

Dhaka Day by Day

Afternoon In Dhaka

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As the 21st megacity of the world, Dhaka has its own ways of providing outlets for its denizens in spending their leisure hours in the afternoon.

For most of the people working in government and private organisations, a period of leisure and ease is a well deserved reward with the approaching afternoon.

The afternoons provide the most appropriate time for meetings, rallies, seminars, symposia, etc. Baitul Mukarram, Press Club and Gullistan areas serve as favourite spots for political and other agitational speech-making.

ing barricades on the roads, give little thought to the convenience of thousands of people caught in the resultant traffic jams.

Those who are interested in sports, have the stadium and the adjacent play grounds where games of one sort or another are played everyday.

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buying things of one's needs in the sprawling shopping facilities provided by the roadside hawkers in Gullistan, Baitul Mukarram, Mouchak, New Market, Gausia and other areas.

Attendance at the public libraries including those of the Asiatic Society, Biswa Sahitya Kendra, Islamic Foundation also registers a rise in the afternoon.

The roadside tea stalls and the fast food centres also get ready to meet the expected rush of customers in the evening.

The Suhrawardy Udyan, Ramna Park, and pastries, etc. generally cater to customers in the higher income groups.

Osmani Udyan and the Sangsad Bhaban areas become more crowded with a large number of visitors. Shishu Park and Shishu Meia suddenly transform into a mini Disney world.

These are some of the elements of recreational arrangements available for the citizens in the afternoon.

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A munajat being offered at the mazar of Sher-e-Bangla A K Fazlul Haq on the occasion of his 121st birth anniversary in the city yesterday.

Independent University formally opens

President Abdur Rahman Biswas yesterday reiterated the government's commitment to the development of education sector so that a firm base for future is created, reports BSS.

Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar, Environment Minister Col (ret'd) Akbar Hossain, attended the function as special guests.

Referring to the curricula of the Independent University, he said, "It has the responsibility of producing world standard graduates within the local environment, with knowledge

Muktijodha Trust to be leased out

The 20th parliamentary standing committee meeting of the Ministry of Defence was held at Sangsad Bhaban yesterday, reports BSS.

The meeting discussed the present condition of multiple juice concentrate plant of the Muktijodha Kalyan Trust, which has now become an unprofitable organisation.

The committee instructed the defence ministry to form a high level committee to look into how this plant was set up without studying its feasibility of profit and losses.

88 arrested in city

Police rounded up 88 people on various charges from different parts of the city in last 24 hours, said a DMP press release yesterday, reports UNB.



The Jamaat-e-Islami, Bangladesh brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting the collapse of the Commonwealth-mediated government-opposition dialogue.

THE HUNGER PROJECT. হাঙ্গার প্রজেক্টের কর্মশালা পরিচালনার জন্যে প্রত্যেক জেলা থেকে কিছু উদ্যমী বেসামরিকভাবে প্রশিক্ষণ দেয়া হবে।

Corrigendum. Due to oversight, the name and designation of Zagul Ahmed Chowdhury was printed incorrectly in the news item 'Tributes paid to S M Ali' appearing in The Daily Star's October 25 issue.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Office of the Project Director Rural Development Project-7 (RRMIMP) Local Government Engineering Department. Invitation for International Bid for Supply of 2 (two) Nos 7 to 15 Tons Pneumatic Tyred Roller

Japanese MP arrives Oct 29. Hiroshi Mitsuoka, MP and president, Japan-Bangladesh Parliamentary League and Japan-Bangladesh Friendship Association will arrive here on Saturday on a four-day visit to Bangladesh, reports BSS.

Weather. Dry spell likely. Dry weather is likely to prevail over the country during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

বাংলাদেশ কৃষি ব্যাংক. বিদ্যাপীয়া কার্যালয়, খুলনা. চূড়ান্ত কারণ দর্শাও নোটিশ. যেহেতু আপনি জনাব মোঃ মাহফুজুর রহমান, সহকারী কোষাধ্যক্ষ (সাময়িকভাবে বরখাস্ত), বাংলাদেশ কৃষি ব্যাংক, কলারোয়া শাখায় কর্তব্যরত থাকাকালে ০৯-০৬-৯৩ইং তারিখ হতে অননুমোদিতভাবে শাখায় অনুপস্থিত রয়েছেন এবং বিভিন্ন অপরাধ করেছেন।

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