



Khaled Sobhan with his proud parents.—OBSERVER

Perseverance pays

By A Staff Correspondent

Khaled and Samira are the two glowing instances of what an admirably brilliant result can be obtained out of perseverance strict regularity keen parental care and great pains taken by the teachers. These won the laurels for Khaled and Samira who secured first and second position respectively in the combined merit list of the Secondary School Certificate Examinations (SSC) held under the Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education Dacca this year.

For Khaled Sobhan the result of his examination was no thing unexpected. A boy of firm determination Khaled told me that he had the confidence



Samira stood second in the combined merit list of the SSC examination. She also topped among the girls candidates.—OBSERVER

to make his position in the merit list. He had also the firm conviction that his labours industry and perseverance would earn him a brilliant result. He appeared at the SSC examinations from St. Joseph's High School.

For Samira also the result was not anything surprising. Samira who was never second either in her classes or any other examination or any competition so far had the conviction of making a brilliant result and in fact she did. Besides academic feat Samira had shown her brilliance in extra curricular activities.

Khaled Sobhan with always a smile on his lips is very amiable and intelligent. His father Mr. Abdus Sobhan a high government official and mother Mrs Roushan Jahan a university teacher made everything available required for their son's success. His parents are full of joy and satisfaction at the performance of their son.

Khaled gives tribute to his parents as well as to the teachers of his school who he said had contributed much to his brilliant results.

Khaled had shown the indication of his brilliance right from the beginning. He obtained First Grade Scholarship in the Junior Scholarship and stood third in Dacca Division.

Speaking about his preparation for the SSC Examinations he said that he had studied 12

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Results of the Secondary School Certificate Examinations of 1980 held under the Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education were published on Saturday. In all 82,999 candidates appeared at the examination of which 34,802 students came out successful. The percentage of pass is 55.26.

Of the successful candidates 4,514 were placed in the first division, 13,657 passed in the second division and 16,841 secured the third division.

The following is the combined merit list: 1. Khaled Sobhan (Science) St. Joseph High School Dacca. 2. Samira Abbasi (Science) Vikarunnessa Noon School Dacca. 3. Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury (Science) Momenshahi Cadet College Tangail. 4. Iqbal Ahmed (Science) Government Laboratory High School Dacca. 5. Qazi Nusrat Jamil Azhar (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School. 6. Mahmood Razzar Rahman (Science) Momenshahi Cadet College. 7. Ashequddin Ahmed (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School. 8. Saifur Rahman Chowdhury (Science) St. Joseph High School. and Mohammad Abu Bakr Siddique (Science) Adamjee Cantonment

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College Dacca 9. Etrat Ahmed (Science) St. Joseph High School. 10. Saiful Hasan (Science) St. Joseph High School. 11. Farid Uddin (Science) Shahid Raminuddin High School Dacca. 12. Habib Noman Chowdhury (Science) St. Joseph High School and Wali Ahmed Bin Kashem (Science) Momenshahi Cadet College. 13. Selim Ahmed (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School. 14. Mohammad Shah Alam Khan (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School. 15. Zuhaid Amin Ass-Salek (Industrial Art) Mymensingh Zilla School. 16. Sved Bin Abdul Aziz (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School. 17. Tanvir Ghani Chowdhury (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School. 18. Mohammad Tareq Alam

(Science) Adamjee Cantonment College Mohammad Hafizur Rahman (Science) St. Joseph High School Jahangir Hossain (Science) St. Joseph High School and Md Shafiqul Islam Siddiqui (Science) Gopaladhai K.P. Union Bilateral High School Tangail. 19. Simin Zeba (Science) Holy Cross High School Dacca. 20. Sabbir Ahmed Chowdhury (Science) Mohammadpur Govt. High School Dacca and Md Ashraf Matin (Science) St. Joseph High School. 21. Mohammad Sarwar Ali (Science) Govt. Laboratory High School Mohammad Yusuf Ali Mia (Science) Momenshahi Cadet College and Md. Shamim Iqbal (Science) Jamalpur Govt. High School.

HUMANITIES GROUP

Thirteen thousand three hundred eighteen students out of 32,302 passed the SSC examination in Humanities group. Of the successful candidates 126 secured first Division, 3,487 second division and rest third division.

Merit list: 1. Md. Abul Hasnat Dewan Adamjee High School. 2. Mir Md. Mizanur Rahman Momenshahi Cadet College. 3. Rubana Ahmed Vikarunnessa Noon School. and Nasreen Ahmed Udayan B. Dhalaya. 4. A.H. M. Ahsan Govt. Lab. School. 5. Kazi Sharif Kaikobad Govt. Lab. School. 6. Nazima Sultana Agri. University High School Mymensingh. 7. Shamsuddin Ahmed Govt. Lab. School. 8. Jasimuddin Narasingh and Imtiaz Ahmed Govt. Lab. School. 9. Jahanara Begum University Lab. School Dacca. 10. Aveshah Banu Shaheen School Dacca. 11. Md. Nazrul Islam West End High School Dacca.

COMMERCE GROUP

Merit list: 1. Parvez Shah Nawar Ahmed Govt. Laboratory School. 2. Md. Ahmed Tarique Govt. Laboratory School. 3. Sushil Chandra Basak Jamurki Nabab Sir A. Ghani High School. 4. Md. Mizanur Rahman United Islamia Govt. High School. 5. Md. Khorshed Alam Khan Govt. Laboratory School. 6. Sved Moazzem Hossain Al Dhanmondi Govt. Boys High School. 7. Zamiluddin Ahmed Ideal High School Dacca. 8. A.M. Masudur Rahman Bhuiyah United Islamia Govt. High School. 9. A.S.M. Baki Millah Dhanmondi Govt. Boys High School. 10. Asim Kumar Saha United Islamia Govt. High School.

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hours a day. His parents had engaged four private tutors for him after the Test Examination. He had no private tutor round the year.

Khaled is also a very good sportsman. Football is his favorite game. But he also plays cricket table tennis. He captained his school on several occasions in different matches and played in the inter-school football matches on behalf his school. He is also a good chess player.

Khaled takes interest in music also. Listening to music sports and reading are among his hobbies.

Khaled is the eldest of three brothers. His immediate younger brother Tanvir Sobhan is also a very good student and reading in Class Nine in St. Joseph's High School. He is the first boy of his class. His youngest brother Tahsin Sobhan is a student of Class Five and now reading in Udayan School.

A short story writer too, he contributed short stories and other articles in different national dailies. He also participated in Radio-programmes.

He wants to be an engineer. His father is Mr. Abdus Sobhan, Deputy Secretary Ministry of Information and mother Mrs. Roushan Jahan is Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Dacca University.

Cousin Samira Abbasi, daughter of Mostafa Zaman Abbasi and Asma Abbasi appeared at her examination from Vikarunnessa Noon School. She stood second in combined merit list and first among the girls.

Samira who does not like to be book-worm said that she had studied five to six hours a day before her examination. She always stood first in her classes. She topped the list in the Junior Scholarship Examination held under Dacca Division.

Born in a traditionally cultured family of the Late Syed Abbasuddin Ahmed, a legend of folk music Samira had shown her feat in music and other extra curricular activities. She makes programmes regularly in radio and television and conducted children's programme in both the media. She also stood first in extempore speech held on the occasion of National Science Week last year.

Samira also stood first in the first competition organised by the Islamic Foundation last year.

A prolific writer too, Samira contributed a good number of short stories in the different national dailies. Some of her short stories earned appreciation from many quarters.

She wants to be an architect reading, cycling, gardening, music and drawing, painting are among her hobbies.

Samira is the eldest daughter of her parents. Her younger sister Sharmini Abbasi is also a meritorious student and reading in Vikarunnessa School.

Her father Mr. Mostafa Zaman Abbasi is a reputed folk singer and businessman and her mother Asma Abbasi is a teacher of Bengali in Purana Paltan Girls College.