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Foundation of 3rd Science, Technology Varsity laid

SANTOSH (Tangail), Oct 12:—Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina laid foundation of the third Science and Technology University here today saying it is a step forward to meet the challenge of the next millennium, reports UNB.

She said it is the third step of her government to expand science and technology education, which will be a 'determining factor' of the next millennium.

"To meet the challenge of the coming century and maintain pace with the advancement, our government has identified science and technology as priority sector and taken diversified development programme," she said.

The university was named after Maulana Abdul Hamid Khan Bhasani, a revolutionary leader who lived at Santosh and fought for the down trodden throughout his political life.

Education Minister ASHK Sadek, Awami League Presidium member Abdul Mannan MP, Advisor to PM Khandakar Asaduzzaman, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Abul Hasan Chowdhury, Education Secretary Kazi Rakibuddin Ahmed also spoke on the occasion.

Awami League leader Amir Hossain Amu, Home Minister Mohammad Nasim and State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed were among others present at the function.

The function over, the Prime Minister offered fateha at the majar of Maulana Bhasani and placed wreath there.

She also visited Begum Alema Bhasani, the octogenarian wife of the leader at her residence. Rizia Khan, daughter of Bhasani, welcomed the distinguished guests.