

Weather

Day temperature may rise

Rain and thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind may occur at one or two places over Pabna, Bogra, Mymensingh, Tangail, Dhaka, Comilla and Sylhet in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

According to the Met Office, weather is likely to remain mainly dry with partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country. Day temperature may rise slightly over the country.

The country's highest temperature 34.7 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Chuadanga and the lowest 17.6 degree Celsius at Srimongal.

The sun sets today at 6:10 pm and rises tomorrow at 6 am.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in Percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	34.6	21.4	42	45
Chittagong	30.3	21.5	65	78
Rajshahi	34.0	18.3	49	46
Khulna	31.6	21.7	83	—
Barisal	33.6	21.6	80	—
Sylhet	31.8	19.0	61	48
Cox's Bazar	32.0	21.7	69	74

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- Should have basic accounting concept to maintain Cash Book, Ledger etc.

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Dr Zahurul Karim
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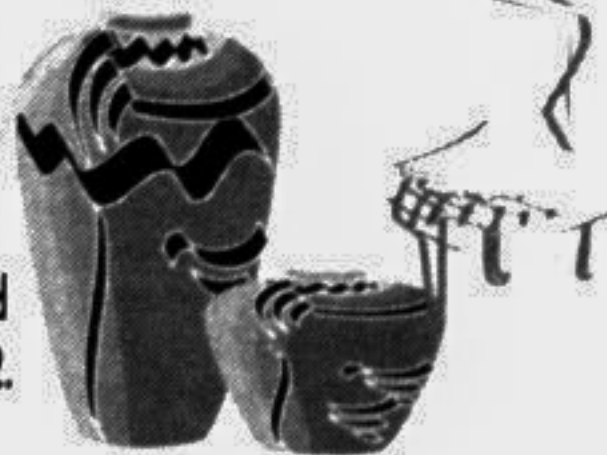
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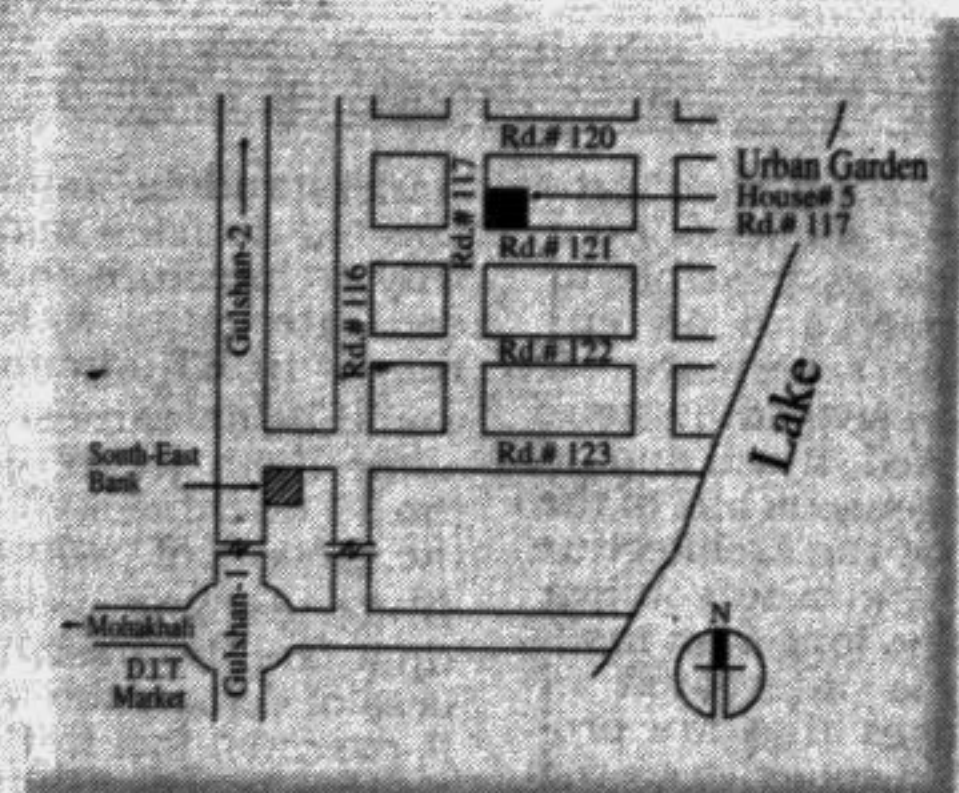
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President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed addressing the Silver Jubilee ceremony of the Bangladesh Supreme Court in the city yesterday. —PID photo

Death anniversary

The 23rd death anniversary of eminent journalists and litterateur Kazi Mohammad Idris will be observed today, reports BSS.

A progressive politician, Kazi Idris began his career in Calcutta as a journalist in the forties. He held the position of editor in different dailies and weeklies for three decades.

Besides writing some novels, late Idris translated a number of world class literary works, a press release said.

Obituary

Mohammad Shafiqullah who retired about three years ago as Deputy Secretary, Establishment Ministry, died of heart ailment at Suhrawardy Hospital early yesterday morning. He was 60, reports UNB.

Family sources said, Shafiqullah was rushed to a private clinic at 10 pm Friday when he complained of severe pain. He was soon shifted to Suhrawardy Hospital where he breathed last at 5.20 am yesterday.

Health Minister says

Teaching system in medical colleges need to be changed

Health and Family Welfare Minister Salauddin Yusuf said teaching system in the medical colleges need to be changed to meet the present demand of efficient doctors, reports UNB.

He said the nation expects better healthcare from doctors and qualified doctors can be produced through quality education.

The minister was speaking as chief guest at an inaugural function of the 2nd National Conference on Medical Education, organised by National Association for Medical Education (NAME) in the city yesterday.

The theme of the two-day conference was "Quality Assurance in Medical Education and its Implication in Professional Development".

The Health Minister stressed the need for producing quality medical graduates in the country's medical colleges and as-

ured of political support for improvement of medical education.

One of the objectives of the present government is to improve the standard of medical education in the country, Yusuf said praising the activities of the centre in this regard.

Presided over by Director of Centre for Medical Education and President NAME Prof Muzaherul Haq, the inaugural session was addressed, among others, by special guest State Minister for Health and Family Welfare M Amanullah, DG of Health Services Prof ATM Nurul Anwar, eminent Prof Maruchi of Japan and Director of Medical Education Prof Munir Hossain.

About 200 medical teachers, administrators and students from home and abroad are participating in the two-day conference.



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina presided over Awami League Central Working Committee meeting at AL presidium member Amir Hossain Amu's residence in the city yesterday. —PID photo

Trade fair begins in Rajshahi

RAJSHAHI, Mar 21: Week-long "Rajshahi Industry and Trade Fair" began here today at the office premises of Rajshahi Chamber of Commerce and Industry, reports BSS.

State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Prof Zinnatun Nessa Talukder formally inaugurated the fair organised by Rajshahi Chamber of Commerce and Industry in collaboration with German Confederation of Small Business and Skill Crafts.

The fair, the first of its kind in Rajshahi, created great enthusiasm among the local people. A total of 28 stalls have been set up at the fair. Local products including sericulture and handicrafts have been put on display at the fair.

Call for nation building to face challenges of 21st century

Bangabandhu Parishad has called for taking a pledge for building up an exploitation-free 'Sonar Bangla' as dreamt by father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman under the dynamic leadership of his able daughter Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, reports BSS.

On the occasion of 78th birth anniversary of the Bangabandhu and the 27th independence anniversary, the Parishad called upon all for building up the country to face the challenges of the 21st century being imbued with the spirit of great Liberation War.

Workshop in Khulna to mobilise public opinion for nat'l health policy

KHULNA, Mar 21: A day-long workshop to mobilise public opinion for framing a national health policy was inaugurated here in Khulna by the Khulna Divisional Commissioner Abul Kashem at the Divisional Commissioner's Secretariat auditorium on Thursday, reports BSS.

The workshop is a part of countrywide programme held in other divisional headquarters.

Speaking on the occasion the divisional commissioner stressed the need for framing a national health policy suiting the need of the people of the country.

BSS Employees Welfare Samity apex body

M A Motalib and Mohammad Harun-ur-Rashid were elected Chairman and Secretary respectively of Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha (BSS) Employees Welfare Samity yesterday, said a press release, reports BSS.

The election of the Executive Committee of the Samity was held in the BSS office. Chief Accountant of BSS Mohammad Shamsuddin conducted the election as Election Commissioner.

Delwar Hossain was elected unopposed Treasurer. Yusuf Ali Molla, Abdul Jabbar, Md Khalid, Bimal Chandra Bhowmik, Mohammad Ismail and Abdur Rahman were elected as executive members — all unopposed, the press release added.

What's on today....

Dialogue: An open dialogue on the 'State of women workers in garment sector of Bangladesh', jointly organised by the Law Watch and the British Council, will be held. Venue: British Council auditorium. Time: 2:30 pm.

Citizens' gathering: Visa Free World Movement's Laxmipur District unit to Dhaka has organised a citizens' gathering. Venue: New Model High School auditorium. Time: 5:30 pm.

Literary evening: A literary evening organised by the Russian Language Club will be held on the occasion of the 130th birth anniversary of Maxim Gorky. Venue: Russian Cultural Centre. Time: 2 pm.

Club meeting: The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Metropolitan Dhaka will be held. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 5:30 pm.

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