Kewkradong and Coca-Cola against sea pollution

Kewkradong Bangladesh, Ocean Conservancy's country coordinator, in partnership with Coca-Cola Bangladesh, has recently concluded a coastal clean-up and marine conservation drive in St Martin's island, as part of their global commitment to create a "World Without Waste" by 2030.

Approximately 550 volunteers of different professions collected more than 1,000 kgs of marine debris in the 9th edition of the drive this year. Through similar initiatives by Coca-Cola Bangladesh and Kewkradong Bangladesh in the last eight years, around 37,000 people have volunteered and collected over 9,500 kgs of marine debris.

With the slogan 'Pick it up, clean it up, sea change,' the two-day activity was organised in sync with 33rd annual International Coastal Cleanup, which also marks the 9th year of collaboration at St. Martin's, Bangladesh's only coral island.

On this occasion, Ajay Bathija, Country Manager of Coca-Cola Bangladesh said, "We hope that together we will be able to reaffirm our global commitment to 'World Without Waste' and a greener, cleaner and sustainable environment."

International Coastal Cleanup is the world's largest volunteer effort – thousands of participants collect millions of pounds of waste from beaches, lakes and waterways. The participants collect non-degradable waste such as cigarette filters, chips packet etc, and sort them and finally dispose it all properly. The information gathered through this initiative is uploaded to Ocean Conservancy's global ocean trash database.

The aim of the programme is to advocate behavioural change in locals, school students and tourists of St. Martin's. Volunteers at St. Martin's are expected to play a key role in spreading the message of how to reduce pollution among peers and other networks upon their return.

A MAGICAL CHRISTANS

at Dhaka Regency

Decked to the rafters in festive colours, Dhaka
Regency Hotel & Resort is all set to usher in the yuletide cheers this Christmas holiday with a bounty of celebration options.

The hotel's all-day dining outlet, Grandiose Restaurant, will be offering an elaborate buffet menu showcasing holiday favourite cuisines from around the world with their Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Dinners at Tk 3,490 net per person, available between 06:30-11:30PM on 24 and 25 December, 2019. A massive roast turkey from the live carving station will be the central attraction of this feast,



with all the sides and trimmings from the eight buffet stations designed by Dhaka Regency gourmet chefs. Guests can enjoy this offer with the option of buy one get one free meal by using select partner bank cards.

The highlight of the season— the annual Christmas Kids' Party, will be held between 10:00AM-01:00PM. This year, the party will feature performances by champion artists from Khudey Gaan Raj and storytelling session by Mirakkel winner. With special appearances from Santa Claus to hand over gifts, visits from Mickey Mouse and Friends to make the party more exciting, and a host of fun activities such as mini-train rides, ball and bouncing houses, and various other games, the event is expected to be thrilling for the little guests. The party will be held at the hotel's rooftop dining area— Grill on the Skyline, with a special snacks corner for the young guests.

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Immunohistochemistry Lab launched by Praava Health

Earlier this December, Praava Health, a network of family health centers, raising the bar for healthcare in Bangladesh, with international quality doctors, diagnostics, and technology, launched its Immunohistochemistry (IHC) laboratory. It is a comprehensive laboratory that employs state-of-the-art automation and technology for the diagnosis of cancers to provide early detection and timely treatment of cancers.

The launch of immunohistochemistry (IHC) laboratory is part of Praava's ongoing effort to keep up with the latest advancements in medicine globally, and make them accessible to healthcare professionals and patients in Bangladesh. Praava's laboratory performs analysis of ER, PR, and HER2 proteins in breast cancer detection.

Praava Health is also working to offer

several new tests for multiple cancers (including breast, lung, and colorectal), using immunohistochemical tests in the near future. These tests would be introduced for the first time in Bangladesh to expand treatment options and improve the quality of life for cancer patients.

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