

DCCs asked to explain steps to remove illegal publicity materials

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday asked the authorities concerned of two Dhaka city corporations to explain whether they have taken any step for removing unauthorised billboards, banners, posters and other publicity materials from establishments in DCCs.

It also asked to report to it by August 22 explaining if they have employed magistrates to take necessary actions against those violating relevant laws restricting unauthorised posters, banners, billboards, hoardings, and wall-writings, etc.

The HC bench of Justice Md Rezaul Haque and Justice Muhammad Khurshid Alam Sarkar passed the order on August 14 following a petition of Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association (Bela) seeking directives in this regard.

The HC issued similar directives on March 18, 2012, to remove all the illegal publicity materials following another Bela petition.

The compliance rate was above 90 percent, DCC lawyer Md Shahajahan told The Daily Star.

Secretary General of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Iyad Ameen Madani meets Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at the latter's official residence Gono Bhaban in the capital yesterday.



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DIABETIC BLINDNESS 91pc of patients unaware: Study

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A study on 465 diabetic patients found at least 28 percent of them suffering from a condition leading to retinal damage and possible blindness, while 91 percent unaware of it.

Early detection of diabetic retinopathy, one of the most severe diabetes complications, and controlling diabetes can halt further damage and blindness, it says.

"Diabetes has emerged as a great health problem now. Any laxity in its control will cause colossal damage," said Dr Aliya Naheed, head of the Initiative for Non-communicable Diseases (NCD) at icddr,b, yesterday.

She was presenting the study at a seminar, organised by icddr,b and under a non-communicable diseases (NCD) programme of the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) at the latter's

office in the capital. The study was conducted under the DGHS programme and by icddr,b with the Bangladesh University of Health Sciences and National Institute of Ophthalmology.

According to the Diabetic Association of Bangladesh, 8.4 million people in Bangladesh suffer from diabetes and the figure may rise due to sedentary lifestyle and rapid urbanisation. Therefore, it is crucial for eye screening arrangements for diabetic patients to be in place, said Aliya.

The average age of those studied is 49 years and they took treatment at Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital in Dhaka, Mymensingh Medical College Hospital and Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital in Sylhet during May and June.

The eye complications were found to have surfaced in patients who have been suffering from diabetes for five years on

an average while people in developed countries are affected much later, after around eight years, said Aliya.

Of Bangladeshis diagnosed with the disease, 18 percent have uncontrolled diabetes and this issue requires serious attention from the authorities concerned, said Dr Dipak Kumar Nag of the ophthalmology institute. He suggested widespread awareness and screening facilities as well as diabetic retinopathy and a countrywide study on risk factors of diabetic retinopathy to get a complete picture of the country.

DGHS Director (NCD) Dr Faruk Ahmed Bhuiyan said NCD like diabetes, hypertension, cancer, injuries and drowning have become major causes of deaths in Bangladesh. Therefore, the authorities are taking up programmes to create awareness and change lifestyles that contribute to NCD, he added.

AFTER DHAKA ATTACK UN rep hails Bangladesh security

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

UN Resident Coordinator (UNRC) and UNDP Resident Representative in Dhaka Robert Watkins yesterday appreciated the security measures extended by the government since the immediate aftermath of the Gulshan terror attack.

The appreciation came during a meeting with Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali at his office.

Watkins assured that the UN would work with Bangladesh, specifically in preventing violent extremism, in line with the UN secretary-general's plan of action, said a foreign ministry press release.

The duo discussed, among others, the forthcoming UN General Assembly, and undocumented Myanmar nationals in Bangladesh.

UNRC expressed appreciation for undertaking the census of the Myanmar citizens residing in Bangladesh which has recently been concluded.

Bystander suffers acid burns

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

A bystander sustained acid burns to his hand as a man apparently threw it targeting a Union Parishad member following a dispute during road construction in Tantar Bazar area of Sreenagar upazila in Munshiganj yesterday.

The victim, Rubel, is an expatriate in Malaysia.

Police and locals said Abdul Razzak threw acid in a container taken from a nearby jewellery shop at Tantar UP member Abdul Qudus after an altercation as soil fell on the premises of Razzak's shop.

Razzak first got the project's contract which later Qudus gained following cancellation of the earlier deal, leading to the violence, they said.

Sreenagar police detained Razzak at the UP office.

NEWS IN brief

DU's Jasimuddin hall club wins Rupchanda TV debate contest

DU CORRESPONDENT

Kabi Jasimuddin Hall Debating Club of Dhaka University won the Rupchanda 22nd National Television Debate Competition, defeating Rajshahi Medical College.

The final round of the competition was held at Bangladesh Television complex in Rampura on August 6.

Zehad Al Mehedi, Nahian Bin Khaled and Shahidul Islam were the the winning team members. Around 72 teams from different universities and medical colleges participated in the contest.

New BNP standing committee meets

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The newly formed BNP standing committee held its first meeting in the capital last night and discussed the latest political situation and party's organisational issues.

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia convened the meeting at her Gulshan office.

On August 6, BNP announced its full-fledged executive and standing committees after its March 19 national council. The meeting sources said Khaleda took opinions to remove the grievance of "deprived" leaders. The meeting also discussed the present stage of forging an anti-militancy unity.

Selim Al Deen's birthday celebration begins at JU

JU CORRESPONDENT

To celebrate the 67th birth anniversary of Natyacharya' Selim Al Deen, a three-day programme began at Jahangirnagar University yesterday.

The Drama and Dramatics department of the university organised the programme, which was attended by renowned theatre and cultural personalities.

A procession led by department chairman Yusuf Hassan Arko was brought out in the morning, which ended at the grave of the noted playwright.

JU Vice-Chancellor Prof Farzana Islam and Begumzade Meherun Nessa, wife of Selim Al Deen, among others placed floral wreaths at his grave.

Later, plays written by Selim Al Deen were staged on the campus.

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HC asks Bashundhara boss

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The plaintiff said the accused grabbed the lands for the Group's Mouchak City Project at Madhyapara and Thakurpara in Kaliakoir upazila.

The other accused are: the project's general manager Abid Hossain, its assistant general manager Nure Alam Siddiqui, chief engineer Salek Hossain, land officer Md Faruk Hossain, and senior official Md Masum Hossain, DAG Moniruzzaman added.

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