

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ACTION FOR RIVERS

Join hands to save rivers

Say speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The time has come to think deeply about the benefits rivers provide and their gradual disappearance, said speakers at an event yesterday.

Waterkeepers Bangladesh organised the sports competition and prize-giving ceremony at the capital's Basila Old Government Primary School to mark International Day of Action for Rivers.

Sharif Jamil, coordinator of Waterkeepers Bangladesh, said rivers are now nearing death due to rampant pollution and encroachment.

Everyone will have to come forward to save the rivers. If the rivers die, humans, animals, and trees will go extinct, he said.

To mark the day, Waterkeepers Bangladesh and Jatiya Nadi Jote arranged a boat ride from Sadarghat to Basila. Bapa held human chain and token cleaning works at Sadarghat.

‘Protect Padma from pollution’



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STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon (Bapa) in Rajshahi yesterday demanded protection of the Padma river in the city by freeing it from pollution and illegal occupation.

They also said the government's move to protect the river through capital dredging would not succeed if the river remained polluted and occupied.

The demand was made from a human chain and rally held at Shaheb Bazar Zero Point of Rajshahi city in the afternoon.

Bapa in collaboration with Rajshahi Rakkhha Sangram Parishad organised

the programme on the occasion of International Day of Action for rivers.

Professionals, development activists and cultural workers took part in the rally.

The speakers called for the immediate protection of the river as well as the canals connecting to the river and prevent influential people from destroying existence of the water bodies.

Bapa's adviser Liaquat Ali, senior journalist Akbarul Hasan Millat, freedom fighter Dr Abdul Mannan, spoke at the programme, chaired by the parishad's general secretary Zamat Khan.

Setara Musa passes away

STAR REPORT

Renowned journalist and columnist A B M Musa's wife Setara Musa passed away yesterday at a city hospital. She was 83.

Setara breathed her last at Anwer Khan Modern Hospital around 4:00pm.

She had been suffering from lung infection, said her daughter journalist Parveen Sultana Musa Jhuma.

Born in Cumilla in 1940, Setara left behind three daughters and a son. She worked at different newspapers including Dainik Purbo Desh, Dainik Janata and Dainik Awaz. She will be buried beside her husband's grave at Feni's Kutubpur today.

Jatiya Press Club president Farida Yasmin and GS Shyamal Dutta expressed deep shock at her death.



We could not save anything

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"Rolling Mill Basti" where the fire broke out. Garment workers, rickshaw pullers, and other groups of people with low-income people such as housemaids, live there.

During the visit yesterday, this correspondent found that those whose homes have been destroyed are now sitting on the streets, not knowing how to start anew.

Following the fire, electricity, gas, and water supply have all been disconnected, and the damaged houses are still being cleaned. Some small fires continue to burn in the area.

Other families affected by the fire are in a similar situation as Rehana. They have been searching for their belongings from gutted ruins that they called home.

Alamin Hossain, a rickshaw-puller, said there was a television, fridge, electric fan, bed and a wardrobe in their home. They were not able to retrieve anything.

Construction worker Didar Hossain said everything they had built at home over the past eight years was destroyed in the fire. There is nothing left now except the clothes they were wearing.

Raise voice, break silence

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at the Embassy of Sweden, stressed the importance of raising voices against all forms of violence. She suggested that access to technology, digital skills, and education can play a critical role in bridging this divide. Stridsman also mentioned the different efforts made by the Embassy of Sweden to eradicate gender-based violence in Bangladesh.

Shaheen Anam, executive director at MJF, said, "We have been working on an anti-discriminatory law that

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MARIA STRIDSMAN
Deputy Head of Mission,
Embassy of Sweden

is currently under process at the parliament. Once the law is passed, one will be able to file a case against any form of discrimination."

She urged people to develop a mindset that

accepts diversity and called for a social movement against gender-based violence and inequality.

Sharmin Neelormi, a faculty member at the Department of Economics at Jahangirnagar University; Md Abu Naser, a GBSS specialist at UNFPA Bangladesh; and Jinat Ara Haque of We Can, spoke as panel discussants. They provided insights into the issues surrounding gender-based violence and inequality.

The event was attended by a diverse group, including students, female professionals from different sectors, members of the transgender community, women with disabilities, and representatives from the Harijan and indigenous communities.

Why are we

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Nasrul said the government wants to add at least 2,000 megawatts from renewable sources to the national grid in the next two years.

Indian firm Steag Energy Services had conducted a feasibility study for multipurpose use of land for renewable energy projects.

"One of the main goals of this project is to create a business model for agro-based renewable energy. One of the objectives of this feasibility study is to determine the best practice in agro-based solar projects in the country and abroad," Hamid said.

The firm presented the study in the workshop and proposed business models. After the presentation, the

state minister said, "Solar-power generation can be increased by using all unused land, waterbodies or building roofs in villages and cities."

"We have an airport in Dhaka that could be used for solar-power generation. We have two stadiums, many lakes, and rooftops of factories," he said, instructing authorities to make fresh proposals by April 30.

Director General of Power Cell Mohammad Hossain moderated the programme, and Power Secretary Md Habibur Rahman spoke.

Currently, the national grid gets only 259 MW (1.1 percent) from solar sources out of the total 23,482 MW.

Implement

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Although the ministry mentioned these initiatives, the committee was not satisfied, saying that the policy has not actually been implemented.

The parliamentary watchdog recommended the ministry and other related departments to take appropriate measures to implement the policy.

According to the National Policy on Older Persons 2013, people aged above 60 are the elderly people in Bangladesh.

Talent Search



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Vacant Position: 1

Responsibilities:

1. To provide advice on the technical and innovation strategy in the Group of Companies.
2. To advise refinements on the SOPs, policies and processes by providing overview, monitoring and tracking of all technical / development related matters of all existing and new projects.
3. To advise the leadership and management on all technical matters in the Group of Companies.
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9. To collaborate and provide technical and/or feasibility studies / support for new projects developments at different stages, unless there is any conflicts of interests.
10. To stay Up-To-Date and provide relevant information on latest technology, implementation and trend on power generation, sustainable and renewable energy to the Management.
11. To advise, monitor and review O&M budgets optimally of existing projects and new projects.
12. To assist with the training, mentoring and coaching of the business units and team members if required by Management.
13. All of the above shall have to be techno-commercially viable and in accordance to the requirements of the project agreements.

Key Requirement:

1. Graduate in any discipline of Engineering from an internationally recognised University outside Bangladesh.
2. Successful and proven track record with at least 2 international or regional power plant or infrastructure project experience from cradle to grave.

Technical Manager

Designation Level: Manager / Senior Manager

Vacant Position: 1

Responsibilities:

1. To prepare draft of quality control process and development of QC best practices at all existing plants and new projects.
2. To assist with the conduct of quality controls meetings and trainings at all existing plants and projects.
3. To provide technical and project management, including coordination, and support at new projects under construction, unless there is any conflicts of interests.
4. To review and advise on technical and contractual documentations, including variations and change orders, on the new project construction life cycle.
5. To review Quality Controls and Process Controls documents and provide recommendations for improvement.
6. To assist and monitor activities of EPC contractors to ensure compliance with the requirements of the EPC contract, approved schedules and provide recommend best actions on the EPC contracts and contractors to the Management.
7. To jointly monitor progress and attend meetings relating to the project construction, unless there is any conflicts of interests.
8. To jointly support the interface with the O&M contractor to monitor compliance and conformance to technical requirements of relevant contracts and applicable laws.
9. To jointly monitor all activities of every O&M contractor, engineering and technical consultants on all project related technical and engineering matters, , unless there is any conflicts of interests.
10. To jointly inspect and coordinate with O&M contractors for early identification of technical and engineering issues as part of the overall preventive maintenance measures.
11. To jointly review performance test / dependable capacity test procedures and test reports with compliance to requirements of project PPAs.
12. To jointly participate in O&M budget preparation process of all existing plants and projects.
13. To provide support with the technical training activities of all existing plants and projects.
14. All of the above shall have to be techno-commercially viable and in accordance to the requirements of the project agreements.

Key Requirement:

1. Graduate in any discipline of Engineering from an internationally recognised University outside Bangladesh.
2. Proven technical and operational experience with good track records in power plants or infrastructures projects.

Remunerations and Benefits

Salary and other benefits will be commensurate with experience and negotiable for deserving candidate. Main workstation will be Summit Centre, our head office; however the management of SPL might assign in other sites/ offices as and when required subject to mutual agreement.

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Purchase Manager, Tel (880) 2 55028008, Extn: 4164

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