Govt mulling closure

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Replying to another question, Maleque said, "It's not in the hands of the health ministry. The education ministry will take decision on it."

"We are in touch with them [health ministry]. We will definitely take the decision, but it will be based on advice given by experts and different agencies. It is a matter of joint decision. If there is any adverse situation, we will take decision in favour of closure of educational institutions," Mohibul Hassan Chowdhoury told The Daily Star when asked about health minister's comment.

"We cannot take the decision unilaterally, "he added.

Yesterday evening, Dipu Moni once again said till now no situation has arisen for shutting down educational institutions.

"We will close down educational institutions if we see that the virus is spreading through local transmission," she said while attending a programme in the capital yesterday.

"There are imported cases. We are trying to stop that; we are checking them [persons arriving to Bangladesh from abroad] at airports. Some of them are even being sent to quarantine," she added.

STUDENTS DEMAND CLOSURE OF UNIVERSITIES

Students of Dhaka University and Rajshahi University yesterday demanded suspension of academic activities, fearing potential spread of coronavirus

First-year students, mostly ones who live in residential halls of Dhaka University, gathered in front of the Raju Memorial Sculpture demanding suspension of all academic activities.

They also said medical camps

If anyone is found infected, the him to suspend all classes or start university authorities must ensure the summer vacation in advance, and proper treatment, they demanded. submitted The students

memorandum to the VC in this regard. No classes were held at the departments of economics, mass communication and journalism, political science, zoology and a number of others, as almost all students boycotted classes and ongoing examinations.

Meanwhile, students of Rajshahi University too formed a human chain with the same call. Around 11am, a group of students gathered in front of the Senate Bhaban.

Students of both universities said coronavirus could spread easily in classrooms and residential dormitories, as students are usually in close proximity there.

They also said many students have to use public transport to commute to and from the university, which can lead to further spread of the virus, if anyone were to be infected but not yet diagnosed.

TEACHERS' BODIES ALSO WORRIED Federation of Bangladesh University Teachers' Association vesterday submitted a memorandum to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, seeking temporary closure of all educational institutions.

"We urge the prime minister to direct the ministry concerned to take necessary decisions to declare temporary closure of all the educational institutions or to make the summer vacation effective before the scheduled time," read the memorandum, signed by its president Prof ASM Maksud Kamal and secretary general Prof Nizamul Hoque Bhuiyan.

Dhaka University Teachers' should be immediately established on Association yesterday wrote to the elaborating the reason, the teacher campus to test people for coronavirus. university's vice chancellor, urging added.

to ask students to leave dormitories immediatelv.

DUCSU MAKES 5-POINT DEMAND Ducsu also put forward a five-point demand to the university authorities, including temporary closure or declaring early summer vacation.

The student body, in a press statement signed by its assistant general secretary Saddam Hossain, urged the university administration to impose a ban on holding all kinds of political, social, cultural, sports and other events on the campus.

Their other demands include ensuring adequate supply of hand sanitisers at all residential dorms; setting up an emergency unit at the university medical centre; and controlling gathering on the campus.

In light of students' and teachers' demand, DU proctor AKM Golam Rabbani said the authorities will sit with chairpersons of the departments. hall provosts and directors of the institutes today to discuss the matter.

FOREIGN MINISTER FEARS PANIC Meanwhile, Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen vesterday feared panic among people, if educational institutions are closed suddenly.

Talking to reporters after a seminar "Bangabandhu's Unfinished on Memoirs: A Review", organised by BIISS at its auditorium, he said the decision will be taken in due time.

SCHOLASTICA CLOSED FROM **MARCH 18 TO 28**

Scholastica authorities have suspended all academic activities from March 18 to 28, said a teacher of the English medium school.

The authorities sent an email to all guardians yesterday without

said, adding that efforts are on to arrest gang leader Mona. Police said several

mostly near midnight and early morning. Most of their victims are pedestrians or people on rickshaws, officials said.

According to DMP, some 900 mugging cases were filed with different police stations in the capital in the last five years. Officials said many more instances alias Shaheen, brother-in-law (wife's brother) Anas of mugging had not been

reported during the period.

First big opportunity

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against BNP's single victory, since 1994.

Instead of giving up to history, Shahadat told this newspaper he wants to reconstruct it this time. He, however apprehended that "musclemen of ruling party" might spoil the festive mood of polls.

"We want a festive atmosphere in polls... don't want an election based on muscle power, but our recent experience is bitter. Ruling party men obstructed and threatened voters from come to polling centres," said Shahadat, adding, "Our polling agents were forced to leave the centres," referring to the 11th parliamentary elections.

"This time we expect the election commission and law enforcement agencies would play a fair role to create a level playing field for all candidates," he said.

"Rezaul Karim is a politician of fair image; I hope he would not allow any unfair activities in polls," Shahadat added.

Rezaul told The Daily Star that he also wanted a festive atmosphere in polls. "We expect voters to exercise their franchise in a festive mood," he told The Daily Star recently, adding, "I do not have musclemen... common people are my strength"

WHAT CITIZENS THINK

Advocate Akhtar Kabir Chowdhury, president of Chattogram city unit of Sacheton Nagorik Committee under Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB), said it is true that both Rezaul and Shahadat are the politicians of clean image.

"But none of them are charismatic political leaders," he said, adding, "Under the current situation where voters are not too interested to go to polling centres, had charismatic and popular political leaders been nominated, they could have drawn voters to polling centres in large numbers."

"As none of the candidates have The history of CCC polls is also on AL's experience to serve as a public side, who won mayoral elections four times representative, they are untested," said Akhtar. "I am not sure how strong they would be in performing their duty. If they fail to be strict in their personality, they might be misguided by party leaders and

deferred to April 16

A Dhaka court yesterday deferred to April 16 the hearing

date on charge framing against four accused in connection

In the petition, the lawyer for accused Maruf Reza

said he was yet to receive necessary documents which are

relevant for the hearing on the charge framing against his

Earlier on March 9, the same court took cognizance of

charges against the four accused -- Sagira's brother-in-law

Dr Hasan Ali Chowdhury, his wife Sayedatul Mahmuda

Mahmud alias Rezwan and alleged hitman Maruf Reza.

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adjournment of the hearing.

client in the case.

activists. Prof Dr AQM Serajul Islam Chowdhury, however, was of a different view.

Serajul, also president of Peshajibi Samannay Parishad, Chattogram, told The Daily Star that both the AL and BNP mayoral candidates are of clean repute, and that will encourage voters to go to polling centres.

"When tension prevails between rival candidates and activists of candidates lock in clashes with each other during campaigns, voters become frightened and lose interest to go to polling centres," he said. "But both the candidates have been maintaining their clean image so far in campaign... they are not seen to make any derogatory comments against each other, which is a good sign."

Amir Uddin, general secretary of Chattogram Kardata Surakkha Parishad, said, "If they [the two candidates] can attract voters to the polling centres, and if voters can vote in a free and fair atmosphere, it would be a great achievement from this election.

Bimal Barua, a resident of Saltgola area of the port city, spoke to this newspaper after Rezaul Karim campaigned in his neighbourhood on Tuesday.

"I have never had the opportunity to listen to him speak; today I heard his speech for the first time, and I am pleased... we need to elect gentlemen as our representatives. I have heard BNP candidate Shahadat Hossain is also a politician of clean image. It is going to be a tough contest."

Sagira murder hearing Body FROM PAGE 5 the suitcase inside. After a bad smell came from the compartment on Saturday evening, the bus driver, supervisor and helper informed the matter to police.

> Later, law enforcers from Ashulia Police Station and a team of Police Bureau of Investigation (PBI) recovered the suitcase and found the decomposed body of a young girl inside it, he added.

> Javed Masud, inspector (investigation) of Ashulia Police Station told The Daily Star yesterday, "We recovered the body and the bus driver and counter owner claimed that their missing passenger' brought the suitcase with him."

"We are trying to find the passenger who went into hiding, and identity of the victim," said Javed, "In primary investigation, we are suspecting that the girl was murdered two-three days ago.'

The body of the victim was sent to Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical Collage Hospital for autopsy, he added.

Mastermind FROM PAGE 3

Rab said Sharif knew Mofazzal and Monir, driver of Gazipur Takwa Paribahan. There was a feud between Sharif and the duo, said Rab.

Recently, they had an argument which led to a scuffle. Following that, Mofazzal and Monir plotted to kill Sharif, said the Rab-1 director. As per the plan, Mofazzal hired one Masud for Tk 10,000 to kill Sharif.

On March 3, Mofazzal took Sharif to Vogra bypass area around 11:30pm where Monir was waiting with his bus. As soon as they boarded the vehicle, Monir drove towards the national park. There was no other passenger in the bus, said

the Rab official. At one point, Monir hit Sharif with the wrench. The duo killed him and dumped the body in front of the park (gate-4), added the Rab official.

বিজ্ঞপ্তি নংঃ ২৪/২০২০ বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকে 'সহকারী পরিচালক (জেনারেল)' পদে নিয়োগের উদ্দেশ্যে আবেদনকারী প্রার্থীদের MCQ Test ও লিখিত পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণের জন্য প্রবেশপত্র ডাউনলোড করা প্রসঙ্গে

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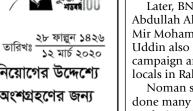
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০২। পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণেচ্ছু প্রার্থীদেরকে ১৫/০৩/২০২০ তারিখ হতে ০৫/০৪/২০২০ তারিখের মধ্যে উল্লিখিত ওয়েবসাইট হতে প্রবেশপত্র সংগ্রহের জন্য পরামর্শ দেয়া যাচ্ছে। ক্রটিযুক্ত আবেদনপত্রের সংশ্লিষ্ট প্রার্থীদের ই-মেইল করা হয়েছে। তারা ২৩/০৩/২০২০ তারিখের মধ্যে ক্রটি সংশোধনপূর্বক ২৫/০৩/২০২০ তারিখ হতে ০৫/০৪/২০২০ তারিখের মধ্যে প্রবেশপত্র ডাউনলোড করতে পারবেন।

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০৪। নির্ধারিত তারিখের পরে প্রবেশপত্র ডাউনলোডের কোনো সুযোগ থাকবে না। RAK Tower (7th, 8th & 9th Floor), Plot # 1/A, CERAMICS development. I want to Jasimuddin Avenue, Sector # 3, Uttara Model Town, Dhaka- 1230 complete the ongoing ব্যাংকিং ও আর্থিক সেবা পেতে হয়রানির শিকার হলে কিংবা mega projects we initiated NOTICE OF THE 21st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING কোনো অভিযোগ থাকলে ১৬২৩৬ নম্বরে ফোন করুন for a better and planned port city," he said. Notice is hereby given that the 21st Annual General Meeting of RAK Ceramics (Bangladesh) Senior AL leaders ডিসিপিঃ ৪৮/২০২০-১০৭৮ স্বাক্ষরিত/ Limited will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 10.00 a.m. at Golf Garden, Army golf club, accompanied him during তারিখঃ ১৫/০৩/২০২০ কাজী আকতারুল ইসলাম Dhaka cantonment, Dhaka-1206 to transact the following businesses: the campaign. জিডি-৫১৬ মহাব্যবস্থাপক AGENDA INVITATION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FROM INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT 1. 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Later, BNP vice chairman

ruling party candidate Rezaul urged people to "boat" to continue the development works.

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and cast your vote," he said.

Abdullah Al Noman and Mir Mohammed Nasir Uddin also joined the campaign and spoke to locals in Rahattarpole area. Noman said, "I have done many development works in Bakalia during my tenure and I want you [people] to vote for Dr Shahadat to continue that trend."

On the other hand, vote for their party symbol

Police arrest FROM PAGE 3 The arrestees are accused in eight mugging cases, police

with the murder of Sagira Morshed, who was shot dead in groups of muggers in the July 1989, following a defense petition. capital roam the streets, Judge KM Imrul Kayes of Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court of Dhaka passed the decision after Advocate Mahboob Ahmed submitted a petition seeking

- 9. Brokerage houses/DPs are requested to provide the statement along with detail of their margin loan holders on or before March 29, 2020, who are entitled to receive cash dividend of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2019. The statement should include shareholder's name, BO ID number, client-wise shareholding position, gross dividend receivable, applicable tax rate, net dividend receivable, bank account number, routing number, contact person, etc.

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