

## Hasina selected for Pearl Buck Award '99

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has been selected for the prestigious Pearl S Buck Award-99 in recognition of her vision, courage, achievements in political, economic and humanitarian fields and contributions to peace and empowerment of women, a message from Washington said here lastnight, reports BSS.

The award was introduced by Randolph-Macon Women's College to honour the college's outstanding former student Pearl Buck who won the Nobel Prize in 1938 in literature.

The President of the College Kathleen G Bowman sent a copy of the letter to Bangladesh Ambassador to the United States KM Shehabuddin yesterday informing him of their decision to give the award to Bangladesh Prime Minister.

The award which includes a medal and cash will be given at a simple ceremony on the college campus in Lynchburg, Virginia, USA at a time convenient to the Bangladesh Prime Minister.