

Akashvani Maitree radio launched for Indo-Bangla listeners

OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

Indian President Pranab Mukherjee yesterday said India and Bangladesh can work together for further realising the full potential of Saarc initiative and play an important role for the development of South Asia.

He said this while inaugurating the Akashvani Maitree radio channel and its website in Kolkata. "Akashvani Maitree is a unique venture and initiative... for the entire Bengali speaking diaspora..." he said.

The channel's concept emanated from the decision taken during Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Bangladesh in June last year when the two sides agreed to share content among their broadcasting organisations.

Pranab said the blending of content will not only enrich the channel but also be useful for listeners on both side of the border.

'Drug dealer' killed in 'shootout'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

An alleged drug smuggler was killed and five policemen injured in a "gunfight" between a gang of smugglers and police in Konabari area of Kasba upazila in Brahmanbaria early yesterday morning.

The deceased was Rohis Miah, 48, son of Ali Fakir of Pathariatek village of the district.

Mohiuddin Ahamed, officer-in-charge (OC) of Kasba Police Station, said tipped-off police raided an abandoned house in the area near Dhaka-Sylhet highway around 3:00am, when the gang members started shooting at them.

A gun battle ensued as police also returned fire, the OC said, adding, Rohis was shot dead on the spot and five members of the police team sustained injuries.

The associates of the deceased managed to flee and the injured policemen received primary treatment at Kasba Health Complex.

The body has been sent to Brahmanbaria Sadar Hospital for an autopsy.

The law enforcers also recovered a pipe-gun, four rounds of bullets, 100 bottles of liquor, 15 kilograms of hemp and 300 pieces of yaba tablets from the spot, Mohiuddin said.

'Black day' observed at DU

DU CORRESPONDENT

Teachers, students and staff at Dhaka University yesterday observed a "black day" against a "repression" on the university's teachers and students by military forces during the rule of military-baked caretaker government in 2007.

Wearing black badges, they demanded punishment for those who carried out the repression.

On August 20, 2007, a clash ensued between some DU students and personnel of Bangladesh Army centring a football match on the university's playground.

On August 23, three days later, the army men allegedly arrested and tortured four teachers and eight students.

Eid bus ticket sale begins

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Private bus operators yesterday started selling advance tickets for home-goers ahead of Eid-ul-Azha, likely to be celebrated on September 12.

Hundreds of people thronged different bus terminals to collect tickets for ensuring hassle-free journey.

The tickets seekers had to wait in long queues for a long time.

Zamirul Islam, a private employee, said he had to wait for around five hours to get tickets of Dinajpur from a counter in the capital's Gabtoli terminal.

Many could not buy tickets of their convenient time.

"Although I waited for around five hours, I could not get any ticket of September 8 to 10," said another ticket seeker Raihan Kabir.

The bus operators are charging extra fare amid the rush, an allegation from many denied by Romesh Chandra Ghosh, vice chairman of Bangladesh Bus-Truck Owners' Association.



Dhaka's Gabtoli bus terminal sees a huge rush of ticket seekers on the first day of advance sale yesterday, ahead of Eid-ul-Azha. PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

Rights violation aplenty at new Dhaka jail: HR boss

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The inmates inside Dhaka Central Jail are deprived of their due human rights, National Human Rights Commission Chairman Kazi Reazul Hoque said yesterday.

"They are not served quality foods and there's also delay in serving," he told reporters after visiting the central jail in Keraniganj, on the outskirts of the capital.

He said the inmates have been living in a congested environment in the overburdened prison.

Reazul, however, added that situation has improved slightly at the new jail than what was at the jail on Nazimuddin Road in old Dhaka.

During his about one-hour visit, Reazul talked with inmates and the prison officials.

He said he received allegation that there are inmates whose life-term has been completed but still was serving sentences.

There are also allegations that unscrupulous prison staff created false crisis of space to give priority to preferred inmates, he said.

He said he will mention the anomalies while filing his report.



Yesterday over 7,000 inmates were at the jail which has accommodation for 4,590, Reazul said, referring to the information gathered from the authority.

The central jail at Rajendrapur under South Keraniganj is yet to be completed as there is no prison for women inmates. The NHRC chairman criticised Public Works Department for hurriedly finishing the first phase and said they should consider few things before its inauguration.

"There is no mosque at the central jail at present," said Reazul. He said he received allegation of water crisis, adding, the jail has no gas connection and also face deficit of electricity supply.

Speaking to journalists, Additional Inspector General (prison) of Police Col Iqbal Hasan said they will soon end their pending works to improve the condition.

He said due to the absence of gas supply they are facing trouble with supplying foods to the inmates and have already informed the concerned authority.

On allegation for creating anomalies by unscrupulous staff, Col Iqbal said the authority will take prompt action against specific allegations.

Explain how complaints disposed of

HC to NHRC

The High Court yesterday asked the National Human Rights Commission to explain in two weeks under what authority and how it disposes human rights violation allegations.

Issuing a rule, it asked the NHRC to describe how it registers a complaint.

The court ordered NHRC to explain under what authority it had kept pending a complaint lodged by Mozammel Haque, a dismissed official of Bangladesh Fire Service and Civil Defence (FSCD), for over five months in 2012.

The bench of Justice M Moazzam Husain and Justice Md Badruzzaman issued the rule after hearing a writ petition filed by Mozammel on June 17, 2013, where he stated the NHRC failed to properly consider his complaint.

He said the FSCD authorities tortured and harassed him because he had protested the corruption of the organisation. The petitioner also claimed that the NHRC on May 29, 2013 sent a letter to the Information Commission, saying, "He [Mozammel] is a habitual offender", which was arbitrary and unlawful.

NHRC Chairman Kazi Rezaul Hoque and its former chairman Mizanur Rahman have been asked to reply to the rule, petitioner's lawyer Abdul Halim told The Daily Star.



**High Commission of Maldives
Dhaka, Bangladesh**

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Maldives Immigration is seeking pre-qualified service providers to undertake pre-departure screening for Bangladeshi migrant workers coming to Maldives from Bangladesh.

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB), best known for its academic excellence, healthy working environment, intellectual freedom, cultural diversity and pluralism, invites applications from suitable candidates for the following positions in the Department of Media and Public Relations:

PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER:

Responsibilities:


- Develop media relations strategy, seeking high-level placements in print, broadcast and online/social media.
- Planning, developing and implementing PR strategies.
- Having full understanding of media needs and media relationships.
- Be proactive; coordinate all public relations activities with print, electronic and social media.
- Create contents for press releases both in English and Bengali; distribute them and ensure desired media coverage through electronic, print and social media.
- Leverage existing media relationships and cultivate new contacts within business and industry media.
- Manage media inquiries and interview requests. Organizing events including press conferences, exhibitions, fairs, workshops, seminars, roundtables, open days and press tours.
- Monitor, analyze and communicate PR results on a quarterly basis.
- Evaluate opportunities for partnerships, sponsorships and advertising on an on-going basis.
- Build relationships with thought leaders to grow industry awareness.
- Maintain a keen understanding of industry trends affecting target audiences and stakeholders and make appropriate recommendations regarding communication strategy surrounding them.
- Monitor publicities and PR activities of other universities and conduct need-based research and FGDs to find out the concerns and expectations of IUB's target groups and stakeholders.
- Report and explain the findings of the research to its management.
- Preparing and supervising the production of publicity brochures, handouts, direct mail leaflets, promotional videos, photographs, films and multimedia programs.
- Maintaining and updating information on university website.
- Performing other job related duties as may be assigned by the Director.

Requirements:

- Proven working experience in media and public relations is essential.
- Proven track record in designing and executing successful media and public relations campaigns at both local and national level.
- Strong relationships with both local and national business and industry media outlets/institutions.
- Exceptional writing, editing, communication and interpersonal skills; familiarity with Microsoft's all office packages.
- Sturdy experience with social media including blogs, Facebook, Twitter, etc.
- Event planning and implementing experience.
- Absolute fluency in writing and speaking both in English and Bengali.
- Ability to work in high-stress environments.
- Awareness of different media agendas.
- At least 8-10 years' working experience in the relevant field.
- Master's degree in Mass Communication and Journalism, Marketing, Management, Advertising, International Relations, Social Science or any other related discipline.
- Should be a decent and effective team player.

Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) is an equal opportunity employer and it offers attractive remuneration package to the deserving candidates.

Please download the **Application Form** (for non-teaching positions) from IUB's website at <http://www.iub.edu.bd/jobs>, fill it in and e-mail it to hrdept@iub.edu.bd by **September 14, 2016**.
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SPECIALIST WRITER:

Position Statement: The Specialist Writer's primary responsibility will be to produce all write-ups of the activities, events and interventions both in English and Bengali that will be communicated with Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)'s target audiences, stakeholders and society as a whole by utilizing print, electronic and social media.

The specific requirements of this particular position are:

1. Developing articles, op-eds and other relevant contents both in English and Bengali to promote IUB undertakings with the aim of augmenting and upholding sustainable brand image of the university.
2. Producing various reports, comprehensive write-ups and features of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB)'s all events and activities to be published and broadcasted through print, electronic and social media.
3. Accumulate news and information; produce all necessary contents in English for IUB newsletters, half yearly and annual reports and convocation souvenirs.
4. Produce English and Bengali press releases on all IUB programs and interventions to publicize through print, electronic and social media.
5. Develop various contents and creative write-ups to build, nurture and expand sustainable relationships with university's target audiences and stakeholders.
6. Coordinate, participate and provide all required supports in developing 'case studies' and 'best practice stories' for the university.
7. Having full understanding on Bangladesh media, the incumbent should be able to develop vital editorials/articles to help standing out IUB from the clutter.
8. Maintain a keen understanding of industry trends affecting target audiences and stakeholders, and thereby produce useful articles/features to be used through crossways media.
9. Be watchful in assessing communication, publicity and PR activities of other universities; conduct need-based research and FGDs as and when required, and produce essential stories/reports for precise usage.
10. Providing supports by developing essential write-ups to be used on IUB website.
11. Performing other job related duties as may be assigned by the Director.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Excellent verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills both in English and Bengali, and organizational skills.

Qualifications:

- Preferred qualifications include a Master's degree in Mass Communication and Journalism, English, Literacy Studies, International Relations, Social Science or any other related area.
- Willingness and aptitude to consulting with members of the faculty and management to generate innovative and essential writing ideas.
- Experience in developmental reading and writing at the university level; demonstrated successful working experience with universities' end beneficiaries and stakeholders would be in added advantage.
- Familiarity with Microsoft's all office packages.

Requirements:

- 8-10 years' of proven working experience in related field is a must.
- Professional experience in writing articles, different kinds of reports, op-eds, various features, press releases and other write-ups for communication materials is essential.
- Experience in producing 'case studies' and developing journals on 'best practice stories' would be required.
- Desirable relationships with both local and national media.
- Comprehensive knowledge on social media including blogs, Facebook, Twitter etc.
- Absolute fluency in writing and speaking both in English and Bengali.
- Ability to work in high-stress environments.
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