

Fire breaks out at Meher tower

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Fire broke out in a ceramic and electric ware office on the eighth floor of a 15-storey building, Meher tower, in CR Dutta road near Hatirpool last night. Several units of fire service worked simultaneously to control the fire, which originated from a gas stove or an electric short circuit, caused damages worth Tk 20 lakh, suspects fire service officials.

Foreign minister leaves for India

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Foreign Minister AH Mahmud Ali yesterday left for India for a two-day visit to address a dialogue in New Delhi.

Diplomatic sources said the minister would hold a meeting with his Indian counterpart Sushma Swaraj on the sidelines of Raisina Dialogue.

The Indian Ministry of External Affairs and Observer Research Foundation will jointly host the dialogue with the theme "Asia: Regional and Global Connectivity," in which around 450 persons from 40 countries will participate.

HIMEL MURDER IN CTG Verdict date deferred

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday deferred the date to pronounce the verdict in Himel murder case.

Public Prosecutor MA Naser said the date will be conveyed by the court as the case was not prepared for the verdict.

According to the prosecution, four days before publishing of his SSC result, Chittagong Government High school's student Himel Das Supam went missing. It said one of the accused Mahmudul Islam, an acquaintance of Himel, invited him and his friends to go on a trip to Bandarban on May 8, 2011 where he was abducted. Later, his body was found at Naga Jhiri in Bandarban.



Indian High Commissioner in Dhaka Harsh Vardhan Shringla pays a call on Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury at her office in the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban yesterday.

PHOTO: PID

DHAKA UNIVERSITY

Tourism teachers go on foreign tour enmasse

Classes postponed; students worry about extra pressure, lagging behind

MAHDI AL MUHTASIM

Sixteen out of nineteen teachers of Tourism and Hospitality Management of Dhaka University under the business faculty have gone to Indonesia and Singapore for a nine-day academic tour on Monday, while the other three have not gone due to their personal problems. The teachers are supposed to return on March 10.

But students of the department alleged that because of the tour, they will suffer badly in the academic studies.

The department now looks like a desert because of the absence of teachers and students. Only two officials were found sitting idly at the department office room yesterday.

According to the university sources, there are about 750 students including the evening MBA programme in the department. Though the teachers, who have not gone to the tour, are conducting scheduled classes, most of the classes are postponed till March 8, because of the tour.

"Our 2nd midterm exam has not started yet. Now we will face problems preparing for the next semester exam," said a 3rd semester student.

Moreover, Teachers of all 37 public universities began an indefinite strike on January 11 to January 19 over "pay disparity". Some students alleged that because of the teachers' strike, they are going to

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UNION PARISHAD ELECTIONS 2016

Multiple offices to receive nomination papers

EC decides following alleged harassment of BNP backed candidates

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chairman and councillor aspirants in the second phase of the Union Parishad elections will get the opportunity to submit applications for candidacies at multiple government offices instead of at a single desk.

The Election Commission will introduce the system to make the submission of nomination papers hassle-free, said election commissioner Shah Nawaz yesterday.

The move came following BNP's demand for setting up an alternative desk to receive nomination papers as the party alleged that the ruling Awami League men had barred BNP's candidates from submitting applications to returning officers in many places.

"We have received allegations from some places that candidates could not submit nomination papers in the first phase of the election. We don't want to have these allegations again. That's why we are going to

introduce the new system," Shah Nawaz told reporters at his office.

The deadline for submission of nomination papers in the first phase expired on February 22, while the deadline is March 2 for the second phase.

As per the electoral rules, candidates submit nomination papers to the returning officer (RO). In case of Union Parishad polls, Upazila Election Officers (UEOs) and officers with equivalent ranks perform the duty of ROs.

Replying to a query, the commissioner said it was not decided yet which other offices would be receiving the papers, but the EC was initially thinking of the office of the district election officer or of the deputy commissioner (DC).

When attention was drawn about BNP's allegation that the EC is playing a biased role, Shah Nawaz said these were

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NEWSIN brief

587 women become country's first ever licensed midwives

CITY DESK

Around 587 women passed the licensing exam at Dhaka Nursing College, becoming the first ever midwives to have graduated from the newly established three-year direct entry diploma education in midwifery in Bangladesh.

The newly licensed midwives will be posted at Upazila Health complexes and Union Family Welfare Centers around the country.

Since its inception, the education programme for the introduction of a new cadre of professional diploma-level midwives has been supported by the United

SCBA polls on March 23, 24

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The annual election of the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) for its 14 executive posts including president and secretary will be held on March 23 and 24.

SCBA Secretary AM Mahbub Uddin Khokon told The Daily Star that candidates can submit nomination papers between March 1 and 10, and withdraw their nominations till March 13.

SCBA sources said main contest in the election will take place between ruling Awami League-backed Bangladesh Sammilita Ainjibi Samannaya Parishad (BSASP) and BNP-backed Bangladesh Jatiyatabadi Ainjibi Oikya Parishad (BJAOP).

A total of 5,028 lawyers have registered their names

Red Crescent launches natural disaster mitigation campaign

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Aiming to enhance community resilience in times of natural disasters by 2025, Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS) yesterday launched a global campaign.

The programme titled "One Billion Coalition for Resilience" in Bangladesh may include training on pre and post disaster responses, first aid, and strengthening livelihood in poverty stricken communities.

El Hadji Amadou Gueye, secretary general of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, and BDRCS Chairman Hafiz Ahmed Mazumdar were present at the launching ceremony in

FM Alamgir new governor of Rotary

CITY DESK

Rotarian FM Alamgir has been elected new governor of Rotary International District-3281 Bangladesh for 2018-2019 session.

The election was held at Rotary district conference in Dhaka on Saturday.

Rotarian Alamgir is a well known chartered accountant of Bangladesh and former president of Rotary Club of Dhaka North East. He also played important role in central Rotary. He is the CEO of Artisan Chartered Company.



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CORRIGENDUM

In the advertisement "Invitation for Re-Tender" published in this newspaper on February 18, 2016 on page 11 in the second last line the advertiser's Designation has been wrongly printed as Cantonment Executive Engineer. The correct Designation will be Cantonment Executive Officer and should be read as such. This inadvertent error is deeply regretted. GD-465

We Remember



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On his 13th death anniversary today, we profoundly remember late **Matiur Rahman** - a Freedom Fighter, Founder & Chairman of Kisan Group, Former Cabinet Minister and former President of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industries.

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The fees for last selling/downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branches up to 14-March-2016 17:00pm.

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)

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