

## World comes

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means reversing the path to reopening.  
Europe has yet to lift bans on travellers from many countries, including the United States, where the average number of daily new infections has soared since mid-June and is now above 60,000.  
Britain's announcement of the return of quarantine for Spain was likely to torpedo the revival of airlines and tourism businesses across the continent, which had thought they had survived their biggest crisis in living memory.  
Britain accounts for more than 20% of foreign visitors to Spain, where tourism represents 12% of the economy.  
A British junior health minister said more European countries could end up on the "red list" if infections surge.  
"If we see the rates going up, we would have to take action because we cannot take the risk of coronavirus being spread again across the UK," Helen Whately told Sky News when asked if Germany or France might be next after Spain.  
In China, which managed to squelch local transmission through firm lockdowns after the virus first emerged in the central city of Wuhan late last year, the new surge has been driven by fresh infections in the far western region of Xinjiang.

In the northeast, Liaoning province reported a fifth straight day of new infections and Jilin province reported two new cases, its first since late May.  
Australian authorities who have imposed a six-week lockdown in parts of the southeastern state of Victoria said it could last longer after the country's highest daily increase in infections.  
"The tragedy of Covid-19 is that we know, with the number of new infections that we have seen today, that there will be many further deaths in the days ahead," Australian Deputy Chief Medical Officer Michael Kidd told reporters.

## Journalist Kajol

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member of Bangladesh Jubo Mahila League's central committee, filed the case against Kajol with the capital's Kamrangirchar Police Station.  
On June 23, he was shown arrested in another case filed with Sher-e-Bangla Nagar Police Station by Saifuzzaman Shikhor, ruling party lawmaker from Magura-1.  
On June 28, Kajol was placed on a two-day remand in a case filed on March 10 with Hazaribagh Police Station by Usmin Ara Bel, another member of the Jubo Mahila League committee.  
Fifty-three days into his disappearance, Kajol was found by Border Guard Bangladesh in Benapole on May 3. He was then arrested initially on charges of trespassing, but was granted bail by a Jashore court.  
However, that same evening he was shown held under section 54 of the Code of Criminal Procedure after police informed the court that three more cases against Kajol were pending with different police stations in the capital.  
The court then sent him to Jashore Jail.  
Later, he was shifted to the jail in Keraniganj.



Activists of Congress Party shout slogans against the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) led central government and state governors as they try to break police barricades in front of the Raj Bhavan (Governor's House) in Kolkata, India yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

## Flood worsens along key rivers

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been inundated so far.  
A total of 113 medical teams are working in the affected areas.  
Around 755 tonnes of rice and Tk 12 lakhs have been allocated for flood victims.  
Besides, Tk 2 lakh for baby foods, Tk 5 lakh for fodder and 8,000 packets of dry foods were also allocated for the victims.  
Contacted, the district's deputy commissioner Ataul Gani said the government officials concerned were keeping a vigil eye on the relief distribution process so that the affected people get the assistance.  
In Kurigram, 15 villages have been flooded due to the collapse of the Water Development Board's (WDB) dams in Sardob village of

Sadar upazila and Burirhat village of Rajarhat upazila.  
Ariful Islam, executive engineer of the Kurigram WDB, said heavy current in the Dharla river damaged the flood control dyke in Sardob village while the swelling Teesta wrecked the dyke in Burirhat, deluging 15 nearby villages.  
Over 40 houses of these villages have been washed away while a few hundred acres of arable land have gone under floodwaters in these villages.  
Shamsul Islam, a farmer from Sardob village, said their houses and properties went underwater after the dam collapsed.  
"We have been able to take shelter on high places. But we could not protect any of our valuables," said

Zahir Ali Munshi, a resident of the same village.  
In Munshiganj, flood situation has deteriorated as the Padma was flowing 80 cm above the danger level at Bhagyakul point yesterday.  
Flood has inundated 178 villages under 23 unions of Tongibari, Srinagar, Louhajang and Sadar upazila. Around 34,000 families have been affected by the flood. 385 families have taken shelter in 60 different shelter centres.  
Besides, some 1,875 fish farms have been affected by flood in the district, according to officials concerned.  
Our correspondents from Tangail and Lalmonirhat contributed to this report.

## Mammoth skeleton found in Siberia

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icy climates of Alaska and Russia's Wrangel Island off the Siberian coast.  
Now researchers have uncovered body parts of one of the beasts with soft tissue - including sinew - still intact.  
Discovered by reindeer herders in the shallows of Pechevalavato Lake on the Yamalo-Nenets region, the find includes part of the animal's skull, the lower jaw, several ribs, and a foot fragment.  
Russian television stations on

Friday showed scientists looking for more of the animal's remains in the lakeside silt.  
Yevgeniya Khozainova of the Shemanovsky Institute in Salekhard said in televised remarks that finding the complete skeleton of a mammoth was relatively rare.  
Such discoveries allow scientists to deepen their understanding of mammoths, and the world they shared with early humans.  
It comes as the vast north Asian region sees dramatic rises in

temperature, leading to the discovery of a number of well-preserved frozen carcasses of mammoths.  
Siberia is currently undergoing a heat wave, with the UN weather agency warning that average temperatures were 10C above average last month.  
A study published by the UK Met Office earlier this month found that such warming was "almost impossible" without the impact of global warming on the climate crisis engulfing the planet.

## Covid-19 by far worst global health

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programme head, said bans on international travel cannot stay in place indefinitely, and countries are going to have to do more to reduce the spread of the coronavirus within their borders.  
"...It is going to be almost impossible for individual countries to keep their borders shut for the

foreseeable future. Economies have to open up, people have to work, trade has to resume," he said.  
"What is clear is pressure on the virus pushes the numbers down. Release that pressure and cases creep back up."  
Ryan also said Spain's current situation was nowhere near as bad as it had been at the pandemic's

peak there, and he expected clusters to be brought under control, though it would take days or weeks to discern the disease's future pattern.  
"The more we understand the disease, the more we have a microscope on the virus, the more precise we can be in surgically removing it from our communities," he added.

## Israfil Alam MP no more

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Israfil had become MP for the first time in 2008 when he was the general secretary of Sramik League's Dhaka city unit. He was elected MP thrice, including in the 10th and 11th parliamentary elections.  
Besides, Israfil was the joint secretary of Naogaon district Awami League, president of the Rural Development and Cooperatives Federation, and member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on the Ministry of Labour and Employment.  
CONDOLENCES POUR IN  
President Abdul Hamid and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina expressed profound shock and sorrow at the death of Israfil.  
In a message, the president said the lawmaker had entered the political arena through labour politics. He always spoke about the rights of the hard-living common people in the Jatiya Sangsad.  
"At his death, the country has lost a promising and dedicated political leader," Hamid said.  
In a condolence message, the prime minister said Israfil throughout his life worked for the welfare of the country and the nation.  
She prayed for the eternal peace of the departed soul and expressed sympathy for his bereaved family

members.  
Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury, Deputy Speaker M Fazle Rabbi Miah and Chief Whip Noor-E-Alam Chowdhury also expressed deep shock and sorrow at the death of the lawmaker.  
Besides, Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader, Information Minister Hasan Mahmud, Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan, Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen, Finance Minister AHM Mustafa Kamal, Law Minister Anisul Huq, Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Md Shahabuddin, Planning Minister Abdul Mannan, Education Minister Dipu Moni, Food Minister Shadon Chandra Mazumder, LGRD Minister Md Tajul Islam, Agriculture Minister Abdur Razzaque, Land Minister Saifuzzaman Chowdhury, Science and Technology Minister Yeafesh Osman, LGRD State Minister Swapan Bhattacharjee, State Minister for Women and Children Affairs Fazilantun Nessa Indira, State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Md Zakir Hossain, State Minister for Youth and Sports Zahid Ahsan Russel, State Minister for Cultural Affairs KM Khalid and DNCC Mayor Atiqul Islam mourned Israfil's death.

## Stay ready to help flood

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The PM joined the meeting from the Gono Bhaban through videoconferencing, while the other cabinet members were connected from the Bangladesh Secretariat.  
"It [admin] will have to be careful about such flooding at this time of Covid period," the premier was quoted as saying.  
Hasina directed the field-level administrations to provide all kinds of relief materials and take measures so that the flood victims can take shelter in schools, colleges, and madrasas where there is a lack of shelter centres, said the cabinet secretary.  
All the field-level government employees, working up to union level under the ministries or divisions concerned, particularly education, health, madrasa education, family welfare and agriculture, must be present at their work stations during the flood, Anwarul said.

he said.  
If the flood prolongs, it will help enhance the productivity of T Aman (Ropa Aman) due to siltation to be caused by the flooding, the cabinet secretary said, adding that the bumper production of crops was also seen after the floods in 1988 and 1998.  
CABINET CLEARS BILL  
During yesterday's meeting, the cabinet approved the draft of the Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board Bill-2020 to replace a 1978 ordinance in this regard.  
"According to the article 28 of the proposed law, there will be [legal] protection of the activities the Madrasa Education Board has so far done since 1978. The activities would be considered as done under this [proposed] law and no activity [of the previous time] can be challenged as illegal," said cabinet secretary.  
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<b>INVITATION FOR TENDER</b>			
01. Ministry	Ministry of Post, Telecommunications Information Technology		
02. Division	Information and Communication Technology Division		
03. Agency	Bangladesh Computer Council		
04. Procuring Entity Name	Innovation Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (IDEA) Project		
05. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka		
06. Invitation for	Selection of Event Management Firm for Organizing University Activation Program and providing logistic support.		
07. Invitation Ref No.	56.01.0000.024.07.126.20-401		
08. Date	27-July-2020		
<b>KEY INFORMATION</b>			
09. Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)- Procurement of Non-Consulting Services		
<b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>			
10. Budget and Source of Funds	Government of Bangladesh		
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>			
11. Project/ Program Code	224023000		
12. Project/ Program Name	Innovation Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (IDEA) Project		
13. Tender Package No.	S04/IDEA/2020-21		
14. Tender Package Name	University Activation Program, Phase-03		
15. Tender Publication Date	28-July-2020		
16. Tender Last Selling Date	13-August-2020 up to 3:00 PM		
17. Tender Closing Date and Time	16-August-2020, 3:00 PM		
18. Tender Opening Date and Time	16-August-2020, 3:30 PM		
19. Place of Selling/Receiving/Opening Tender documents	Office of the Project Director, Innovation Design and Entrepreneurship Academy (IDEA) Project, Bangladesh Computer Council, ICT Tower (14 <sup>th</sup> Floor), Plot E-14/K, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.		
<b>INFORMATION FOR TENDERER</b>			
20. Brief Eligibility of Tenderer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The tenderer shall have a minimum 10 (Ten) years of overall experience in the event management and related services to Government/ Multinational Companies/ Private entities.</li><li>The tenderer shall have successfully completed at least 03 (Three) Govt. events with value of minimum Taka 1,00,00,000 (One Crore) within last 02 (two) years.</li><li>The tenderer shall have successfully completed at least Two online content development, online session conduct and promotional activities for Govt. organization within last 02 (two) years.</li><li>The tenderer shall have updated trade license (2019-2020), Updated tax clearance certificate, VAT registration certificate and TIN certificate.</li><li>The required average annual turnover of the Tenderer shall have at least Tk 2,00,00,000 (Two Crore) over the last three years.</li><li>The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit facility is BDT 1,00,00,000 (One Crore).</li><li>Other eligibility and qualification criteria are as outlined in the tender documents.</li></ul>		
21. Brief Description of Services	Organizing University Activation Program and providing logistic support.		
22. Price of Tender Document	BDT 2,000 (Two Thousand) only (Non-Refundable)		
23. Identification of Package	Location	Tender Security Amount (TK.)	Completion Time
24. Selection of Event Management Firm for Organizing University Activation Program and providing logistic support.	ICT Tower	2,50,000/- (Two Lakh Fifty Thousand Taka)	Within 28 February 2021 or any date decided by the Procuring Entity
<b>PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS</b>			
25. Name of Official Inviting Tender	Syed Mojibul Haq		
26. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Project Director		
27. Address of Official Inviting Tender	ICT Tower (14 <sup>th</sup> Floor), Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh.		
28. Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Tel: +880-2-55007016, Email: pdd@bcc.gov.bd		
The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject all or any of the tenders or annul the tender proceedings.			
(Syed Mojibul Haq) Project Director			

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like a frontline worker.  
He told them to work relentlessly maintaining health guidelines to tackle novel coronavirus, Amphan and flood situation.  
ALL OF A BANK BRANCH INFECTED  
All seven employees of Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank's (RAKUB) Jadurani Haat Branch in Haripur upazila of Thakurgaon have been infected with Covid-19.  
The test results of 15 people, including the bank employees, came out positive on Sunday evening, said Thakurgaon Civil Surgeon Md Mahfuzar Rahman.  
The bank branch was placed under lockdown following the death of its manager from novel coronavirus on July 23.  
With the latest cases, the number of Covid-19 patients in the district has reached 335.

## Cops blame joblessness

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Sudip Chakrabarty, deputy commissioner of Gulshan division police, said they had information that the incidents of robbery, burglary, and mugging could rise during this crisis period.  
"We have already created special monitoring teams in each police station of the division. These teams have been asked to keep an eye on local thieves and mugging gangs," he recently told The Daily Star.  
According to a database of Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) headquarters, the number of cases lodged with the 50 police stations under DMP dropped to 351 in April from 2,055 in March.  
But the number rose to 518 in May and jumped to 1,177 in June.  
DB DC Mashiur Rahman, however, said most of the crimes were committed to arrange money for narcotics addiction.  
Shah Iftekhar Ahmed, deputy commissioner of Wari division police, said, "We are on alert and have already increased patrolling and vigilance so that this kind of crime could not take place," said.  
Omar Faruk, associate professor of criminology and police science at Mawlana Bhashani Science and Technology University, said the economic crisis during Covid-19 could lead to an increase in property-related crimes and fraudulence.  
"Law enforcers should be aware of such crimes and the government should ensure people's economic and social security," he added.

## Diplomatic move to have talks in London

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Bangabandhu and ZA Bhutto.  
ATTACHMENT OF COLLABORATORS' PROPERTIES ORDERED  
Bangladesh's home ministry has recently issued an order to attach the properties of the alleged collaborators, who are now absconding, in their own name or in the name of others. The order has been issued in accordance with Bangladesh Collaborators (Special Tribunal) Order 1972. The order is being implemented in different parts of the country and properties of some alleged collaborators have already been attached.

SOURCES: July 29, 1972 issues of Bangladesh Observer, Dainik Bangla and Dainik Ittefaq.

Rajshahi City Corporation				
Engineering Department				
Nagar Bhaban, Rajshahi				
সেবা মন্ত্রিসহ সুরক্ষিত এবং স্বচ্ছতার স্বাক্ষর				
Memo No. 46.12.5081.007.160.2020.14		Date: 27.07.2020		
<b>Invitation for Tenders (IFT)</b>				
<b>01/2020-21</b>				
e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal ( <a href="http://www.eprocure.gov.bd">http://www.eprocure.gov.bd</a> ) for the procurement of the following goods and works:				
SL No.	ID No.	Reference No.	Name of works	Tender document last selling time & date
1.	481161	46.12.5081.007.160.2020.11	Recovery & re-installation of 11KV/440V distribution line, Electrical Poles & related works at Kalpana Cinema Hall to Talamary Nagar.	
2.	481166	46.12.5081.008.07.05.2013.12	Supply of 20000 Nos. 20W & 3000 Nos. 40W LED Light Set.	
3.	481178	46.12.5081.008.07.05.2012.13	Supply of 1000 Coil 1x1.0 m BYA Electrical Power Cable.	
4.	481280	46.12.0000.008.99.599.20.3	Supplying, fitting and fixing different types of tyres and spare parts for Power Machine, Pay-loader, Tyre Roller, Excavator & Chain Dozer	12:30pm on 17-Aug-2020
5.	481288	46.12.0000.008.99.599.20.4	Supplying, Making and Repairing for 4 Nos. Excavator, Low Bed Trailer and Pay-loader	
6.	481290	46.12.0000.008.99.591.20.5	Supplying, repairing and fixing different types of spare parts for 4 Nos. Elcher Truck	
7.	481291	46.12.5081.008.26.492.17.6	Supply of different types of materials for making body of 6 Nos. Trailer	
8.	481292	410/RCC/Engr (Mech)/20137	Supplying, making, repairing and painting of spare parts and materials for Isuzu Truck	
This is an online tender. Where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal ( <a href="http://www.eprocure.gov.bd">http://www.eprocure.gov.bd</a> ) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered bank branches. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk ( <a href="mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd">helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd</a> ).				
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