Residents join Jatrabari schoolboy murder protest

yesterday sought arrest of one of the main accused and justice for schoolboy Ridwan, who was killed in Dhaka last month.

ers including students, teachers, and guardians of 11 schools also demanded transfer of the case to a speedy trial court.

They placed the in front of Dhalpur

Ridwan Islam, 11, a sixth-grader of Narinda to death by a local youth on January 30.

brothers -- Al Amin and Armin. Of them, Al Amin gave a confessional statement in court, said police, but their father Mannan Munshi, one of the main accused, is still on the run.



Sylhet district Awami League General Secretary Shafiqur Rahman Chowdhury, in black coat, near his jeep after transport workers damaged it in front of the city's Bengal Petrol Pump yesterday, during their strike following a clash with police over detention of one of their fellows the day before. The workers, however, withdrew the strike yesterday afternoon.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

SOUTH ASIAN SPEAKERS' SUMMIT

Saber disappointed at Pakistan's absence

OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

Inter-Parliamentary Union President (IPU) Saber Hossain Chowdhury yesterday said he was disappointed at the absence of Pakistan from South Asian Speakers' Summit.

"Even if the governments don't talk or stop talking, lawmakers should engage in dialogues," he added. The conference began at central Indian city of Indore

yesterday. "Although Pakistan in not here on this occasion, we are hopeful that it will participate in the upcoming events," said

the IPU president. Advocating enhanced cooperation between parliamentarians of different countries, he said a possibility should be

explored of establishing joint parliamentarian groups of

South Asia for working together on common challenges. He said the participants of the South Asian Speakers forum want to create a platform which will help the member countries achieve their respective national objectives.

"There is a need for establishing a functioning political mechanism which will help and complement each other in achieving national goals as well," he said.

Bangladesh Jatiya Sangsad Speaker Dr Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury is also attending the two-day summit.

Indian mission holds visa camp for army families

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The High Commission of India yesterday organised a special visa camp for the family members of serving and retired armed forces personnel at Sena Malancha in Dhaka Cantonment.

The visa camp, organised in partnership with Armed Forces Division (AFD), and Prime Minister's Office, was jointly inaugurated by Indian High Commissioner Harsh Vardhan Shringla and Principal Staff Officer of the AFD Lt Gen Mahfuzur Rahman, said a press release of the high commission yesterday.

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Three awarded for | CU BCL MAN STABBED BY RIVAL role in exploring archeological sites, literature STAFF CORRESPONDENT

2nd Edition

Eminent personalities and

experts yesterday emphasised conducting researches for exploring more archeological sites, literature and history in Bangladesh, at an awardgiving ceremony in Sufia Kamal Auditorium of Bangladesh National Museum.

Agrashar Bikrampur Foundation, a socio-cultural organisation, bestowed "Ganalok Puroskar" on three persons for enlightening the society through different social and cultural activities.

Each of the three -- litterateur and scientist Purobi Bosu, archaeologist Prof Sufi Mostafizur Rahman and social worker Mohammad Habibullah Pathan -- were given a crest and Tk 1 lakh. Habibullah, a resident of

Bateswar in Balabo upazila of Narsingdi, played an important role in discovering Wari-Bateswar, an archaeological site.

Mostafizur contributed to conducting research and excavating different archaeological sites including Narsingdi's Wari-Bateswar, and Munshiganj's Nateshwar. Purobi contributed to Bangla literature.

The foundation President Nooh Ul Alam Lenin chaired the ceremony where Finance Minister AMA Muhith was the chief guest. Attorney General Mahbubey Alam and Jahangirnagar University Vice Chancellor Prof Farzana Islam, among others, spoke.

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It's about Facebook

status this time CU CORRESPONDENT Over posting a derogatory status on Facebook, Bangladesh

Chhatra League (BCL) activists stabbed a fellow of a rival faction at Chittagong University yesterday, spreading panic on the campus. Mofazzal Haider Hossain, a third-year student of fine

arts at CU, with several injury marks in the head, legs and

back, was admitted to Chittagong Medical College Hospital. Inspector Mokaddesh Mia, in-charge of CU police outpost, said some five BCL men loyal to CU BCL General Secretary Fazle Rabby Sujan stabbed Mofazzal, loyal to CU

unit BCL President Mohammad Alamgir Tipu, in front of Shahjalal Hall on the campus around 4:00pm. Immediately afterwards, the two rival factions took positions at Shahjalal Hall and Shah Amanat Hall, dominated by the president and GS respectively, spreading panic on the

campus, he said. The GS alleged Mofazzal and Irfatul Alam Pitu -- a third year student of History department -- have been posting derogatory statuses on Facebook for long insulting his leader ABM Mohiuddin Chowdhury, president of Chittagong city unit of Awami League, and Mohiuddin's family.

The incident first emerged Friday night when Pitu, also the follower of Tipu, posted a derogatory status on Facebook against Mohiuddin and his family, leading to chases between the two groups, said sources.

"After the incident, on the very night, Pitu and Mofazzal were asked not to come to the campus for a few days as most of the activists of our group were fed up with them," said Sujan.But ignoring the advice, Mofazzal came to the campus, triggering the incident, he added.

BCL President Tipu said, "As far as I know, they (Pitu and Mofazzal) did not post any derogatory status.

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Obituary CITY DESK



died at a city hospital on Friday. He was 85, said a

Rezaul

retired

Karim, a

secretary,

press release yesterday. He left behind his wife and a daughter.

He was buried in Azimpur graveyard after his namaj-e-janaza at Dhanmondi Eidgah mosque yesterday.

Mohammed Asif Zahed CITY DESK



Mohammed Asif Zahed Farhan died in Miami, USA on Wednesday. He was 33,

said a press release yesterday.

Farhan, son of Ferdousi Zahed and Mohammed Ali Zahed, left behind his wife and only son besides other family members.

He was buried in the Muslim Cemetery of South Florida on Thursday.

Learn English but don't forget roots

FROM PAGE 3

Edexcel awards for obtaining 7 'A' Grades and above in one sitting and 8 'A' Grades and more in two sittings in international GCSE.

Eighty-two students received awards for obtaining 4 'A' Grades and above in one sitting in GCE A-level examinations and 51 students achieved the world's highest marks in individual subjects. Besides, 48 students also received special awards for achieving excellent results in Primary and Lower Secondary Curriculum (PLSC) test.

Among the best of the best, Soumik Saha of Maple Leaf International School got highest marks in the world in three subjects in O-level examinations, Abdullah Al Mamun Liton, regional development manager, Pearson, Edexcel, Bangladesh, told The Daily Star after the event.

In the International GCSE examination, Mohammed Mohaimen of Mastermind School can be considered the best among

the best students who got 13 A Grade and 10 A* said Liton. In A-level examinations, Mahim Ar Rahman of Mangrove School is the best among the best students who got 6 A Grade including 4 A*, Liton also remarked.

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid and British High Commissioner Alison Blake handed over certificates and medals.

Nahid called upon parents and students not to forget Bangla and its culture while learning English. "In today's world, English is synonymously linked to development, modernity, scientific and technological advancement and English medium schools have opened up a world of opportunities for its students," he said. He urged the students not to detach themselves from their roots. Saidur Rahman, country manager, Pearson, Edexcel, Bangladesh; Derek Richardson, director of qualification development, assessment and awarding, Pearson, UK; Harish Doraiswarmy, vice-president, Pearson India; Jim Scarth, acting director, British Council, Bangladesh; also spoke, among others.

Syngenta sings MoU with BKTTC

International Hotel Association (BIHA) and of South

Asia Tourism Federation (SATF), said a press release.

HM Hakim Ali gets lifetime award

HM Hakim Ali, chief executive officer (CEO) of Hotel

Agrabad in Chittagong, was honoured with "Life Time

Hospitality Management of Dhaka University for his

role in tourism development and promotion in the

Hakim Ali is the president of Bangladesh

Achievement Award" by the Department of Tourism and

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

country.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Syngenta Bangladesh Ltd and Bangladesh Korea Technical Training Centre (BKTTC) yesterday signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) at a hotel in Chittagong city.

Under the MoU, Syngenta every year will hire trained manpower from BKTTC to enhance the company's productivity and provide opportunity for students to have industry exposure.

ABM Khorshed Alam, additional secretary and chief executive officer, National Skill Development Centre of the labour and employment ministry; Shameem Alam, plant manager of Syngenta; and Nazrul Islam, principal of BKTTC, were present.

Rotary district conference held

CITY DESK

The central conference of Rotary International Bangladesh District 3281 was held at Mirpur Police Convention Centre in the capital on Friday, said a press release.

Representative of International Rotary President and former Rotary governor of India Rupak Jain was present in the inaugural ceremony as the chief guest and Captain (retd) Shahab Uddin Ahmed Bir Uttam as a special guest. Among others, Muhammad Ayub, Iftekharul Alam,

governor of Bangladesh Rotary; Salim Reza, coordinator; Rafiq Ahmed Siddique, RRFC; Zainul Abedin, Hafiz Ullah, Ghulam Mustafa, DGSC; SAM Showket, FH Arif, governor-elect; AFM Alamgir governor nominee; and District Secretary Rakib Sarder, were present.

Man 'hangs himself' over family feud

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A man allegedly committed suicide by hanging himself from the ceiling of his Madarbari house in Chittagong city over family dispute early yesterday.

Md Russel, 35, used to have frequent quarrel with his wife. Getting no response from Russel, his family members with locals broke open the door and saw the hanging body, said police.

Police sent the body to Chittagong Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsy.



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