

Find a way to implement CEDAW

Speakers tell discussion

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The government should withdraw reservations about articles 2 and 16.1 (c) of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) to ensure the equality of women in society, said speakers at a discussion yesterday.

Signed in 1984 by 186 countries, including Bangladesh, the full implementation of the treaty still remains a distant possibility. However, its implementation is necessary to meet Sustainable Development Goal 5, which advocates the reformation of discriminatory property and inheritance rights for men and women, they added.

The discussion themed "Crafting non-discriminatory laws and implementation of CEDAW", was organised by Bangladesh Mahila Parishad at the capital's Topkhana Road, marking the signing day of the treaty.

Ferdous Ara Begum, a former member of the UN CEDAW Committee, stressed that discussions should be held among the parties concerned including religious leaders to come across the opposition to the treaties.

"A total of 29 Muslim countries have ratified the treaty without any reservations. If they can do it, why can't we?" she said, adding that Bangladesh has signed many international treaties but most of them haven't been implemented or incorporated into the law.

Dr Shahzad Huda, professor of law at Dhaka University; Fauzia Moslem, president of Mahila Parishad; and Gita Biswas, vice president of Mahila Oikya Parishad, among others, spoke.

We maintain

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given us, we're maintaining a friendly relation equally with all. Because, our goal is to uplift the socio-economic condition of our country's people."

He said her government has so far been successful in achieving its goal to improve people's life.

The premier was addressing the Bangladesh Navy and Bangladesh Air Force Selection Board 2023 at the Secretariat of Navy Chief in Dhaka.

She extended her sincere thanks to the armed forces and all others concerned for their cooperation with the government.

"We'll not engage in a war with anyone. We'll maintain a friendly relation with all. We want to live in peace. But we'll have to ensure all sorts of preparations to safeguard our independence and sovereignty," she said, stressing the need for modernising the country's armed forces.

"We've earned self-dependency economically. Not only that, a brightened image of Bangladesh has also been created before the entire world. Bangladesh has been able to emerge as a role model for development," she said.

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manager of Khaja Traders, said, "I will investigate it, and whoever sells dandy to street children will be punished," he added.

According to the Department of Narcotics Control (DNC), a total of 47 children have taken treatment from the indoor department of the government rehabilitation center in 2016, which rose to 608 by 2021. It was 74 in 2017, 80 in 2018, 109 in 2019, and 496 in 2020, shows the DNC database.

Manjurul Islam, deputy director of DNC, told The Daily Star that most of these children are dandy-addicted and mostly stay on the streets.

"We have increased the monitoring and vigilance in the last couple of years, so the children are now taking assistance from the rehab center to get rid of the problem," he said.

Asked about the unregulated sale of the glue, Manjurul said "We have already brought the manufacturers and wholesalers under licensing."

However, it is not possible to bring the retailers, shoemakers, and rickshaw repair shops under licensing, he explained.

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awareness in these sectors so that these glues are not sold to children," he added.

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According to Dr Sifat E Sayeed, a child mental health specialist at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University, the widespread availability and affordability of the drug make it easily accessible to street children, enabling them to easily obtain and share it amongst themselves.

"It serves as a gateway to more severe addictive drugs," she added.

She explains that the drug poses a dual threat to the human body, causing two distinct forms of damage.

"Firstly, it leads to inflammation or wounds on the nasal tract lining, and secondly, it contains carcinogenic elements, making it highly harmful to health," she said.

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mind that the soil there is different from that in other regions.

"Many things might have been overlooked during the construction of this dam," Prof Sanaul added.

Md Ashraful Alam, executive engineer of WDB (Khulna-2) said they have already repaired some portion of the embankment.

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Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN	4-30	12-45	4-45	6-33
JAMAAT	5-05	1-15	5-00	6-36

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