



## Ensure safe, dignified return of Rohingyas

Rights activists, scholars adopt Dhaka declaration, call for int'l community's commitment

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Human rights activists, Rohingyas and scholars from across the globe have adopted a Dhaka Declaration, calling for an unequivocal commitment from the world community to resolve the Rohingya crisis in a sustainable manner with a regional approach.

In a 15-point declaration, they called upon the UN and all members of the international community to use diplomatic channels to provide sufficient humanitarian assistance and other supports to protect Rohingya rights.

Recalling the promise of the Global Summit 2005, to take "timely and decisive action in accordance with the UN Charter" in situations of mass killings and mass eviction and the Global Compact for Refugees, they urged Myanmar to take responsibility and investigate the alleged genocide

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Construction of the 780m-long Deopara-Shatak road in Habiganj's Nabiganj upazila was about to be completed in May 2020, but it did not happen due to various irregularities by the contractor. Such a dilapidated state of the road has long been affecting the communication of people in nearby areas. PHOTO: MINTU DESHWARA

FIRST YEAR OF BANGLADESH BANGABANDHU'S NATION-BUILDING CHALLENGES

## Bring down prices, women's rally urges govt

August 28, 1972

SHAMSUDDOZA SAJEN



BANGABANDHU MAY RETURN BY MID-SEPT

Prime Minister Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman is expected to return home by the second week of September, 1972, informs Gono Bhaban sources today. Bangabandhu, who is convalescing in Geneva after his gallbladder operation, is making a fast recovery. The sources further say that the prime minister is keeping himself abreast of the situation in Bangladesh on a daily basis and giving necessary guidance for the welfare of the people.

CITY WOMEN'S RALLY URGES GOVT TO REIN IN PRICE HIKE

A big rally of women held at the Central Shaheed Minar this afternoon urges the government to take immediate measures to bring down prices of all essential commodities, form an all-party food

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## Another cop dies from Covid-19

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The officer-in-charge (OC) of Daulatpur Police Station in Kusthia died from coronavirus on Wednesday night.

SM Arifur Rahman breathed his last while undergoing treatment at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of Dhaka's Rajarbagh Police Central Hospital around 10:45pm, read a press release.

Arifur, 42, was admitted SEE PAGE 10 COL 6

## LINKING BHOLA WITH BARISHAL Japanese firm to build bridge

REJAUJIL KARIM BYRON and TUHIN SHUBHRA ADHIKARY

A Japanese company is likely to build a bridge over the Tentulia and Kalabadar rivers to connect island district Bhola with Barishal under a Public Private Partnership (PPP) initiative.

A proposal to build the 4.68-kilometre bridge with a 4.9km elevated road -- the entire construction totalling nearly 10km -- by Miyagawa Construction Ltd was placed before the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on Wednesday for its approval in principle.

The committee, led by Finance Minister AHM Mustafa Kamal, neither approved nor rejected the proposal tabled SEE PAGE 10 COL 1

## 45 more die, 2,436 test positive in a day

UNB, Dhaka

The health directorate yesterday reported 45 deaths of Covid-19 patients, raising the official tally to 4,127.

The authorities also detected 2,436 new cases across the country in 24 hours preceding yesterday afternoon.

The total number of Covid-19 patients in the country rose to 3,04,583.

Another 3,275 patients recovered from the disease in a day boosting the number of total recoveries to 1,93,458. The recovery rate has increased to 63.52 percent.

In yesterday's press release from the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), officials said RT-PCR facilities tested 15,124 samples in 24 hours of which 16.11 percent were positive.

Since March 8, 15,00,385 samples have SEE PAGE 10 COL 6

## CHRISTCHURCH MOSQUE CARNAGE 'Life in jail till death'

Cheers as court sentences 'inhuman' white supremacist killer

AFP, Christchurch

New Zealand mosque gunman Brenton Tarrant was sentenced to life in prison without parole yesterday for the massacre of 51 Muslim worshippers, with a judge calling his actions "wicked" and "inhuman".

As the sentence was read out, there was jubilation outside the courtroom, with crowds cheering and singing the national anthem -- "God Defend New Zealand".

Judge Cameron Mander said Tarrant's "warped" ideology and "base SEE PAGE 10 COL 4



## VIRTUAL EDN IN LOCKDOWN 463m can't access online classes: UN

AFP, United Nations

Amid the Covid-19 pandemic and widespread school closures, at least one-third of students affected around the world lack access to virtual education, according to a UN study.

In all, an estimated 463 million children lack the equipment or electronic access to pursue distance learning, said the report from UNICEF released Wednesday.

"The sheer number of children whose education was completely disrupted for SEE PAGE 10 COL 4

## WE MOURN

The AB Bank Family is deeply saddened at the demise of **Mrs. Lutfunnessa Ahmed**, Chairman, Super Group of Companies, mother of Mr. Shajir Ahmed (Director AB Bank Board) and wife of Mr. Salim Ahmed (Ex-Vice Chairman of AB Bank) who passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 at Bumrungrad Hospital, Bangkok (Inna Lillahi-Wa-Inna-Elaihi-Raajun).

May Allah bestow Jannah to the departed soul and the courage and fortitude to the members of the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.



### PRAYER TIMING APRIL 28

Fazr Juma Asr Maghrib Esha  
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SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

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**ঢাকা পাওয়ার ডিস্ট্রিবিউশন কোম্পানি লিমিটেড (ডিপিডিসি) Dhaka Power Distribution Company Ltd.**

**ডিপিডিসি'র কতিপয় সেবা সাময়িক সময়ের জন্য বন্ধের জরুরী বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

ডিপিডিসি'র সম্মানিত সকল গ্রাহকের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, ডিপিডিসি'র ডাটাসেন্টার স্থানান্তর জনিত কারণে নিম্নোক্ত সেবাসমূহ বর্ধিত সময়ের জন্য সাময়িক ভাবে বন্ধ থাকবে।

ক্রম	স্থগিত সেবা সমূহ	সময়কাল
১	পোস্টপেইড বিলের সকল কার্যক্রম এবং অনলাইন বিল পরিশোধের সেবা সমূহ বন্ধ থাকবে।	০২ সেপ্টেম্বর, ২০২০ বুধবার রাত ১১:০০ ঘটিকা থেকে ০৫ সেপ্টেম্বর ২০২০ শনিবার রাত ১১:০০ ঘটিকা (৭২ ঘন্টা) পর্যন্ত।
২	অনলাইন ও অফলাইন প্রিপেইড মিটারিং সিস্টেমের সকল প্রকার ভোল্টেজ/রিচার্জ কার্যক্রম বন্ধ থাকবে।	০৩ সেপ্টেম্বর, ২০২০ বৃহস্পতিবার রাত ৮:০০ ঘটিকা থেকে ০৫ সেপ্টেম্বর ২০২০ শনিবার রাত ৮:০০ ঘটিকা (৪৮ ঘন্টা) পর্যন্ত।
৩	Online New Connection, Complain Management System, ডিপিডিসি'র ইমেইলসহ অন্যান্য সকল কার্যক্রম বন্ধ থাকবে।	০২ সেপ্টেম্বর, ২০২০ বুধবার রাত ১১:০০ ঘটিকা থেকে ০৫ সেপ্টেম্বর ২০২০ শনিবার রাত ১১:০০ ঘটিকা (৭২ ঘন্টা) পর্যন্ত।

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ডিপিডিসি কর্তৃপক্ষ।