

Depict working class in literature

Discussion urges writers

Writers should depict the lifestyle of the working class to help build a moral and equal society in the spirit of nationalism and socialism, a discussion was told yesterday.

Bangladesh Progressive Writers Association organised the discussion marking its second national council at RC Majumder Auditorium of Dhaka University.

The speakers said writers should play a momentous role in creating a progressive generation who would fight against communalism and anti-liberation forces.

"A cultural revolution has been an important catalyst of change in the political movement ever since the Bengalis attained independence," said Haidar Akbar Khan Rono, presidium member of the Communist Party of Bangladesh.

He said progressive writers played a significant role across the world to retain faith in humanity.

Kamal Lohani, former president of Udichi Shilpi Gosthi, said progressive writers incited the Bangalee people against all evil forces and inspired the nation to make progress fighting communalism and anti-liberation forces.

The association honoured eight personalities including Indian writer Sunit Kanti Paladhi, Turkish writer Ismail Abakus and Japanese writer Naomi Watanabe who were present at the discussion.



Protesting the dog culling in Chittagong city on January 23 despite a High Court ban in this regard, three organisations -- People for Animal Welfare Foundation, Care for Paws, and Animal Lovers of Bangladesh -- form a human chain at Saarc Fountain Intersection in the capital yesterday. They demanded that, instead of killing, dogs be made sterile -- an effective solution to stop their reproduction. PHOTO: STAR

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FROM PAGE 3 recruitment," he said, adding that there was no concrete allegation of irregularities in the nurse recruitment.

Regarding Nasim's directives to follow "alternative rules", the VC said the minister in fact asked them to discuss the issue within themselves.

He said he sat with the pro-VCs and treasurer and disagreements were settled.

Prof Zakaria, however, said the nurse recruitment violated rules.

Human chain formed in Ctg for Rampal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Bangabandhu Sanskritik Jote, Chittagong unit, formed a human chain at Cheragi Intersection in Chittagong city in favour of Rampal coal-fired power plant.

The speakers said people are protesting the power plant due to their "ignorance".

Mafizur Rahman, general secretary of Chittagong south district unit Awami League, told the programme that modern technology would be used in the project that would "ensure" safety of the Sundarbans.

Coal power plant is "one of the main sources" of power all over the world, he said.

Chowdhury Hasan Mahmud Hasni, a councillor in Chittagong city, said the power plant will be set up around 70km off the forest. "So, nothing to be worried."

Woman found dead

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

An elderly woman was found dead near her house at Adhaipur village in Akkelpur upazila of Joypurhat on Thursday evening.

Dipali Rani, 55, wife of Chanilal Roy, was poisoned, suspect police. Police sent the body to Naogaon General Hospital for autopsy.

Missing student found dead at orchard in Kushtia

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

A madrasa student was found dead at a banana orchard in Baromile of Bheramara upazila in Kushtia on Thursday evening, 14 days after he went missing.

Shamiul Islam Seikh, 20, son of Akram Hossain Seikh of Koldanga of Narail, a student of Khulna Darul Ulum Madrasa, set out for Jessore and did not return. He was hacked indiscriminately, said police.

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