

DMP begins

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Minister Lotay Tshering will be visiting Dhaka in that period.

State guests would participate in various programmes, and maximum security measures will remain in force in accordance with international VIP security protocol, DMP acting commissioner Monirul Islam said on Sunday.

Inspector General of Police Benazir Ahmed at a programme yesterday said, "Five foreign heads of state will come to Dhaka as our distinguished guests. They will attend the events taken during the 10-day celebration."

He urged people to cooperate with police in maintaining security and make public movement limited if there is no urgent need.

Prof Munirul Islam passes away

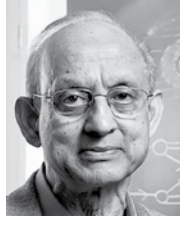
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prof Muhammad Munirul Islam, a noted physicist, passed away peacefully at his home in Dhaka on Friday.

A professor of physics at the University of Connecticut, USA, he was elected a Fellow of the American Physical Society and retired as Professor Emeritus in 2007.

Born in Chattogram in 1936, Prof Islam was a Kali Narayan Scholar of Dhaka University and received his doctorate from Imperial College, London.

His lifelong research focused on developing a theoretical model for the structure of the proton, which is being evaluated by Large Hadron Collider (LHC) experiments at CERN, Geneva.



Shamsunnahar no more

CITY DESK

Former member of parliament Begum Shamsunnahar passed away yesterday at a local hospital. At 95, she was suffering from old age ailments.

Known for her social work, Begum Shamsunnahar was the president of Esktaon Mohila Shomiti and was a former MP in the early 90's. She is the second daughter of Khan Bahadur Mohammed Ismail of Faridpur.

She was buried at Uttara graveyard next to her husband Gazi Fazlur Rahman's grave. Her qulkhani will be held privately at her residence on Friday after Asr prayers.



Teenager

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statement, there was an accused named Sohan who surrendered on March 10, saying that his name is Al-Amin Sohan.

Meanwhile, according to the CCTV footage of the incident, which was leaked to media, the person "Sohan" is actually Mazaharul Islam Sohan, a Chhatra League activist, said locals and BCL sources.

According to locals, Mazaharul Islam Sohan has an "internet business" where Al-Amin works.

As the full name, address and age of the accused were not mentioned in the case, Mazaharul apparently used Al-Amin to avoid arrest.

"If Mazaharul Islam Sohan is in the CCTV footage, a case will also be filed against him," said the OC. "We are also trying to figure out if this was an incident of a proxy," he added.

Police said they are looking for Mazaharul. He was, however, seen at the opening ceremony of a cricket tournament at Government BM College on the evening of March 9, confirmed BCL sources.

Asked, Barishal City Corporation Mayor Serniabat Sadik Abdullah said, "We have heard about such allegations. We have informed police to investigate the matter and take action against those involved."

Mentionable, the mayor is also the Awami League general secretary of Barishal city unit and BCL is its student wing.

836 acres

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2.56 lakh acres of forest land across the country. Houses, industrial factories and other establishments were built on the occupied forest land. Bangladesh has a total of 46.47 lakh acres of forest land in the country.

The parliamentary committee at its meeting in February had recommended that the ministry take all-out measure to evict grabbers from illegally-occupied forest land. The meeting recommended that responsibilities assigned to the officials concerned of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change and lawyers be fulfilled with more accountability and responsibility for the interest of the country.

Minister of Forest and Climate Change Shahab Uddin, Deputy Minister and Habibun Nahar took part in the meeting.

Effective

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utilise the surplus forex reserve for profitable development works.

"This endeavour will be for an effective investment of surplus foreign currency reserves," she said. "It will not only be beneficial for the country but also will help us grow our confidence and self-esteem, and we will be able to show the world that we can do it."

The PM said investors now could borrow from BIFD and use it in the country's development initiatives.

The premier also expressed her gratitude to the authorities concerned for materialising her concept of using the surplus foreign currency reserve.

Regarding the financing, she said deep sea port could be established in future centring Payra Port. In the financing of Ramnabad Channel, Bangladesh Bank will issue loan to Sonali Bank, which will disburse it to the Payra Port as loan.

The country's foreign exchange reserves now stand at a new record of over US\$ 44.02 billion due to the upward trend of remittance.

About the country's development and success, prime minister Sheikh Hasina said love for people and the country is the main "magic" behind this development of Bangladesh.

She also stressed on the necessity of boosting the country's production and expansion of the market so that local products are exported after meeting domestic demand.

Extending her gratitude to the country's people, she said they have carried out this development as people voted them to be in power for a long term.

Regarding the Covid-19 situation, the PM said the second wave of the coronavirus is already there to some extent.

"I request you all to follow the health safety protocols, even after being inoculated," she added.

At the event, Finance Minister AHM Mustafa Kamal, State Minister for Shipping Khalid Mahmud Chowdhury, and Bangladesh Bank Governor Fazle Kabir also spoke, among others.

Senior Secretary of Finance Division Abdur Rouf Talukder made a presentation on the country's micro-economy and BIFD while PM's Principal Secretary Dr Ahmad Kaikus moderated the programme.

At the beginning of the event, a theme song was played while a video on Payra Port was also screened.

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Memo No. Gop/Eng./D/2020-2021/235/2 Date: 15/03/2021

e-Tender Notice Number: 07/2020-2021

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NUPRP/W2	554052	Construction of 5-Storeyed "Climate resilient housing and basic services for the low-income household" at Gopalganj Pourashava (Building 1 and 2)	18 April, 2021 16:00pm	19 April, 2021 13:00pm
NUPRP/W2.1	554058	Construction of 5-Storeyed "Climate resilient housing and basic services for the low-income household" at Gopalganj Pourashava (Building 3 and 4)	18 April, 2021 16:00pm	19 April, 2021 13:30pm

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Gopalganj Pourashava

GD-529

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

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Memo No. 35.01.9162.010.07.000.21-719 Date: 14/03/2021

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UGC delegation

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VC himself discharging duties at different posts, and anomalies in human resource recruitment are also being investigated.

The team is also considering the 111 allegations recently presented by Adhikar Surakkha Parishad, another forum of BRUR teachers.

The probe report will be submitted to the education ministry after scrutinising and verifying every bit of information.

The university's BCL unit staged a demonstration at campus on Sunday night, demanding action against the VC. They also declared the VC "unwanted" at campus.

Meanwhile, there are 30 allegations

against the HSTU administration, including corruption in workforce recruitment and other anomalies.

The team also interviewed at least 30 persons during their daylong visit.

UGC formed a committee recently, after Md Sazzad Hossain, a staffer at HSTU, filed a complaint with Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) in 2019, bringing various corruption allegations.

Dr Bishwajit said they have collected relevant documents and interviewed those who were accused.

HSTU Registrar Prof Fazlul Hoque however claimed that the allegations are false and fabricated.

Work resumption

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witnessed 52 percent progress so far. The latest deadline of the project is June next year.

Asked whether the delay of works in the portion would impact the deadline, Shaful said: "Works of this portion may be delayed but it would be done within the total deadline."

The seven-member probe committee formed by RTHD by its joint secretary Anisur Rahman started work yesterday and are supposed to be submit their report within seven working days.

"We will visit the spot tomorrow," a member of the committee told this correspondent.

Meanwhile, DTCA has formed a three-member team with their officials yesterday, that would give a report within three working days, its executive director Khandakar Rakibur Rahman told The Daily Star.

"We have already visited the spot," a member of the team said.

The project is being implemented for dedicated rapid bus service between Gazipur and Shahjalal International Airport. Once operational, it will be able to transport 20,000 passengers per hour.

But the project faced many problems and eventually went through four revisions, taking the total cost to Tk 4,268 crore -- around 107 percent more than the original cost.

Restrict

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scholarships to 124 children of police families in different category.

Addressing the students, the police chief said, "Islam never supports militancy. Militancy is the enemy of Islam. Many Muslims have been persecuted in their (militants') hands; many Muslims have shed blood, many have been killed. Students must stay away from militancy."

The IGP said it was important to be aware in student life and stay away from militancy.

The police chief said more allocations have been made for education in the last 12 years. "Students are being taught without pay and books are free. We used to get the book three or four months later but the scenario has changed now," said Benazir.

The police chief further said that in the next four to five years, poverty will go away from Bangladesh.

Mahbubur Rahman, deputy inspector general of Industrial Police and vice president of Bangladesh Police Service Association, presided over the ceremony.

Moniur Rahman Chowdhury, additional inspector general of police (admin and operations), Krishno Pada Roy, additional commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police and Mohammad Jayedul Alam, superintendent of police of Narayanganj also spoke in the ceremony, among others.

Charges framed

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On March 11, the court granted bail to the accused and set yesterday to frame charges against her.

The paramilitary force on November 10 last year, filed a defamation case for "premeditated propagation of false allegations such as that of gang-raping" against some of its personnel.

The BLAST employee is the lone accused in the case. Complainant Nayeb Subedar Mohammad Ali Molla, in-charge of Damdamia checkpoint of BGB Battalion-2 on Cox's Bazar-Teknaf highway, in the case statement, said the woman's "false allegation" has severely tarnished the BGB's image as a force.

In a press statement released on October 13, 2020, BLAST demanded justice for its employee, saying that she was a victim of sexual violence at a checkpoint on the Teknaf-Cox's Bazar road. It also demanded that the government ensure her safety.

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6.	Date	14 March, 2021
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12.	Budget and source of funds	Eastern Refinery Limited (own fund).
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