

NEWSWATCH

HP'S WINNING SPREE IN ASIA PACIFIC REGION

With more than 1000 Consultants in Asia Pacific region HP-the leading world wide UNIX Vendor is gaining more contracts in this fast growing IT market region.

Some of the wins of HP are :

- HP and High Performance Technology Co. of Hanoi opened a Center for Open Systems Computing Expertise supported by the country's, Ministry of Science, Technology and Environment. The ministry is responsible for the promotion and development of IT and to execute Vietnam's IT 2000 development plans.

- Bank Rekyat Indonesia, one of the largest state banks in Indonesia, has chosen HP workstations and PCs for its online interbanking transactions.

- Reserve Bank of India has chosen HCL HP to modernize its national check-sorting facility in Bombay, India. The HP equipment will coexist with the bank's IBM mainframes. The hardware includes 2 servers, 5 workstations, 40 PCs, and networking hardware and peripherals using Oracle and informix software.

- HP Hong Kong has received the prestigious bulk purchase orders worth about US\$ 5 million for mid range UNIX systems from the Hong Kong government.

BUET STUDENT'S SUCCESS

A research paper of A.T.M. Shafiqul Khalid a final year undergraduate student of Computer Science Dept., BUET has been accepted for presentation and publication in the "49th National Aerospace and Electronics conference, 1995 (NAECON '95 U.S.A.)" scheduled to be held on May in U.S.A. The paper is titled "Seek Distance in Disk with Multiple Independent Heads per Surface". This was his 6th research project. Mr. Khalid is intended to join the conference. Other authors of the paper are Dr. S. Alam (Asstt. Prof., PURDUE University at FORT WYNE, U.S.A.) and Dr. Nayeem Islam (Researcher & Scientist of IBM T. J Watson Laboratory, NewYork, U.S.A.). Authors are highly grateful to Dr. M. Sahjahan, Dr. Ehsanul Huq, Dr. Siddique Hossain, Dr. Mohammad Ali Chowdhury and Dr. M. Kaykobad for their endless encouragement and valued discussion. They also thanked all friends who encouraged to continue the research.

AWARD FOR AT&T GLOBALYST 200

The February issue of PC/ Computing gives the AT&T Globalyst 200 their PC/C Best Award and Calls in the "Ultimate performance notebook."

NEW GENERATION OF CELLULAR PHONE

New models of cellular phone that work like mobile phones outside and cordless phone in side area being manufactured by large makers like Motorola Inc. Fujitsu Ltd. and McCaw Cellular Communications. They all are soon going to be a unit of AT&T Corp.

The new models are shown in 'Wireless '95' the industry's largest trade show held in New Orleans, USA, on 1 Feb. 1995.

AZTECH SOUND GALAXY MULTIMEDIA KIT

Aztech Systems Ltd, announced of its first Multimedia Kit that comes with its latest Quad Speed CD-ROM drive. This Multimedia Kit is an additional member to the Sound Galaxy Family. The kit comes with an enhanced sound card, a free pair of stereo amplified speakers and 33 of the industry's best selling multimedia titles for business games and education.

The Quad Speed CD-ROM Drive is to be introduced to the mass market. The Quad Speed CD-ROM Drive can be connected to the standard IDE interface on the sound card. The Quad speed drive provides a data transfer rate of 600KB/sec which is two times faster than double speed drives. Plus, it features an average access speed of less than 235 msec, allowing ever faster retrieval of information.

The enhanced sound card supports Sound Blaster, Sound Blaster Pro, Windows Sound System, ADLib and MPU 401. It is upgradeable to support Wave Table Synthesis using the Sound Galaxy Wave Tide daughter board for reproduction of crystal clear, realistic instrumental sounds. For Further details please contact :

Infotech Ltd.,

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BOU GOES FOR LARGE SCALE COMPUTERISATION

Under a loan provided by the Asian Development Bank, Bangladesh Open University (BOU) shall engage an expatriate international individual Consultant for its Computer Network System Planning & Development from ADB member countries.

The Network will be of 100 user (terminal) under Novel Network environment. The consultant shall develop computerised Student Information Management System using Foxpro/Oracle with remote accessing and delineate a phased program on computerisation in all divisions in the main campus and regional centers.

In the final stages of the project WAN and other advanced feature will be introduced.

SOFTWARE & SYSTEM INTEGRATION CONTRACT BETWEEN E&C AND WHO

One of the leading Software & Consultancy House in Bangladesh, THE ENGINEERS & COMPUTERS (E&C) has received the job to computerize Cancer Institute from WHO in February 1995. In a turnkey based contract approved from WHO Headquarter (Geneva), The E&C will develop multiuser software, provide AST hardware, package software, accessories and training. The E&C will develop a multiuser Patient Information System which will be based on a local area network (NOVELL) in its Mohakhali office. Nine AST computers as well as six workstations will be installed. The E&C will also train the personnel of the Cancer Institute in different subjects ranging from use of LAN, MODEM to SPSS/PC+.

SOFTWARE CONTRACT BETWEEN E&C AND CCL

The E&C has signed a software contract with one of the leading real estate development company, CONCORD CONDOMINIUM LTD (CCL). The E&C will develop a Financial Management System, Apartment Control & Monitoring System, Work Schedule Maintenance System etc. The E&C will do necessary system integration required for CCL.

Mr. Meer Shawkat Ali, Managing Director of CCL and Mr. Sohail Sharif, President of The E&C signed on behalf of both parties.

BCSIR SETS UP COMPUTERISED TESTINS LAB

Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR) has set up a computerised Mycotoxin/Aflatoxin Laboratory at its Institute of Food Science & Technology (IFST) wing to facilitate determination of Mycotoxin/Aflatoxin level in food and feed stuff of the country.

Dealers/stockists of food grains and manufacturers of food products, poultry feed and their exporters shall utilize the system on payment basis.