalities have been selected for "Kazi Mahbubullah Award" of Begum Zebunnesa and Kazi Mahbubullah Janakalyan Trust this year for their contributions in different fields.

They are Bangladesh National Cricket Team Captain Mashrafe bin Mortaza for sports, Anisul Hoque for literature and journalism, Prof Haseena Khan of Dhaka University for science and Prof AK Azad Chowdhury for promoting higher education, says a press release.

They will be given crests, certificates and a cheque for Tk 1 lakh each.

Last year, poet Asad Chowdhury, The Daily Observer Associate Editor Syed Badrul Ahsan, theatre and drama personality Ataur Rahman and freedom fighter and linguist Jamil Chowdhury received the award.

**Ananta murder case hearing deferred again**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A Sylhet court yesterday deferred to December 20 the hearing of a case filed for killing blogger Ananta Bijoy Das.

The deferral came as eight accused in the case did not attend the court, court sources said.

Earlier on October 4, the hearing was deferred to yesterday, they said.

Blogger Ananta, also an activist of Sylhet Gonojagoron Mancha, was hacked to death by a group of assailants in the city's Subidbazar Bankalpara on May 12.

**Sweden-Bangladesh Nobel Memorial Quiz starts Sunday**

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The Swedish embassy in Bangladesh will arrange the first ever Nobel Quiz contest at the Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet) on Sunday, said a press release.

It will focus on Alfred Nobel, the Nobel prize, Nobel laureates and Sweden. Ambassador Johan Frisell and Buet Vice Chancellor Khaleda Ekram will be present in the event.

Students from different universities in Dhaka in teams of three will participate in the final event and the prize will be an all-expenses paid week-long visit to Sweden.

**Not a charmer but saviour**

SHAHADAT HOSSAIN, Ctg

When we see a snake our first instinct is to run or flee. Then there are some who will attempt to kill it. However, there are a few people who will try to save these reptiles at a risk to their own lives and Fazle Rabbi Robin is one such person.

Robin, hailing from Brahmanbaria, rushes to capture snakes whenever he is informed that one has been sighted -- whether at a house or in a locality in Chittagong.

When he does capture a snake Robin nurses it, and then releases it into a forest under supervision of officials of Wildlife Management and Nature Conservation Division, Chittagong. If a snake is very ill or injured he takes it to Chittagong Veterinary and Animal Sciences University for treatment.

Aiming to rescue stranded and injured snakes, Robin started working as a volunteer at the nature conservation division six months back. Since then he has rescued about 45 snakes in different areas of Chittagong and released those into the forest.

"There is a fear of snakes among us. But not all snakes are venomous and they do not usually bite anyone unless disturbed first," said Robin who passed his HSC exam in 2005 from Brahmanbaria Government College.

"I have always been fascinated with wildlife and animals," he said, adding that he used to rear pigeons in class VI.

Robin went to Malaysia in June, 2013 where he came across a small snake farm in Baku. He became interested in snakes after seeing how they were tamed and cared for at the farm. He returned to Bangladesh after six months.

He met with snake charmers in Savar and searched online to learn about how to catch and tame snakes, said Robin, adding that he came to Chittagong in April last year.

To earn his livelihood, Robin makes houses made of wood for pigeons and sells those for Tk 5,000 to Tk 6,000 each.

Robin now dreams of setting up a rescue and rehabilitation centre for snakes. He urged people living in Chittagong to call him at 0152818254 for help in rescuing snakes.

"We let Robin know whenever we receive information of snakes entering residences or found in villages and he goes there to rescue the snakes," said Abdur Rahman, assistant conservator of forests (sadar), Wildlife Management and Nature Conservation Division, Chittagong.



**Fazle Rabbi Robin holding a banded krait, or shankhanil, he rescued in Chittagong's Hathazari upazila last month. A saviour of snakes, he has been treating this venomous native reptile ever since and will release it into the wild once it recovers.** PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

**A method in the madness**

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Our conversation came to an abrupt end as the traffic cleared and we were zooming off again. I watched mesmerised, a young boy in punjabi-pajama and prayer cap on his head run with his burka-clad mother or aunt, to get on a bus. The boy had already boarded the

bus but the elderly woman could not make it, so he jumped off, falling on his back on the hard street. I was horrified imagining the kind of injuries the boy must have sustained. But to my amazement I saw the boy and his companion running again after the same bus -- this time they both made it

and I let out a sigh of relief.

Soon we reached our destination and I handed my saviour the fare and a bit extra. "Thank you Mannan Bhai," I said so relieved I had reached in one piece. "Welcome Madam", he smartly replied as he took out his cell phone to take a call.

**Star-Standard Chartered Celebrating Life Festival**

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Organisers for the event which encouraged youths to explore their talents.

SCB CEO Abrar A Anwar inaugurated the exhibition in Haatkhola Art

Gallery in Surson Road area showcasing 20 top photographs from last year's Celebrating Life contest.

Rafi Hossain, editor of Showbiz, conducted the inaugural ceremony while poet Yusuf Mohammad gave the

welcome speech.

Anwar said, "We want to create a platform for talented youths working in different fields of art like film, photography and lyrics. We will continue the event in the future."

**ঢাকা পাওয়ার ডিস্ট্রিবিউশন কোম্পানি লিমিটেড**  
**DHAKA POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LTD**  
(An Enterprise of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh)

Memo no: DPDC/PD(PPMP-5 NOCS)/2015/20 Date: 01/12/2015

**NOTICE FOR POSTPONEMENT OF TENDER SUBMISSION DATE**

Due to some unavoidable circumstances, last date of submission of international tender for procurement of "Design, Manufacture, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Prepaid Meters at NOCS Khilgaon, Kazla, Razarbag, Tejgaon & Swamibag with Related Service on Turnkey Basis." against tender invitation no. DPDC/PD(PPMP-5 NOCS)/2015/01, date: 14/06/2015 is hereby postponed.

Fresh date of tender submission for the above mentioned tender shall be informed later on.

Md. Geas Uddin Joarder, Project Director  
Prepayment Metering Project for 5 NOCS Division under DPDC

**KIBRIA MURDER CASE**

**Testimony recording deferred for 9th time**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A Sylhet court yesterday deferred, for the ninth time, the recording of testimonies of witnesses in the former finance minister SAMS Kibria murder case.

Speedy Trial Tribunal Judge Makbul Ahsan deferred the hearing until December 9 as only five accused out of 14 appeared before the court, said Public Prosecutor Kishore Kumar Kar. Yesterday was supposed to be the sixth day of

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গ্যাস জাতীয় সম্পদ। এর অপচয় রোধ করে জাতীয় দায়িত্ব পালন করুন।

**INTERNATIONAL TENDER NOTICE** বিদ্যুৎ ও স্থানীয় নিরাপত্তা সর্বোচ্চ অগ্রাধিকার।

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/ Energy & Mineral Resources Division	
2. Procuring Entity	Bangladesh Gas Fields Co. Ltd. (BGFCL), A Company of Petrobangla	
3. Procuring Entity District	Brahmanbaria	
4. Invitation Reference No.	<b>Tender No. 1</b>	<b>Tender Ref. No. BGFCL/GOODS(FP)/175 Dated November 30, 2015</b>
	<b>Tender No. 2</b>	<b>Tender Ref. No. BGFCL/GOODS(FP)/176 Dated November 30, 2015</b>
5. Invitation for	<b>Tender No. 1</b>	Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Diesel water pump for automatic water hydrant system under <b>Group-A</b> and Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Motor Spirit (MS) pump with Motor (Skid Mounted) under <b>Group-B</b>
	<b>Tender No. 2</b>	Procurement of NPT Pipe Fittings (NPT Socket Coupling, NPT Union Coupling, NPT Elbow-90°, NPT Equal Tee, NPT Reducing Bush) & Flange, Long Radius Elbow, Equal Tee, Reducing Tee, Concentric Reducer under <b>Group-A</b> , Fire Tube for Oilbath Heater under <b>Group-B</b> and Ball Valve (With Handle) & Bar stock needle valve under <b>Group-C</b> .
6. Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)	
7. Budget & Source of Fund	Own Resources of BGFCL	
8. Tender Selling Schedule		
a) Date & Time	Tender documents will be available between 0900 hrs & 1400 hrs (BST) on all working days (Sunday to Thursday)	
	<b>Tender No. 1</b>	from December 09, 2015 to January 19, 2016
	<b>Tender No. 2</b>	from December 10, 2015 to January 20, 2016
b) Place	BGFCL's Liaison office at Petrocentre (14 <sup>th</sup> Floor), 3 Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka.	
c) Price of Tender Document	Tender documents will be sold on payment of <b>Tender No. 1#</b> BDT. 1,000.00 (Non-refundable) <b>Tender No. 2#</b> BDT. 1,000.00 (Non-refundable)	
9. Tender Receiving and Opening		
Time & Date of Tender Receiving	<b>Tender No. 1</b>	i) Up to January 19, 2016- During office hour ii) On January 20, 2016- Up to 1100 hrs (BST)
	<b>Tender No. 2</b>	i) Up to January 20, 2016- During office hour ii) On January 21, 2016- Up to 1100 hrs (BST)
Time and Date of Tender Opening	<b>Tender No. 1</b>	On January 20, 2016 at 1115 hrs (BST)
	<b>Tender No. 2</b>	On January 21, 2016 at 1115 hrs (BST)
Place (Tender No. 1 & 2)	BGFCL's Liaison office at Petrocentre (14 <sup>th</sup> Floor), 3 Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka. If it is not possible to receive/open the tender on the scheduled date for any unavoidable circumstances the same will be received/ opened on the next working day at the same time and same place.	
10. Eligibility of Tenderer (Tender No. 1 & 2)	Reputed firms, manufacturers and suppliers from all countries except Israel with the following international experience : (a) Tenderer shall have 05 years experience in supplying similar materials to other than the Tenderer's own country. (b) Offered materials manufacturer shall have minimum 05 years experience in manufacturing the same materials.	
11. Description of Goods	<b>Tender No. 1</b>	Group-A: Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Diesel water pump for automatic water hydrant system. Group-B: Supply, Installation & Commissioning of Motor Spirit (MS) pump with Motor (Skid Mounted).
	<b>Tender No. 2</b>	Group-A: NPT Pipe Fittings (NPT Socket Coupling, NPT Union Coupling, NPT Elbow-90°, NPT Equal Tee, NPT Reducing Bush) & Flange, Long Radius Elbow, Equal Tee, Reducing Tee, Concentric Reducer. Group-B: Fire Tube for Oilbath Heater. Group-C: Ball Valve (With Handle) & Bar stock needle valve
12. Tender Security Amount	<b>Tender No. 1 #</b>	Group-A: BDT. 46,000.00 or USD 605.00 Group-B: BDT. 78,200.00 or USD 1030.00
	<b>Tender No. 2 #</b>	Group-A: BDT. 52,900.00 or USD 695.00 Group-B: BDT. 55,200.00 or USD 725.00 Group-C: BDT. 30,000.00 or USD 395.00
13. Delivery Time	<b>Tender No. 1 &amp; 2:</b> 120 days from the date of opening L/C	
14. Name of Official Inviting Tender	Engr. Md. Taufiqur Rahman Tapu	
15. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	General Manager (Technical Services)	
16. Address of Official Inviting Tender	Bangladesh Gas Fields Co. Ltd. (BGFCL) Head Office, Birashar, Brahmanbaria - 3400, Bangladesh Telephone no. 0851-58141, Fax No. 0851-58758/58510 E-mail: prbgfcl@gmail.com / dgmpmr@bgfcl.org.bd	
17. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.		

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