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Anti-extremism workshop held

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

A three-day national workshop on "Countering Violent Extremism (CVE): Building Resilience and Capacity" was held in the capital.

Bangladesh Centre for Terrorism Research (BCTR), a specialised centre under Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies (BIPSS), organised the workshop that concluded in a Gulshan hotel on Thursday.

The workshop dwelled on vital issues including new terrorism trends, building regional cooperation, and role of the media.

BCTR's Research Fellow Shafqat Munir, Associate Editor of The Daily Star Brig Gen (retd) Shahedul Anam Khan, Research Analyst of the Institute of National Security Studies Sri Lanka Priyanka Moonseinghe, and Consultant Editor of the daily Prothom Alo Ayesha Kabir presented papers at the workshop attended by chief guest Maj Gen (retd) ANM Muniruzzaman, BIPSS president.

VC Prof Kanak takes charges of BSMMU

BSS, Dhaka

Renowned neurosurgeon Prof Kanak Kanti Barua yesterday officially took over the charge as the new vice-chancellor of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU).

The government appointed him as the vice-chancellor of BSMMU on March 15, said a press release.

After taking charge, Dr Barua placed wreaths at the mural of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, on the university premises.

Cultural diversity must for dev: Bangladesh envoy in India

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh High Commissioner to India Syed Muazzem Ali said cultural diversity is imperative for development and economic growth.

He said that such diversity is also needed for leading a more fulfilling and enlightened life, said a press release on Friday. Muazzem Ali was speaking at a panel discussion titled: "Ubuntu: Cultures of the world unite", organised by Ashoka University at New Delhi in India.

The function was also addressed by Zambian High Commissioner Judith Kangoma-Kapijimpanga, Prof Mohan Kumar from Jindal School of International Affairs and Pro-Vice Chancellor of Ashoka University Sankar Krishnan.



Severe traffic congestion in front of the capital's Matsya Bhavan yesterday, following a rally of Jatiya Party at Suhrawardy Udyan.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

How a holiday goes down

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teachers had asked them to take part in the human chain on Friday.

"We have participated in the programme as per the direction of our teachers," one of the students said.

However, Ibrahim Khalil, principal of Navaron College, claimed that some students had taken part out of curiosity. Students of his college also participated in the gathering.

People in the areas demand the renovation of the road as early as possible, he added.

But a video clip of the human chain clearly shows that the students have taken part in the human in an organised manner.

Asked, headteacher of a secondary school in Benapole, on condition of anonymity, said they want construction of the road too. That's why, they asked the students to join the human chain there, he said.

Talking to The Daily Star yesterday, Hafizur Rahman Chowdhury, upazila secondary education officer of Sharsha, said bringing the students to the human chain on a weekly holiday does not sound logical.

"I get to know about the incident through Facebook. I will investigate it tomorrow [today]. Then, I will inform the higher authorities to take a decision in this regard," he said.

Students can take part in such an event as per their desire, but asking them to participate in a programme outside their campus was not right, he told the newspaper.

In March 2017, the Roads and Highways Department (RHD) in Jessore decided to cut down 2,700 trees, many of those century-old, from both sides of Benapole-Jessore highway for widening the road.

In the backdrop of protest from many green organisations and environmentalists against the decision, the High Court in January this year halted the decision of felling the trees for six months.

In a statement, the court said the government can continue development work of the road, but without chopping down the trees from there.

Amid protest and the court's order, the government delegation visited the road on Friday and talked to the local people to understand their views.

4 held for assaulting Eden students

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Four salesmen from Chandni Chowk market in capital's Gausia area were held yesterday afternoon for allegedly assaulting students of Eden Women's College.

The salesmen -- Nazrul Islam, Al-Amin, Abul Hosen and Nayan -- were picked up by police after the students filed a complaint, Atikur Rahman, officer-in-charge of New Market Police Station, told The Daily Star.

One of the victims also shared the incident of assault through a Facebook status detailing the extent of abuse they suffered. She, however, changed the privacy settings of the post, or removed it later.

The four students along with one of their mothers and an aunt went shopping at the market on Friday when the two elderly women got separated from the girls in the crowd.

They contacted the girls over mobile phone and asked them to come in front of a store called Shahnur Fabrics where the two elderly women were waiting, according to the victim's Facebook status.

While the women were waiting for the girls in front of the store, a salesman from the shop asked them to move away from the spot saying they were obstructing other customers

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Martyr Dharendra Nath Datta

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the state languages of the then East Pakistan.

Dhirendra Nath Datta was a nationalist, patriot, political and social leader, parliamentarian and a lawyer. He was born in Ramrail, Brahmanbaria on November 2, 1886.

He was the member of the first Pakistan Constituent Assembly in 1947. Datta was the first parliamentarian in the Constituent Assembly who, at great personal risk, demanded 'Bangla' as the State Language on February 25 1948 in Karachi.

This demand for "Bangla" as the State language of Pakistan was the foundation stone for the Language Movement, which led towards the birth of Bangladesh. He was the first to plead for Bangali Nationalism in a formal way.

After the pronunciation of the historic demand for Bangla as the State Language within a fortnight on May 11th 1948,

Language Day was observed in the then East Pakistan. The spirit of movement was installed and the process continued.

The momentum reached its height on 21st February 1952, where thousands of patriotic students participated in a big demonstration in Dhaka.

At the age of 85, he was picked up by the Pakistani Army from his Comilla residence on March 29, 1971 along with his son, Shaheed Dilip Datta, who was also tortured and killed.

Speaking as chief guest, Kamal Lohani, said, "When he demanded Bangla as one of the state languages of Pakistan, he had to go under immense criticism."

Assistant Editor of the Samakal Ajoy Dasgupta said, "Dhirendranath Datta did not believe in finding solution in communal violence. He believed in non-communal ideology. So, he was killed".

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DUAA honours

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DUAA President AK Azad presided over the programme. DU Vice Chancellor Prof Akhtaruzzaman, Pro-VC Prof Nasreen Ahmad, and former DU VCS Prof AK Azad Chowdhury, Prof SMA Faiz, and Prof Abdul Mannan, were present, among others.

The alumni association will also honour other teachers, staff and doctors gradually who sacrificed their life during the Liberation War.

It is worth mentioning, a total of 1,111 people including 991 academicians were killed by the Pakistan Army and their local collaborators, most notably the extreme right-wing Islamist militia groups Al-Badr during the Liberation War of 1971. The largest number of executions took place on 25 March and 14 December 1971, as it became apparent that Bangladesh would become independent.

Send him back

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foreign ministry the next day.

At yesterday's human chain, leaders and activists from different front organisations, including Jubo League and Chhatra League, of the ruling AL along with freedom fighters, teachers, cultural activists, doctors, engineers, and intellectuals took part.

After the human chain, the protesters marched towards the British High Commission in Gulshan to submit a memorandum demanding trial of the perpetrators.

Hayatul Islam Khan, deputy commissioner (Diplomatic Security Division) of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, said he had received the memorandum from some BSJ leaders around noon as the British High Commission was closed yesterday.

It will be sent to the commission later, said the DC.

ব্রাক, গ্রামীণ ও গণস্বাস্থ্য পরিচালিত

ICU সেবা নিতে গিয়ে সর্বশান্ত হতে না চাইলে

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