

Obituary

DU CORRESPONDENT

Dr Helal Uddin Khan Samsul Arefeen, former professor of the anthropology department of Dhaka University, died in the capital yesterday, said a DU press release.

He left behind a daughter and a son.

DU Vice-Chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique mourned his death.

In a condolence speech the VC said "Dr Helal was an honest and brilliant teacher. As a researcher he played an important role in social science."

Madhusudan Ghosh

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Madhusudan Ghosh, a businessman and advisor to Barisal Sadar Road Jagannath Temple, died at Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital on Friday noon. He was 92.

He was the father of Dr Rabin Ghosh. His body was cremated at Barisal Maha Shamsan on Friday night.

Different organisations, including Charukala Barisal, mourned his death.

Sakhina Begum

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Sakhina Begum, mother of Maasranga Television's Programme Manager Arif Rahaman, died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital on Friday. She was 86.

She left behind three sons and three daughters and was buried in Muslim graveyard.

Different organisations including Barisal Reporter's Unity, Barisal Natok and Charukala Barisal mourned her death.



Sarat Mala Chakma receives the "Master Craftsperson Lifetime Achievement Award" from Prof Emeritus Anisuzzaman at a programme at Dhaka University yesterday, organised by National Crafts Council of Bangladesh (NCCB) with financial assistance from AF Mujibur Rahman Foundation. Rights activist Sultana Kamal, NCCB President Chandra Shekhar Shaha and Chairman of the mathematics department of DU Prof Amulya Chandra Mandal were present among others.

PHOTO: STAR

Good governance basis for freedom

Leading politicians, civil society leaders tell SHUJAN convention

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Good governance is the basis for democracy and people's freedom, said leading politicians and civil society leaders in the capital yesterday.

Good governance is possible only when it is a self-rule because good governance and democracy are founded on public opinion, said Justice Abdul Matin at the 6th national convention of SHUJAN, a movement of citizens for good governance, at the Institute of Diploma Engineers, Bangladesh.

Equality and freedom are dependent on good governance, said BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia's Adviser Inam Ahmed Chowdhury.

But the governance system of the present day is contradictory to the spirit of good governance although Bangladesh's Liberation War was fought for people's equality and freedom, said Khalequzzaman, general secretary of Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal.

The movement for good governance must go on, as there are incidents of attacks on minority Santal and Hindu communities, said SHUJAN Central Executive Committee President M Hafiz Uddin Khan, who chaired the convention.

Mujahidul Islam Selim, president of the Communist Party of Bangladesh, among others also spoke while SHUJAN Secretary Dr Badiul Alam Majumdar placed a report on the organisation's activities.

Six hundred representatives of the organisation from across the country took part in the convention and formed a new central executive committee keeping most of the existing office bearers unchanged.

Save RU campus from clutch of AL men, outsiders

Students urge authorities protesting halt of recruitment test

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Rajshahi University students yesterday protested Friday's halting of a staff recruitment test on the campus by pro-Awami League leaders and activists, and urged authorities to save the institution from the interference of outsiders.

General students brought out a huge procession and rallied in front of RU Central Library, with banners reading, "Drive away outsiders, Save campus", and participants chanting the same.

The university authority, however, was still not thinking of taking any action against the ruling party men responsible.

President of RU unit of Biplobi Chhatra Moitree Prodip Mardi said the university was an autonomous body

where no political party could flex muscle or exert influence.

"We want the authority to take action to stop the interference of outsiders for the security of teachers and students," he told The Daily Star.

Several hundred leaders and activists of RU unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League and AL's Rajshahi city unit blocked the university gates and drove out test takers from the examination halls.

Around 3,308 applicants arrived on the campus yesterday from across the country to sit for the test, against 27 posts of cataloguer, bibliographer-cum-reference assistant, data entry operator, library assistant, press machine man, mason, mason helper, carpenter, electrical helper, and book binder.

Since April last year, the AL men have been putting pressure on the university authority to provide jobs to the party men.

A student, Saimon Rahman, said it was unacceptable that the university authority remained silent even after the outsiders kept them confined to the campus, putting barricades on the gates for nine hours.

"Had the administration played a strong role, the attackers would not have dared to create the chaos," he told the rally.

The students said the university was no colony of the city AL leaders or anybody else. Those who are destabilising the campus must be driven away and punished, they said.

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2003 BENIN PLANE CRASH

Memories of Bangladeshi UN peacekeepers recalled

BSS, Dhaka

Speakers at a discussion titled "Bangladesh's Success in UN Peacekeeping" yesterday recalled the memories of Bangladeshis who embraced martyrdom in a plane crash in the West African country of Benin in 2003.

Fifteen Bangladeshi army officers on UN peacekeeping missions in Sierra Leone and Liberia died in the December 25, 2003, incident.

While praying for the eternal peace of the departed souls, former minister M Faruk Khan said, "Bangladesh has been recognised for contributing with the highest number of personnel to the UN peacekeeping mission. The Bangladesh government is considering how to work more intensively to develop economic

relations with the countries concerned with UN peacekeeping mission."

Coalition of Local NGOs, Bangladesh (CLNB) organised the discussion presided over by the organisation Chairman Harunur Rashid.

Dhaka University teacher and National Human Rights Commission Bangladesh member Prof Akhter Hossain, senior assistant secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Baki Billah, Colonel (ret'd) Ashraf Al-Dwin and Lt Colonel (ret'd) Abu Eusuf Jobayerullah addressed the discussion, among others.

Bangladesh has successfully completed 54 peace missions in 44 countries across the globe, while 131 Bangladesh peacekeepers have embraced martyrdom while working with blue helmets.



From left, Dhaka University Pro-Vice Chancellor (Academic) Prof Dr Nasreen Ahmad, Nazmul Hasan Papon, MP, Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader, DU Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique and Director of the Institute of Business Administration (IBA) of DU Prof Dr AKM Saiful Majid at IBA's golden jubilee celebration programme on Thursday. IBA was founded in 1966 in collaboration with Indiana University, Bloomington, USA, to promote business education in the country, becoming the pioneer institute to offer an MBA degree in the country.

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N'ganj defeat

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while Ivy enjoyed various "favours" from law enforcement agencies and local administration.

He, however, did not explain the "favours".

Asked about the soul-searching, BNP Standing Committee Member Goyeshwar Chandra Roy, who was chief election coordinator for Shakhawat, said the party had already started looking for the reasons behind the defeat.

"In doing so, we will also try to find out whether the respective BNP leaders of local and central committees failed to play their due role in the election," he said.

Alleging that there were anomalies in vote counting and inconsistencies between actual voter attendance and the turn-out rate, Goyeshwar said they would also investigate the issues.

SHAKHAWAT'S ASSESSMENT

A close aide of Shakhawat said his defeat in all the vote centres attached to top BNP leaders in Narayanganj and the victory of their relatives in councillor posts proved that the local BNP leaders did not work seriously in favour of him.

For example, Shakhawat and Ivy secured 670 and 837 votes in the Islamia Fazil College vote centre where BNP's Narayanganj district President Toimur Alam Khandaker cast his vote, he said.

Toimur's brother Maksudul Alam, who won the councillor post, secured 1,231 votes at the polling station, meaning that all the pro-BNP voters who voted for Toimur's brother did not vote for the BNP mayoral candidate, he added.



A man rides a motorbike while crossing a high-voltage electric transmitter positioned right next to the street with its wires tied to bamboo sticks. Though Anantapur Road in Sylhet Sadar upazila's Kandigaon union is frequently used by pedestrians and vehicles, this transmitter has been lying exposed for years and remains an open invitation to grievous injuries. There is also a primary school less than 60 yards away but the authorities concerned seem completely oblivious to that fact. The photo was taken yesterday morning.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

NCC polls EC's fairest

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punishable offense, he said. Shamim had stamped the "boat" symbol and showed it to journalists.

Several EWG officials, among others, attended the press conference.

In Thursday's NCC election, ruling Awami League candidate Selina Hayat Ivy bagged 1,75,611 votes beating her nearest rival BNP's Shakhawat Hossain Khan by

79,567 votes.

Among the 27 councillor seats, AL candidates got 13, BNP 12 and Jatiya Party and Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal got one each.

Of the winners of nine reserved seats for women, four councillors-elect belong to AL and two to BNP. The rest did not have any political affiliation.

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Invitation for: Design, Engineering, Procurement, Supply, Construction, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of (i) Natural Gas Pipe line, (ii) One Skid Mounted Gas Regulating & Metering Station (RMS) and (iii) One Skid Mounted Customer Metering Station (CMS) for Gas Supply to Srihotto Economic Zone, Sherpur, Moulvibazar, Bangladesh on Turn-key/EPC Basis. The following amendment of the tender document is hereby made as per tender clause ITT 11.1

Existing Tender Clause/Tender Notice	As Revised
ITT 36.1 & 42.2 Page No: 34, 35 of Tender Submission & SL No. 16, 17, 18 of Tender Notice	
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Tender Closing Date & Time: 28-12-2016, 11.00 Hrs	Tender Closing Date & Time: 11-1-2017, 11.00 Hrs
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