

ADP implementation rate

Donors suspect govt bias for political-priority projects

Donors during a review of Bangladesh's development programmes for the current fiscal year yesterday insisted on quality improvement of public spendings to deliver the targeted benefits to the people.

Dr A Moyeen Khan, who presided over the review meeting, denied outright any motivated prioritisation by the government in ADP implementation.

According to sources, the minister told the donors that the utilisation trend was a reflection of development programmes remaining unaffected by the country's volatile political situation.



A fire gutted about 150 shanties at Dapa Slum at Fatullah in Narayanganj yesterday. — Star photo

The Midnight File

12 die in Orissa road accident NEW DELHI, Jan 23: Twelve people were killed and 12 others injured when a bus in which they were travelling hit a tree in the eastern Indian state of Orissa.

365 nominations

From Page 1 In Chittagong-5 and Shahnewaz Montu in Chittagong-11. Out of 27 candidates in five constituencies of Narayanganj, 14 withdrew their candidature.

From Page 1 Chowdhury, Health Minister Chowdhury Kamal Ibne Yusuf and his brother Chowdhury Akmal Ibne Yusuf, Communications Minister Oli Ahmed, Prime Minister's Special Envoy Mosharraf Khan, State Minister for Establishment...

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UK Medical Council eases restrictions on Bangladeshi graduates again

The General Medical Council of Britain has further relaxed restrictions on Bangladeshi medical graduates with effect from January 1, according to a message received in Dhaka yesterday.

Businessmen in Pabna enforce hartal

PABNA, Jan 23: The local businessmen enforced a half-day hartal in Pabna town today to press for their three-point demand including immediate arrest of former president of Pabna Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI), reports UNB.

Sarwar Jamal re-elected CCCI chief



From Staff Correspondent CHITTAGONG, Jan 23: Sarwar Jamal Nizam has been re-elected president of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCC&I) for a one-year term.

Ciller proposes coalition govt

ANKARA, Jan 23: Prime Minister Tansu Ciller today proposed a coalition government with the conservative Motherland Party on the principle of a rotating prime minister, reports AFP.

Reaction

headed by the President could be formed? It asked. Nasim said the meeting observed that in her address Begum Zia presented some 'lame excuses' to justify her bid to hold a 'one-party' election under a blue print.

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Iran-Bangla official talks Progress of MOU on energy sector discussed

The first round official meeting between Iran and Bangladesh yesterday reviewed the implementation progress of the MOU on energy and oil sector, reports BSS.

The meeting had a detailed discussion on the progress of different components of the MOU and re-evaluated the outcome of the follow-up meetings of Iran-Bangladesh Joint Commission.

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152 houses gutted in Fatullah slum

NARAYANGANJ, Jan 23: At least 152 makeshift houses at a slum in Fatullah thana area were gutted this afternoon.

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Appointment

Major General Abu Kaiser Fazlul Kabir, NDC, PSC, has been appointed new Director General of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BISS).

Pontoons

From Page 1 Financial limitations might lead us to refrain from financing this contract.

Sylhet

From Page 1 Meanwhile, the district BNP at a protest meeting at Ambarikha Bazar blamed the Awami League and Jamaat-Shibir activists for attacking the BNP's procession.

Aricha

From Page 1 department of the BUET Dr Monowar Hossain, additional director of Jamuna Multipurpose Bridge Authority Nazrul Islam, Chairmen of BIWTA and BIWTC, representatives of Water Development Board and Ham International and officials of the dredging department of the BIWTA.

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Multi-million dollar bribery scandal 3 ex-ministers of Rao govt chargesheeted

NEW DELHI, Jan 23: The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) today filed chargesheets against three former cabinet colleagues of Prime Minister P V Narasimha Rao, reports BSS. Those who have been chargesheeted are former Human Resources Minister Madhav Rao Scindia, former Parliamentary Affairs Minister V C Shukla and former Agriculture Minister Balaraj Jakkhar in the popularly known 'hawala case'.

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