

Addressing climate challenges stressed

'Bangladesh Youth COP 2023' held in Dhaka

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To empower youth to address the climate crisis and advocate for justice on national and global platforms, ActionAid Bangladesh and Brighters Youth Society organised "Bangladesh Youth COP 2023".

This three-day event was held from September 6 to 8 in the capital, to gear up the potential of youths in tackling the climate crisis.

On first day of the programme highlighted the role of youth-led initiatives and the pivotal Green Manifesto. It also underscored the urgency of prioritising renewable energy, establishing a loss and damage fund, said a press release. It said, around 100 young individuals

attended the programme, who raised concerns about issues such as access to safe drinking water, coastal and wetland crises, challenges in drought and floodprone areas, and many more.

During the opening ceremony, Farah Kabir, country director of ActionAid Bangladesh, emphasised the critical connection between climate justice and sustainable development, urging that the voices and concerns of young advocates must reverberate at COP 28.

Md Al Amin, a youth climate activist,

said, "Salinity is increasing day by day, which is creating a crisis for agriculture and safe water. We see a cry for clean water in coastal areas like Barguna, and Satkhira. Women and children are facing many problems. So, it's the time to take appropriate steps to prevent the climate crisis."

On the second day, participants from disaster-prone regions delved into their vulnerabilities and proposed sustainable solutions to attain climate justice.

The three-day event also organised discussions on the critical issue of loss and damage, particularly in the coastal areas, as well as on adaptation and resilience policies, the perspectives of young people in transition, and the impact of damage on children from the grassroots.

At the conclusion, the Bangladesh Youth COP 2023 committed to advocating for the Green Manifesto crafted during the event. The ultimate goal is to influence political party manifestos in upcoming elections, paving the way for a sustainable, green, and climate-friendly future.

Mattia Ventura from the Italian Embassy, Gwyn Lewis from UN Resident Coordinator's Office, Saleemul Haq, director of ICCCAD, and Farah Kabir. country director of ActionAid Bangladesh. attended the closing ceremony.

Barely runs amid

The centre also offers training in dairy farm management which is not under the centre's own management and has 22 trainees.

Of the 15 posts at vacant for a long time. The vacant posts are of assistant general manager, provide training properly. computer operator (braille), assistant engineer, computer operator, four instructors in different subjects, accountant cum storekeeper and nurse. four staffers employed presently are general manager, hostel supervisor, a trainer and a caretaker. However, the GM is on deputation at the Moulvibazar District Social Services office as deputy director while the hostel

their daily catch to local markets. The photo was taken yesterday.

Meanwhile, workshop, machinery automobile, electrical and accredited, but kept within the guidelines of the BTEB centre have remained unused since its inception due to a lack of trainers. Also, only two out of six computers and two out of the centre, 11 have been five sewing machines at the centre are operational, making it difficult to

> Shamimur Rahman, the only trainer at the centre, said academic and administrative activities at the centre are gravely superintendent, disrupted due to manpower shortage.

> > Contacted, Rahman, general manager of the centre who is on deputation, confirmed the issues to The Daily Star.

"I have discussed about the issue in the departmental (Sylhet) coordination meeting several times, but to supervisor at Sylhet Shishu no avail so far," he said.

Farmers unhappy

Aslam Mia, a jute trader from Kurigram Sadar said, "I bought jute at Tk 1800 to 1900 per maund and had to sell it today at the same price. There is no profit if the transport cost, labour cost and market toll is calculated. The price of jute was Tk 2200 to Tk 2300 per maund in the last week. The price is decreasing day by day."

When asked, another small jute trader Jahedul

ATM Khairul Haque, inspector of Kurigram district chief inspector's office, said, "The price of jute was good two weeks ago. Now the price is decreasing because most of the traders did not get their due money from the factories after supplying jute the previous times. So, the traders are not interested in buying iute now."

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NOTICE

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IN THE MATTER OF:-Anisur Rahman Khan

PETITIONER

Thianis Apparels Limited and others. .RESPONDENTS

This is to notify public at large that an application under Section 85(3) of Companies Act 1994 has been filed before the Hon'bl Company Court of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh for passing special resolution in an extraordinary general meeting and the application was accepted by the presiding Justice His Lordship Mi Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed and was fixed for hearing or 09.11.2023. Anyone concerned with the aforesaid companies having any objection or alternative plea, may participate in the hearing of

Copy of the application can be obtained by paying necessary fee from the office of the undersigned.

> Yours faithfully (Shamsuddin Babul) Senior Advocate Supreme Court of Bangladesh Law Advisory Bureau 62-63, Motijheel C/A, Amin Court (8th floor), Dhaka.

BRIDGE OVER BOALJHURI CANAL

Lives of 3 lakh locals to see a major shift

UNB, Chandpur

Dreams of some three lakh people in Kachua and Matlab Dakkhin opening of a 42-meter long bridge over Boaljhuri canal. Socio-economic life in the

locality will see a major change through the inauguration of the bridge.

The two upazilas — Matlab Dakkhin and Kachua – are separated by the Boaljhuri canal and people of the two upazilas had to cross the canal through boats. To mitigate the suffering of

the people of two upazilas, local lawmakers took an initiative to build a bridge in an effort to ease communication. Once the bridge is opened, on September 12. the social and economic lifestyle

and Kalikapur, Chartbhanga, Kashimpur villages under Matlab Dakkhin upazila will be changed.

district headquarters in a short period of time and at low cost.

A Alim, upazila engineer of Local Government and Engineering upazilas of Chandpur district are Department (LGED), said they finally coming true following the have completed the construction work of 42-meter concrete bridge



over the Boaljhuri canal, at a cost of Tk 2.55 crore, financed by the government, and it will be opened boost trade and income in the two

Former minister and MP of Prashannacup, Banglabazar Kachua constituency Mohiuddin Kalikapur High School said they villages in Kachua bordering area Khan Alamgir will inaugurate the bridge, he said.

bridge started in the 2020-21 fiscal People can easily go to the year but it was delayed due to the bridge.

pandemic. Approach roads have been built on both sides of the bridge, said A Alim.

During a recent visit to the bridge area, the UNB correspondent saw that the painting of the bridge is underway.

A number of stalls offering fuchka, coffee and tea were set up near the bridge while the construction of many shops is underway on both sides of the river.

People were seen roaming around the bridge before the opening ceremony.

Locals Abul Hossain, Shafique Patwari, said they had suffered a lot due to the absence of a bridge over the canal. The commute to the district headquarters used to be long. The bridge will help upazilas, they believe.

Teachers of Matlab Dakkhin had to cross the canal by boat to go to the school but now students The construction work of the and teachers can easily go to the school in a short time using the

Yaba leading youths

commonly found in 90 of the patients with suicidal tendencies. The study found that female drug addicts are more psychologically affected than male drug addicts, making them more vulnerable to suicide.

According to World Organization, Health Bangladesh ranks 10th worldwide in terms of suicide rates. The leading cause of suicide is drug addiction and dysfunctional family, said Dr Md Rahanul Islam, psychiatrist at the Central Drug Addiction Treatment Centre.

"However,

sharing among family members, mutual respect for loved ones and a positive attitude are key to reducing drug addiction among the youths," he added.

Rakhi Ganguly, senior psychologist sector), Dhaka Ahsania Mission, said, "Suicide is never a personal decision, it involves many pre-existing factors. Social media should play a prominent role in suicide prevention through campaigns on this issue."

Iqbal Masud, director (health and WASH) of the organisation, urged urgent opinion steps to address the issue.

What will BNP do now?

FROM PAGE 3 upcoming election.

national

"They are preparing to give candidates in every constituency.... How will have failed there too.' Tarique Rahman [BNP do not participate in the election? They have lost the game of movement, and they will lose in the final game of election as well," Ouader added

Addressing the event, the programme.

power to stop the people's

program, BNP's Dhaka

voice from the streets.'

People's govt after

AL Joint General Secretary Mahbubul Alam Hanif said, "Failing in the street movement, BNP relied on foreign forces. But they

"The cloud of conspiracy acting chairperson] do is disappearing... All the nomination trading if they conspiracies of the BNP conspiracies of the have failed," he added.

Among others, Ouamrul Islam, Matia Chowdhury, Dr. Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin spoke at

Of lost loved ones and incomplete goodbyes

shocked to cry, and everyone in Dhaka is now worried about my uncle's condition. It's a terrible situation for us," added Zubaer.

Kazem's highlights the severity of the ongoing dengue outbreak in the country.

At least 10 dengue patients died around the country in the last 24 hours till 8:00am yesterday, according to Directorate General of Health Services. Meanwhile, 2,748 others hospitalised with

this period.

With this, the total number of dengue deaths this year rose to 716 and the total cases to 1,45,335.

Last week, experts urged quick action, prophesving that dengue cases may fail to decrease throughout September.

SALINE IMPORT FROM **INDIA**

Health Minister Zahid Maleque, on the other attributed the hand, increasing number of dengue cases to a rise in population decreases.

dengue infections during the mosquito population.

"Many other countries have implemented effective mosquito control programmes and reduced their population. The number of dengue patients and related deaths is lower in those countries," said the minister while addressing an event at Colonel Maleaue Medical College Hospital in Manikganj yesterday.

He also said that the number of dengue cases and related deaths will not decrease until the mosquito

He urged the municipal authorities and the city corporations to implement an effective mosquito control programme.

Zahid Maleque also said that the government has approved the import of seven lakh bags of injectable saline to tackle the current shortage. According to

minister, around 3.5 lakh bags of saline were expected to arrive in the country yesterday. "The remaining portion is expected to arrive shortly," he added.

North unit President Aman Ullah Aman demanded the immediate release of party chairperson Khaleda Zia for

better treatment abroad. BNP and its affiliated organisation Mirza Abbas,

Mirza Fakhrul said, "It's Gayeshwar Chandra Roy, people's demand. Though Ruhul Kabir Rizvi, Sultan the government curtails Salahuddin Tuku, Rajib every right of people, they Ahsan and Rashed Iqbal, (the government) have no among others, spoke at the

Its like-minded political Presiding over the parties, who have been waging a simultaneous antigovernment movement, will also separately hold similar programmes. Ganatantra Mancha held a mass procession in front of Jatiya Press Club, 12-party-alliance leaders held a similar program in Abdus the Bijoynagar area.

Don't harass Dr Yunus

event.

FROM PAGE 3 ambassador, he could

have taken Bangladesh by utilising his global reputation and connections across the globe," said Badiul Alam Majumdar, secretary of Sushasoner Jonno Nagorik

"I expect that we will one will benefit from it. I am urging everyone to stop harassing Dr Yunus.

harassing him," he added. Speaking programme,

Affairs Secretary Projonmo Academy Abu Siddique said, "No one will dare to work for people if he is tortured in this manner."

Kalam Foyezi, president come to our senses. What of the Projonmo Academy, is being done is suicidal. No also alleged that the government is intentionally

Bridge construction

upazila engineer (LGED) in Sakhipur, said they are aware of the situation and public suffering.

recently recovered." He continued, executive engineer of LGED

in Tangail has already spoken with the contractor, and the contractor has assured us that he will resume the work and complete it as soon as possible.'

submitted a request to the office of the project director for an extension of the deadline."

Three held for swindling Tk 1.35 crore go abroad, they got into number on the official A victim filed a case with an agreement with the website of Kuwait and

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Commissioner of Police (DB) Mohammad Harun Or Rashid told reporters yesterday.

The detectives also recovered 40 passports, nine fake visas, photocopies of fake BMET cards, along with mobile phones and sims used in the fraudulent activities from possessions.

The arrestees are Shariful Islam (42), Abrar Jawar Tanmoy alias Rezaul Karim Reza alias Hridi Mahajabin (26), and Ahian Shishir alias Kamruzzaman Shishir (29).

The DB Chief said the fraud ring took up an office called Al Safar International at Dhaka's Gulshan-1 and used the office address to run their fraudulent activities.

If someone wants to would

fraudsters. Later they would collect real Kuwait visa copies of various individuals written in Arabic, using which they would make fake Kuwait visas by attaching the name, passport number and other information of the person who wants to go abroad while keeping the visa number unchanged.

The aspirant would then get certificates after completing three days of training from different technical training centres. Later, with the fake visa, passport and training certificate, the job aspirant would go to Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training (BMET) offices to give finger prints.

BMET

check the visa

office

The

find the application status approved. So, they accept 7. the fingerprints, the DB official claimed. The swindlers would then print a colored copy

of the BMET clearance card by writing the name and address of the person. After showing them the air tickets, they would receive the full amount of the money as per contract from the applicants. Later they would switch off their mobile phones, go into hiding, and vanish in thin

Shahidur Rahman, an additional deputy commissioner of DB (Wari), said that the gang has cheated more than 50 people and stole around Tk 1.35 crore from them in total.

Gulshan Police Station in this connection on August The DB official said that

there are already four other

cases against Shariful and

one case against Tanmoy over money embezzlement filed with different police The detectives also said that Tanmoy and Shishir both transgender persons. They used to take

different guises of both

male and female persons to

deceive the victims. Their true identities were recovered after a thorough investigation by the DB, the official said.

AHM Anwar Pasha, an additional director general of BMET, said they first identified the scam and informed the law enforcers in this regard.

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He mentioned, "We have learned that the contractor his illness. However, he has

Abdul Based concluded

stopped the work due to by saying, "We have also