

IUCN Asia Regional Forum in Colombo from Dec 10

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The IUCN Asia Regional Forum, Asia's largest conservation forum, will be held in Colombo on December 10-13 to discuss, review and approve the Asia regions contribution to the IUCN programme.

The forum will focus four major areas - way to manage ecosystems as landscapes, support livelihoods and minimise insecurity and vulnerability, manage protected areas after World Parks Congress 2003 and failure of Cancun: trade, globalization and biodiversity.

A total of 23 countries, including Bangladesh, will join the forum to be organised jointly by IUCN (the World Conservation Union) and the Government of Sri Lanka, says an IUCN press release.

Representative from governments, non-government, research and scientific organisations, conservationists and donors will attend it.



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Participants at a discussion marking the Constitution Day at the Supreme Court Bar Association hall yesterday. The Supreme Court Bar Association organised the event.

Three Singer refrigerators looted

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A gang of youths took away three refrigerators and a capacitor of a microwave oven of Singer Bangladesh Limited at North Golapbagh under Demra thana on Sunday afternoon.

A rickshaw-van was carrying the goods when a microbus intercepted it at around 12.30pm.

Four youths got down from the microbus and posing as policemen, they charged the rickshaw-van puller, Md Alauddin, with carrying illegal goods.

They also handcuffed Alauddin, forced him into the microbus and sped away, leaving one of their accomplices on the spot. The man told the others that he was taking the van to a nearby police station.

Later, the robbers dropped off the rickshaw van driver at Narayanganj link road.

A case was filed with Demra police station.