

DU to observe population day

By DU correspondent

Dhaka University will observe World Population Day '99 for the first time this year. The decision was prompted by the establishment of a new department of population sciences under the social science faculty.

A number of programmes have been chalked out to mark the occasion including an open discussion at the Teachers'-Students' Centre (TSC) at 4:30 p.m. The topic will be: "Year of 6 billion: Choices and Responsibilities in the next millennium. Prof A K M Nurun Nabi, project coordinator of the population department will present the keynote paper, while Prof A K Azad Chowdhury, vice-chancellor of the university will preside. Pro-vice chancellor Prof M Shahadat Ali, Prof Rehman Sobhan, Dr Kholiquzzaman, Prof Nazrul Islam, Shu Yun Zhu of UN Population Fund, Mahfuz Anam, editor, Daily Star, Toab Khan, advisory editor, Janakantha, Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, editor, Daily Observer and other eminent journalists, educationists and experts will participate in the discussion.