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Only capable cops to get vital posts

Says draft guideline formulated by police HQ amid allegations of political influence, bribery, nepotism in promoting officers

SHARIFUL ISLAM

Amid widespread allegations of political influence, bribery, and nepotism in policemen getting posts, the authorities have formulated a draft guideline to make sure competent officers with repete get the posts they deserve.

According to the guideline formulated by the Police Headquarters, all tier of the force will have "fit lists" in which competent officers would be included upon evaluation of their annual confidential and disciplinary reports and some other criteria.

All transfers and promotions, including to the coveted posts of superintendents of police in districts and officers-in-charge of police stations, will be made from the "fit

lists", according to a copy of the draft this paper obtained.

Two committees led by top police officials will prepare the "fit list".

The guideline also outlined how long an officer could serve at a post.

Policy Group, the highest policy-making body of police, okayed the draft on principle on May 21 last year at a meeting with Inspector General of Police Mohammad Javed Patwary in the chair.

"Framing of a guideline on postings is necessary for increasing competency, gaining experience, bringing dynamism, and ensuring quality services ...," read the preface of the draft.

"The guideline is at the final stage of

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An underprivileged girl sleeping on a pavement in the biting cold in the capital's Moghbazar early yesterday. The day's chilly weather, coupled with rain, aggravated the sufferings of the city dwellers, particularly those from the low income group.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

3 cold spells this month

Met office forecasts rain across country

STAR REPORT

Three cold waves will sweep through the country this month and two of those will be severe, the Met office said yesterday.

"Also, there are possibilities of heavier rainfall than usual this month," added the monthly forecast of Bangladesh Meteorological Department.

Meanwhile, the cloudy sky and drizzle that the country witnessed yesterday may continue today but will start receding, said the Met office.

Rain or thundershower are likely to occur at different places over Dhaka, Mymensingh, Rajshahi, Khulna, Barisal, Chattogram, Sylhet and Rangpur divisions.

Besides, moderate to thick fog may also occur at some places in the country. Temperature may fall by 2 to 5 degrees Celsius across the country, read yesterday's weather bulletin of the Met office.

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PRAYER TIMING JANUARY 4

Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 5:30	12:45	4:00	5:30	7:00
JAMAAT 6:05	1:15	4:15	5:35	7:30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

World's largest flower

AFP, Padang

Indonesian conservationists say they've spotted the biggest specimen ever of what's already been billed as one of the world's largest flowers.

The giant Rafflesia tuan-mudae -- a fleshy red flower with white blister-like spots on its enormous petals -- came in at a whopping 111 centimetres



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STABBING ATTACK IN PARIS

One killed, two injured

Attacker shot dead

AFP, Paris

French police shot and killed a knife-wielding man who fatally stabbed one person and injured two others in a park south of Paris yesterday, police and sources close to the inquiry said.

The man had attacked "several people" in the suburb of Villejuif before he was "neutralised," the Paris police department said.

The attacker was shot dead by police

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Won't budge an inch

Says Indian home boss on CAA implementation

PTI, Jodhpur

Indian Home Minister Amit Shah yesterday said the government will not budge an inch on its decision to implement the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) despite the opposition's "misinformation campaign".

Launching an "awareness programme", he said the Congress was misleading Muslims over the Act and challenged party leader Rahul Gandhi to a discussion "if he has read the law."

The BJP will take out 500 rallies across the country, beginning today to reach out to three crore people, he said.

Shah, who is also the BJP president, said the party had to launch this programme because of the misinformation spread by the opposition parties on the amended law.

"Let all these parties come together. The Bharatiya Janata Party is not



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