M Abdur Rahim's death anniv today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the sixth death anniversary of M Abdur Rahim, a close associate of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and western zone chairman of the then Mujibnagar government.

Rahim was a veteran lawyer and recipient of the Swadhinata Padak. Various programmes including doa mahfil, Qurankhwani and more have been arranged.

Justice Obaidul Hassan, a judge of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, and Attorney General AM Amin Uddin will be present as chief guest and special guest respectively.

Whale carcass

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ascertained how it died.

"We collected samples to find out the causes behind its death. We have already contacted the Department of Archaeology. They said they will collect its skeleton," Sagarika added. DFO Abdullah Al Mamun said forest department personnel collected samples from the spot.

Achievements aplenty

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Anam said in 50 years of existence, NGOs in Bangladesh have evolved from relief and rehabilitation activities to a rights-based approach.

Mentioning NGOs' role in upholding social harmony, she said what they believe is everyone has equal rights to services and facilities, because they are citizens of the country.

"It is not a charity the government gives them," she added.

Shaheen Anam said over the course of time, what MJF has achieved would not have been possible without support from partner organisations and the government, as well as the trust of donor agencies.

She said MJF's partners have been working in the most remote areas to find solutions to impacts of the climate crisis.

Planning Minister MA Mannan said in Bangladesh, diversity in activities and expression of thoughts is necessary.

There is a need for social cohesion, he said, urging people to be tolerant.

Lauding MJF's activities, Post and Telecommunications Minister Mustafa Jabbar said reaching 30 lakh people and working with 400 partner organisations is not an easy task.

The organisation needs to set a target for the next 20 years, he said.

Mentioning that there is a "digital disparity" in the country, he said ensuring access to the internet for every citizen is a goal of the present government.

The Daily Star Editor and Publisher Mahfuz Anam said it is quite easy to form organisations and announce the loftiest of goals. However, to turn an organisation into an institution is a very different story.

As a journalist, his observation is that MJF has become an institution.

If that institution adheres to the highest standard of accountability, transparency and discipline, then it is indeed a very rare achievement, he said.

Through its varied activities and role of an intermediary between funders and small development organisations, MJF could reach many people, especially the marginalised groups, said Transparency International Bangladesh Executive Director Iftekharuzzaman.

He lauded MJF and its partner organisations for their internal governance, integrity and transparency.

British High Commissioner Robert Chatterton Dickson said through MJF, the UK government worked with poor women and girls, working children, Dalits, religious minorities, sex workers and a whole range of people who would never normally have access to or be visible to the international and diplomatic community.

Canadian High Commissioner Lilly Nicholls said her country is proud to be an early partner and supporter of MJF and is impressed by the impact that the organisation has had.

Women's rights activist Fauzia Khandakar said it is challenging to row the boat upstream, but MJF has done this successfully over the past 20 years.

ActionAid Bangladesh Country Director Farah Kabir; journalist Anisul Hoque; Suzanne Mueller, charge d'affaires of Switzerland embassy in Bangladesh; Alexandra Berg von Linde, ambassador of Sweden in Bangladesh; GM Abdul Quader, secretary of Information Commission; Matt Cannell, development director at British High Commission in Dhaka; Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, executive director of Coast Trust; and Hasibur Rahman, executive director of Management and Resources Development Initiative, Bangladesh, among others, spoke at the programme.

Ensure women's right

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share in my father's property..."

"I will retire on October 9. Then I will accompany you in the movement to establish our legal rights," she said while addressing the function as key speaker.

Swapan Bhattacharjee, state minister for local government and rural development, said the government is keen to formulate a modern and time-befitting law in this regard. "I have two children. If my son gets property, why will my daughter not get a share?" he questioned.

Bangladesh Hindu Law Reform Council General Secretary Pulack Ghatack read out a written statement that said women of minority communities are doubly vulnerable in Bangladesh, as they don't have rights to inherit property.

So, the laws should be amended immediately, said the statement.

The organisation's president Moyna Taluker chaired the discussion, while Bangladesh Hindu Buddhist Christian Oikya Parishad co-chairman Prof Neem Chandra Bhowmik and senior journalist Ajoy Dasgupta, among others, also spoke.

Everyone's doing it

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of natural topography. This results in permanent adverse effects on an area.

According to Section 5's Sub-section 1 of the Sand and Soil Management Act, 2010, no underground sand or soil can be extracted by pumping or dredging or any other means. According to Section 4 (b), sand extraction is prohibited within one kilometre of bridges, culverts, dams, roads, highways, railway lines and other important public and private structures or residential areas. Violators are punishable with two years' imprisonment and a maximum fine of Tk 10 lakh or both. However, in most cases, no application of these laws are seen.

Contacted, Bagerhat Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Azizur Rahman said that they regularly conduct drives against sand extractors.

"Actions against illegal sand extractors will continue as per existing laws."

Suzana Costa passes away

STAR REPORT

Suzana Costa, mother of Porimol Palma, diplomatic correspondent of The Daily Star, passed away on Friday. She was 85.

She suffered from stroke and died after taking to a local hospital at Baraigram in Natore.

Suzana Costa left behind five sons, one daughter, grandchildren and a host of relatives to mourn her death.

She was buried at the Borni Catholic Church Graveyard after a funeral mass yesterday afternoon. The family seeks prayers for the departed soul.

Rajuk lacks resources to implement DAP

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in this regard are some of the new DAP's issues, which need to be re-evaluated.

BIP pointed out six reasons why authorities could not implement DAP 2010 properly: lack of necessary and effective initiatives of authorities concerned, weak enforcement to prevent unauthorised construction, limitation of property to implement the DAP, lack of coordination among stakeholders, and inconsistencies in proposed policies.

The government, on August 23, published the gazette notification for the 20-year (2016-2035) DAP, which covers 1,528 square km of Rajdhani Unnayan Kartripakkha (Rajuk).

Components of the new DAP include density zoning, community services, environmental planning, demarcating places for housing facilities at reduced prices for lower- and lower- middle-income people, prioritising pedestrians and non-motorised vehicles, creating a big regional park in every region, and flood-flow zone management.

In the DAP, decentralisation and community-based waste management, as well as sustainable recycling have been proposed, the BIP leaders said.

Among others, Akter Mahmud, former president of BIP; Prof Adil Mohamamed Khan, JU's urban-planning expert; BIP treasurer Md Musleh Uddin Hasan and vice presidents Muhammad Ariful Islam and M Shahfiq Ur Rahman spoke the event, moderated by joint secretary Mohammad Rasel Kabir.

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CU teacher killed

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the university's central mosque. He was later buried at the university cemetery at 2:30pm. RHD and local administration have set up speed-breaker and zebra crossing at the spot of the accident yesterday.

Meanwhile in Sylhet, three people were killed in a head-on collision between a CNG-driven auto-rickshaw and a pickup van in Sylhet's Golapganj upazila yesterday morning.

The accident occurred around 8:30am in Ranaping area on Sylhet-Zakiganj regional road.

The deceased are Lutfur Rahman (72), former Charkhai union parishad member in Beanibazar and a resident of Uttar Chakrabani village, his wife Jeli Begum (60) and Yunus Mia of Topkhana village in Zakiganj upazila.

Another accident victim, who was critically injured, has been admitted to Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital.

We won't back

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started waking up across the country.

He said the government is attacking BNP leaders and activists as they are protesting against the increase in the prices of oil, pulses, salt and fuel.

Referring to a newspaper report, he said police inspector Kanak fired at BNP men in Naryaanganj by "illegally" collecting a Chinese rifle.

About the Narayanganj SP's comment that Shaon did not have involvement with BNP politics, Fakhrul said, "We would like to clearly say that it's not important which party he belonged to. The important thing is that he was a worker and he was shot dead though there was no such situation there to open fire."

Arsenic

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that a large number of people have been detected with arsenicosis, we tested water of all the 28 tube-wells in Betbaria village. We found high concentration of arsenic in all of those."

"We have put red marks on these tube-wells so that people don't consume water from there. We have installed two deep tube-wells so that people can get safe drinking water," he added.

According to the WHO, arsenic is a natural component of the earth's crust and is widely distributed throughout the environment in the air, water and land. It is highly toxic in its inorganic form.

People are exposed to elevated levels of inorganic arsenic through drinking contaminated water, and using contaminated water for preparing food, irrigating food crops, industrial processes.

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4	Procuring Entity Code	Not Applicable	
5	Procuring Entity District	Gazipur	
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১০	দরপত্র খোলার স্থান	ঃ	ভূমি প্রশাসন প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্রের সম্মেলন কক্ষ (কক্ষ নং-২০৫)।
১১	দরপত্রদাতার যোগ্যতা	ঃ	১) সরকারি/আধা-সরকারি/স্বায়ত্তশাসিত প্রতিষ্ঠানে সংশ্লিষ্ট সরঞ্জাম সরবরাহের বিগত ০৩ (তিন) বছরে লটভিত্তিক লট-ক (স্যানিটারী) এর জন্য ২,১০,০০০/- (দুই লক্ষ দশ হাজার) টাকা, লট-খ (স্টেশনারী) এর জন্য ৩,৫০,০০০/- (তিন লক্ষ পঞ্চাশ হাজার) টাকা, লট-গ (ইলেক্ট্রিক্যাল) এর জন্য ১,৫০,০০০/- (এক লক্ষ পঞ্চাশ হাজার) লটে বর্ণিত ধরণের পণ্য সরবরাহের অভিজ্ঞতার প্রত্যয়নপত্র (সংশ্লিষ্ট প্রতিষ্ঠান হতে সংগৃহিত)। ২) হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, আয়কর পরিশোধ সার্টিফিকেট, ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সার্টিফিকেট, ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট, ন্যূনতম লট-ক (স্যানিটারী) এর জন্য ৩,০০,০০০/- (তিন লক্ষ) টাকা, লট-খ (স্টেশনারী) এর জন্য ৫,৫০,০০০/- (পাঁচ লক্ষ পঞ্চাশ হাজার) টাকা, লট-গ (ইলেক্ট্রিক্যাল) এর জন্য ২,০০,০০০/- (দুই লক্ষ) টাকার নগদস্থিতি।
১২	দরপত্রে বর্ণিত মালামালের সংক্ষিপ্ত বর্ণনা	ঃ	স্যানিটারী, স্টেশনারী ও ইলেক্ট্রিক্যাল সামগ্রী।
১৩	দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য	ঃ	৫০০/- (পাঁচশত) টাকা (অফেরতযোগ্য)।
১৪	দরপত্র জামানতের পরিমাণ	ঃ	পরিচালক, ভূমি প্রশাসন প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্র অনুকূলে লট-ক (স্যানিটারী) এর জন্য ৭,০০০/- (সাত হাজার) টাকা, লট-খ (স্টেশনারী) এর জন্য ১০,০০০/- (দশ হাজার) টাকা, লট-গ (ইলেক্ট্রিক্যাল) এর জন্য ৬,০০০/- (ছয় হাজার) টাকা, পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট (ফেরতযোগ্য)।
১৫	সরবরাহের সময়	ঃ	চুক্তি মোতাবেক কার্যাদেশ প্রাপ্তির ২০ কার্যদিবসের মধ্যে মালামাল সরবরাহ করতে হবে।
১৬	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারী কর্মকর্তার পদবী ও টেলিফোন নম্বর	ঃ	সহকারী পরিচালক (প্রশাসন), ফোনঃ ০২২২৩৩৬০৪৩১।
১৭	বিশেষ শর্তাবলী	ঃ	১. দরপত্রটি ১ বছর মেয়াদী ফ্রেমওয়ার্ক চুক্তির মাধ্যমে সম্পাদন করা হবে। ২. তালিকাভুক্ত পণ্য/সামগ্রী হতে সিলেকটিভ পণ্যের চাহিদার কম/বেশী ক্রয়ের ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন। ৩. কোন কারণ প্রদর্শন ছাড়াই কর্তৃপক্ষ যে কোন অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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