

Set up vaccine plant Caretaker govt

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materials — is almost at the final stage. The vaccine manufacturing and research plant project in Gopalganj saw no major progress over a year due to red tape, raising concerns that the plant — one of the top priority projects of the country — may not see the light of day anytime soon.
An AL lawmaker, also a member of the JS body on health, earlier told The

Daily Star, “Due to the government’s complex official procedures, the project has seen almost no progress. I don’t think the plant’s construction will start in a year.”

In July last year, the government moved to set up a fully-fledged vaccine plant and research institute, following the Covid-19 vaccine supply debacle.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina had announced that her government was going to set up the institute as soon as possible.

Asian Development Bank (ADB) is financing the project.

The institute, the first of its kind here, would have three components — a vaccine institute, a vaccine-packaging plant, and a research and development site.

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enforcement agencies of the government will also be under the EC, he said.

“Who will run the country in absence of a government? Should we give the country to your (BNP leaders) hands?”

He urged all AL men not to get involved in activities that will tarnish the image of the party. “I would like to make it clear that those who commit crimes in the name of affiliated organisations of Awami League will not be spared...,” he added.

‘NO SCOPE TO GO BACK’
Meanwhile, Law Minister Anisul Huq yesterday also said there is no scope to go back to the caretaker government system as the apex court of the country has declared the system illegal.

The law minister

made the comment while replying to queries from newsmen after attending a meeting organised at a city hotel on the occasion of World Transporters Day.

Replying to another query, he said the human rights situation in Bangladesh has improved as the government has progressed a lot in developing the rights situation. “I think the US ambassador should have observed the situation staying here for some more days before commenting on this issue,” he said.

Research must

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“We had been successful in realising Millennium Development Goals, and now it’s time to fulfil the targets of Sustainable Development Goals,” he said.

“We have progressed. We went through multiple crises in 1971 as well. The bigger lesson is that we have progressed through intelligent and determined efforts to address our problems,” the former advisor to a caretaker government added.

Climate expert Saleemul Huq said doing research for effective results and outcomes and not just for the sake of publishing is of paramount importance.

“The research that we should be thinking of conducting must not be limited to the problems only. We need to look for solutions as well,” he added.

Prof Zahidul Quayyum of BracU moderated the workshop.

Enamul Haq passes away

CITY DESK

Enamul Haq, the first director general of Bangladesh Betar, has passed away. He was 93.

He died from multi-organ failures at United Hospital in Dhaka on Tuesday night.

The veteran journalist was made director general of Bangladesh Betar after independence of the country. Two years later, he was given responsibilities of heading the Press Information Department as principal information officer. In 1980, he was posted to the Bangladesh High Commission in London as press minister.

Enamul returned to Bangladesh around two years later. At that time, radio and television were merged as National Broadcasting Authority and he was made its DG and chairman.

After about two years of service, he was sent to the Bangladesh High Commission in New Delhi where he retired as additional secretary in the Ministry of Information.

Enamul was made chairman of Bangladesh Times for a while after his retirement. He then served as the editor of national daily New Nation.

Haq left behind his wife, two sons and three daughters. He was buried in a graveyard in Baridhara J block where he lived.

Inclusion key to ensuring

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The government signed the ILO Convention 189, formulated the “Domestic Workers Protection and Welfare Policy 2015” and formed a central monitoring cell under the leadership of the labour minister and committees at the division and district levels. However, domestic workers are not enjoying their rights and benefits, due to not being not included in the labour act, speakers said at the event.

Md Mujibul Haque, chairman of the parliamentary standing committee on the labour and employment ministry, said, “Domestic workers should be included in the initiative taken to amend the labour law.”

Although a policy has been formulated for domestic workers, its implementation has not yet been possible, said Labour and Employment Secretary Md Ehsan-E-Elahi.

Mentioning the need for joint support from all the stakeholders, he assured that he will call a meeting of the monitoring cell on behalf of the ministry as soon as possible, and implement all the possible initiatives in cooperation of all the parties.

Labour leader Abul Hossain, who is also the advisor of the domestic workers’ union, urged domestic workers to be united for their rights.

According to the Labor Force Survey 2015-2016, the number of domestic workers is about 17 lakhs, of which 80 percent are women and an overwhelming majority of them are under the age of 18 years.

However, the estimates of the union are way higher than the surveyed number. According to them, around 3 lakh people are working as domestic workers in Dhaka alone.

Most of the female domestic workers are either

illiterate or poorly literate and have no professional training. Many are not aware of their rights and responsibilities.

BILS data, prepared from newspapers, showed that a total of 16 domestic workers were abused in the first six months of 2022, while the number was 38 in 2021 and 44 in 2020.

Presiding over the programme, CAMPE Executive Director Rasheda K Choudhury urged the government and related ministries to take necessary initiatives and donor organisations to come forward in this regard.

Protest not

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female students, trading of hall seats, extortion, and torture against the president and secretary of the college unit of BCL.

On September 25, at a press conference, the two denied the allegations.

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Nightmare on

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Yasin Miah, a truck driver who regularly transports construction materials through the road, said sometimes vehicles have to be towed by another truck.

Contacted, LGED engineer SM Wahiduzzaman said, “The maximum capacity of the road is 15 to 20 tonnes. But vehicles carrying 50 to 60 tonnes of goods regularly travel through it. The road’s capacity needs to be

increased from scratch. I sent a proposal to update its category from ‘Village Road-A’ to ‘Union Road’.”

“Over Tk 100 crore is needed to repair the road’s main 4km portion, along with the management of Rupsha river erosion. But the road’s category doesn’t match with the fund that we asked for. Since the government allots funding based on the categories, the road’s repair work is also being delayed,” he added.

Threats remain

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attacks... There has been much progress on our side,” he mentioned.

Pointing out last year’s mayhem in Cumilla, the commissioner said there is a tendency of instigating communal unrest through fake social media accounts. “Such things can happen this year as well.”

“We’ve held separate meetings with the home minister and others. I hope there will be no untoward situation. We’re alert,” he added.

Bangladesh Puja Uddhayan Parishad earlier said about 12 to 13 mandaps have already been vandalised or attacked

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pursue a legal battle, considering further threats and inconveniences.

The forum recommended completing judicial proceedings as soon as possible with special emphasis on child abuse, rape and murder, and enacting a separate “Sexual Harassment Prevention and Remedy Act”.

It also recommended that the burden of proof in cases related to rape and attempts to rape must be shifted to the perpetrators, by amending the existing laws, along with stopping political and administrative shelter for perpetrators, and establishing a separate department for protecting child rights.

The recommendations also included providing gender-sensitive training to all those involved in the legal and judicial system and ensuring proper implementation of the existing laws.

in different parts of the country in the run-up to puja celebrations this year. Durga Puja will be held at 32,168 mandaps, including 241 in the capital, across the country.

The DMP commissioner said efforts are on to bring each mandap under CCTV surveillance. Besides, police and Ansar members, and volunteers will monitor mandaps at all times.

British national

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knocked on the door in the morning, the friend informed the hotel authorities. When they opened the door with their key, they saw him lying in the bathroom, he said.

The body was sent to Dhaka Medical College morgue for autopsy, he added.

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