

Open air iftar: Festive atmosphere at JU

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Just before the evening rolls out, small groups of students start gathering on the central playground of Jahangirnagar University.

They sit in circles. One after another, soon the circles fill up the entire open space. They are preparing for an important evening meal of Ramadan -- iftar.

This has become an everyday scene on the JU campus during the fasting month. They come here for no special food, but to enjoy their time together.

"Iftar time is a great opportunity for us to meet up and bond," said Ashikur Rahman, a student of mathematics, and president of a JU-based cultural group.

"We usually don't miss any chance of having iftar here," he said.

He was there to enjoy iftar with members of the organisation.

In addition to the playground, there are other popular open-air venues on the campus as well -- the premises of Teacher-Student Centre (TSC), the

cafeteria, Central Shaheed Minar, Bottola, business studies faculty and rooftops of dormitories.

Like most others, the students here also have the same items on the menu -- piyaju, beguni, jilapi, muri, chickpea, fruits and biriyani -- but the environment is what matters to them most.

"We are away from our families, but this open-air arrangement with our friends together makes up for that to a great extent. That's why we prefer this

place to a good restaurant," said Afrim Mim, a master's student of journalism and media studies.

"Probably this Ramadan will be the last for our batch here on the campus. So, we organise the iftar party almost every day here, sit around with all sorts of food heaped on newspaper sheets and enjoy those together," she said.

Not only the groups of close

friends, but various cultural, social, and political organisations also arrange iftar programmes at this place.

Many students bring iftar items prepared at their dormitories and share those with each other. For the others, there are makeshift shops across the campus. Just an hour before the iftar time, the stores get busy selling iftar delicacies. Hall canteens, food shops and tea stalls also do the same.

Alongside current students, the alumni also come to the campus to revisit their memories and have a good time together.

"I have so many memories here," said Tofayel Ahmed, former president of Leo Club at the university and now a government employee, who travelled all the way from Dhaka.

"I came here with my friends to have iftar together and most importantly, to have a good time," he said.

WHAT'S FOR IFTAR



Students enjoy iftar in small groups on the central playground of Jahangirnagar University. PHOTO: MD ASADUZ ZAMAN



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina hosted an iftar party in honour of the leaders of various professional organisations at her official Ganobhaban residence in Dhaka yesterday. PHOTO: PID

Customs to auction off 111 luxury cars

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Chittagong Customs House (CCH) will tomorrow auction off 111 luxury cars, which were imported during the period between 2007 and 2012.

These vehicles were imported with a duty-free privilege called Carnet de Passages, under two UN treaties that allow tourists to bring their vehicles to a country without payment of customs duties, provided the vehicles are taken back by the foreign nationals.

The National Board of Revenue scrapped the duty-free import benefit in 2013, seeing that the privilege was being abused.

Earlier, the car owners were given more time to re-export the cars. The customs authorities finally took the decision to auction off the cars.

Tapan Chandra Dey, deputy commissioner of CCH, said, "Tender has already been floated for auctioning off the 111 luxury cars; those will be sold after evaluating the tender bid after May 30."

Most of those cars were imported by Bangladeshi citizens living in the United Kingdom. These cars include a total of 31 BMWs, 24 Mercedes, 21 Mitsubishi, nine Lexus, six Land Rover, five Toyota and Ford, three Jaguar, two Land Cruiser, one Pajero, one Honda, one Volkswagen, one Daewoo, and a Jeep.

Most of the cars were manufactured in Germany and Japan while others were in the USA and Mexico.

Earlier, two auctions were held on August 30, 2016 and on May 24, 2017 for selling 85 and 113 cars respectively.

But customs authorities could not complete the process as the representatives of the agencies concerned were not present at the auctions.

According to the NBR and Chittagong Port, the importers have to pay duty from 150 to 833 percent for importing cars. But under the carnet facilities, Bangladeshi expatriates brought 369 luxury cars with the duty-free facility in the country from 2007 to 2012.

A total of 120 cars out of these 369 were left in Chittagong Port. Of the remaining 249, 129 cars were taken back to the exporting country while 119 vehicles, which were released from the port but were not returned to the exporting countries, are being used in the country illegally. Importer of only one vehicle is now using the car by paying duties.

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Three to die

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On June 11, 2008, Khokan gave confessional statement to the court under section 164 and mentioned the names of other accomplices.

The court took deposition of 14 witnesses out of 24 and pronounced the verdict.

Asma's elder brother Mohammad Masud said they expected all the seven accused be given death sentence.

During the case proceedings, they received threats several times, he said, adding that they feel insecure now as four of the accused have been acquitted. He said they would file an appeal with the High Court.

Defence lawyer Sultanuzzaman said they are not satisfied with the verdict and they would file an appeal with the High Court against the verdict.

National Bank Limited

System & Operations Division
Head Office: 18, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka.

Tender Notice

Sealed tender in prescribed schedule is hereby invited from the enlisted firms of our Bank in the category of Air conditioner to offer rates (including VAT & AIT) for repairing, shifting, servicing and maintenance of different brand, type and capacity of Air conditioners as per requirement to our Head Office, Regional Offices, different Branches and National Bank Training Institute for the period up to December, 2018.

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Instil spirit

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Chandra Shekhar Dey in fine arts; Kanganini Sufia in folk culture; SM Mohsin in dramatics; and Mihir Lala in music.

Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor was present at the programme.

Shilpakala Academy Director General Liaquat Ali Lucky delivered the welcome speech.

Invitation to Bid (ITB)

Supply of Laptop and Desktop Computer

International Labour Organization (ILO) Dhaka invites bids from interested firms to **Supply 55 nos. Laptop and 122 nos. Desktop Computer.** The bidding documents can be downloaded from the ILO Dhaka website under **Procurement Notices** at http://www.ilo.org/dhaka/WCMS_367536/lang-en/index.htm

The deadline for submission of quotation is **Wednesday, July 11, 2018**, by 04:30 PM (BST time) at ILO Skills Programme Office, Ground Floor, IDB Bhaban, E/8-A, Begum Rokeya Sharani, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

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- The tender schedule may be obtained from ICT Division (Peoples Insurance Bhaban - 5th Floor, 36 Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka) of BASIC Bank Limited between 10:00 A.M. and 02:00 P.M. of all working days at a cost of Tk. 500/- only in cash (non refundable). No schedule will be sold after 02:00 P.M. of June 04, 2018.
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03.	Feather Duvet King Size	40 Nos.	Tk.1000
04.	Feather Duvet Twin Size	80 Nos.	Tk.1500
05.	Bed Skirt Twin Size	80 Nos.	Tk.1000

Interested bidders may obtain Tender Schedule from the Purchasing Department up to June 12, 2018 during office hours. Tender will be received up to 11:30 p.m. on June 14, 2018 and will be opened on the same day at 12:00 p.m. in presence of the bidders, if any.

Tender must be supported by an Earnest Money amounting to 5% of quoted price in the form of Bank Draft or Pay Order from any Scheduled Bank in favor of Pan Pacific Sonargaon Dhaka.

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Purchase Manager, Tel (880) 2 9128008, Extn: 4164

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Detailed information/job description for above position is available at: www.auw.edu.bd/job-opportunities

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2	ER/LT/eGP-23/2018	200614	Supply of Portable Multi-Gas Detector and Spares	19-Jun-2018 17:00	20-Jun-2018 10:30

These are online tenders, where only e-Tenders will be accepted through National e-GP Portal <https://www.eprocure.gov.bd> and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered bank's branches. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP helpdesk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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