

Work for stronger community policing

Police and community leaders suggest at meeting

Strengthening community policing activities could effectively eliminate crimes like drug abuse, terrorism, dowry, child marriage, and violence against children and women.

Law enforcers and community leaders said this at an event titled "Bit Policing and Community Policing Meeting" held at Dewantuli Government Primary School in Rangpur city on Thursday.

Mahiganj Police Station and Dewantuli Bit Policing Committee jointly organised the meeting for community policing supporters, teachers, students and youths, among others.

With local community leader Abdul Matin in the chair, Dewantuli Government Primary School headteacher Mosammat Rabeya Khatun attended the meeting as the chief guest.

Officer-in-Charge of Mahiganj Police Station Akhteruzzaman Prodhon, Inspector (investigation) Shah Alam Sarder, local leaders and social workers addressed the meeting as special guests.

The speakers gave special importance on strengthening community policing activities through enhancing interaction, mutual confidence and understanding between police and people.

Inspector Sarder said citizens should assist police to prevent crimes for building a sustainable and peaceful society.

The chief guest urged community policing committees to involve more people and extend full cooperation to the law enforcers.



Appreciating the Sundarbans' role in resisting natural calamities, a group of people organised a human chain at Shahbagh yesterday.

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Technical training centre in every upazila

Assures expats' minister

BSS, Rajshahi

Technical Training Centres (TTC) will be installed in every upazila with an aim to develop a skilled workforce, said Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Minister Imran Ahmad, at the inauguration of a modern and well-furnished building at Rajshahi TTC yesterday.

"We have a plan to send 1,000 competent workers from each upazila to overseas markets every year. This makes the establishment of TTC at upazila levels very important," the minister added.

The newly-inaugurated building is part of a four-year project titled "Capacity Development Programme for TTC, Rajshahi", a joint endeavour of Korea International Cooperation Agency (Koica) and Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training (BMET) to enhance the quality of vocational education in the country.

Special guests State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shahriar Alam, Chairman of Parliamentary Standing Committee on expatriates' ministry Barrister Anisul Islam Mahmud, and Mayor of Rajshahi City Corporation AHM Khairuzzaman Liton addressed the ceremony, chaired by ministry secretary Selim Reja.

BMET Director General Shamsul Alam and Director of the project Dr Nurul Islam, KOICA Country Director Hyungue Joe, and Deputy Commissioner of Rajshahi Hamidul Haque also spoke on the occasion.

The Tk 87.11 crore project includes establishing a new academic building and a dormitory, supplying necessary training equipment, and training for 18 instructors and six officers in South Korea.

Koica provided Tk 67 crore as grant aid for the TTC in order to support the national initiative of strengthening the capacity of vocational training.

Rajuk mobile court forced

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building's owner, construction company and the concerned bodies, but they are just using the building as tenant.

"Such drive against a rights body is a matter of serious concern and worries ASK," the executive director added. She said ASK was established in 1986 and has been working tirelessly to uphold the rights of people.

"We apprehend that such drives of Rajuk will shrink the activities of

rights bodies such as us," she said.

Terming the mobile court's action "illegal", the ASK executive director said they will challenge the action by all means and will go to court if needed.

There are offices of six other organisations in the building that were also fined.

Refuting all allegations, Rajuk Executive Magistrate Jesmin Aktar said they took action according to Rajuk law.

"According to the law, residential

buildings have to be used for residential purpose. Not only ASK, other offices in the building were also fined and told to vacate," she said, adding that the building owner was also fined.

"They [ASK] themselves admitted that they were operating in a residential building," the executive magistrate said. As they are doing humanitarian work, they can appeal to the Rajuk chairman for consideration, she added.

Resolution

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United Nations yesterday.

The UN member states who supported the resolution said it is a significant step for the protection of forcibly displaced Rohingyas' human rights and their sustainable return to their place of origin.

Bangladesh thanked all the member states, particularly members of the OIC and EU, for the support.

"We look at this resolution not as a typical country specific resolution. We see it as a symbol of 'custodianship' of the international community to facilitate voluntary repatriation of the Rohingyas to their place of abode in Rakhine in safety, security and dignity through a bilateral process," Bangladesh said in a statement after adoption of the resolution on Thursday.

Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the UN, Masud Bin Momen, said creating conducive environment is the key factor as the Rohingyas told the world repeatedly and this resolution emphasises that point.

BNP's 'no'

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The VC of Premier University Chattogram Prof Dr Anupam Sen delivered the keynote speech at the seminar while AL lawmaker MA Latif and President of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry Mahbulul Alam also spoke. The seminar was chaired by Kazi Akram Uddin Ahmad, chairman of the AL sub-committee on industries and commerce.

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Stumbling to take young

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some artefacts. The authorities could set up telescopes and other interactive activities to spark students' interest in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) fields."

Asked, an official of the novo theatre said, "We are trying to upgrade the place. But the decision lies with the higher authorities as it's a policy-level issue."

"The planetarium has been running same shows for over five years. If we could introduce more shows, it would attract more people," he told The Daily Star recently.

About some non-functioning exhibits, he said they tried to fix those locally, which did not work out well as those became out-of-order again. He said they have around 30 exhibits and at least 8-10 are not working properly.

The ride simulator has been non-functional for over two years. "We procured it from an Indian firm. To fix it, the company asked for advance payment without even looking at it. So, we did not proceed with

them," the official said.

Another official, wishing anonymity, said the number of visitors is reducing gradually for lack of proper maintenance and initiatives. He alleged that some exhibits were not working properly since the beginning.

Acknowledging the issues, Abul Basher Md Zahurul Islam, director general of the novo theatre, said, "We are planning to add more attractions and rides to spruce up the place."

When asked about the time-frame, he said, "We did our part in a timely manner. But the proposal will be sent to the ministry first and from there to the planning commission. They will hold a meeting on the issue. Considering everything, we believe we'll be able to start the work from early next year."

"We will send the proposal within a month," he told The Daily Star.

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Seven-year-old killed in N'ganj

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Shaheed Alauddin High School; and motorbike driver Borhan Uddin (35).

The accident occurred when they were passing through Mondolbagh Railway Crossing. At that time, a train hit the motorbike, killing Hamid on the spot and critically injuring Borhan, they added.

Borhan was rushed to the upazila

health complex. On-duty doctors there declared him dead.

On information, police recovered the bodies and handed them over to their family.

An unnatural death case has been lodged.

In Gopalganj Sadar upazila, Mollah Md Moniruzzaman (58) was

killed after a tractor hit him in front of Sheikh Kamal International Stadium around 7:30am yesterday, said police.

Moniruzzaman was rushed to Gopalganj General Hospital, where an on-duty doctor declared him dead, they added.

Police seized the tractor and arrested its driver.

PM flies

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programme to start registering Bangladeshis working in the United Arab Emirates on the voter list and distributing smart NID cards among them at the Bangladesh Embassy in Abu Dhabi.

Apart from the ruler of Dubai, Momen said Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will also hold meetings with Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed al Nahyan, and UAE's Supreme Chairwoman of the Family Development Foundation Fatima bint Mubarak al Ketbi.

"It is expected that the visit will have a positive impact on UAE investment in different sectors of Bangladesh and will help boost cooperation between the investment authorities," he added.

Workshop on university rankings held at NSU



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North South University (NSU) in collaboration with Times Higher Education (THE) jointly organised a workshop on "The Data Masterclass -- World University Rankings" on the university's campus in Bashundhara on Thursday, said a press release.

Main objectives of the workshop were to promote the understanding and implementation of THE -- World University Rankings and create

competition among educational institutions in Bangladesh and abroad.

Benajir Ahmed, chairperson of the university's board of trustees, was chief guest at the event. Ritin Malhotra, regional director (South Asia) of THE -- World University Rankings, was present as the keynote speaker.

Prof Atiqul Islam, vice chancellor of NSU, chaired the session.

Representatives from over 35 public and private universities, including 10 vice chancellors, partook in the session.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Hereby JSC ASE EC notifies you on holding the public tender for the right to conclude the contract under lot No. 14911/262 'Supply of Portland cement for Rooppur NPP Site'. The documentation is published on the official procurement site of the nuclear industry http://zakupki.rosatom.ru, procurement No.191112/0536/1864.

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- Procurement of 2200 units Souvenir for Graduating Students of the 19th Convocation-2020 of EWU.

The schedule for the items with terms and conditions can be obtained either from the website (<http://etender.ewubd.edu>) or from the Finance & Accounts Department of the University up to 25.11.2019 during office hours (up to 3:00 p.m.) on payment (non-refundable) of Tk.300/- (excluding online service charge for e-tender process) for each item.

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