

Bangabandhu dreamt of Cox's Bazar as global recreation hub

Says Menon

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Rashed Khan Menon yesterday said Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman dreamt to turn the country's tourism capital Cox's Bazar into a global recreation centre to hold major international summits round the year.

"After the Mass Uprising of 1969, Bangabandhu told me, 'I will make Bangladesh independent someday and turn Cox's Bazar into an international recreation hub like Switzerland,'" Menon told a programme on tourism at the capital's Hotel Abakash.

The programme was titled "Photo Sharing and Review Contest of Women Travellers in Bangladesh".

Menon said the government was working to encourage adventure tourism as well as water sports in Cox's Bazar, the world's largest sea beach, to promote it.

Tourism could be the second largest foreign currency earner of the country after ready-made garment, he noted.

The minister handed over certificates to 10 winning female travellers for their exciting photographs of different tourist spots.



Toys-R-Yours, a community based initiative by the Ex-Cadets' Forum, recommences its endeavour to collect toys through campaigns at corporate, educational institutions and from individuals to distribute among the underprivileged street children. The campaign was inaugurated on Wednesday at the capital's Cadet College Club, where prominent musicians Ayub Bachchu and Samina Chowdhury among others expressed their solidarities and supports to the effort.

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Diarrhoea may cause acute kidney failure

Experts tell discussion on renal ailments in capital

When kidney diseases have emerged as a common health problem, leading kidney specialists at a discussion have warned that dehydration caused by diarrhoea and vomiting may lead to an acute kidney failure.

As children frequently are affected by diarrhoea or vomiting, they are more vulnerable to acute kidney injuries, they told a discussion titled "Kidney diseases: children" at Rajuk Uttara Model College in the capital on Wednesday.

As part of the massive awareness campaign, Save Life Foundation and Gift Live Foundation jointly organised the discussion to make the students aware of kidney ailments.

President of Bangladesh Kidney Foundation Prof Harun-or-Rashid said when someone is affected by diarrhoea and vomiting, body rapidly loses excessive water, which may cause acute kidney failure.

Diarrhoea can cause dehydration, electrolyte disorders, malnutrition and disturbed internal environment, leading to a kidney failure.

Prof Shitesh, chairman of pharmacy department of Dhaka University, said, "We should not intake medicines without doctors' advice. Rampant medicine intake can harm kidney and other organs."

According to health experts, birth defects and hereditary diseases are the leading causes of kidney failure among children, and common symptoms for children are swelling of their hands, feet and puffiness around the eyes.

At the function, Chairperson of Save Life Foundation and Gift Live Foundation received an award from Rajuk Uttara Model College as a complement to aware its students of kidney diseases.

Principal of Rajuk Uttara Model College Brigadier General MM Salehin and Chairman of Save Life Foundation and Gift Live Foundation Kidney specialist Dr Sohely Ahmed Sweetey also addressed the discussion attended by teachers and students of the college.

Four held with Yaba

UNB, Dhaka

Detectives early yesterday arrested four alleged drug peddlers with 35,000 Yaba tablets from the capital's Jatrabari area.

The arrestees are Md Shukkur Ali alias Dealer Ali, Boss Harun, Yaba Karim and Harun-ur-Rashid.

Based on secret information, a special team of Dhaka Metropolitan Police conducted a drive in the area around 12:25am and challenged a Nissan jeep, said sources at the DB headquarters.

Searching the vehicle, the plainclothes police seized the Yaba pills and arrested the four.

During a preliminary interrogation, they revealed that drug emperor Jubayer has long been involved in smuggling Yaba into Bangladesh from Myanmar through Teknaf in Cox's Bazar.

Shukkur Ali, a driver of Hanif Paribahan, used to bring the consignments to Dhaka, while the other arrestees sold those.

55 SAU teachers quit admin posts over recruitment

Sust alumni body suspended for 3 months

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Fifty-five teachers and 12 officials of Sylhet Agricultural University (SAU) resigned from their administrative duties on Wednesday evening over an altercation between the teachers and officials regarding the recruitment process of teachers on Tuesday.

Dr Md Golam Shahi Alam, SAU vice-chancellor received the resignation letters, public relations office confirmed.

University Registrar Badrul Islam Shoyeb and Proctor Abdul Baset engaged in an altercation regarding the process, said the office sources, adding that it became a serious issue when SAU Teachers Unity supported the proctor whilst Officers Association supported the registrar.

As Baset's preferred teacher was not appointed, he blamed Badrul for that. They engaged in an altercation, which spread between the teachers and officials, seeking anonymity, a teacher said, adding, the teachers said that they will continue taking classes. Demanding resignation of Registrar Badrul, teachers boycotted the classes and exams, while the officials demanded Proctor Baset be replaced and shunned all administrative work, university administration said.

Teachers and officials rejected commenting on the situation and the vice-chancellor did not receive any phone calls.

Meanwhile, the newly formed Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (Sust) alumni association committee was suspended for three months on Wednesday evening.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Aminul Haque Bhuiyan signed the suspension letter after a meeting with the association, confirmed Mokaddus Ali, convener of the committee.

The VC ordered to form a new committee after consulting with former students from various batches to strengthen the communication between students, he added.

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Hailing from a prominent family of Mymensingh, highly educated Sofia Islam had started her career as the principal in Jhenaidah Girls' School and later became a popular teacher in Dhaka's eminent schools like Udayan, Agrani & BAF Shaheen. She later served in important positions like the Joint Director of BRDB and the Social Development Advisor for Canadian High Commission, Dhaka. Besides, Mrs. Islam was actively involved in various social activities and clubs.

Her elder son is a specialist in Oncology & Hematology in USA and younger son is an engineer working as an IT specialist in Australia. Her only daughter is teaching at Sir John Wilson School in Dhaka. Her bereaved family asks for everyone's prayers for the eternal peace of her departed soul.

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