

72 hearing-impaired children to get free surgery

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A total of 72 hearing-impaired children will undergo free surgery for cochlear implant at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) in the capital. The Ministry of Social Welfare will pay for the surgeries, Dr Abul Hasnat Joarder, director of the surgery project, said at a programme at BSMMU yesterday.

The programme titled "Cochlear Implant Giving Ceremony" was organised SEE PAGE 5 COL 5

Ministers under fire

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effective steps against these."
Another JP lawmaker, Syed Abu Hossain Babla, said many parts of Dhaka and Chittagong cities were inundated with rainwater. "The government is taking credit by saying the country is on the highway of development but I want to know why they are failing to save the people of Dhaka and Chittagong from waterlogging?" He also criticised Finance Minister AMA Muhith for imposing VAT on raw materials of the newspaper industry.
JP lawmaker Mohammad Noman said people understood the extent of development when they saw Dhaka and Chittagong cities getting flooded after little rains. "Increasing VAT will not bring the desired progress if the government fails to curb corruption."
People pay VAT but it does not reach the state coffers due to corruption, he said, adding the proposed budget would widen the rich-poor gap.

Gazipur mayor resumes

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July 6, 2013, performed his duty for only some 18 months as he was accused in 30 cases and had been in jail for the rest of the time. He had also been suspended twice.
An adviser to BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia, Mannan became the mayor beating an Awami League candidate by around one and a half lakh votes. He assumed office on August 18 the same year.
On February 11, 2015, police arrested Mannan for his suspected involvement in an arson attack on a bus in Gazipur on February 4. The next month, panel mayor, local Awami League leader Asadur Rahman Kiron, who was elected an ward councillor, was made acting mayor upon a court directive.
Mannan was released from jail on March 2, 2016. He was rearrested on April 15 the same year and released again on January 7 this year. The LGRD ministry suspended him on April 18 last year after a court accepted a charge sheet in a criminal case filed against him.

CCC 'cutting' hill to make

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documents, according to the DoE.
"We issued a notice to Hiron on May 28 to remain present at a hearing at the DoE office but he did not show up. He later sent a letter where he claimed that the road was being made by the CCC and he had no involvement with it," said the DoE official.
"We are not satisfied with his answer and will send the notice again. If he cannot present satisfactory documents, legal actions will be taken against him," he added.
Some locals, requesting anonymity, said there used to be a five feet road next to the hill.
The new road is being built to make the hills on the south side accessible. After that, those hills will be flattened for making housing plots, they alleged.
Visiting the site recently, this correspondent saw that a huge portion of the green hill had been flattened. Around 20 workers were working on the site.
Contractor Alauddin who was overseeing the construction said the road will be made 1,000 feet long and 22 feet wide and it is being made as per CCC's direction.
Asked whether they have any work permit from the CCC, he said they have but could not show it.
Contacted, CCC Chief Engineer Lt Col Mohiuddin Ahmed said the road is being made under Annual Development Budget (ADB) fund and it is a sub-project of "development of different roads and establishment of asphalt plant at Sagarica."
"In short, we call it Asphalt Plant Project," said Mohiuddin.
"The road would drastically reduce the traffic jam in South Khulsi area," said the chief engineer, adding, around Tk 70 lakh will be spent to build it. The construction work started in May and is supposed to be finished by this month, he added.
Denying the allegation of hill cutting in the area, he said there was no hill in the area when we began the construction work for the road. "A person is claiming a portion of the land on which the road is being constructed. We are talking to the claimant and if necessary we will acquire the land."
Meanwhile, Councillor Hiron said the road is being built for public interest. "There was no hill where the road is being made. Not in reality or in documents. The DoE issued the notice out of its jurisdiction."
According to Bangladesh Environment Preservation Act 1995 (amended in 2000) cutting hill without an approval of the DoE is illegal.
The punishment for breaking the law is up to two years' imprisonment or Tk 2 lakh fine, or both for the first time. The second time, it is up to 10 years' imprisonment or Tk 10 lakh fine or both.
Mentionable, another CCC councillor of ward-9 Jahurul Alam Jashim was sued for cutting hills in Pahartali area in 2015. The DoE submitted a charge-sheet against him in March 2017 after The Daily Star published a report on that.

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Accidents claim ten

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others injured as a truck hit a pickup-van on Bangabandhu bridge on Saturday night.
The deceased are Mohammed Miru, 24, driver of the van and Shukur Ali, 26, of Chingaspur village in Bogra.
Miru died on the spot and Shukur was succumbed to his injuries at Sirajganj General Hospital yesterday.
In Manikganj, a truck helper, aged around 22, was killed as a truck hit another stationed truck from behind on Dhaka-Paturia highway at Arpara in Shibalaya upazila yesterday.
In another accident in the upazila, Afsar Uddin, 55, of Bhawalikandi village was killed on the spot as a Dhaka-bound truck hit his bicycle in front of Tepra BRAC office yesterday.
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