

Shun blind faith, fundamentalism

President urges students

UNB, Jamalpur

President Abdul Hamid yesterday urged students to remain alert so that blind faith and fundamentalism cannot obstruct their creativity.

The president was speaking at a function marking the 70th founding anniversary of Government Ashok Mahmud College on its campus.

The college, including the academic buildings and the adjacent areas, was decorated with colourful lights, artificial flowers, festoons, banners, paintings and several fountains. A number of colourful arches were built at different points in the town.

Abdul Hamid observed that extra curricular activities, including those organised by cultural, debating and language clubs, can make students fit for the present time to face the challenges of globalisation.

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Smart energy, planning can balance urban dev, environ

Experts tells Swedish seminar

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Urbanisation-led development does not necessarily have to hurt the environment as both could be assured with effective planning and smart energy and transportation systems, experts told a seminar in the capital yesterday.

Smart energy refers to meeting energy needs with the most cost effective long term approach having the lowest environmental impact.

During the 1990s, Sweden achieved GDP growth of 60 percent but simultaneously reduced carbon emissions by 20 percent, said Lisa Tullus, consultant of Business Sweden, the Scandinavian country's export and investment council.

"Urban solid waste is actually a source of power," she said, "A lot of energy is virtually thrown away if waste is thrown away." Local wastes should be a source of fuel for local transportation, said Lisa Tullus citing an example of smart sustainable urbanisation.

Stockholm lakes once used to be so polluted that one would not even dip into the water but those are now so clean that one can even drink it, she said.

The Embassy of Sweden in collaboration with Business Sweden organised the seminar on Smart City by Sweden at a hotel.

A smart city can be defined by the ability to integrate multiple technological solutions in a secure fashion to manage the city's assets which include local departments, information systems, schools, libraries, transportation systems, hospitals, power plants, law enforcement, and other community services.

Swedish Ambassador Johan Frisell said Dhaka was a fast growing city, along with Lagos, with an annual urban growth rate of 3.4 percent which was higher than that of Beijing, Shanghai, Kolkata and Delhi.

Around three or four lakh people migrate to Dhaka city every year and since urban growth rate has a direct effect on economic development, achieving the 2021 development goals would require double the present power demand, he said.

He said Sweden, as one of the founding fathers of developing smart city innovations, could help procure various products and financial services.

The seminar's objective was to highlight Swedish companies' solutions for sustainable and efficient urban development in power, energy, water resources and transportation sectors.

Representatives of various Swedish companies including Ericsson, Axis Communications, ABB, Sensys Gtso, Scania, Hifab and Volvo gave presentations on how their services and high-tech products and innovations could contribute to building a smart city.

Citing that only 22 people live per square kilometre in Sweden while the figure is over 1.44 lakh in Bangladesh, Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) Mayor Annisul Huq said the smart city innovations have to be tailored to the complex needs of Dhaka city.

As a measure to ease the horrendous traffic congestion, he said, DNCC was soon going to facilitate the construction of 22 U-shaped loops along a 36-kilometre stretch of the Dhaka-Gazipur road to manage 69 right turnings.

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NEWS IN brief

Five remanded in Dakshin Khan gang rape case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Five youths, who were arrested on charges of gang-raping a teenage girl in a house in Dakshin Khan area of the capital on Sunday, have been placed on a two-day remand.

Inspector (investigation) of Dakshin Khan Police Station Sheikh Rokonzaman said police produced the accused before a Dhaka court with a 10-day remand prayer for each, but the court granted a 2-day remand each.

Police are in drive to arrest other two absconding accused. The victim was admitted to Dhaka Medical

Bangladesh, US to curb terrorism

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Police and the United States will work together to curb terrorism through sharing intelligence, technology and training, says a press release of Bangladesh Police.

Inspector General of Police AKM Shahidul Hoque and US Ambassador to Bangladesh Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat expressed their respective opinions in this regard during a courtesy meeting at Police Headquarters yesterday.

The ambassador hopped cooperation from police of the two countries would help counter crimes like cyber offences, transnational organised crimes, money laun-

United Hospital holds free medical camp on Mother Language Day

CITY DESK

To mark the International Mother Language Day on February 21, United Hospital conducted a day-long free medical camp, said a press release.

The medical camp was organised by Faridur Rahman Khan, managing director of United Hospital Ltd.

More than 50 specialist doctors of the hospital attended the medical camp at Yunus Khan-Mahmuda Khanam Memorial Health Complex in Louhajong of Munshiganj.

Swagatam Chakma's book launched at Boi Mela

CITY DESK

"The Future of Ethnic Minority the Jummo Nation" by Swagatam Chakma was launched at the Ekushey book fair yesterday, published by Bateswar Bornon. The book could be found at the stall no 192.

Swagatam is the founding organising secretary of World Chakma



Shakila Farjana gets bail in cases over financing militant outfit

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday granted bail to Supreme Court lawyer Shakila Farjana in two cases filed over her alleged involvement in financing a militant outfit, clearing the way for her release from jail.

Shakila along with two other lawyers, Hasanuzzaman Liton and Mahfuz Chowdhury Bapon, were arrested from Dhanmondi area in the capital on August 18 last year for their alleged link in funding Shaheed Hamja Brigade, a Chittagong-based militant outfit.

They were shown arrested in the two cases filed on February 20 last year.

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COMMENT ON JUDICIARY SC rejects Fakhru's explanation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday refused to accept the explanation of BNP acting secretary general Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir on his comment about the judiciary as the relevant affidavit did not have his signature.

The apex court said Fakhru will have to sign the affidavit containing the explanation and submit it by today.

Different newspapers quoted Fakhru as saying on February 7 at a party meeting in Sylhet that the government was trying to control the judiciary.

While hearing three bail petitions filed by Fakhru, the SC on February 18 asked Fakhru to explain his comment on the judiciary by yesterday.

Fakhru's lawyer Sagor Hossain Leon told The Daily Star that after the court refused to accept his explanation, Fakhru appeared before the SC registrar general and signed the affidavit later in the day.

Earlier in the day, Fakhru had submitted his explanation with the affidavit, which was signed by his lawyer on record.

A five-member bench of the Appellate Division headed by Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha fixed today for hearing the issue.

Leon quoted Fakhru as saying in his explanation that he did not make any statement to damage the dignity of the court and the judiciary.

Eight DB police impersonators held in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Detective Branch (DB) of police arrested eight robbers impersonating DB personnel at Jatrabari in the capital on Sunday evening.

The arrestees are Shahidul Islam Majhi alias Shahid, Yusuf Kazi, Abdul Malek, Malek Chowdhury, Jahangir Alam, Yeasin, Badal and Abbas Ali.

On information, a team of police carried out a drive and arrested the eight when they were plotting a robbery at the Matal Maternity Hospital in the area, said a press release.

The law enforcers also seized a microbus, some homemade weapons, a walkie-talkie, two handcuffs and a vest inscribed with DB from their possession. The arrestees,

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In loving Memory

LATE KRISHIBID MD. ABDUR RAZZAQUE
(August 02, 1945 - February 08, 2016)

Md. Abdur Razzaque, notable Krishibid, former Director General of the Department of Livestock Services has passed away (Innallah...rajiun) on the 8th of February 2016 in Dhaka. He left behind his wife, two daughters, two son-in-laws, three grand children and countless well-wishers.

Md. Abdur Razzaque lived a very animated life. He received his Bachelors from the Animal Husbandry Department of BAU Mymensingh and then went on to receive higher credentials from Netherlands and the University of Missouri, USA. He had been at the heart of many national and international projects and institutions. The departed was the Former Chairman of the World Poultry Science Association (WPSA)- Bangladesh, life member of the Krishibid Institute of Bangladesh, advisor of the Bangladesh Animal Husbandry Association, member of the executive committee of BAPA, etc. The family of the departed expresses their heartfelt gratitude to those who commemorated his passing away.

WaterAid seeks a Programme Officer

for details, please log onto bdjobs.com/wateraid and apply by 28 Feb 2016

RFP N° 92/2015 Provision of Services to ILO Bangladesh

The International Labour Organization (ILO) would like to invite qualified providers to participate in the Request for Proposal for

The development and implementation of an awareness campaign on Occupational Safety and Health in the Ready Made Garment Sector and the strengthening of communications capacity of regulatory authorities and the Bangladeshi media

The Request for Proposal (RFP) document and any supplementary documents or information issued during the process will be available for download on the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) at <https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/42943> under ILO Procurement Notice reference RFP N° 92/2015.

INDEPENDENT UNIVERSITY, BANGLADESH

Purchase Department
Plot # 16, Block # B, Aftabuddin Ahmed Road, Bashundhara, Dhaka 1212. Tel: 8431645-53

Tender for the IT Equipment

Sealed quotations are invited from the bona-fide suppliers for supply, installation & testing of Personal Computers (Brand). The detailed specifications, terms & conditions are mentioned in the tender schedule. Interested bidders are requested to purchase tender schedule from the Purchase Department on payment of Tk. 2,000/- (non-refundable) to the Finance & Accounts Department in the form of Pay Order / Bank Draft from any scheduled bank in favor of Independent University, Bangladesh between the office hrs. of 9 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. (Sunday through Thursday) till **March 2, 2016**.

The sealed bids will be submitted by the bidders in two envelopes. One for the Technical offer and one for the Financial offer. The bids (Technical and Financial) will be received up to **2:30 p.m. on March 3, 2016**. The Technical offers will be opened on the same day to **2:45 p.m.** in front of the bidders who wish to remain present. The financial offers of the technically qualified bidders will be opened only in presence of tenderers, if any will be notified by the Employer. The financial bid must be accompanied by 2.5% of the total quoted amount as earnest money in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank in favor of Independent University, Bangladesh without which the bid shall be rejected.

The university authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the bids and increase or decrease of the requirements / quantity without assigning any reason whatsoever and also is not bound to accept the lowest quotation.

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Office/Education-Training/Corporate Business/Multi National/NGO Address: House 73, Road 5A, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka Available: 1 April 2016. Rent: Negotiable Land Area: 17 Katha. Covered Area: 15,000 sft. (4 Floor) CONTACT: cell +880 1711817447, +880 1737109889 email: notforever2016@gmail.com

Job Opportunities

A Multinational Buying House based in Chittagong is looking for a **Chief Executive Officer**. Candidate must have minimum 18-20 years work experience in Garments Sector specially in merchandising. Interested persons are requested to sent their CV to PO Box 2067 latest by **March 01, 2016**. D-143

The City Bank Limited

Head Office : City Bank Center 136, Bir Uttam Mir Shawkat Sarak Gulshan Avenue, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212

Corrigendum Notice

Reference to our "Price Sensitive Information" for issuance of fresh share capital to International Finance Corporation (IFC) and others, published in The Daily Prothom Alo, The Financial Express and The Daily Star on February 9, 2016. Please read the Date of EGM 27-03-2016 instead of 24-03-2016. All others information will remain unchanged. In fact, it was a typing mistake and absolutely unintentional. We are extremely sorry for such inadvertent mistake. We sincerely regret for the inconvenience caused if any.

Sd/-
Md. Kafi Khan
Company Secretary

Dated: February 22, 2016

CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

Tender Name: Request for Proposal: Group Life Insurance Services for icddr,b Invitation Ref. No. & Date: icddr,b/SCM/SP/OTM/2015/33, Date: November 18, 2015 Published in: The Daily "Prothom Alo" and "The Daily Star" on November 20, 2015 Revised RFP document will be available from February 23rd to 25th, 2016 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on all working days at Supply Chain Office, icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212. For details, please visit following link: <http://www.icddr.org/tender-notice> icddr,b reserves the right to accept or reject all/part bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Senior Manager, Supply Chain
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PUBALI BANK LIMITED

GENERAL SERVICES & DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
HEAD OFFICE, 26, DILKUSHA C/A., DHAKA-1000.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Proposals are hereby invited from reputed consulting firms/consultants in sealed envelope for the under mentioned assignment as per terms & conditions stated below.

1. Procuring Entity	: Pubali Bank Limited, General Services & Development Division, Head Office, 26 Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka 1000.
2. Assignment Name	: Consultancy services for preparing of necessary design/drawing/ plan (Architectural/Structural/electrical/plumbing etc.) on the basis of Rajuk's approved plan (Consultant will arrange and bear the cost for Rajuk approval) and tender documents with BOQ for construction of following Bank's own R.C.C building at Uttara, Dhaka i) Plan for construction of a 12 storied building with 02(two) basement floors at Uttara, Dhaka
3. Brief description of assignment	: i) Preparation of preliminary and final architectural drawings showing its three dimensional perspective view. ii) Preparation for preliminary and final master plan for a Corporate Building/Office (12 storied including two basement). Considering Total land 215.41 decimal. iii) Preparation of detail structural, electrical, plumbing, mechanical and working design/drawings. iv) Preparation of component wise detailed cost estimates, schedule of specifications and tender documents. v) Supervision and monitoring of the work and any other allied work.
4. Time for completion of the work	: 60(Sixty) Calendar days.
5. Eligibility of Consultant	: i) Interested potential consultants/consultant firms having past track- experience in above type of assignments with at least 10 projects of minimum 10 storied buildings with three dimensional perspective view drawing, Architectural and working drawings, layout plan etc. covering various type of occupancy. ii) The intending consultancy firms must have experience of minimum 05 years in consultancy services and must have Rajuk Enlisted Structural Engineer/Architect. iii) Having valid trade license, up to date Income Tax clearance certificate and VAT registration certificate. iv) Must be financially solvent. v) Documentary evidence of the above should be submitted along with the application.
6. Additional Documents to be submitted on	: i) Work plan ii) Methodology iii) CVs of key human resources to be involved in this project.
7. Amount of Tender security	: 2.5% of total bid amount in the form of Payment Order favoring Pubali Bank Limited, Head Office, Dhaka - 1000. "No proposal will be considered without genuine experience certificate, Earnest money and non-fulfillment the above criteria (i to v)".
8. Name and address of the office from where proposal to be dropped	: Pubali Bank Limited, Establishment Division (12 th floor), Head Office, 26 Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka - 1000.
09. Last date & time for proposal submission	: Up to 11.15 AM (BST) on 06.03.2016
10. Date and time for tender opening	: At 11.30 AM (BST) on 06.03.2016 in presence of bidder (if any)
11. Special Instructions	: i) Technical Proposal without any reference of price and financial proposal to be submitted in separated envelop. ii) Pubali Bank Limited reserves the right to accept partly or fully any proposal or reject any or all proposals without assigning any reason whatsoever and is not bound to accept the lowest quotation. iii) Lowest price is not the only criteria to accept the bid. Quality job with competitive price shall be appreciated.

Abu Habib Khairul Kabir
General Manager