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collection booths to expedite the process. “We have discussed the issue with Chattogram City Corporation and Brac. Within a week we will be able to launch the initiative,” he said yesterday.
Dr Sushanto Kumar, member secretary of Janasasthaya Rokkha Committee, said not testing family members of a Covid-19 positive patient could result in a catastrophe.
“If such laxity and apathy prevails at primary level, how will we be handle the grave danger ahead? Such negligence will intensify the risk. The authorities must step up their effort in this regard,” he stressed.
Meanwhile, samples are getting piled up at Bangladesh Institute of Tropical Infectious Disease due to its inadequate manpower.
Prof Dr Shakeel Ahmed, in-charge of BITID laboratory, said they have at least 1,200 samples piled up so far. “We receive samples from 10 districts. Noakhali started testing on their own a few days back. If the other districts gradually start testing at their labs, it will help ease the pressure,” he added.

“Tough and immediate actions will be taken against employees and officials involved in corruption and those who are indifferent to their duties,” the mayor said.
“Corrupt officials will be fired no matter how high the post they hold,” Taposh warned. The mayor also directed all officials and employees of DSCC to work with utmost honesty, dedication and with a mentality to provide service to people.
“I want to turn DSCC into a corruption free and proud organisation,” he said. Taposh said they will follow the law, rules and guidelines to run the organisation effectively and hoped that all would come forward and support him.

Social unrest

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Chattogram division has the highest percentage (20.55) of cases, while Sylhet has the least at 7.20 percent.
Exactly 21.45 percent of cases were related to irregularities and corruption in disbursing relief.
Different forms of harassment cases were 9.76 percent, and the percentage of violent incidents, including physical conflict, were 9.62 percent.
Of these incidents, law enforcers were involved in 13.52 percent of cases, local administration 17.55 percent, supporters and activists of political parties 8.44 percent, village figureheads 7.52 percent and entrepreneurs 6.20 percent.
Among others, Dean of DU social science faculty Prof Sadeka Halim, IFES Country Director Silja Paasilinna and Prof Delwar Hossen of international relations department also spoke at the webinar.
The study was conducted in collaboration with International Foundation for Electoral System (IFES) and UKAID.

Taposh takes

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DSCC Chief Executive Officer Shah Emdadul Haque and regional executive officers were present at the meeting.
HOMAGE TO BANGABANDHU
Earlier in the day, Taposh paid tribute to Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman by placing a wreath at Bangabandhu’s portrait in front of the Bangabandhu Memorial Museum at Dhanmondi 32.
After placing the wreath, he stood in solemn silence for some time as a mark of profound respect to the memory of Bangabandhu, the architect of Bangladesh’s independence.
A number of local leaders and activists of Awami League and the DSCC CEO accompanied the mayor.
Taposh took over the

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dengue, chikungunya, and other mosquito-borne diseases.
In its recommendations, the committee said though it is the duty of city corporations to fight mosquito, it is not possible for them to do that alone.
It has to be done in a coordinated way. The probe committee also recommended taking up short-, mid- and long-term plans to fight mosquito.
It suggested forming a separate authority or body to repel mosquito centrally. Other recommendations include forming a high level or ministry level monitoring cell, examining effectiveness of insecticides and carrying out two surveys every year.

responsibility of DSCC formally on Saturday as the five-year tenure of outgoing mayor Sayeed Khokon expired.
The newly-elected mayors and councillors of Dhaka north and south city corporations took oath for office on February 26, after they were elected in the election held on February 1.
However, they had to wait for more than three months until completion of the tenures of incumbent mayors.
Five-year tenure of the incumbent public representatives of DNCC expired on Wednesday while that of DSCC on Saturday.
Dhaka North City Corporation Mayor Atiul Islam took charge for the second term on May 13.

Smokers at

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“This is why my proposal is to increase the tobacco prices and taxes to bring it out of the purchasing capacity of the youth and the poor in the upcoming 2020-21 national budget,” he added.
Dr Naznin Ahmed, economist and Senior Research Fellow of Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS), said “The number of cigarette price tiers be reduced from four to two because too many price slabs create the scope of switching between slabs and brands, thus weakening the taxation and price hike from having its intended effect.”
Adopting and implementing a simplified and strong tobacco tax policy is urgent to increase revenue stream from this sector and reducing the use of tobacco to the desired level, she said.
Dr Mahfuz Kabir, Research Director of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIISS) said, “A part of supplementary duty as specific tax could be imposed. In addition to other tax and price measures, a three percent surcharge on retail prices of all tobacco products should be imposed.”
“If these proposals are implemented, it would raise additional revenues up to Tk 10,000 crore for the government. Also, an additional Tk 1,000 crore would come from the three percent surcharge if imposed. The additional revenues generated may help the government recover losses caused by the coronavirus pandemic, to bear coronavirus-related medical expenses and implementation of stimulus packages,” he said.
Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique, former Vice Chancellor of Dhaka Univesity, said, “Bangladesh, right now, is a country of the youth. The future prosperity of development depends on the youth. To protect the youth from the detrimental effect of tobacco, the prices and taxes of cigarettes and other tobacco products should be increased to push it beyond the purchasing capacity of the youth. Awareness campaign should be conducted to make the youth and students conscious on the harmful effects of tobacco.”
Adoption of these proposals will prevent six million premature deaths in the long run, encourage nearly two million current adult smokers to quit and at the same time reduce the risk of infection from viruses like Covid-19, they said.

Mamtaz

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and a host of relatives and well-wishers to mourn her.
Her namaz-e-janaza was held at the Boro Masjid on North Road at Vuter Goli in the city’s Dhanmondi after Zohr prayers yesterday. She will be buried with state honor at Mirpur Martyred Intellectuals’ Graveyard.
Mamtaz participated in the Language Movement and the six-point movement and played an important role in 1971 Liberation War and the 1969 Mass Uprising.
After the war, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman founded “Bangladesh Women Rehabilitation Board” in 1972. Mamtaz served as its director.
Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina expressed deep shock at the death of Mamtaz Begum. In a condolence message, she recalled with profound respect the contributions of Mamtaz Begum, also a former Chhatra League leader, to the Liberation War.
Meanwhile, in separate condolence messages, President Abdul Hamid and Jatiya Sangsad Speaker Dr Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury also expressed deep shock at the death, and prayed for the eternal peace of the departed’s soul.

Obama slams Trump admin’s virus

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women’s golf.
“The moment I had always dreamt of finally has come true,” said the tearful 20-year-old winner Park Hyun-kyung, who was congratulated by her mask-wearing peers with elbow-bumps.
One question that has arisen during the pandemic is whether masks are an effective weapon against the virus, with little research on the subject leading several countries to backflip on their official advice.
A team of leading experts in Hong Kong said yesterday that research conducted on hamsters found that non-contact transmission of the virus could be reduced by more than 60 percent when masks are used.
‘CALCULATED RISK’
There have been positive signs in a slowly reopening Europe, with Spain reporting its number of new deaths dropped to 87 yesterday -- the first time the number has fallen below 100 in two months.
But despite the optimism in some European countries, the rising infection and fatality numbers in other parts of the world offered reminders of the threat posed by the

deadly disease.
The number of infections in Latin America passed half a million yesterday, as Chile locked down its capital Santiago following a sharp rise in cases.
Despite the surging numbers in Brazil, far-right President Jair Bolsonaro is keen to end lockdowns, which he claims have unnecessarily damaged the economy.
“Unemployment, hunger and misery will be the future of those who support the tyranny of total isolation,” Bolsonaro tweeted.
In Russia, which has the world’s second highest number of infections, the top health official claimed yesterday the country had “halted the growth” of the virus, just a day after reporting its deadliest day.
There were happier scenes in Europe, with excited swimmers diving into the waters off newly reopened beaches in France, Greece and Italy, while Britons enjoyed the sun in parks after lockdown measures eased, reports AFP.
Italy, for a long stretch the world’s worst-hit country, announced that European Union tourists would be allowed to visit from June 3, and a 14-

day mandatory quarantine would be scrapped.
“We’re facing a calculated risk in the knowledge that the contagion curve may rise again,” Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte said.
With the threat of a second wave of infections and with no vaccine available, authorities in many countries have asked people not to throng public spaces as they are made accessible again.
And a stark warning came yesterday from one of the top medical experts in China, where the disease first emerged late last year but has largely been brought under control after more than 4,600 deaths.
“The majority of... Chinese at the moment are still susceptible... because (of) a lack of immunity,” Zhong Nanshan, the Chinese government’s senior medical advisor, told CNN.
“We are facing (a) big challenge, it’s not better than the foreign countries I think at the moment.”
But with people growing weary of confinement and suffering immense economic pain, pressure is growing on governments to ease lockdowns despite the threat of a second wave.

Court

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All operations of regular courts are currently suspended due to the nationwide shutdown induced by the coronavirus pandemic.
Kishore and Mushtaq are among 11 people, including two journalists, who were charged with “spreading rumours and carrying out anti-government activities” under the Digital Security Act on May 6.
Rab-3 Assistant Director Abu Bakar Siddique said Swedish-Bangladeshi journalist Tasneem Khalil who runs Netra News, US-based journalist Shahed Alam and blogger Asif Mohiuddin are also among those named in the case.
According to the FIR, Kishore was picked up on May 5 from his Kakrail home. It mentioned that upon interrogation, he disclosed the name of Mushtaq who was then apprehended from his Lalmatia house on the same day. However, Mushtaq’s family alleged that he was picked up on the early hours of May 4.
Kishore and Mushtaq landed in jail after they were produced before a Dhaka court on May 6.

Rohingya

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triggering a “gunfight”, claimed the BGB official.
The BGB members found a drug peddler, who was hit by bullets, at the spot, while others managed to flee the scene.
The injured was taken to Teknaf Upazila Health Complex and later shifted to Cox’s Bazar Sadar Hospital for better treatment, where doctors declared him dead, said Foysal.
Later, he was identified as Saker, a Rohingya man, said the BGB official.
Two BGB members were hurt and they took treatment at the upazila health complex.
The BGB team also claimed to have recovered 2.40 lakh yaba tablets, a homemade gun, two cartridges, and a sharp weapon from the spot.

NZ PM

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Thursday, but must maintain social distancing between tables and customers must remain seated.
A diner who saw Arden refused entry told Stuff media that a cafe employee “had to awkwardly say it was full and there were no tables, and they left.”
Fortunately for Arden’s party, other diners left soon after, and staff from the cafe were able to run down the street to invite the prime minister back.
“Was very nice of them to chase us down the street when a spot freed up. A+ service,” Gayford tweeted.

Good yield likely

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However, litchi farmers have been facing heavy losses for two years in a row now as the yearly harvest has coincided with the month of Ramadan. Traders said litchi is consumed less during the month of fasting.
This year, in addition, the ongoing shutdown has caused panic among litchi farmers that the same losses will be repeated, if not more. Many farmers and traders stand to lose the capital they invested.
“Litchi will rot in the orchards if this situation continues,” said Moyez Uddin of Khansama upazila.
Due to the shutdown and fear of infection, traders from other districts are reluctant to travel to Dinajpur, he added.
There is high demand of litchi in Dhaka, Chattogram and Sylhet, but traders of these districts could not come to Dinajpur to book the orchards, said orchard owners.
So, farmers will have to cope with yet another year of heavy losses, said Osman Gani of Khansama. He faces a loss of Tk 1 lakh, if 25 percent of litchi from his orchard goes unsold.
“This year, coronavirus will ruin our business. May God help us,” said Osman.
Litchi farmers urged the government to give them some way out of yet another year of losses. They also emphasised setting up facilities where litchi can be stored for at least six months.

Mahmudul Alam, the deputy commissioner of Dinajpur, said the situation is being monitored. If everything is well, his office will take steps to facilitate the transport of litchi across the country, he added.
On Saturday, the agriculture ministry announced a ten-point initiative and recommendations to improve the transportation and marketing of seasonal fruits in an attempt to reduce food waste and losses of farmers at this time.
The recommendations include reduction of the toll on Bangabandhu bridge for the empty trucks returning after delivering food items, assurance of smooth movement of traders from other districts to the fruit-growing areas, and extension of banking hours in those areas.
FAMOUS LITCHI OF DINAJPUR
Litchi of Dinajpur Sadar and Biral upazila, in particular, have a distinctive taste.
Bombai, Madras, China-1, 2 and 3 and Bedana varieties are grown in Dinajpur. Of these, Bedana is reportedly the best-tasting and hence, most expensive variety.
Litchi is being grown on 5,200 hectares of land in all 13 upazilas of Dinajpur this year, with production slated to be around 35,000 metric tonnes.
Officials of the horticulture department in Dinajpur said there are 4,000 large and small-scale litchi orchards in the district.

Disinfectant spraying can

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time needed to inactivate pathogens.”
The WHO said that streets and pavements are not considered as “reservoirs of infection” of Covid-19, adding that spraying disinfectants, even outside, can be “dangerous for human health”.
The document also stresses that spraying individuals with disinfectants is “not recommended under any circumstances”.
“This could be physically and psychologically harmful and would not reduce an infected person’s ability to spread the virus through droplets or contact,” said the document.
Spraying chlorine or other toxic chemicals on people can cause eye and skin irritation, bronchospasm and gastrointestinal effects, it adds.
The organisation is also warning against the systematic spraying and fumigating of disinfectants on to surfaces in indoor

spaces, citing a study that has shown it to be ineffective outside direct spraying areas.
“If disinfectants are to be applied, this should be done with a cloth or wipe that has been soaked in disinfectant,” it says.
The SARS-CoV-2 virus, the cause of the pandemic that has killed more than 312,000 people worldwide since its appearance in late December in China, can attach itself to surfaces and objects.
However, no precise information is currently available for the period during which the viruses remain infectious on the various surfaces.
Studies have shown that the virus can stay on several types of surfaces for several days. However, these maximum durations are only theoretical because they are recorded under laboratory conditions and should be “interpreted with caution” in the real-world environment.

21-member education

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decides to increase supply of essential goods like sugar.
OFFICIAL RELATIONSHIP ESTABLISHED BETWEEN BANGLADESH AND THE US
The newly appointed American Chargé d’affaires Herbert D Spivack today submits his credential to the Foreign Minister of Bangladesh Abdus Samad Azad. Later, he calls on Finance Minister Tajuddin Ahmad and discusses various bilateral issues. Yesterday, Bangladeshi Chargé d’affaires Enayet Karim submitted his credential along with a letter from Bangabandhu to the US Government.
POLICE REFORM PROPOSAL TABLED
A reform proposal for the police force has been tabled recently, informs a government source. The goal of the reform project is to build a pro-people police force invested with the spirit of the Liberation War. It will also help bring a revolutionary change in the mindset of the members of police as well as the general people’s perception about them, adds the government source. The proposal also includes recruitment of adequate number of police personnel,

extended training schemes and purchase of modern weapons and ammunition.
SOURCE: May 19, 1972 issue of Dainik Bangla.
China’s envoy
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Magen David Adom as saying the cause of death appeared to be a cardiac incident.
A spokesman for the medical service would not provide any official information.
Du had undergone a 14-day home quarantine on arrival in Israel because of the new coronavirus outbreak, according to an interview with local media in May.
On April 2, Israel Hayom, the top-circulation Hebrew newspaper, published an editorial by Du on the theme that “Collaboration is the Cure for the Virus”.
China and Israel, a strong US ally, have boosted cooperation in the high-tech and other sectors, leading Washington to urge Israel to limit Chinese investment in its strategic sectors.
Chinese embassy spokesman Wang Yongjun in a recent Jerusalem Post commentary rejected the claim and called Sino-Israeli cooperation a “win-win” situation.



গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

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কমান্ড্যান্টের কার্যালয়

এপিবিএন এবং বিশেষায়িত ট্রেনিং সেন্টার খাগড়াছড়ি।

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দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-০৪/২০২০

তারিখ-১৭/০৫/২০২০খ্রিঃ।

দি পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিবিএল/২০০৬ ও সংশোধনী/২০০৮ মোতাবেক যোগ্যতা ও অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিম্নে হতে সিভিউলে উল্লিখিত শর্তাদুয়ারী কোডেটে রেটে সীলসেহরকৃত বামে এপিবিএন সোর্সের ২০২০-২০২১ অর্থ সালের ১ম ও ২য় কোয়ার্টার ০১ জুলাই/২০২০ হইতে ৩১ ডিসেম্বর/২০২০ খ্রিঃ মাস পর্যন্ত সময়ের জন্য কোলোস্টেলমুক্ত সুপার রিফাইন্ড জোজা তৈল (সেরাবিন) এবং হোট দানার (দেশী) মসুর ডাল বিএসটিআই কর্তৃক অনুমোদিত স্বচ্ছ পলি প্যাকে সরবরাহ কাজের দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে।

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০২	হোট দানার (দেশী) মসুর ডাল বিএসটিআই কর্তৃক অনুমোদিত স্বচ্ছ পলি প্যাকে সরবরাহ কাজ।	চাহিদা মত	১০,০০০/-	৪০০/-	

বিঃ দ্রঃ- ০১। কোলোস্টেলমুক্ত সুপার রিফাইন্ড জোজা তৈল (সেরাবিন) সরবরাহের ক্ষেত্রে ভিটামিন এ দ্বারা সমৃদ্ধকরণ এর মাত্রা হবে ১৫ হতে ৩০ পিপিএম (Parts per million) অর্থাৎ প্রতিগ্রাম জোজা তৈলে অন্তরা ০.০১৫ হতে অনধিক ০.০৩০ মিলিগ্রাম ভিটামিন এ (০.০১৫-০.০৩০ mg/g) এবং হাইসিল-২ এর (১) মোতাবেক বাজারজাতকৃত জোজা তৈলের বোতল, টিন কিংবা প্যাকেটে প্রদর্শিতব্য গ্রন্থীক “সরিক পুটি সুস্থ জীবন” থাকতে হবে। দরপত্রের সাথে দাখিলকৃত নমুনা এবং গ্রহণের সময় Random Sample নমুনা সমগ্রহণপূর্বক পরীক্ষার জন্য Accredited ল্যাবরেটরীতে প্রেরণ করা হবে এবং উক্ত ল্যাবরেটরীতে প্রেরণ সময়েই যাবতীয় ব্যয় নির্বাহিত সরদারতাকে বহন করতে হবে।

০২। সমাজসেবা সত্তা কোন কারন দর্শনো ব্যতিক্রমে সকল প্রকার দরপত্র গ্রহণ অথবা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।



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