Southeast Univ holds 8th convocation

CITY DESK

The 8th convocation of Southeast University (SEU) took place at the Bangladesh-China Friendship Exhibition Centre in Purbachal yesterday, said a press release.

Foreign Adviser Touhid Hossain chaired the ceremony as the representative of the President and conferred degrees on the graduates.

Prof SMA Faiz, chairman of the University Grants Commission, delivered the convocation speech.

A total of 1,922 students attended the event.

Five students who achieved a perfect CGPA of 4.0 and received the Chancellor's Gold Medal are Chandrima Chakraborty, Ariful Karim, Rema Rani Paul, Sumaia Aktar, and Habiba Khanom Lubna.

Besides, 27 graduates received the Vice Chancellor's Gold Medal.

Rezaul Karim, chairman of SEU's Board of Trustees; Prof Yusuf Mahbubul Islam, vice chancellor; and Prof M Mofazzal Hossain, pro-VC, also spoke. The event was conducted by SEU Registrar Maj Gen (retd) Md Anwarul Islam.

This cow and heron share more than just a field -- they have a unique partnership. As the cow grazes, it shifts the soil, making it easier for the heron to feast on the insects left behind. The photo of this natural collaboration was taken in Binoykathi village of Jhalakathi recently. PHOTO: TITU DAS

United Healthcare Jolshiri Cup Golf Tournament ends

CITY DESK

The United Healthcare Jolshiri Cup Golf Tournament 2025 concluded on February 24 at Jolshiri Golf Club after four days of competition.

The event, held from February 19 to 22, saw 492 participants, said a press release.

Chief of Army Staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman was present as the chief guest.

Maj Gen Hasan-uz-Zaman and Khondokar Moinul Ahsan Shamim, adviser, United Group, also spoke.

Moinuddin Hasan Rashid, chairman and managing director, United Group; and Nizamuddin Hasan Rashid, managing director, United Healthcare, were also present at the event.

Commodore AKM Maruf Hasan became the tournament champion, with Lt Col Mohammad Sarwar Bin Kashem winning Best Gross and Lt Col (retd) Babul Aktar as runner-up. Brig Gen Kamrul Islam achieved a rare Hole-in-One prize.

A preservation of language, culture

Unesco launches book featuring indigenous stories in 4 languages

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Unesco Dhaka Office yesterday launched a book titled "Of Roots and Heritage: Tales from the Hills -- Chakma and Tripura Communities in Bangladesh," featuring stories in four languages, including Chakma and Tripura.

The book was published under Unesco's Hooked on Peace Project in collaboration with The Asia Foundation and with support from the Japan Fund-in-Trust. The launch event took place at the International Mother Language Institute in the capital.

Written by 20 young writers from indigenous communities and edited by writer and editor Rifat Munim, the book contains 10 stories that explore the heritage, struggles, and cultural narratives of these communities.

Martyrs' families to get priority

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They will also get a monthly allowances of Tk 20,000.

The government has divided those injured in the uprising into three categories.

Those who were critically injured are placed in Category A. They will get Tk 5 lakh -- Tk 2 lakh will be provided in this fiscal year and Tk 3 lakh in the next -- in the form of savings certificates.

They will get Tk 20,000 as monthly allowance. The government placed 493 injured in Category A.

In Category B, injured will get Tk 3 lakh in the form of savings certificates and monthly allowance of Tk 15,000.

The government put 908 injured under Category B.

The Category C includes people who sustained minor injuries or have totally recovered. They will get Tk 1 lakh and monthly allowance of Tk 10,000. The government put 10,648 injured under Category C.

Meanwhile, a group of injured protesters continued their sit-in in front of the Chief Advisor's Office in Tejgaon yesterday for the second consecutive day. They started their demonstration at 11:00am on Wednesday.

They are pushing forward three-point demand including changes to the government's category system for compensating the injured, calling for the abolition of Category C.

About 30 protesters held the sit-in surrounded by law enforcers. Masud Rana Sourav, one of the protesters, said they reject the government's category, because it is discriminatory.

Urgent decision needed to utilise

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profitable, it leads to serious social issues."

Prof M Shamsul Alam, energy adviser to the Consumers' Association of Bangladesh, criticised the presentation for omitting the 2006 Phulbari movement, in which three protesters were killed and hundreds injured while opposing Asia Energy's open-pit mining project.

"There is an agreement between the government and Phulbari's people that open-pit mining will not be pursued. What will happen to that agreement?" he asked.

He did not directly answer a question from Energy Adviser Muhammad Fouzul Kabir Khan on whether he supported coal extraction, saying, "That can only be determined after discussions with all stakeholders."

Prof Shamsul also condemned the high cost of locally mined coal, pointing out that coal from Barapukuria costs $176 per tonne, while imported coal is available at $100 per tonne. "This is due to corruption. A Chinese firm was awarded the mining contract without a competitive bidding process," he alleged.

He also questioned the feasibility of reinstating topsoil after mining. "This is merely a rehashed version of old proposals," he said.

Dhaka University's Dean of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Kazi Matin Uddin Ahmed, called for a clear roadmap to mitigate environmental and social damage through community involvement and technological improvements.

Mohammad Saiful Islam, secretary to the energy and mineral resources division, said, "At times, we've struggled to pay coal import bills due to the foreign currency crisis. We must decide whether to use our own coal for power generation."

Fouzul Kabir Khan said the government is preparing a roadmap for the next political administration to determine whether to proceed with coal extraction.

"We aim to present various options," he said.

Notre Dame College hosts earth and space summit

CITY DESK

The 8th National Earth and Space Summit (NESS), organised by the Notre Dame Eco and Space Club, took place from February 20 to 22 at Notre Dame College.

The event saw around 2,000 participants from over 60 institutions, said a press release.

Sponsored by Western Engineering and Bata, the summit featured competitions and activities in ecology, earth science, and astronomy.

Md Nazmul Hassan, club moderator, praised the participants' enthusiasm. Principal Dr Fr Hemanto Pius Rozario highlighted the importance of STEM education.

The summit was supported by sponsors like Savoy Ice Cream and Dot Internet.

CCTV cameras

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According to BMP sources, CCTV footage helped identify 264 criminal incidents in 2021 alone.

The BMP operates through an Integrated Command and Control Section to manage crime and traffic. However, due to the lack of city corporation cameras, Metropolitan Police Commissioner Md Shafiqul Islam expressed concern over potential criminal activities during the upcoming Ramadan.

He said during a law and order meeting on Thursday, the importance of CCTV cameras was discussed. It was noted that over 3,000 privately owned CCTV cameras are currently in use, but more effective initiatives are needed to enhance crime control.

Professor Zahid Hossain, president of the Sacheton Nagorik Committee, highlighted the crucial role of CCTV in crime prevention in the city. He urged the authorities to swiftly reinstall the cameras to restore security and peace.

PRAYER TIMING
FEBRUARY 28

	Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN	5-15	12-45	4-30	6-05	7-30
JAMAAT	5-50	1-15	4-45	6-10	8-00

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

Accreditation gets difficult

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To obtain or renew accreditation cards, media organisations must submit a recommendation signed and stamped by a designated official of the organisation.

This recommendation must be submitted to the Principal Information Officer on the organisation's official letterhead, specifying the names and designations of the recommended journalists.

If a journalist is denied accreditation, they have the right to appeal. The appeal board will include representatives from various sectors, including national newspaper editors and judges.

Additionally, a system will be introduced to issue accreditation cards at the district level for journalists working outside the capital.

Instead of the previous two types of accreditation cards -- permanent and temporary -- the new policy introduces a single accreditation card with a validity of three years.

Under the new policy, an accreditation card will not be cancelled solely due to a criminal case unless a final verdict is issued against the journalist.

However, if a final charge sheet is submitted, the committee may suspend the card.

Azad Majumder, deputy press secretary of the Chief Adviser's Office, announced that the government will soon issue new accreditation cards under the revised policy.

Until then, existing accreditation cards will remain valid, he said during a press briefing at the Foreign Service Academy.

Law enforcers intensify drives

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and Order Core Committee launched nine initiatives, including operations in crime-prone areas by a joint task force of the army, police, and BGB.

In Dhaka, integrated checkpoints and patrol operations have been strengthened in coordination with the DMP and other law enforcement agencies.

Meanwhile, Home Adviser Jahangir Alam Chowdhury has once again ordered law enforcement agencies to remain vigilant.

During an early morning visit to four police stations in the capital -- Mirpur, Darus Salam, Adabor, and Mohammadpur -- he issued the directive.

Celebration of literature draws to close

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"Today is the day to buy books. I have visited the fair twice this year but haven't bought anything yet," said Masud Mia.

Nasimuzzaman Jony was seen chatting with friends by the lake. He mentioned that his campus is in Old Dhaka, so he usually buys books from Banglabazar. "But that doesn't mean I won't come to the fair. One of the main reasons for coming here is the chance to meet authors. Plus, taking pictures with them is a bonus!" he added.

Mazharul Islam, CEO of Anya Prakash, said, "The fair is being held in a different political situation this time, so there was some hesitation among people. But crowds have surged. Sales may have been lower, but the sheer number of people coming to experience books is still a positive sign. Even if they don't buy books now, they might in the future."

Meanwhile, poet Zakir Murad's two books, "Mago Tomay Bhalobashi" and "Kobitar Shishmahal", have been published by Mohakal Publications. Additionally, journalist Nahid Hossain's book "Katatater Diary" was unveiled at the fair, highlighting the complex and historic relationship between Bangladesh and its two neighbours, India and Myanmar.

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