



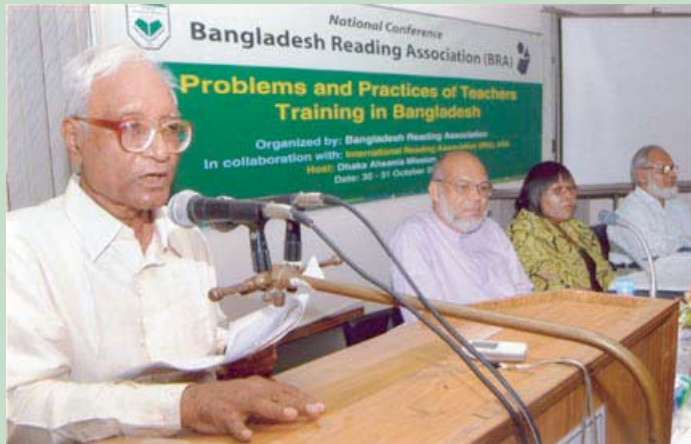
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BRA confce

## Teachers' training alongside usage of library essential for raising quality education

Teachers' training alongside usage of library is essential for raising the quality education. Participation of community in education system is essential. Widespread use of library for increasing reading habit will play an effective role in raising quality education. Professor Emeritus of Dhaka University Prof Serajul Islam Choudhury said this while speaking as Chief Guest at the inaugural ceremony of a conference on Problems and Practices of Teachers' Training in Bangladesh organized by Bangladesh Reading Association (BRA) in cooperation with Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) at Dhanmondi DAM bhaban auditorium in the city at 9:00 AM on Saturday, 30 October, 2010.

He further said, books are dependent friends. We must have to create reading habit. In reality, teachers should build up themselves *[See page 3]*

## Workshop at prison on prevention of HIV

A two-day seminar on National Sensitization cum Training Workshop on HIV Prevention in Prison Settings in Bangladesh was held at the seminar room of IDB Bhaban on 21 and 22 September, 2010.

Inspector General of Prisons Brigadier General Md Ashraf Islam Khan was present as Chief Guest at the workshop organized at the initiative of UNODC and active cooperation of the Home Ministry of Bangladesh.

Representatives of three organizations such as Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM), Padakkhep and Care Bangladesh who are willing to *[See page 2]*



## Number of breast cancer victims 16%, 2nd place in death rate

The number of breast cancer victims is about 16 per cent in the country while Bangladesh stands at second place due to the killer disease. Any woman can be attacked with breast cancer. The number of victims rises with increase in age. *[See page 2]*

## Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah's "Teachers' Manual"

### A unique material for teachers

Old noble deeds last forever. It reminds golden past. The Bengalees feel proud over golden past. There are so many materials for which one can feel proud. Great men of Bengal are behind those. They have kept their feats in many branches such as education, literature, science, arts and culture as well as games and sports. Former noted educationist and education reformer Hazrat Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah (R) (1873-1965) is one of them. In British India, he was the first IES among Bengalee population. Throughout his life he relentlessly tried to bring back consciousness of Bengalee Muslim society of the sub-continent. It is worth mentioning, he created ways for modern education of former Muslims through reforms in education system.

Hazrat Khan Bahadur

Ahsanullah (R) spent his employment life in education department. Beginning his career as teacher he rose to the peak at the end of his career. He had a clear conception of each and every subject of education system of undivided Bengal. This is why he was able to clear the obstacles of education system easily. Alongside he wrote books on education, teaching and education reforms. "Teachers' Manual" is one of his famous books which he wrote jointly with Acchut Nath Adhikary. There he dwelt in detail on teaching. Starting from construction of suitable school building and infrastructure he dwelt on various duties and responsibilities of an ideal teacher. This is why the book can be termed as a unique material for teachers' training. The author rightly wrote on necessity of this manual, '.....all teachers are not efficient equally. Why this discrimination? The reason behind this is lack of understanding on teaching. Those who possess the natural quality of teaching only they can attain efficiency in *[See page 2]*

## Extension of IT Union based training for creating skilled worker

A two-day training course for 20 ICT Community Action Group members of four Community Resource Centres under four unions in Jessore Sadar was organized at Rupsha Community Resource Centre in Nurpur on 20 September, 2010 to make skilled workers aiming at extension of Information Technology (IT) at union levels.

Dhaka Ahsania Mission's (DAM) ACCESS (Health and Empowerment) Project organized the training course.

Jessore Sadar Upazila Rural Development Officer Sheikh Feroz Ahmed was *[See page 3]*



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work for Prison Intervention 2010 and officials of six prisons of Gazipur, Barisal, Dhaka, Rajshahi, Khulna and Jessore were present. Besides, Dr Nasha, Matin, Lead HIV Cleanisan , ICDDR, Dr Monirul Islam, Social Mobilisation and Partnership Advisor, UNAIDS Bangladesh, Dr Abu Jamil Faisal, Dr Hasan Mahmud were also present. Lipi Chowdhury and R Gunashekhore were present on behalf of UNODC. Dr Mozammel Huq, HIV/ AIDS Advisor acted as moderator.

Issues like drug addiction, sodomy and various other problems were

discussed at the workshop. Discussants came to a conclusion that each and every prison is at high risk of HIV, TB, Hepatitis 'B'; and 'C.'

While working for Prison Intervention 2009, DAM narrated its success stories aiming at creating awareness among the inmates of prisons through trainings. Initially, Jail super and officials of various organizations formulated a master plan through group work. Prison Intervention programme is likely to be succeeded based on the master plan.

## Number of breast cancer victims

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Women are generally attacked with breast cancer in increasing rate than those of other cancer. Three fourth of women aged over 50 are attacked with breast cancer. For protection from breast cancer it is essential to detect and treat breast cancer as early as possible. Speakers said this at the inaugural function of International Breast Cancer Awareness Month observance programme held at Mirpur Cancer Detection Centre and Hospital (Plot-M-1/C, Section-14, Dhaka-1206) at 11 AM on 2 October 2010.

Speaker further said, everyone should shun the practice of marriage below 20 years and taking child at over 30 years of age. Print and electronic media should play a bold role in this respect. Speakers appealed to Ahsania Mission to conduct cancer awareness programmes of women halls of the universities.

While speaking as guest speaker, Barrister Rafiq-ul Huq said, we

want to construct Ahsania Mission Cancer Hospital as a modern hospital. He appealed to all to come forward in this respect. He said, diabetes cannot be cured permanently but cancer can be cured permanently if detected and treated at early stage.

Special guest National Prof Dr M R Khan said, unmarried women are at great risk of breast cancer.

Mirpur Ahsania Mission Cancer Detection Centre and Hospital Director Brig Gen (ret'd) Syed Fazle Rahim presided the entire programme. Alhaj M A Jabbar, MP elected from Satkhira Sadar was present as Chief Guest. Noted artiste Parveen Mushtari was present as Special Guest. Specialist Prof Mahbulul Alam and surgical oncologist Prof Haroon-Rashid took part in the discussion. Ex- health secretary and Ahsania Mission Cancer Hospital Adviser Mohammad Ali and Project Director Dr Md Lutfar Rahman also spoke on the occasion.

## Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah's "Teachers' Manual"

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teaching. And those who do not possess the quality it is a must for them to read books on teaching.' While narrating in first chapter of the book 'aims and objectives of education,' he wrote that acquiring humanity is the main objective of education. He stressed on development of physical, mental and moral education.

He stressed on three duties of teachers such as good education, well-management and good governance. He discouraged the education which is unable to nourish this power. Naturally this book is essential as we have been exploring ideal education.

While narrating on 'Subabostha', he felt the need creating an ideal school. He wrote, 'the building where school is housed should be suitable for study at the same time it is not injurious to health. He stressed on adequate light and air in classrooms. He dwelt on number of learners, bench, desk educational materials, library of school, museum and hostel. If his suggestions are followed then good governance is established in school as well as in society. At present we suffer from good governance in every sphere of life. He stressed on exercise of good governance among the learners.

In "Teachers' Manual" he stressed on learners' manner and self-control. The main objective

of education is self-governance. This is the best way to achieve humanity. He narrated in detail about teaching on various subjects. As for example in literature, arithmetic, geography, geometry, nature reading, science, drill, drawing and embroidery. 'General definition of teaching' was narrated 13th chapter of the manual. At the same time, he described in detail about Herbart policy, opinions of famous personalities relating to education and ideal questionnaires. Teachers can be guided properly by the manual.

While dwelling on 'kindergarten' Hazrat Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah showed far-sightedness. He said kindergartens should be like gardens where students can enjoy freely.

In "Teachers' Manual," he cited examples of materials with love and care for creating ideal teachers. Teachers as well as students can be equally benefited by the materials. He dwelt on every aspect of teachers' training in the manual. The book on discussion was first appeared by McMillan and Company, 295 Baubazar Street, Kolkata on 27 August in 1915. Although written in 1915, still the book is valuable at present time. By using the manual, present day teachers can be benefited by creating them as ideal teachers. As a result, ideal learners can be created. At the same time the nation will be benefited.



## AMCH, Markcom sign

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while at the second stage, concerts will be held at Rangpur, Sylhet and Dhaka divisions for the purpose. Money collected from sold tickets of the concerts will be donated to the cancer hospital. The programme will begin from the month of December of the current year.





## Extension of IT Union based training

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present as Chief Guest. DAM Programme Officer Abdur Rakib delivered the welcome address narrating the aims and objectives of the training course. Area Coordinator Md Rafiqul Islam, Technical Officer Tapan Kumar Ghosh, CRC Coordinator Md Zahidul Islam, supervisor Md Jahangir Hossain, CF Afroza Sultana also spoke on the occasion.

## Not only formulation of Child Policy

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Implementation of National Child Policy 2010 in observance of Child Rights Week 2010 at Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) Bhaban auditorium at 10 AM on 9 October 2010.

She further said, stress should be given on moral education for formulation and implementation of National Child Policy. Six crore 30 lakh children which means 45 percent of total population are below 18 years of age. For turning children into resources a child policy suiting to needs of time is essential. Government and non-government organisations should work in concerted efforts for implementation of National Child Policy. Population control issue should be build as a social movement. A juvenile friendly environment should be created during puberty of juveniles. Not only formulation of a policy but awareness should be created on social policies. DAWN Forum's Chairperson and DAM Executive Director M Ehsanur Rahman acted as moderator.

Speakers said, NGOs can play an important role in implementation of child policy in the same manner they contributed to formulate the policy. A clear-cut guide is essential

in the policy. There should be an independent commission on children's affairs. With the help of programme focusing on child development should be formulated from central to the grassroots level. A definite time table should be mentioned for materialisation of policy. DAM in collaboration with Bangladesh Adibashi Forum, Bangladesh Shishu Odhiker Forum, for Popular Education Campaign, Coalition for Urban Poor (CUP), Disadvantaged Adolescent Working NGOs) DAWN Forum and National Girl Child Advocacy Forum jointly organised the roundtable conference.

Country Director of ActionAid Bangladesh Farah Kabir, National Girl Child Advocacy Forum's President Dr Badiul Alam Majumder, Campaign's Vice Chair Dr Manjur Ahmed, Bangladesh Adibashi Forum's General Secretary Sanjib Drong, Organisation for Rural Advancement's Executive Director Fakir Md. Majharul Islam, Shoishab Bangladesh's Executive Director Hosnara Kashem and Jatiyo Protibondhi Forum President Khondker Zahurul Alam spoke as panel discussants.

## DAM founder's son

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his 1st Janaja held at the premise of DAM in Dhanmondi. On 6th October the 2nd Janaja will be held at premise of Nalta Rowzasharif Satkhira District. After 2nd Janaja he will be buried at family graveyard at the Nalta of Satkhira District. Special Milad Mahfil on 7th October after Magrib Kulkhani held at DAM Bhaban, Dhanmondi and on 8th October after Juma Kulkhani held Nalta sharif shahi Jame Mosque. President of DAM Kazi Rafiqul Alam expressed deep condolence and sympathy to the bereaved his family and well wishers.

## Materials, money distributed

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Distressed People's Food Insecurity Reduction Project. Upazila Fisheries Officer Dil Afroz Khanom was present as Chief Guest while Union Awami League Secretary Md Nurul Islam was present as Special Guest.

Training on fish culture in cages was imparted among 90 selected beneficiaries of Mahamudpur, Durmut, Jhaugara, Ghosherpara and Charbani Pakuria unions on 26 September, 2010. Upazila Fisheries Officer Shilpi Dey and Livestock Officer Dr Md Shahidul Islam were present. Upazila Coordinator Monowar Hossain of Food Assistance Project visited the training venues at Mahmudpur and Charbanipakuria. Asset Transfer Officer Md Nasir Uddin and Union Facilitator Nadira Begum were also present.

## DAM, Legato Services Limited sign

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aiming at gearing up various social welfare activities and raising fund. DAM President Kazi Rafiqul Alam and Legato Services Limited CEO Air Vice Marshal (retd) Delwar Hossain signed the accord on behalf of their respective organizations at Dhanmondi Mission Bhaban in the city on Tuesday, 2 November, 2010. At that time, former Secretary and Head of Corporate Affairs A Y B I Siddiqi, DAM's Social Services Consultant Dr Mozammel Hossain Khan, Corporate Affairs Manager A S M Arif and Director of Ahsania e-Solution (AeS) Engineer Fazley Rubby were present. Legato Services Limited will cooperate in raising fund for multifarious development activities like children's village and cancer hospital as part of Dhaka Ahsania Mission's social welfare activities.



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suiting to the needs of world standard. In his presidential address, DAM President Kazi Rafiqul Alam said, it is essential for teachers to create reading habit for their qualitative change. Teachers must acquire the required skill for raising their standard upto international one. This is why, they should prepare themselves so that they can compete themselves in world competition in subjects like English, science and mathematics. It is essential to bring all teachers in all stages under the fold of training.

President of International Reading Association (IRA) and Professor of Michigan University Prof Patricia Edwards was present as Special Guest.

BRA General Secretary Prof Md Ali Azam delivered the Welcome Speech. National Consultant of TQI-SEP Dr Md Gholam Rasul Mia read out the keynote speech. Board member of IRA Rizanila Labanda Sally of the Phillipines, President of the Asia Committee of IRA and Malaysian Science University Professor Embigapathy Pandian and Director of IRA Global Affairs Division Sakil Malik were also present.

As part of the conference, a Professional Development Course on Teaching of English as Second Language was arranged. The training course was concluded on 31 October, 2010. Besides BRA members, teachers of Bangla and English medium schools took part at the two-day training. It is worth mentioning that IRA has declared BRA their national affiliate in 2008. IRA network covers as many as 100 countries of the world.

## 315 distressed men, women employed in garment factories after training

Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) and Gulderpfennig of Germany jointly started a skill development training course for garments workers since January, 2010. Under the project, 630 distressed men and women have been able to raise their standard of living through employment in export-oriented garment factories following successful training in sweater knitting, sweater linking and oven garments machine operator courses. The project is being implemented through two training centers in Mirpur in the city and Rajendrapur. A total of 315 men and women got jobs in garment factories after training within a period from January 2010 to August 2010. Of them, 211 were women and 104 were men. On an average, they are now earning Tk 5,000 to 8,000. DAM bore 51 percent of the project cost while Golden Fini bore its 49 percent.



## Not only formulation of Child Policy, but also issues should be disseminated to all

Not only formulation of Child Policy, but also issues should be disseminated to people of all strata of society. Then proper implementation of the policy is possible. It is possible to create an effective child policy with coordination of government's education policy,

health policy and all policies. Meher Afroz Chumki, MP, Chairperson of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Women and Children Affairs said this as chief guest at a Roundtable Conference on Role of Civil Society in Formulation and

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## Materials, money distributed for fish culture in Melandaha

Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) with financial assistance of European Commission and technical supervision of Concern Universal and Inter-Cooperation distributed materials for fish culture in cages and money among the beneficiaries at Kamarabad Union Parishad field in Sharishabari upazila on 29 September, 2010. Those were distributed under a project titled, Poor and

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Aims at raising fund for social welfare activities

## DAM, Legato Services Limited sign accord

Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) and Legato Services Limited has signed an accord at the initiative of DAM Support Forum

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## AMCGH, Markcom sign accord to raise fund for cancer hospital

An agreement was signed between Ahsania Mission Cancer and General Hospital (AMCGH) and Markcom, an advertising firm, at Dhanmondi Mission Bhaban in the city on 01 November, 2010, aiming at organizing concerts for raising fund for the cancer hospital.

The Project Director of AMCGH, Dr Lutfar Rahman and the Head of Operation of Markcom Ltd, Takdir Ahmed signed the accord on behalf of their respective organizations. At that time, the President of Dhaka Ahsania Mission, Kazi Rafiqul Alam, the Advisor of AMCGH, Mohammad Ali and the Director of Administration of Markcom Ltd, Rezaul Kabir and the officials of the two organizations were present. The concerts will be organized at six divisional cities. At the initial stage, concerts will be held at Barisal, Khulna and Chittagong divisions

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## Expatriates donate 16000 dollar for AMCGH

Expatriates Bangladeshi have donated 16 thousand US dollar towards the establishment of Ahsania Mission Cancer and General Hospital (AMCGH) at Uttara in Dhaka city. Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) USA Charity collected this fund by organizing a Fund Raising event in New York Dhaka Club.

Vice President of USA Charity

Farhad Reja handed over the check of 16 thousand US dollar to the President of DAM, Kazi Rafiqul Alam on 24 October 2010 at Dhanmondi Mission Bhaban in the city. M. A Hye Assistant Director, Resource Mobilization Unit of DAM was present at that time.

It may be mentioned that DAM USA Charity organized a Fund Raising Dinner at the Dhaka Club of New York City on 5th August 2010 to Raise Funds for the under construction AMCGH.

Dr. Abdul Momen, Ambassador of Bangladesh in United Nation graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The organizer of the Fund Raising event included DAM USA Charity President Dr. Mansur Khan, Pharmacist Nuruddin, Naima Khan, Nazneen Khanom, Dr. Illora and Dr. Ivan.

While handing over the check, Farhad Reja said that they are taking various initiatives to mobilize fund to build up this Cancer Hospital. He hoped that if the expatriate Bangladeshis extend their support the Hospital can start functioning very soon.



## DAM founder's son Alhaj Mazharush Safa passes away

The founder of Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM) Khan Bahadur Ahsanullah's, only alive son Alhaj Mazharush Safa passes away from old age complications at 1 A.M. on 5th October 2010 in Mirpur Ahsania Mission cancer detection centre and Hospital (Innalillaha ..... razeun).

He was 88 years old. He left behind wife, son, daughter and many well wishers. On 5th October at 9 A.M. [See page 3]