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also dirtiness and unhygienic environment of food processing, transport and sale are other major reasons which make food unsafe.

These should get the same priority like prohibition of adulteration, he added.

He also suggested the government to develop skills of the people who are involved in food processing, one of the biggest sectors in the country.

"If we don't make them aware and skilled enough, they will keep repeating their mistakes," said Zillur, also a former caretaker government adviser.

He also opined that the Food Safety Authority should run independently, instead of operating under the food ministry.

Monjur Mohammad Shahriar, deputy director of the Directorate of National Consumer Rights Protection (DNCRP); Jyotirmoy Barua, a noted lawyer and rights activist; and Sarower Alam, executive magistrate of Rab; also spoke at the programme, among others.

# Bangladeshi students in US doubled in 5yrs

## Says EducationUSA

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The number of Bangladeshi students obtaining higher education in the United States doubled in five years, showed EducationUSA data.

EducationUSA officials, quoting Open Doors Report 2018, said 3,828 Bangladeshi students were enrolled at US higher educational institutions in 2013 and 7,496 such students were studying in the US in 2018.

"Bangladesh has become one of the top 25 countries sending students to the United States," US Ambassador in Dhaka Earl R. Miller said yesterday.

Currently, there are about 7,500 Bangladeshi students studying in the US at undergraduate and graduate levels; a five percent increase over the previous academic year, Earl R. Miller said while inaugurating EducationUSA South Asia Fall Tour 2019 in a Dhaka hotel.

"It's great to see the level of interest from Bangladeshi students in today's fair. We anticipate a record number of students will attend to learn about studying in the United States," he added.

He also termed the Bangladeshi students in American college and university campuses absolute superstars as they succeed academically and socially.

Representatives from 26 colleges and universities across the US attended the daylong fair offering information on graduate and undergraduate programmes, visa facilities, funding opportunities and others to the visiting candidates.

Three panel discussions on F1 Student Visa process, Presentation on Higher Studies in the United States and discussion by US university alumni also took place there.

This was the first EducationUSA Fair in Bangladesh in four years. Dhaka is the first stop in the EducationUSA South Asia Fall Tour 2019, which includes Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Pakistan later this month.

There are over 4,700 accredited colleges and universities offering higher education in the US.

Bangladeshi students have a strong record of success at US institutions, said Earl R. Miller, adding that increasing the number of Bangladeshi students studying in the US is a top priority of the embassy in Dhaka.

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country was like one of those medium-sized powers which need the UN as the global guarantor.

The former UN deputy secretary general said Bangladesh's graduation from LDCs reflected the dramatic economic success of recent years but the country's development journey is by no means finished.

"My appeal to you is to look at the UN as the source of dramatic dynamism and to realise that Bangladesh's time has come. It's for countries like Bangladesh who are in the frontline of force because they are hosts of refugees; they are contributors to peacekeepers. It's for countries like Bangladesh to step forward and make the UN work for these different new times we live in," he added.

Speaking on the occasion as a special guest, Planning Minister MA Mannan said the UN bodies tremendously helped Bangladesh during the difficult days following its liberation.

"So, the UN is very relevant for a country like Bangladesh which sometime faces difficult situations for geopolitical reasons."

Foreign Secretary Shahidul Haque said Bangladesh has always been attaching high importance to multilateralism since its birth, and that still continues. "We have a strong relation with UN and its affiliated bodies and strong support for them."

"We've given lots of things to the UN not only in terms of our humbly financial contributions, but also our political contributions. Bangladesh has always been instrumental in the peace-building exercise both in the commission and others," he observed.

### A glimmer of hope

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hatched below 27 degrees Celsius then chances are high that male turtles would be born. For females, the temperature should be above 31 degrees Celsius. So we kept it in between to have a balanced reproduction," he said.

Out of the 50 eggs, 36 were successfully hatched and the baby turtles were released in the pond upon consultation with the shrine authorities, he told The Daily Star recently.

"The result is more than satisfactory, but we cannot stop here. In order to save the species, artificial incubation for large-scale reproduction has to be arranged," the IUCN official added.

TFTSG also made some recommendations to rear and preserve the turtles at the shrine, which include excavating a separate reservoir for breeding and maintaining the waterbodies.

### LEGEND OF BOSTAMI TURTLES

The story behind Bostami turtles goes back around 1,200 years to its origin -- what locals believe are embodiments of genies trapped in animal forms.

It was Hazrat Bayezid Bostami, as they say, who caught the genies and turned them to these turtles and they have been there since, at the "city of twelve saints" -- Chattogram.

These massive-sized turtles at the pond of the shrine in West Nasirabad are believed to be "boon granters" for followers who "they take a shine upon".

Wildlife expert Malcolm Smith in his book, "The Fauna of British India" (1931), noted that the Bostami turtles in a Chittagong shrine pond were believed to have been brought by Hazrat Bayezid Bostami from Iran in the 1800s.

However, Dr SMA Rashid, chief executive of Carinam, said the turtles at the shrine pond were not brought from Iran but had been collected locally and kept there almost a hundred years ago.

"It was a common belief that the Bostami turtles were brought from Iran, the country from where the Islamic saint and preacher Bayezid Bostami hailed," said Dr Rashid, a leading wildlife biologist of Bangladesh.

This, however, does not undermine the importance of conserving the turtles, he mentioned.

### HABITAT IN PERIL

Every day, hundreds of followers, irrespective of religion, queue to seek blessings from these turtles -- feeding them -- hoping to have their wishes granted by "the genie embodiments".

As a result, the pond gets polluted.

Khadem Habibur Rahman said they clean the pond every day in the evening.

Although staffers clean the reservoir, a portion of the food gets dissolved into the water, according to TFTSG members. "These leftovers create excess ammonia, which has an adverse effect on the ecosystem and can be deadly for the turtles. The authorities must take steps to check this," Shahriar observed.

### To give domestic helps

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ministry, attended the event as chief guest.

Women domestic workers will also be provided training for skill development, and made aware of legal rights, under the project funded by the Government of Canada through Global Affairs Canada.

About two million people work as domestic workers across the country, according to a brief report on the project provided by Oxfam. An increasing number of people are getting into the informal sector, with 78 percent of them females. International Labour Organization put the figure of child domestic workers in the country at 4.21 lakh.

A comprehensive approach to address the issues facing workers in the informal sector is thought to bring about qualitative changes in their lives, speakers suggested at the event.

The project will empower and organise domestic workers to claim and defend their rights, and engage stakeholders to recognise domestic work as formal profession at the

estimated cost of over \$11 million.

Oxfam will work with six local partners including Nari Maitree, Campaign for Popular Education, Underprivileged Children's Education Programmes and Bangladesh Institute of Labour Studies (BILS) to reach the goal.

Ahead of embarking on the work, the non-government organisation has taken up a baseline survey.

Some of the findings presented yesterday point to areas to be emphasised upon for improving lives of domestic workers and their work experiences. For example, permanent house help (those who live in employers' residences) enjoy less freedom and get less pay than non-residential ones.

Ninety-six percent employers showed interest in hiring trained women domestic workers and 77 percent were interested in sending their house helps for training if it is free of charge.

Workers said they needed a weekly holiday and higher pay.



### Prof Naiyyum Choudhury passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Atomic Energy Regulatory Authority (BAERA) Chairman Prof Naiyyum Choudhury passed away yesterday. He was 74.

Naiyyum, also former chairman of Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission, breathed his last at a hospital in Dhaka at 2:40am, said a press release.

He left behind his wife, a son, and a daughter.

Naiyyum's first namaz-e-janaza was held at Dhaka University Central Mosque. After another namaz-e-janaza, held at BAERA premises in the afternoon, he was buried at Banani graveyard in the capital.

His colleagues at BAERA extended condolences to the bereaved family. They also sought salvation of the departed soul.

### 'Don't play with fire'

#### Shamim Osman makes thinly-veiled threat to local admin

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

Ruling Awami League lawmaker from Narayanganj-4 Shamim Osman yesterday urged local administration not to "play with fire".

"I call upon the authorities concerned to conduct a 'clean-up' in the administration. Narayanganj Awami League means playing with fire. So, don't play. You will not win," he warned while addressing a rally.

He was speaking at the rally titled "Stand against all anti-liberation evil forces" in Missionpara area on Nawab Salimullah road in the city.

"Some overenthusiastic police officers are hatching conspiracy. Even, many officers send text messages to journalists for publishing news reports against political leaders," he added.

"Conspiracy is going on even abroad... We will take field against anti-liberation forces as we did in 1971, if Sheikh Hasina calls for it," said Shamim.

"We can cordon off Narayanganj right now, if we want. So, don't play with us," he warned.

### BLOCKED ROADS BRING MISERY TO COMMUTERS

Meanwhile, thousands of commuters has to suffer immensely, as supporters of Shamim Osman did not allow buses to enter the city since noon.

A truck was turned into a makeshift stage on the road, blocking the side of the street since 1pm, although the rally was scheduled for 4pm.

At around 2pm, this correspondent saw AL men led by Shah Nizam, joint

secretary of Narayanganj city AL, intercepting a BRIC bus near court area on Dhaka-Narayanganj link road, and forcing passengers to get down.

"Don't you know there is a rally of Shamim Osman? Turn around; buses will not move any further. Passengers will walk," Nizam was heard saying.

The bus was heading towards Narayanganj city, around one and half kilometres away from the spot.

Passengers of most buses had to face a similar situation for hours.

Hamid Miah, who came from Signboard area to visit a doctor for her pregnant wife, said, "The bus was stuck for an hour on a road that should have taken five minutes. Now we have been forced to get off the bus, and we cannot even find a rickshaw to reach our destination."

### Inclusive urbanisation impossible

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status, formulating guideline of area-based citizen services and plan regarding infrastructural development, to use budgetary allocation properly.

In his speech, Prof Dr Akter Mahmud, vice-president of BIP, stressed on adopting a long-term development plan instead of the traditional approach.

"City corporations should know the crises in the wards, though they did not even scheme a map for a proper budgetary allocation," he said.

BIP president Dr AKM Abdul Kalam said inclusive development does not take place, although budgetary allocation increases yearly.

On September 1, Mayor Sayeed Khokon announced a Tk 3,631.40 crore budget for Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) for 2019-2020 fiscal, Tk 32.65 crore higher than last year's, putting priority to mosquito control activities. On September 5, Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) Mayor Atiqul Islam announced Tk 3,057.24 crore budget for 2019-20 fiscal.

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**An inspiration**  
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Thanking the audience, Mahfuz Anam, editor and publisher of The Daily Star and member secretary of Abul Mansur Ahmad Smriti Parishad, said to encourage the youths, the Parishad will arrange the essay competition each year from now on.  
Mahfuz Anam, youngest son of the celebrated litterateur, also invited those who took part in the competition to contribute in creating interest among their peers on Abul Mansur, holding informal discussions in their place of study or work.

**Solving**  
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IEB Honorary General Secretary Khandaker Manjur Morshed and Vice-president of the organisation, Md Nuruzzaman, Prabr Kumar Ray, deputy commissioner (traffic-north) of Dhaka Metropolitan Police; Prof Adil Mohammed Khan, general secretary of Bangladesh Institute of Planners; Nagar Unnayan Sangbadik Forum Bangladesh President Amitosh Pal and General Secretary Abdul Matin, also spoke at the event, among others.  
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