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admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

The other infected judges and staff members are receiving treatment at their residences, according to the sources.

Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain has talked to all the infected judges and asked officials concerned to take necessary actions to ensure proper treatment of the judges.

The chief justice also asked the district judges concerned to take appropriate measures for the treatment of the infected staff.

Two separate committees have recently been formed to ensure the treatment of the infected judges across the country.

Earlier last month, the law ministry set up a monitoring cell to ensure treatment of the lower court judges.

Law Minister Anisul Huq is giving necessary directives to the monitoring cell to this effect, law ministry sources said.

Bolivia

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"We were overwhelmed," said Villazon, likening the incident to a "terrorist attack". No serious violence was reported by police.

The villagers had previously held protests demanding the mayor take down the masts over fears that they could spread Covid-19, according to the newspaper.

Interior Minister Arturo Murillo said on Twitter that people loyal to former president Evo Morales were destroying masts in Yapacani as well as San Julian and Ichilo, two other eastern towns.

Bolivia's communications ministry issued a statement reminding people that 5G technology is not available in the country and that it is not linked to the respiratory illness.

Virus clusters

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While these cases have caused concern about a resurgence in countries that had suppressed their outbreaks, the disease is gaining momentum in other regions with massive populations.

Known infections in India have crossed 330,000, and already stretched authorities are bracing for the monsoon season, which causes outbreaks of illnesses such as dengue fever and malaria every year.

People rush

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several hours for a ticket, but in vain. A staffer at the counter said all tickets until the middle of next month were booked. I will lose my job if I fail to fly to Italy within next two weeks," said expatriate Bangladeshi Shamim Hossain who came home in January.

Like Shamim, some others complained that they didn't get tickets of Qatar Airways flights to travel to different Middle Eastern countries. They said they were also at risk of losing their jobs if they failed to reach their destinations within the next couple of weeks.

Speaking to this correspondent on condition of anonymity, a Qatar Airways official said they were issuing tickets considering the priorities of passengers.

"Our priority is to give tickets to passengers whose visas will expire soon and who are at risk of losing jobs," added the official.

Flight operations on all international and domestic routes, except for China, remained suspended since March 21 to curb the spread of Covid-19.

Flight operations on domestic routes resumed on June 1 on a limited scale. Carriers were allowed to operate flights on three domestic routes out of seven.

CAAB Chairman Air Vice Marshal M Mafidur Rahman said a Qatar Airways commercial flight, carrying 33 transit passengers from Doha, touched down at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport at 2:10am yesterday. It left for Doha with 274 transit travelers.

On June 11, the government decided to resume operations of Biman Bangladesh Airlines flights on Dhaka-London-Dhaka route. It granted permission to Qatar Airways to operate three flights a week from yesterday on Doha-Dhaka-Doha route on the condition that those would carry only transit passengers.

The CAAB chairman said they made all preparations to resume operations of international flights in line with health guidelines, prepared following instructions of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

The CAAB installed a disinfectant tunnel at a boarding gate of Dhaka airport for arriving passengers.

Qatar Airways will operate flights on Doha-Dhaka-Doha route on every Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

However, Biman has decided to operate Dhaka-London-Dhaka flights from June 21.

Tahera Khandaker, deputy general manager (public relations) of Biman, said they would initially operate one flight to London from Dhaka on every Sunday.

The CAAB chairman said they want to reestablish air links with different other countries considering the demand for flight tickets.

Ratan, a seventh grader, carrying grass to his home on Shalukha char of Bogura's Sariakandi upazila. He helps his parents with work on the char as his school remains closed on account of the Covid-19 outbreak. While students from primary to college level have been trying to study at home or take online classes, those in areas with no electricity or limited internet access are not being able to keep up. PHOTO: MOSTAFA SHOBUJ

Shutdown stopped their lessons

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Young children and teenagers, from primary to the college level, were seen whiling away the time playing with their friends. Some were working in the fields or otherwise helping their parents.

Eighteen-year-old Md Shakil Mia, from Char Batiaya in Bogura's Sariakandi upazila, is in the first year of HSC at Sariakandi Degree College.

For a teenager on the chars, access to the outside world is limited anyway. Shakil's family has no television at home and no one owns a smartphone -- meaning he cannot take advantage of remote learning at home as others.

"Since the college closed, I am either sitting at home or playing cricket with others. I heard TV classes are going on, but I don't have that opportunity," said Shakil.

Md Tarek Sarker, a fourth-grader from Char Batiaya, said, "The school is closed and I am doing nothing except playing with my friends all day long. There is no one at my home to teach me."

On the chars, there is no alternative to school education -- digital or otherwise.

A parent on Kuripara char, with a population of 3,000, 38-year-old Bablu Mia's two children study at the local government primary school.

"After the school closed, they have no opportunity to learn to read and write at home as my wife and I are both illiterate."

Poor families on the chars have also come to depend on the stipends their children receive for attending school, under the government's Primary Education Stipend Programme.

On Moiyurer Char, 40-year-old Kohinoor Begum has two children in the local government primary school.

"My elder son Alam is in class five and he would get Tk 300 and my daughter in class one would get Tk 150 each month. These last two months, they are not getting this money from the school after it was closed."

According to the Gaibandha district primary education office, there are around 100 primary schools in char areas under Gaibandha Sadar, Saghata, Fulchari, and Sundarganj upazilas. There are around 15,000 students studying in these primary schools.

There are also over 5,000 schoolchildren from the chars who study in schools on the mainland, said Md Hosen Ali, Gaibandha district primary education officer.

"Electricity and TVs are rare in the char areas of Gaibandha. In very few houses, you can find a TV run by solar power or charger-battery," Hosen Ali told The Daily Star.

"It's difficult to arrange online education for char students, but the government is trying to provide online education for every student who lives on the mainland."

There are also eight high schools and three madrasas in the char areas of Gaibandha district, where the number of students is more than 5,000, said Md Enayet Hossain, district secondary education officer.

In Sariakandi upazila of Bogura, there are 47 primary schools, six high schools and four Ebtedayee madrasas in the Jamuna chars, according to the upazila primary and secondary education office. Students number more than 10,000 in total.

Additionally, around 2,000-3,000 students from the chars regularly attend upazila town educational institutions, said Md Shahidul Islam, secondary education officer of Sariakandi upazila.

He, however, claimed many students on the chars have TVs and access to the internet and if interested, can access the government's online education programme.

"Students who are living on the mainland are also showing less interest in online education," said Shahidul.

In chars under Bogura's Sonatala upazila, there are 10 government primary schools and a Dakhil madrasa where around 1,000 children study.

This is in addition to around 400 students who live on the chars but attend schools and college in the upazila town, said Md Azizar Rahman, secondary education officer of the upazila.

Israeli firm monitors sewers in fight against coronavirus

AFP, *Ashkelon*

An Israeli company is monitoring coronavirus traces in a coastal city's sewers and hopes to deploy its technology more widely to provide early warning of future concentrations of the respiratory disease.

Ari Goldfarb saw a unique opportunity to test the limits of underground technology developed by his firm when coronavirus patients were moved into a hotel in Ashkelon taken over by the government.

"When this Covid-19 pandemic came, it was clear to us that we can use this system, or this knowledge, to give a better insight" into the virus, he told AFP.

Fixated by wastewater since seeing raw sewage streaming into the sea while surfing as a teenager, Goldfarb founded the firm Kando initially to pinpoint industrial waste in the city's labyrinthine municipal sewage system.

Eight years on, the company's network of sensors, autosamplers and controllers placed under manholes in Ashkelon are tracing coronavirus.

In May, Kando partnered with scientists and mathematicians in Israel, Europe and the United States to embark on a month-long pilot to determine the accuracy of their technology.

The findings, said Goldfarb, conformed with the health ministry's data showing the breadth and the near-exact location of confirmed virus carriers, including the hotel used by patients.

"We're the only one who can tell where the outbreak is and how big the outbreak is in the city," said Goldfarb.

Sewage has also been tested in cities like Melbourne, Paris, Tokyo, Amsterdam, Valencia and the US state of Massachusetts -- although mostly on a small scale and without precision.

Kando's manhole sensors can measure the flow of wastewater and how far it has travelled, using algorithms to determine the best moment to automatically collect samples.

They are then analysed at a number of laboratories, with the findings instructing the firm on the direction to follow within the sewage system's pipes to reach the source of the virus, Goldfarb said.

Scientists around the world have already detected Covid-19 in patients' stools within sewage systems, but can only provide a general reading of the presence of the virus in a community.

Kando's technology can go further, according to Goldfarb, by giving a more precise location of an outbreak, potentially helping authorities control diseases.

Steroid proves first

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to save lives worldwide."

There are currently no approved treatments or vaccines for Covid-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus which has killed more than 431,000 globally.

SAVING COUNTLESS LIVES

The RECOVERY trial compared outcomes of around 2,100 patients who were randomly assigned to get the steroid, with those of around 4,300 patients who did not get it.

The results suggest that one death would be prevented by treatment with dexamethasone among every eight ventilated Covid-19 patients, Landray said, and one death would be prevented among every 25 Covid-19 patients that received the drug and are on oxygen.

Among patients with Covid-19 who did not require respiratory support, there was no benefit from treatment with dexamethasone.

"The survival benefit is clear and large in those patients who are sick enough to require oxygen treatment, so dexamethasone should now become standard of care in these patients," Horby said.

Nick Cammack, a expert on Covid-19 at the Wellcome Trust global health charity, said the findings would "transform the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on lives and economies across the world".

"Countless lives will be saved globally," he said in a statement responding to the results.

The RECOVERY trial was launched in April as a randomised clinical trial to test a range of potential treatments for Covid-19, including low-dose dexamethasone and the malaria drug hydoxycholoroquine.

The hydroxychloroquine arm was halted earlier this month after Horby and Landray said results showed it was "useless" at treating Covid-19 patients.

Global cases of infection with the novel coronavirus have reached over 8 million, according to a Reuters tally, and more than 434,000 people have died after contracting the virus, the first case if which was reported in China in early January.

Bangladesh gets IMF

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Monetary Fund. Among the 119 members, 88 countries voted in favour of Bangladesh's membership. Six countries including Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and Jordan abstained from the voting process. Only Sudan voted against Bangladesh's entry into the IMF.

BANGLADESH-NEPAL JOINT COMMUNIQUE

Bangladesh and Nepal issue a joint communique today which stipulates the signing of a trade treaty between the two neighbours soon. It further says that trade relations will get a boost following the improvement of transportation and communication facilities between the two countries.

FOOD SITUATION IMPROVES

United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim today says that the food situation in Bangladesh has improved in recent times. However, he fears that early rain this year may badly affect the harvest. He identifies lack of transportation as a bigger problem than the food crisis.

SEPARATE MINISTRY FOR JUTE

The government is actively considering the formation of a separate ministry for jute. It has long been a demand of the people of Bangladesh. Currently, jute is the main cash crop of the country. Bangladesh has exported 87,000 tonnes of raw jute in the first five months of this year and earned Tk 69 crore.

SOURCES: June 18, 1972 issue of Purbodesh.

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(RMO) of the hospital, adding that samples of the two were collected but the hospital authorities were yet to receive the test results.

In Madaripur, a 55-year-old man died of Covid-19 symptoms while receiving treatment at the isolation ward of Madaripur General Hospital on Monday night. He was admitted to the hospital in the evening with fever and respiratory problems, said Akhil Sarkar, RMO of the hospital, adding that samples of the deceased were collected for Covid-19 test.

In Chandpur, at least six people died with Covid-19 symptoms in five upazilas since Monday.

Of them, a 55-year-old local Awami League leader died with fever and respiratory problems at his house in Haimchar upazila yesterday noon.

Another 70-year-old man died with similar symptoms at his residence in Randhunimura area under Haziganj upazila yesterday noon, said Shoyeb Ahmed, Haziganj upazila health officer.

In a separate incident, an 82-year-old man from Matlab Uttar upazila died at the isolation unit of Chandpur Sadar Hospital on Monday, said Sujauddowla Rubel, RMO of the hospital.

Besides, a 50-year-old man died with coronavirus-like symptoms at Desh Khaguria area of Haziganj upazila, an employee of local union parishad land office died in Shahrasti upazila and a youth died in Faridganj upazila on Monday, said local health officers.

In Pirojpur, a 55-year-old high school teacher died with coronavirus-like symptoms at Bhandaria upazila early yesterday.

The man was suffering from respiratory diseases and died while being taken to the hospital, said Najmul Alam, Bhandaria upazila nirbahi officer.

In Moulvibazar, two people, including a child, died of Covid-19 symptoms on Monday.

The five-year-child from Kalimabad village under Kulaura upazila had been suffering from fever, cold and breathing problems for the last one week, said Nurul Haque, Kulaura upazila health officer, adding that the child died before being taken to the hospital.

Another 58-year-old man from Konagaon village under Juri Upazila, died at Sylhet Osmani Medical College Hospital after suffering from respiratory problems.

In Habiganj, a 48-year-old local Juba League leader died with coronavirus symptoms in Shayestaganj upazila yesterday morning.

The victim was suffering from fever and breathing problems for the last few days. He was admitted to Habiganj Sadar Modern Hospital on Monday evening.

But he died yesterday morning while undergoing treatment, said Moklesur Rahman Ujjan, the district's deputy civil surgeon.

Our correspondents from Patuakhali, Faridpur, Chandpur, Moulvibazar and Pirojpur contributed to this report.

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পুনঃদরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-১(১)/২০২০-২০২১ খ্রিঃ

নিম্নলিখিত শর্ত সাপেক্ষে বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, সিআইডি, ঢাকার রেশন স্টোরে ২০২০-২০২১ অর্থবছরের ১ম কোয়ার্টার (জুলাই, আগস্ট, সেপ্টেম্বর/২০২০ খ্রিঃ) এর জন্য মশুর ডাল (উন্নতমান, ছোট দানা), সয়াবিন তেল ও পোলাও এর চাল ক্রয়, গম পেষাই করা, রেশন সামগ্রী পরিবহণ কাজ ও কুলি/সেবা নিয়োগের নিমিত্ত সীল মোহরকৃত খামে প্রয়োজনীয় যোগ্যতা সম্পন্ন দরদাতাগণের নিকট হতে পুনঃদরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

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০৪।	দরপত্র আহ্বানের স্মারক নম্বর ও তারিখ	ঃ	স্মারক নং-রেশন/১২-২০২০/[illegible](২) তাং-[illegible]/৬/২০২০ খ্রিঃ।
০৫।	দরপত্র আইটেমের নাম	ঃ	সয়াবিন তেল (স্বাস্থ্যসম্মত, উন্নতমান, ভিটামিন-এ ফর্টিফাইড) ক্রয়, গম পেষাই করা, কুলি/সেবা নিয়োগ ও রেশন সামগ্রী পরিবহণ কাজ।
০৬।	সংগ্রহের পদ্ধতি	ঃ	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি।
০৭।	দরপত্র দাতার যোগ্যতা	ঃ	নিম্নবর্ণিত দলিলাদি দরপত্র তফসিলের সাথে দাখিল করতে হবেঃ (১) হালনাগাদ দখলকৃত ট্রেড লাইসেন্স (২) হালনাগাদ আয়কর সার্টিফিকেট (৩) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সার্টিফিকেট (৪) নাগরিকত্বের সনদ (৫) ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট (সিজি-৩ মোতাবেক) (৬) জাতীয় পরিচয় পত্র (৭) দরদাতা কালো তালিকাভুক্ত নয় এই মর্মে ঘোষণাপত্র (৮) রেশন সামগ্রী সরবরাহের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদ পত্র (৯) পরিবহণের ক্ষেত্রে মালিকানা সনদ/পরিবহণ সংক্রান্ত চুক্তিপত্র থাকতে হবে এবং (১০) অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী দরপত্র তফসিলের সিজি-৩'তে উল্লেখ রয়েছে।
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৫.	রেশন সামগ্রী পরিবহণ (চিনি)।	দরপত্র তফসিল মোতাবেক	৪০০.০০	১০,০০০.০০
৬.	রেশন সামগ্রী বহনের জন্য কুলি/সেবা নিয়োগ।	দরপত্র তফসিল মোতাবেক	৪০০.০০	১০,০০০.০০
৭.	পোলাও এর চাল	দরপত্র তফসিল মোতাবেক	৪০০.০০	২৫,০০০.০০

১৫।	কার্যসম্পাদনের সময়	ঃ	কার্যাদেশ প্রদানের তারিখ হতে ১০ (দশ) দিন/রেশন স্টোরের চাহিদা মোতাবেক।
১৬।	রেশন সামগ্রীর কারিগরি বিশিষ্টতা (Specification)	ঃ	দরপত্র তফসিলে সংযুক্ত।
১৭।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর নাম ও পদবি	ঃ	জেসমিন বেগম, বিশেষ পুলিশ সুপার (লজিস্টিক্স)।
১৮।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর ঠিকানা	ঃ	বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, সিআইডি, ঢাকা।
১৯।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর যোগাযোগ নম্বর	ঃ	ফোন- ৯৩৪৫৫৫০, ফ্যাক্স-৯৩৩৩৩২৯।
২০।	বিশেষ নির্দেশনা	ঃ	কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র আংশিক কিংবা সম্পূর্ণভাবে গ্রহণ অথবা যে কোন বা সকল দরপত্র বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।
২১।	মালামাল সরবরাহ সংক্রান্ত বর্ণনা	ঃ	ক) নমুনা মোতাবেক মশুর ডাল চাহিদা মতে স্বচ্ছ পলিপ্যাকে প্যাকেটজাত করে সরবরাহ করতে হবে, (খ) গম পেষাই পূর্বক সাদা আটা চাহিদা মতে স্বচ্ছ পলিপ্যাকে প্যাকেটজাত করে সরবরাহ করতে হবে, (গ) সয়াবিন তেল (চাহিদা মতে বিভিন্ন ক্যালসহ), নির্ধারিত টিনিকল হতে চিনি পরিবহণ, সরকারী গুদাম হতে রেশন সামগ্রী পরিবহণ/সেবা এবং রেশন স্টোরে রেশন সামগ্রী উঠানো-নামানোর জন্য কুলির কাজ/সেবা সরবরাহ চাহিদার ভিত্তিতে সম্পন্ন করতে হবে। দরপত্রের মালামাল ও সরবরাহ (ক্রমিক নং-১৪-এ বর্ণিত মালামাল কম/বেশী ক্রয় করার ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন) সংক্রান্ত অন্যান্য শর্তাবলীর বিশদ বিবরণ দরপত্র তফসিল/দলিলে পাওয়া যাবে। ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার জামানত হিসাবে দরপত্রের সাথে বিশেষ পুলিশ সুপার (প্রশাসন ও অর্থ), বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, সিআইডি, ঢাকা বরাবরে (বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের তফসিলভুক্ত যে কোন বাণিজ্যিক ব্যাংক হতে) দাখিল করতে হবে (ব্যাংক গ্যারান্টি বা চেক গ্রহণযোগ্য হবেনা)।
২২।	এই দরপত্রের সকল কার্যক্রম "The Public Procurement Act, 2006" ও "The Public Procurement Rules-2008" মোতাবেক পরিচালিত হবে।		

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