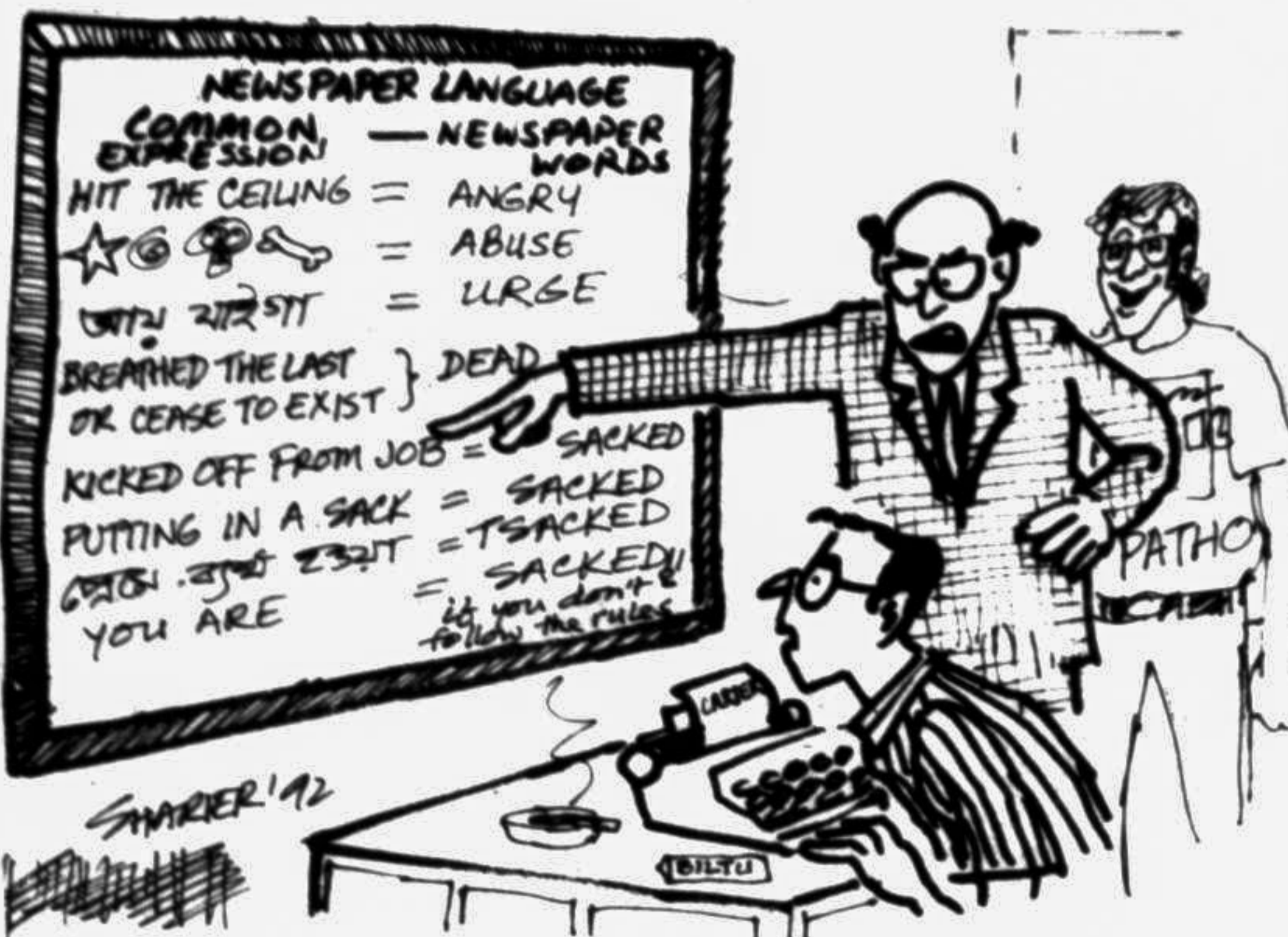


Dhaka Day by Day

Upliftment of the Daily News!

by S. Bari



Today's lesson is in newspaper writing. This is particularly appropriate, since you are reading a newspaper at this very moment. You have presumably done this on a regular basis for some years now, and are familiar with the peculiarities of newspaper. I don't mean the creative mistakes that appear with unfailing inevitability in national headlines: I mean certain expressions that any self-respecting journalist in this country produces with religious regularity.

In order to write a professional-sounding story, use one or all of the following phrases, culled from a selection of eminent dailies over the past year.

All-out efforts: this is usually reserved for something the government has said, in case we think their efforts are half-hearted. All-outness is just as serious whether it concerns planting more trees or eradicating poverty.

People from all walks of life: a figure of speech to indicate the fact that the reporter wants to increase his word count. Not to be taken literally. Also applicable to many situations, from hartals to picnics.

Upliftment of the people: though this sounds suspiciously like a certain kind of plastic surgery, 'upliftment' is really a most moral process. When in doubt as to what the minister actually getting at in his speech, it is always safe to say he called for the 'upliftment' of something.

Flourishment: closely related to the above. The Prime Minister recently called (one can also use 'urged') for the 'creation of an atmosphere for the flourishing of children'. One can just picture nodding little flower buds. And of course this is another example of how to get around concrete measures. There is nothing quite so delightfully vague as an atmosphere of

flourishment.

Certain phrases are reserved for religious occasions: 'improved diet in the prisons', with accompanying pictures of prisoners in front of their first meal in months that actually has food in it.

Maghi Purnima (or Eid or Christmas) was celebrated with due religious fervour: I shudder to think what would happen if ever anyone celebrated with undue fervour. Related to the above are the terms 'befitting manner' and 'with due solemnity'. How exactly is Tagore's death anniversary celebrated with due solemnity, and what is exactly is the befitting manner in which to observe Independence Day? Maybe the Home Ministry could issue a circular on the topic.

Musical events must of course always be covered by the phrases reserved for them. 'Artists' at 'soirees' (never mind if the concert is at noon, it's always a soiree) 'render' songs, making the whole process seem rather scientific.

Most of the best headlines come to us from that fount of inventive language and innovative ideas, the government. When a few months ago the president announced that boiled water prevents diarrhoea, this was major news. The administration also frequently calls on us to 'uphold democratic values' and 'to improve the lot of the common people'. (Two more original phrases to note down for the aspiring editor). And News at Ten never fails to remind us of the work of the 'present democratic government', the emphasis on 'present' making it sound precariously temporary, as if soon it will no longer be around.

For a lesson on signboard writing, keep your eyes on this space next week. Till then, urge yourself to create a democratic atmosphere with due religious solemnity and alout efforts.

Metropolitan

Specific policy for disabled women underscored

Specific policy should be formulated for creating better environment for disabled women to help them participate in national development process.

The suggestion was made in a paper on 'Women and Disability' presented by Tanjina Ahmed of Voluntary Health Services Society (VHSS) at a day-long seminar in the city yesterday, reports UNB.

She stressed the need for review of the existing law and creation of mass awareness for a congenial atmosphere for the disabled women, estimated some 2,50,000 across the country.

President of the National Forum of the Organisations Working with the Disabled (NFOWD) Khandoker Jahurul Alam informed the seminar that a hostel for the blind would be commissioned soon and scholarships introduced for blind students.

Principal of Dhaka Teachers Training College Rashida Begum in her address as chief guest said country's overall development was not possible leaving a vast disabled segment of the population unemployed.

Disability issue 'should be incorporated with national development planning, she recommended.

Presided over by former General Secretary of Bangladesh Baptist Sangha RN Baroi, the seminar was also addressed by Principal of the Baptist Sangha Blind Girls High School Manju Samadhar, Moynuddin Chowdhury of National Federation of the Blind and Mohammad Jashimuddin of VHSS.

Blind students Farzana Rahman Liza, Rabeya Khatun, Shirin Akhter and Sukla Biswas also spoke at the seminar, sponsored jointly by VHSS and the Baptist Sangha School.

Plea for fulfilling Mujib's dreams

Speakers at a discussion meeting here yesterday paid rich tributes to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and

Body to observe Ruhul Kuddus' anniversary of death

The first death anniversary of Ruhul Kuddus, one of the organisers of the Mujibnagar government, will be observed on September 7, reports BSS.

A 103-member committee has been formed to observe the anniversary of Kuddus, who was the chief secretary of the Mujibnagar government and a drafter of the historic six-point.

Prof. Kabir Chowdhury is the chairman of the committee. Former chief justice Kemaluddin Hussain, Prof. Zillur Rahman Siddiqui, Shawkat Osman, former minister Sheikh Abdul Aziz, former secretary AKM Ahsan, former Ambassador KM Shamsur Rahman, Banker Khairul Kabir, Journalist Santosh Gupta, poet Sanaul Haq and former Defence Secretary Abdus Samad are among the members of the committee.

called for materialising his dreams for a happy, prosperous and exploitation-free society, reports UNB.

The discussion was organised by Shadhana Forum Bangladesh at National Book Centre to mark the 17th death anniversary of Sheikh Mujib.

Chaired by President of the Forum Dr. Mazharul Islam the meeting was addressed, among others, by former student leaders Abdul Kuddus Makhon and Akhteruzzaman, Mostafa Kamal, Dr Enamul Haq, Advocate Delwar Hossain Bhuiyan and M Monem.

Referring to attempts to distort the history of the Liberation War, Dr. Mazharul Islam said Bangabandhu and Bangladesh are inseparable parts and his name could not be removed from our history.

He called for writing the true history of the nation to enlighten the new generation about the liberation war.

Replying to the criticism about Bangabandhu's intellectual ineptitude, Akhteruzzaman said, Sheikh Mujib's historic speech of March 7, 1971 is the monumental example of his calibre.

Advocate M Shajawar read out the keynote paper on Bangabandhu at the meeting.



Osmari Smriti Parishad held a seminar at the Shishu Akademi yesterday in observance of the 74th birth anniversary of General Ataul Ghani Osmari. — Star photo

Killing of Ratan Sen protested

By Staff Correspondent

The Jagannath College unit of Ekattorer Ghatok Dalal Nirmul Committee held a rally Tuesday to protest the killing of Ratan Sen, attempt on Menon's life and threat to the committee leaders.

Presided over by Azad Hossain, the rally was addressed among others by Syed Iskander Ali Tipu, Kamal Hossain Badal, Shamsuzzaman Milon, Rasha, Ratan Pal and Nazrul Islam.

They demanded execution of the verdict of the people's Court against Golam Azam and ban on Jamaat-Shibir politics.

Anniversary of Khademul Islam's death observed

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh Air Force (BAF) observed the 16th death anniversary of the former chief of air staff Air Vice Marshal Mohammad Khademul Islam with due solemnity Tuesday.

On this occasion, a milad mahfil was arranged at the BAF Central Mosque at Kurmitola. Prayers were offered for the salvation of the departed soul and also for the peace and prosperity of the country.

Among others, Chief of Air Staff Air Vice Marshal Altaf Hossain Chowdhury attended the mahfil.

Sultan Ahmed was not NBL director

Sultan Ahmed, the businessman who allegedly committed suicide in the city Sunday, was not a director of National Bank Ltd. according to a bank press release, reports UNB.

It said Sultan Ahmed was never a director, nor even a shareholder of National Bank Ltd.

Ahmed, a middle aged businessman, reportedly leaped to his death from the rooftop of 18-storied Eastern Tower in Eskaton.

A U/D case was filed with Ramna police in this connection.

Notice Inviting Proposal

- The Govt. for the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a Credit from International Development Association (IDA), Credit No. 2259-BD and grant from 11 co-financiers towards the cost of Fourth Population and Health Project and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this Credit will be applied to eligible payment under the contract for which this invitation for proposal is issued.
- Proposals are invited by the undersigned to appoint a Consultant to provide Architectural and Engineering Services for design, supervision, and management of construction of the Multi-storied Health and Population Bhaban Complex at Mohakhali, Dhaka for the Directorates of Health Services and Family Planning of the MOHFW.
- The Technical and Financial Proposals should be submitted in sealed separate envelopes. The basic qualifications of the Consultant for application for the project are as hereunder:
 - Registered under Companies Act of Bangladesh.
 - Experienced in the preparation of Project Brief, Design and Supervision and management of construction of multi-storied building project including Electro-Mechanical Services.
- The Letter of Invitation (LOI) including detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) and other relevant information may be obtained on payment of non-refundable Tk. 5000.00 (Taka five thousand) only per set, in the form of Bank Draft/Payment Order in favour of the Project Director/Chief Engineer, CMMU (BPDU) from Office of the undersigned up to 30/9/92 during office hours.
- The Technical and Financial Proposals of the Consulting firms will be received by the undersigned on 14/10/92 up to 12.30 PM.
- Construction and Maintenance Management Unit, CMMU (BPDU), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare reserves the right for accepting or rejecting any or all proposals without assigning any reason thereof.

Project Director/Chief Engineer

Construction & Maintenance Management Unit, CMMU (BPDU)
DFF (G) 15864-29/8 Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
G-1106 105/106, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka

What's on today....

Seminar on journalism at JU

The Jahangirnagar University (JU) Sangbadik Samity in observance of its 19th founding anniversary will hold a seminar on newspaper, journalists, readers, expectation and achievement today (Wednesday) at 9 am at the Social Sciences gallery of the university.

The programme will be attended by Col (ret'd) Akbar, Shafik Rehman, Santosh Gupta, Amanullah Kabir and Nima Anam as discussants.

Nirmul committee rally

The Sabujbag thana unit of the Ghatok Dalal Nirmul Committee will organise a rally at South Basabo today (Wednesday) at 4.30 pm.

Jahanara Imam and other Samanyee committee leaders will address the rally.

Seminar on Computer

A seminar on 'Computer Information System and its Application in Bangladesh' will be held at the Conference Room of International University of Business Agriculture and Technology (IUBAT) today (Wednesday) at 5.30 pm.

Dhaka Buriganga Rotary Club meet

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka Buriganga will be held today (Wednesday) at Hotel Sonargaon at 5.30 pm.

Professor of International History, Dhaka University Syed Anwar Hossain will speak on 'Small States Security and Bangladesh Perspective'.

Dhaka Mid-town Rotary Club meet

The 728th regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka Mid-town will be held today (Wednesday) at 5.30 pm at Oulshan Club.

All members are requested to attend the meeting.

Unmesh Film Society

A seminar on film organised by Unmesh Film Society will be held at Goethe Institut at 5 pm today (Wednesday).

Rahman Chowdhury will present the key-note paper. The discussants are Anu Muhammad and Ashfaq Munir.

Director of the Goethe Institut H Lechner will be present as chief guest while President of the society Akhteruzzaman Elias will preside.

The film '36, Chowrang Lane' will be screened following the seminar.

Rotary Club of Dhaka South

The regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka South will be held today (Wednesday) at 5.30 pm at the Hotel Purbani International in the city.

Seminar on newspaper

A seminar titled 'Newspaper, newsmen and news reader: expectation and achievement' will be held today (Wednesday) at the Social Science gallery of the Jahangirnagar University under the auspices of the JU Journalists' Association (JUJA).

The ex-members of the JUJA have been requested to participate in the seminar.

Press Sramik and Karmachari Federation

A joint meeting of the executive committees of the Bangladesh Sangbadpatra Press Sramik Federation and Bangladesh Sangbadpatra Karmachari Federation will be held today (Wednesday) at 3 pm at the Ittefaq Bhaban.

Completion of uplift projects stressed

Agriculture, Irrigation, Water Development and Flood Control Minister Major General M Majid Ul Haq yesterday called upon the officers and experts in various agricultural sectors to work with zeal and dedication to attain the desired results from the ongoing development projects, reports BSS.

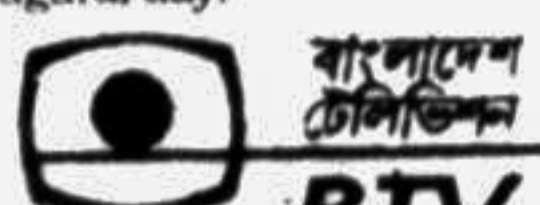
He said this while presiding over a review meeting on Annual Development Programme (ADP) at the conference hall of Agriculture Ministry. Additional Secretary of Agriculture Ministry Anwarul Islam and head of the various departments and high officials of the ministry were present in the meeting.

The Minister emphasised the need for completion of all development projects within the stipulated time.

Tree plantation week begins

A tree plantation week began under the auspices of Bangladesh Girl Guides Association with 150 saplings planted yesterday at the national camp site at Baropara in Gazipur district, reports UNB.

Zeba Rashid Chowdhury, National Commissioner of the Association, executive committee members and guides from Ispahani Girls' School, New Government Girls' School and Quamrunnessa Government Girls' School of Dhaka took part in the programme on the inaugural day.



Wednesday

5.00	Opening announcement	Al-Quran Programme summary
5.10	News in Bangla	Recitation from the Geeta
5.20	Sports programme	Model Garab Moder Aasha
5.30	McGyver	Hijal Tomal
7.05	News in Bangla	News in Bangla
8.30	Dancing programme	McGyver
9.00	News in English	World Drama
10.30	Khobar/The News	Thursday's programme summary
11.40	Closing	
11.45		



Bangladesh Samajtantrik Dal (BSD) rally in front of the National Press Club yesterday protesting genocide in Bosnia. — Star photo



Sangrami Chhatra Samaj brought out a procession in the city yesterday demanding release of deposed President H M Ershad. — Star photo

Weather

Dry weather to prevail

By Staff Correspondent

Light or moderate rain or shower may occur at a few places over Chittagong division and at one or two places over the regions of Khulna, Barisal and Patuakhali while weather is likely to remain mainly dry elsewhere over the country during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Wednesday).

The Met office forecasts, day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The maximum temperature of 34.5 degree Celsius was reported from Dinajpur yesterday (Tuesday) and the minimum of 21.6 degree was reported from Sylhet.

The suns sets today (Wednesday) at 6.15 pm and rises tomorrow (Thursday) at 5.40 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

Cities/Towns	Temperature in degree Celsius	Humidity in Percentage
Dhaka	Max 31.4	Min 27.8
Chittagong	32.0	26.7
Rajshahi	33.4	27.1
Khulna	32.4	26.4
Sylhet	32.1	21.6
Dinajpur	34.5	25.6
Comilla	32.5	26.5
Cox's Bazar	31.0	26.5

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2.	BIWTC/LP-II/0020 Tk 10/00	Different type of Jointing materials	16-9-92
3.	BIWTC/LP-II/0022 Tk 10/00	Hardware Materials	-do-
4.	BIWTC/LP-II/0027 Tk 10/00	Hacksaw Blads & Emery Cloth etc	-do-
5.	BIWTC/LP-I/0018 Tk 50/00	Polypropylene & Nylon Rope	21-9-92
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7.	BIWTC/LP-I/0023 Tk 25/00	Stage Plank for Garjan Wood	-do-
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9.	BIWTC/LP-I/0026 Tk 10/00	Soap Soft	-do-
10.	BIWTC/LP-I/0027 Tk 20/00	Cotton Waste & Cloth Cutting Rags	-do-
11.	BIWTC/LP-I/0030 Tk 10/00	Deckchi Aluminium	-do-

Tender documents with detailed specifications, Terms and Conditions can be purchased from the Cash Section of BIWTC, Accounts Department, at 5, Dilkusha C/A, 2nd Floor, Dhaka, during office hours on cash (non-refundable) shown against respective Tender Numbers. Earnest Money @ Tk 1% of the bid value must be furnished along with bid in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of BIWTC. Tender will be received up to 11.00 hrs and opened at 11.30 hrs on the same day. No Tender documents will be sold by post and on the day of opening. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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