Nyma Nargis passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nyma Nargis, executive director of Institute of Communications Studies, died of brain stroke on Tuesday at LabAid Hospital. She was 44.

Nyma completed her graduation and post-graduation from Mass Communication and Journalism department of Dhaka University.

She left behind her only son.

Her family will take decision regarding her burial and namaz-e-janaza after one of her sisters returns home from abroad.

Air quality in traffic free Dhaka 'good'

UNB, *Dhaka*

Dhaka's air quality was "good" yesterday morning.

With an air quality index (AQI) score of 37 at 9:04am today, the capital city of Bangladesh ranked 39th in the list of world cities with the worst air quality.

An AQI between 0 and 50 is considered "good" while between 50 and 100 is "moderate". An AQI between 101 and 200 is considered "unhealthy".

Tale from a hundred years ago

155-year-old stone inscription found in Natore

ANWAR ALI

An ancient stone with inscription on it has been found at Natore's Madhnagar village recently, bearing the history of a 155-year-old "Rath Jatra" festival.

The inscription -- Sanskrit written in Bangla alphabets -- was done with lead on a piece of white stone.

The family of Pintu Adhikari, a Hindu priest, has been preserving the stone at their residence. Department of Archaeology officials have declared it a "valuable piece of artifact".

Nahid Sultana, deputy director of Rajshahi divisional archaeology department, said they would visit Madhnagar soon. "Such a stone cannot stay at a private house. It is a documentation of ancient history."

This correspondent saw the stone during a recent visit to Madhnagar. Pintu Adhikari, who is also the president of the Bishnu temple committee, said the stone was on the temple's front wall. "The temple was destroyed in the 70s. Our family has been preserving the stone since then," said Pintu.

Rajshahi University's former Sanskrit professor Manjula Chowdhury translated the inscription for this correspondent.

According to Chowdhury, the stone says Jamini Sundori Bashak, the zamindar of Pabna's Dilalpur, patronised for a Rath made up of bronze at Madhnagar in 1867. He also raised a Bishnu temple at the site.

Till the partition in 1947, the Rath Jatra festival was organised every monsoon. The month-long festival would draw devotees from across the then Indian subcontinent, locals said.

The bronze Rath, which used to be in front of the temple, is still there. Most of its grandeur, however, has been robbed, as it has been neglected for years.

Ignoring directives

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina advised people to take austerity measures in the wake of global inflation.

"Everyone has to increase their own savings; we all have to be economical. Everyone has to protect themselves by saving something, by practising austerity," she said.

Noting that the government is discouraging import of luxury goods, Hasina urged all not to import nonessential goods.

Yesterday, talking to The Daily Star, DNCC Chief Executive Officer Selim Reza said he would look into whether the councillor applied to travel for tourism purposes. "I'm yet to look into what instruction the LGD has given."

"We'll seek an explanation from the councillor and write back to LGD," he said.

Dhaka Gate to return

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A residential area was established around the gate at that time. It was known as Shujatpur and Chistia. During those days, Dhaka was frequently attacked from the north by Magh and Portuguese pirates. It is generally believed that the gate was apparently a border of Dhaka and was built to counter the pirates.

It was later rebuilt by Charles Dawes in 1825.

Currently, it resides in the DU area near Curzon Hall and Shishu Academy.

The DSCC has recently taken up a project to restore the gate.

Heritage specialist Prof Abu Sayeed, who is heading the project, said, "We'll give it a look that will make visitors actually understand that there was a gate of great significance here a long time ago."

"There were three pillars each on two sides of the gate, of which, one was broken. We will restore those," he added.

Pinnacles on the pillar's top will be added and lights will be set up, Sayeed said. "A panel board will be set up at the gate, where Dhaka Gate's history will be written."

DSCC chief town planner Md Sirajul Islam said a gate of such historic importance cannot be ignored.

He said DSCC appointed Prof Sayeed as a consultant due to his experience in renovating heritage sites.

"Around Tk 74 lakh will be required for the renovation. So far, the initial design's drawing has been submitted," he said.

It will take around two months to complete the tender procedure, after which they will start construction work, which would take six months to be completed, he said.

Still a lot to do

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(one at Anwara and another at Patenga) will see heavy traffic flow after opening, as vehicles going to-and-fro the airport, Chattogram Port, CPEZ, KEPZ, under-construction bay terminal, Mirsarai Economic Zone, CUFL, KAFCO, China EPZ, Cox's Bazar coal power plant and other establishments will use the tunnel and its approach roads.

Considering all aspects, the approach roads should be constructed with proper designs.

In November 2015, Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (Ecnec) approved the much-hyped, multi-lane road tunnel project, with a budget of Tk 8,446.64 crore. The cost later rose to Tk 10,374.42 crore.

The Exim Bank of China is giving Tk 5,913.19 crore at an interest rate of 2 percent, while Bangladesh government is providing the rest.

The main tunnel is 3.32 kilometres long and has two tubes, each 2.45 km long. Each tube will have two lanes.

In the recommendation, the committee said for uninterrupted vehicular movement of Dhaka-bound vehicles, a flyover can be constructed at the extended portion of the elevated expressway and connected to the "G-1" road.

For free movement of vehicles going through Tunnel Approach Road, a U-loop can be constructed above CDA's Outer Ring Road to solve all problems related to turning right to go to Lalkhan Bazar and airport.

A flyover needs to be constructed over China Harbour Road and Tunnel Approach Road intersection.

A fire-service station needs to be built at the tunnel area. To avoid gridlocks during toll collection, an electronic toll collection system can be installed.

Deputy Commissioner (DC, Estate and Development) SM Mostain Hossain of CMP told The Daily Star that several structures -- including bypass, overpass, flyover, and U-loops in several points -- should be constructed, so that the huge amount of traffic can pass by, without interrupting tunnel-bound traffic.

CDA Chief Engineer Kazi Hasan Bin Shams said, "The committee has identified several good issues regarding tunnel traffic management, and we have already completed the intersection design based on the recommendation, dividing construction work into several phases."

Tunnel Project Director Habibur Rahman said, "Eighty-five percent of work has been completed. The committee placed its recommendation to the ministry; I don't know the details."

DEATH ANNIVERSARY

Today is the fifth Death Anniversary of Mrs. Pratima Das Gupta of Baridhara Diplomatic Zone, Dhaka a prominent social worker and philanthropist. All relatives, friends and well wishers are cordially requested to keep her in their prayer.

Dilip Das Gupta-Husband
Sangita & Suparna-Daughters

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কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট কমিশনারেট, খুলনার ৩য় ও ৪র্থ শ্রেণির কর্মচারী নিয়োগ পরীক্ষা সম্পন্ন করার লক্ষ্যে **সিপাই** পদে আবেদনকারী প্রার্থীগণের শারীরিক (Physical) পরীক্ষা আগামী **২৭/০৭/২০২২খ্রিঃ তারিখ** এবং **গাড়ীচালক** পদে আবেদনকারী প্রার্থীগণের প্রায়োগিক (Practical) পরীক্ষা আগামী **২৮/০৭/২০২২খ্রিঃ তারিখ** সকাল ০৯.০০ ঘটিকা হতে অত্র কমিশনারেটের টেনিস মাঠ/খেলার মাঠে অনুষ্ঠিত হবে। উভয় পদের যোগ্য আবেদনকারী প্রার্থীগণের নিজ নিজ স্থায়ী ঠিকানায় ইতোমধ্যে ডাকযোগে প্রবেশপত্র পাঠানো হয়েছে। কোন যোগ্য আবেদনকারী প্রার্থী ২৪/০৭/২০২২খ্রিঃ তারিখের মধ্যে প্রবেশপত্র না পেয়ে থাকলে কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট কমিশনারেট, খুলনার অফিসে যোগাযোগ করে আনুষঙ্গিক দলিলাদি দাখিল সাপেক্ষে তার অনুকূলে প্রবেশপত্র সংগ্রহ করতে পারবে। উল্লেখ্য, উভয় পদে আবেদনকারী যোগ্য প্রার্থীদের তালিকা অত্র কমিশনারেটের নিজস্ব ওয়েবসাইট **www.khulnavat.gov.bd** এ visit করে স্ব স্ব নামের তালিকা দেখে নিতে পারবেন এবং অনলাইনে (০১/০৬/২২ হতে ২১/০৬/২২) যারা আবেদন করেছেন তাদের মধ্য হতে সিপাই ও গাড়ীচালক পদে আবেদনকারী প্রার্থীগণ **http://khulnavat.teletalk.com.bd** এ visit করে প্রবেশপত্র ডাউনলোড করে উপরোল্লিখিত সময় ও তারিখে পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণ করবেন।

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Living with

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company in Beirut, said he will wait until December this year before considering whether he should return to Bangladesh.

Titu said he told his employer about his financial hardship. In response, he was promised to be paid an additional $100, which came as a relief.

Babu Saha, a Bangladeshi journalist in Beirut, said Bangladeshi migrant workers were having income-generating opportunities but due to the economic crisis, life has become harder for most of them.

In 2019-2020, Lebanon generated $86.99 million in remittance, which dropped to $66.79 million in the following fiscal, according to Bangladesh Bank's data.

In the 2021-2022 fiscal year, inward remittance from Lebanon was $49.74 million, the central bank data says.

Following in

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all political activities on the campus.

On November 13 that year, the Detective Branch of police submitted the charge sheet of the case to the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court of Dhaka against 25 accused.

On December 8, 2021, 20 people were sentenced to death and five others to life term imprisonment in the murder case.

Garbage truck

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in separate accidents after two garbage trucks of both the city corporations hit them in the capital's Gulistan and Panthapath areas.

The death of the student sparked protest among fellow students, forcing the city corporations to take several steps to prevent such accidents involving their garbage trucks.

France keen

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transportation, health and finance.

On May 12 this year, France and Bangladesh signed an agreement establishing AFD as a development partner of Bangladesh. Thus, AFD renewed its commitment in supporting green and inclusive growth in Bangladesh.

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Ref No. 03.06.2616.311.05.076.18-821 Date: 07.07.2022

Invitation for Tender No. 01/2022-2023

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the eligible suppliers for the following goods and service as per terms & conditions stated below.

1	Ministry/Division	Prime Minister's Office
2	Agency	Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA)
3	Procuring entity name	Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA)
4	Procuring entity district	Dhaka
5	Invitation for	Open Tender
6	Invitation Ref. No. and date	Ref No. 03.06.2616.311.05.076.18-821 Date: 07/07/2022
KEY INFORMATION		
7	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM) (Framework Contract)
FUNDING INFORMATION		
8	Budget and source of funds	Self Finance of BEPZA
9	Development partners (if applicable)	N/A
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
10	Project/program code (if applicable)	N/A
11	Project/program name	
12	Tender Package No.	BEPZA Med-1
13	Tender package name	Supply and delivery of Medical Drugs, Surgical instrument and other related items for BEPZA Complex (Annually)
14	Tender publication date	On or before 17 July 2022
15	Tender last selling date	31 July 2022 during office hour
16	Tender last submission date and time	1 August 2022 at 12.00pm
17	Tender opening date and time	1 August 2022 at 12.30pm
18	Name & address of the office(s)	
	Selling of tender document (principal)	Accounts Section, BEPZA Complex, House 19/D, Road 6, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1205.
	Receiving of tender document	Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA), BEPZA Complex, 3rd Floor, House 19/D, Road No. 6, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205
	Opening of tender document	Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA), BEPZA Complex, 3rd Floor, House 19/D, Road No. 6, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205.
19	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting	N/A
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
20	Eligibility of tenderer	The invitation for tender is open to all eligible tenderer's who satisfy the following: a) The minimum years of general experience of the tenderer in the supply of medicine and related services as supplier (No pharmaceuticals Company) shall be 03 year. b) The minimum specific experience in supply of similar medicine and related service in a single contract completed successfully within the last 05 years with a value of at least Tk 15 lakh. c) The minimum amount of liquid assets i.e. working capital or credit line(s) of the tenderer shall be Tk 24 lakh. d) Debarred bidders from any govt/semi-govt./autonomous organization will be treated as ineligible to participate in the tender. e) All medicine and medical instrument are to be from reputed pharmaceutical organization. f) To attach: Tender purchasing money receipt (original), up-to-date trade license, income tax clearance certificate, VAT registration certificate, drug license etc. g. All prices are not more than published MRP (Maximum Retail Price) of manufacturers. Price/Change of any product is subject to accepted if proper document is submitted.
21	Brief description of related services	Supply and delivery of Medical Drugs, Instrument, Dressing, Laboratory, Nursing and other related items for BEPZA Complex (Annually)
22	Tender document price	Tk. 1000.00 (One thousand Taka only)

23	SN	Types of goods & service	Location	Tender security amount (BDT)	Completion time
	(i)	Medicine and instrument (as stated in the tender documents: Section 6)	Dhaka, Bangladesh	Tk. 73,000.00	01 year from the day of contract signing

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
24	Name of official inviting tender	Dr. K. M. Majedul Islam
25	Designation of official inviting tender	Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA)
26	Address of official inviting tender	BEPZA Complex, 3rd Floor, House: 19/D, Road: 6, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205, Bangladesh
27	Contract details of official inviting tender	Phone: +88029613882 Fax: +8802 9673020 E-mail: majislam2015@yahoo.com
28	Special Instruction:	
	(a)	Eligible tenderer/manufacturer/suppliers/firms/authorized representative may purchase tender documents from the offices mentioned in SN-18 on submitting written request in their letterhead pad.
	(b)	Any false, forged and misleading documents furnished by tenderer shall result in rejection of the tender.
29	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept any or reject all the tenders or, annul the tender proceedings.	

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