# Dhaka Day by Day

Purple Lips Season by Aasha Mehreen Amin

As the heat brings us down with merciless ferocity, we often wish we were the inhabitants of Alaska. No amount of iced water, showers and wishful thinking seems to cool us down. When one enters an office one may see quite a few of its occupants taking their daily siesta as early as 11 O' clock in the morning to take a break from the enervating temperature. But wait. There is something rather curious about those sleeping faces as well as the ones that are awake. It is the lips that draw attention. They have taken on a most unusual and rather alarming colour. Purple-blue lips are everywhere. Is it the heat? Is it a variation of jaundice? Hepatitis D perhaps? Such speculation is unnecessary and may create undue panic. The culprit of this discoloration is no other than those blue berries we so fondly call 'jaam', and what a 'jam' we are in when the

boss catches us popping one of those purple fruits into our mouths in the middle of the waking day! Never fear, he maybe doing the same in the privacy of his room. Some like their 'jaams' spiced up with mustard oil, salt and chilli powder, some like them plain. But whatever the recipe, they want it

'Jaam' is not the only fruit that compensates the heat and provide a respite from it. This season offers the best of suc-

culent 'lichee' mouthwatering 'mangoes' and refreshing 'jamrools'. As if you didn't know. The varieties

of mango are deliciously endless

- 'Langra', 'Fazli', 'Gopal Bhog', 'Kersha Pati', 'Raafbhog' etc. Walking past the baskets of those golden green delights with their sweet fragrance is intoxicating enough.

Other relatively, less tempting fruits are the pineapples, star-shaped yellow green kamarangas and of course the ever abundant 'poor man's fruit' - 'kanthal' (jack fruit), whose rather strong fragrance ensures an even headier experience. An orange coloured, tomato shaped fruit may also be seen in this season which some people call 'kau' and has delicious sweet and sour sections inside.

KHULNA, June 14: Police

arrested nine pharmaceutical employees and recovered huge

quantity of spurious medicines

Labanchura in the city on

Friday, reports UNB.

packed in 232 packets.

worth about Tk 10 lakh from

Police also seized two

The medicines mostly an

trucks and a trawler used for

transporting the medicines

tibiotics of Ipiclox. Ipimox and

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manufactured by Islami

Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd

1. Name of Course:

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Bengali Medium) shall commence from July '92 to June '93.

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Bengali Medium) shall commence from July '92 and

Training-in-Business Typing course must be SSC or

candidates will get help to get jobs through the "Employ-

ment Exchange Centre" Women's Affairs Department.

admission into the following courses approved by the

Bangladesh Technical Education Board, Dhaka.

Then there is ever faithful eoconut milk the best thirst quencher on the streets of Dhaka Although usually a little warm because of the heat, the subtle sweetness of the coconut juice never fails to satisfy the parched passcrby. What is even more delightful is after the water has been drunk another surprise awaits when the shell is split open. A scoop of the soft white delicacy of coconut flesh melts in the mouth, and for a second one is lost in delicious ecstasy. Mother Nature, after all, has her own way of making up to man for those cruel sun rays that scorch his habitat Earth, along with him.

The only snag to mar the joys of these heavenly delights is that they cannot be enjoyed by everyone. Prices of those fruits are beyond the reach of most people. A hundred lichees will cost Tk 100 today and Tk 120 by tomor-

row. Since there are people who will not bat an cyclid even if they cost Tk 300. the hawkers will hike up the prices indiscriminately and mercilessly, ac cording to their whim. Prices of mangoes, too, undergo drastic fluctuations from Tk 60 per kg to Tk 120 per kg or higher. When you helplessly ask the hawker why they are so expensive he will readily reply 'the season is ending, naturally the prices will in crease." The season will be ending . of course, according to the hawker's will.

The only option left for most of us is to stick to good old 'jaam' which costs between Tk 18 to Tk 20 per kg. The price of 'jaam' fruits is also fairly stable because of an abun-

dant supply. Jaam Oh! Those tempting delights! trees can be seen in all the residential areas of Dhaka. Birds seem to have a great fondness for these fruits and scatter the seeds all over the place and so the prolific growth. For the street urchins who pick the berries from the grounds this is a free treat they look forward

to on their daily paper collecting routine. There is no doubt that 'jaam' is a sure winner in the fruit since most people can actually afford it. If the lips do go a little purple, the tongue a little blue, the tangy, sweet taste of those violet delectable are certainly worth this slight inconvenience don't you think?



Biswas Sunday felicitated

Corazon C Aquino, President of

the Republic of the Philippines

on the occasion of her national

Aquino, President Biswas ex-

pressed his best wishes for her

good healthy and happiness

and the people of Philippines

Khaleda Zia Sunday felicitated

Corazon C Aquino, President of

the Republic of the Philippines

on the occasion of its 94th na

Malaysian Sports

Minister Anwar

Musa in city

Sports Senator Haji Anwar

Musa arrived in city Sunday on

a three-day visit to Bangladesh.

Sports Sadek Hossain received

Speaker off

to Colombo

Shatkh Razzaque Alt left for

Colombo Sunday at the invita

tion of his Sri Lankan counter

part to participate in the first

four-day SAARC Speakers con-

ference scheduled to begin

there from Sunday, reports

He is expected to return on

BUET exams to

begin July 1

Bangladesh University of

Engineering and Technology

(BUET), scheduled for June

23, have been deferred by a

According to a BUET notifi-

The overall routine for the

cation Sunday the exams will

examinations had not been

week, reports AP.

now begin on July 1.

changed

the 1989-90 session

The final examinations of

Jatiya Sangsad Speaker

State Minister for Youth and

Malaysian Minister for

Prime Minister Begum

progress and prosperity.

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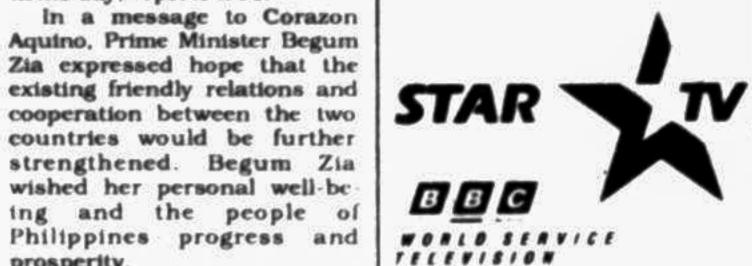
him at the airport.

In a message to Corazon

### Monday

5.00 Opening announcement Al-Quran Programme summary News in Bangla Cartoon : The Great Space Coaster Sports programme Jibon O Projukti Debate News in Bangla

7.05 8.30 Janomat 9.00 Barnali 10.00 News in English 10.30 Highway to Heaven 11.30 Khabar/The News 11.40 Tuesday's Programme 11.45 Closing



### Monday

00:00 hrs World News 00:25 How do you Manage?

01:00 World News 01:25 The Racing Game World News Assignment World News The Late Show 2 03:25 World News 04:00 The Late Show 2 04:25 World News 05:00 On the Record 05:25 06:00 World News Everyman 06:25 World News 07:00 World Business

Report World News Tomorrow's World 08:25 World News The Money Pro-09:15 gramme

World News

World Headline

Where on Earth

**Business Morning** 

Morning New

World headlines

Documentary

World News

World News

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13:30 14:25 15:00 18:00

19:00 20:25 21:00 21:15 22:00 22:05

World News World News Wogan World News Where on Earth World News News from London World News The Money Programme World Headlines Documentary World News 23:00 23:25 Wogan



00:00 hrs 03:00 05:00 05:30

Music Videos - VJ Danny McGill Music Videos The Day in Rock Hour Comedy Awake on the Wild 06:00 MTV Power Pack 09:00 MTV's Most Wan-10:00 Classic MTV

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Classic MTV 23:00

00:00 hrs

# Monday

Blue Blood

MTV Power Pack

MTV's Most Wan-

Movie: That Cold 01:00 Day in the Park Relative Strangers 03:00 The Bold & The 03:30 Beautiful Donahue 04:00 Santa Barbara 05:00 06:00 Attitudes **Everyday Workout** 07:00 07:30 Smoggies **Animated Classics** 08:00 Terrahawks 09:00 Dr Fad Show 09:30 Children's Room 10:00 Jupiter Moon 10:30 Attitudes Image Workshop 12:00 Santa Barbara 13:00 Donahue 14:00 The Great Moghuls 15:00 Fame Fortune & 15:30

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Jack Thomson Do-18:30 wn Under 19:00 19:30 Blue Blood 20:00 20:50

21:00

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23:00

23:30

Video Fashion Travel Travel **Hollywood Stars** Movie: Terror from Under the House Relative Strangers The Bold & the Beautiful Runaway with the

Rich & Famous



Prime Minister Khaleda Zia hosted a reception to diplomats Friday on the occasion - PID photo of Eid-ul-Azha.

### Work as bridge between govt, people,Oli to tribals

RANGAMATI, June 14: Communications Minister Ol Ahmed has called upon the leaders of the tribal communities to work as a bridge between people and the government for peace and development in the country, reports

He was addressing the members of the local government councils here last Thursday.

The minister said that un fortunately the gap between the people and the govern ment in the past was widened. But, he said, the present government was determined to remove this gap for bringing the tribal people in the main stream of national life.

Oli Ahmed said this gov ernment believes that each and every citizen of the coun try is asset for the nation and all are of equal dignity.

## Tk 8 cr smuggled goods seized in Rajshahi

RAJSHAHI, June 14: Law they also seized drug worth over Taka seven core, ninety nine lakh and seventy seven thousand, and arrested four hundred and seventy five smugglers during the last six months from Rajshahi, Chapainawabganj and Naogaon, reports BSS.

Informed sources said that

enforcing agency personnel over Taka one crore and fifty scized smuggled goods worth lakh, and silver worth Taka five lakh during the period The sources said that anti-

smuggling drive was strengthened in the border areas to check smuggling. Meanwhile, eight notorious smugglers of Chapainawabganj were arrested by police on Friday

### Obituary

CHITTAGONG, June 14: Venerable Dharmajyoti Mohathero, high priest of Satbaria Shanti Bihar, Chandanaish died of old age complications yesterday, reports BSS. He was 85.

Late Dharmajyoti Moha thero, a disciple of Venerable Avyotishhya Mohathero, left behind a number of disciples devotees, relatives and well wishers to mourn his death.

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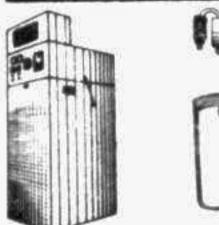
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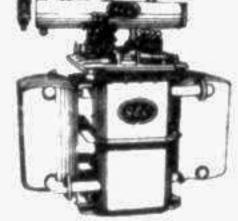
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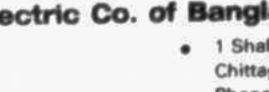






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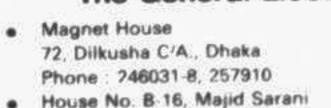
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(IPI). The medicines were later proved spurious in chem-

Sobhan Mridha established the pharmaceutical industry at Shiromoni area in the town from Agrani Bank three years

medicines

trucks from IPI were being loaded in a Barguna district bound trawler at Labanchura

# ical tests.

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and on the basis of secret information police seized the

The medicines in two

### nine held in Khulna Eid-ul-Azha Mentionable that Abdus Forces with due solemnity and

The Holy Eid-ul Azha was celebrated by the Armed religious fervour, says press

Armed Forces

celebrates

In Dhaka, main Eid congregation of the Bangladesh Army was held at the Garrison mosque where Chief of Army Staff Lt General Muhammad Noor Uddin Khan, Principal Staff Officers and other senior army officers offered their Eid

Main Eid congregation of the Bangladesh Navy was held at the BNS Haji Mohsin.

### Canadian social worker dead

Reddy Palli Satyanarayan, a veteran Canadian social worker of Noakhali Gandhi Asram, died of old age complications at Paniala village in Noakhali district Wednesday.

He was 86. Satyanarayan, a bachelor, left behind a large number of admirers to mourn his death.

He was cremated at his village home in the presence of large number of grieved people of the area. The veteran Gandhian social worker had come to Noakhali with Gandhiji in 1946. He had been engaged in social work there since 1948.

### Colin Imray awarded Knight Commander

British High Commissioner to Bangladesh Colin Imray has been awarded the rank of Knight Commander of the most excellent order of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II in her birth day honours list published Saturday, reports UNB.

A press release issued by the British High Commission here said that its first secretary Brian Adams has been awarded the rank of officer of the most excellent Order of the British Empire (OBE).

The third British citizen to . be honoured is Fiona Duby who has been made a member of the same Order (MBE) for her contribution to the British aid programme in Bangladesh.

# Weather

Sylhet, Srimangal and Feni.

## No change in day temperature

By Staff Correspondent

Light to moderate rain or shower accompanied by temporary gusty, wind is likely at many places over Chittagong division and at a few places over Dhaka, Khulna and Rajshahi divisions during the next 36 hours commencing 6 pm Sunday. Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the

country during the period. Little change in weather would be noticed in subsequent two days. 26 mm rain as recorded at Khepupara Sunday, 16 mm at Maijdee Court, 13 mm in Rangamati, and 8 mm each in

The sun sets today (Monday ) in Dhaka at 6-48 pm and rises tomorrow (Tuesday) at 5-11. Temperature and humidity recorded at important cities and towns on Sunday were:

Cities/Towns	Temperature in Degree Celsius		Humidity in Percentage	
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	33.8	25.3	73	60
Chittagong	33.0	25.9	75	<b>7</b> 5
Rajshahi	34.0	33.9	78	79
Khulna	34.6	22.2	90	78
Barisal	31.6	24.5	83	89
Cox's Bazar	33.0	26.0	74	78
Sylhet	30.6	22.2	88	85
Rangpur	33.0	24.5	78	77
Jessore	35.0	24.0		