

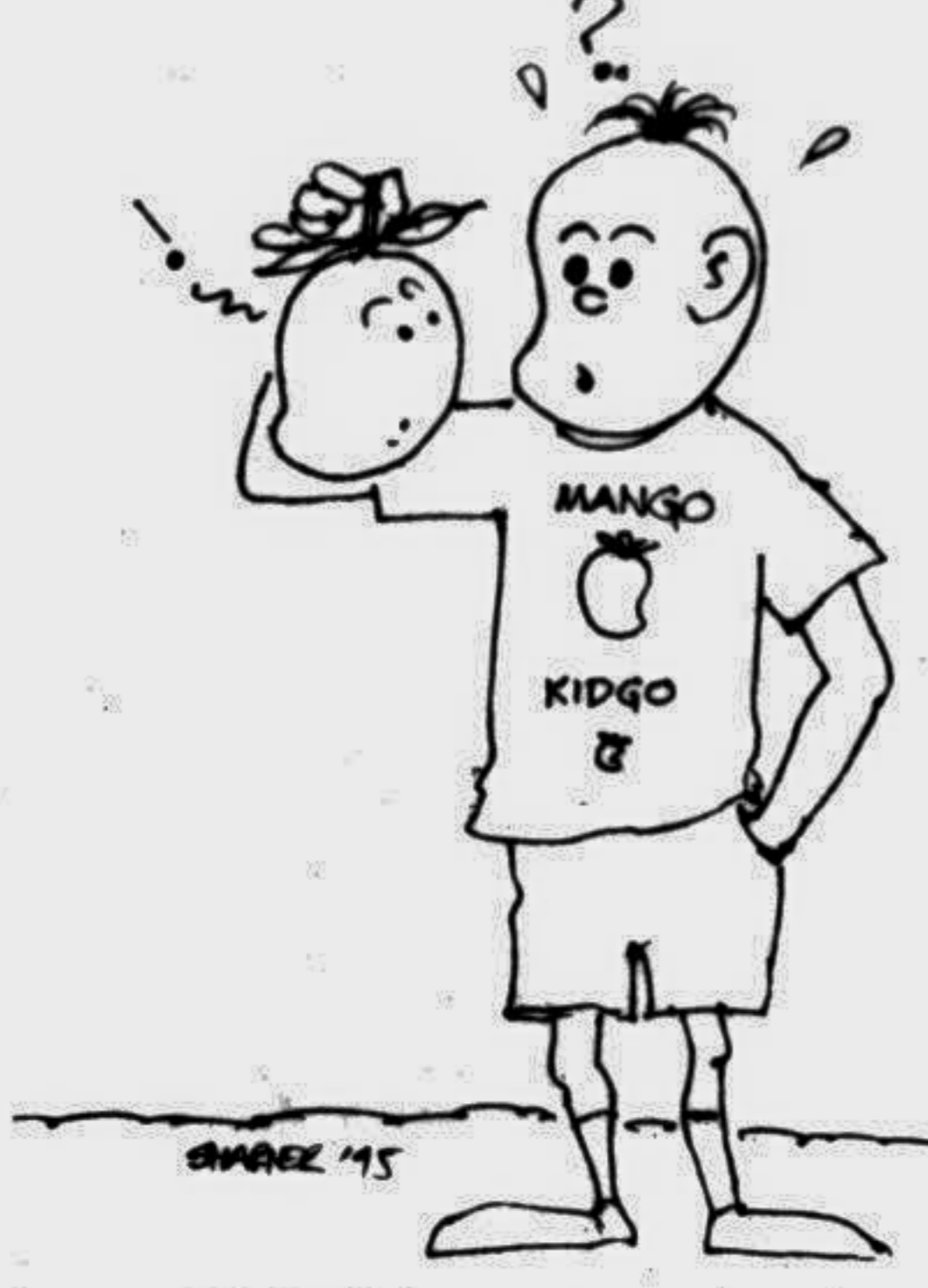
Dhaka Day by Day

A Juicy Story

by Raffat Binte Rashid

Kacha Aam. Paka Aam. Tok Tok Misti... Let's just pick the words in italics and translate and you will instantly know what the above lines say.

definitely easy and no fun at all now but that's what the ready made era is all about. Amir Ali is a seasonal fruit vendor.



"This stock finishes, at best within five hours, then I have to go for some more again or call it a day," he says. Ali has a cart that he stops at any convenient corner and carries business there.

Besides all these recipes, green mangoes are a favourite now with pulse and other vegetables dishes. Moreover it is the time when you will see grandmas very meticulously slicing it into thin pieces and drying them in the sun with a dash of salt and chilli.

Then of course there are all sorts of pickles that can be made by green mangoes.

Unfortunately this season's delight lasts for about a month or half at the most — until they are ripe and then begin another juicy story.

But then again, you who want to wait for any Kal Baishaki (storm) to make its unpredictable move, when all you have to do is just climb the tree (with salt and powdered chilli of course) in a leisurely afternoon (when moms are asleep) and grab as much as you want. You can even get hold of a bamboo, attach a metal wire at the top end, and place it on the twig of the mango you want and twist a little — the green mango, sweet or sour, will be on the cloth your friends are holding stretched under the tree (make sure they do).

If you don't want to go through all this hassle, just go to any street corner and you will find vendors selling kacha aam. (Life is



The Gulshan Thana chapter of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) brought out a procession in the city's Mahakhali area yesterday protesting the hartal sponsored by the mainstream opposition parties.

DU ambulance hit by truck

The lone ambulance of the Dhaka University was damaged in a road accident when a truck hit the vehicle near Kanchpur bridge on Saturday night.

The ambulance was hit by the truck from behind on way to Narayanganj. Driver Abdus Sattar received minor injury.

When asked about the incident, Medical Officer Mohammad Ketabuddin said, he knew nothing about the requisition of the ambulance.

As per university law, none can take the ambulance outside the capital without prior consent of chief medical officer of the university.

Torch procession in support of hartal

Jatiya Garments' Sramik Federation yesterday brought out a torch procession in the city to drum up support in favour of its 48-hour strike beginning tomorrow.

The federation called the strike to realise its eight-point demand, including implementation of minimum wage announced by the government for garments workers.

The procession, brought out from the Jatiya Press Club in the evening, ended at the central office of the federation at Topkhana road after parading the Zero point in Gulistan area.

Meanwhile, Left Democratic Front (LDF), an alliance of eight left leaning parties, also brought out a procession.

Ten workers hurt in city

Ten workers were injured, three of them seriously, when they were allegedly attacked by the guards of the Alpine Garments Division at Gulshan in the city yesterday.

Trade union sources said that the management had asked the production manager of the factory to retrench some workers, who were demanding their outstanding overtime bills.

As the manager failed to carry out the orders, the guards tried to turn him out of the factory and also attacked the general workers who protested the action, they said.

Of the three seriously injured workers, two were admitted to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital and the other to a private clinic.

In a joint statement, the Bangladesh Garments Sramik Karmachari Federation leaders Mohor Ali and Ragib Ahsan Munna protested the incident and demanded solution of the workers' problems.

1.6b people in world now affected by IDD: Shamsul

A three-day conference on partnership to end hidden hunger: sustainable elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (IDD) was inaugurated at Dhaka Sheraton Hotel in the city yesterday with a renewed pledge to eliminate the curse of IDD by the year 2000.

Minister for Information and Commerce M Shamsul Islam inaugurated the three-day meet of both national and international experts and congratulated the agencies concerned for their determination to combat this global problem.

Shamsul Islam said 1.6 billion people in the world were now affected by iodine deficiency disorders and of them, 200 million children were mentally retarded already.

It is being organised by International Council for Control of Iodine Deficiency Disorders (ICIDD), UNICEF, WHO, CIDA, Micronutrient Initiative (MI) and Bangladesh government.

The participants of the conference include a spectrum of individuals from around the world representing various institutions, consumer organisations, disability prevention associations, policy makers, administrators, salt producers, food processors, NGOs and government representatives of seven countries, organisers said.

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She asked the party workers and leaders, and appealed to the affluent section of society to extend their helping hands to the affected people.

Hasina condoles deaths in nor'wester

Awami League president Sheikh Hasina has expressed deep shock at the loss of life and property in Saturday's nor'wester and tornado that swept over different areas of the country.

In a statement yesterday, she condoled the death of some 28 people during the storm which lashed Munshiganj, Dhaka, Khagrachhari and Comilla districts.

Hasina conveyed her sympathy to the nearly 400 injured people and to those affected by the storm. She wished early recovery of the injured people.

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Int'l symposium on iodine

An international symposium on "Iodine, Nutrition and Human Development" will be held at the Institute of Post Graduate Medicine and Research (IPGMR) in the city on April 12 at 8:30 am.

Dhaka University Vice-Chancellor Prof Emajuddin Ahmed will inaugurate the symposium as chief guest.

Weather Squalls, hails likely

Rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind with hails may occur at a few places over Dhaka and Chittagong divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi, Khulna and Barisal divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today.

The Met Office said, day temperature may rise by 1-2 degrees Celsius throughout the country during the period. Weather is likely to improve at the end of the period, it said.

Today's maximum temperature in Dhaka was 34.5 degrees Celsius and minimum 17.7 degrees while the country's highest temperature was recorded 38.8 at Ishwardi and the lowest 17.7 at Dhaka.

Percentage of humidity in Dhaka was 80 in the morning and 72 in the evening. The sun sets today at 6:18 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:42am.

Today's minimum and maximum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns as follows:

Table with 4 columns: City/Town, Max Temp (Celsius), Min Temp (Celsius), Humidity (%) Morning, Humidity (%) Evening.



Deputy Leader in Parliament Prof A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury launching a cassette of songs of Salma Ahmed at a function held at the Jatiya Press Club on Saturday.

Police to help fight polio

The police force in the country assured all cooperation in materializing the government's initiative to eradicate polio from the country by the year 2000.

The Inspector General of Police (IGP) ASM Shajahan addressing a seminar as chief guest on Saturday, said that the members of the police force will work with the physicians and health workers to build up a healthy society.

The seminar, held at the police telecom auditorium at Rajarbagh in the city.

Obituary

Syeda Tasmia Bariquillah, 10, a student of grade-IV Mapleleaf International School and eldest daughter of Syed Mohammad Bariquillah, asst-vice president, IPIC Bank Ltd died of illness on Friday, reports BSS.

She was the grand-daughter of the late Syed Mohammad Atiqullah, senior advocate of Dhaka High Court. She was buried at Banani graveyard.

Her qul-khuan will be held today after Magreb prayers at her father's residence at Eskaton Plaza, 131 New Eskaton road.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD Chandpur Road Division Chandpur RHD Notice Inviting Tender

- 1. Tender Notice : 105/EE/RHD/Chandpur/1994-95. No.
2. Name of work : Construction of Boundary wall of Road side and providing barbed wire fencing at back & 2 (Two) sides of open space (West & East of Chandpur Road Sub-Division) recently filled by earth for proposed Divisional Office building & work shed under Chandpur Road Division during the year 1994-95.
3. Estimated cost : Tk. 3,60,017/=
4. Earnest money : Tk. 7,201/= in the shape of BD/TC/Pratirakha Sanchay Patra/5-year Sanchay Patra or Bonus Sanchay Patra in favour of the undersigned.
5. Name of the offices where tender will be sold : Office of the undersigned/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Comilla/ Noakhali/B. Baria/Lakshampur/Sub Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Chandpur/Hajiganj.
6. Name of the office where tender will be received : Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Comilla/Office of the undersigned.
7. Time allowed : 30 (thirty) days from the date of issue of work order.
8. Last date for opening of tender : 19-4-95 up to office hours.
9. Last date for receipt of tender : 20-4-95 up to 12-30 P.M.
10. Date & time for opening of tender : 24-4-95 at 12-45 P.M.
11. Eligibility of contractors : "A" to "E" class enlisted general category contractors of RHD.

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Star Entertainment Guide

Table listing TV programs and times for various channels like BTV, GTV, and Star.

Eating Out

Advertisement for restaurants including Yangtze Chinese Cuisine, Oasis Restaurant, Leung-Hung, and Sajaa.