

Weather

Dry weather likely

Weather may remain dry over the country in the next 24 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Slight fall in the night temperature is expected across the country during the period, according to Met Office forecast.

The mild cold wave that is sweeping over northwest part of the country is likely to spread over northern and central parts during next 72 hours from 6 pm yesterday.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 28 degree Celsius was recorded at Rangamati and the lowest of 9.2 degree Celsius at Satkhira.

The sun sets today at 5:22 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:42 am.

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

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius	Humidity in percentage
	Max Min	Morning Evening
Dhaka	24.8 12.9	87 78
Chittagong	25.6 14.5	88 67
Khulna	25.8 12.1	87 75
Rajshahi	21.5 10.4	97 84
Barisal	25.0 12.0	89 88
Sylhet	27.6 13.6	89 73
Cox's Bazar	27.5 15.2	73 70

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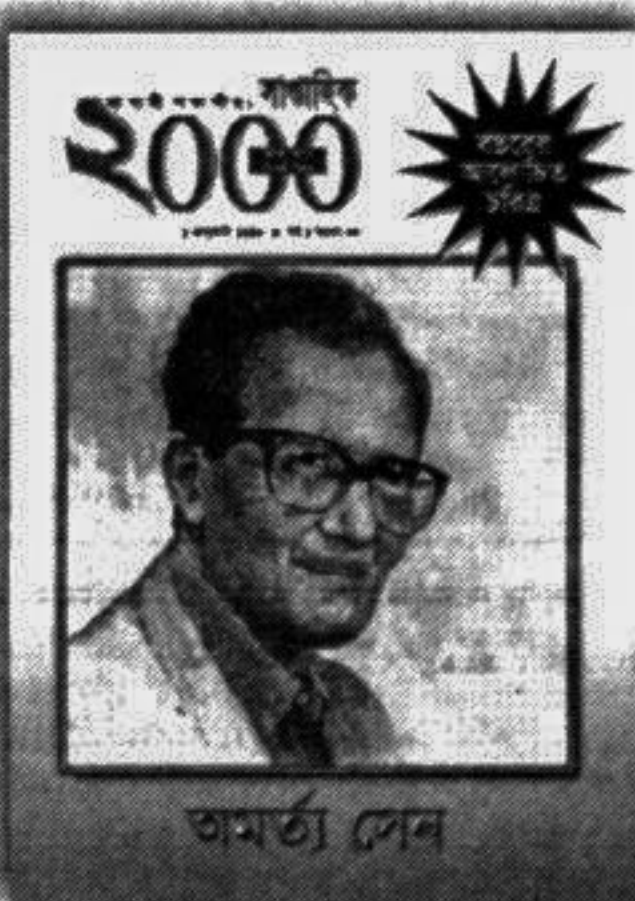
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0630	25, 31 & 49 meter SW band
1400	16, 19 & 25 meter SW band
1930	25 & 41 meter SW band
2230	31, 41 & 49 meter SW band

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Nuhas Film Award '98 Subir Nandy nominated

Asaduzzaman Noor and Subir Nandy have been nominated for Nuhas Film Award '98 for their performances in acting and singing respectively, according to a press release, reports BSS.

The award carries a gold medal weighing one vari (180 gram) gold and Taka 10,000. The award will be given in a colourful ceremony participated by eminent cultural personalities of the country in the first week of February, the press release added.

Moroccan donation for flood victims

Morocco will give Bangladesh a cash donation of four million Moroccan Dirham equivalent to Tk 2.05 crore for the flood victims, reports APB.

The Moroccan Ambassador in Dhaka is expected to hand over the cheque to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

Bangladesh Ambassador to Morocco Syed Mohammad Hussain conveyed the decision of the Moroccan government yesterday.

Meanwhile, the government of Cyprus has contributed US\$ 10,000 as flood relief for Bangladesh.

JS body discusses audit objections of missions abroad

A meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Accounts yesterday discussed audit objections of the Bangladesh Embassies abroad, reports UNB.

The meeting, held at the Parliament with committee chairman S M Akram in the chair, discussed 10 out of the 25 audit objections raised by the Comptroller and Auditor General in his 1995-96 report.

The meeting directed the authorities to dispose of the objections, take immediate steps to recover government dues from the persons concerned and report to the committee.

Committee members Colonel (Retd) Sawkat Ali, M K Anwar, Whip vice-principal M Abdus Shaheed, Abul Kalam Azad, Mostafizur Rahman and Abdul Mannan attend the meeting.

Festival bonus

All employees under government payroll will get festival bonus as per their basic salaries on July 1, 1998 or afterwards, reports UNB.

Those who drew lesser amount than their basic salaries as bonus in between July 1 and December 31 will get the rest of the amount, said an official handout yesterday.

Directive to recruit manpower in Insurance Directorate

A meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Commerce and Industries Ministry yesterday directed the Insurance Directorate to take effective measures to recruit necessary manpower to bring dynamism in its activities, reports UNB.

The meeting, held at the Sangsad Bhaban with committee chairman Rajiuddin Ahmed Raju in the chair, also discussed overall activities of Jiban Bima Corporation, including its income and expenditure.

Matters relating to investment, income and expenditure of Jiban Bima Corporation and other private life insurance companies were also came up for discussion.

Committee members Commerce and Industries Minister Tofail Ahmed, Muhibur Rahman (Manik), Master Mujibur Rahman, Sri Biren Sikder, Akhtar Hamid Siddiqui, Sarwar Jamal Nizam and Prof Shahidul Islam attended the meeting.

Commerce Secretary Syed Alamgir Farooq Chowdhury and concerned high officials were present.

Two fugitives arrested

RANGAMATI, Dec 30: Police arrested two fugitive convicts with three bullets from Maharajpara in Longdu thana here on Monday, reports APB.

The arrested were identified as Mohammad Ibrahim, 28, son of Janadhar Khan of Petnamachara and Abdur Rouf, 25, son of Abdul Khaleque Chowdhury of Tekapara under the thana.

DPRK envoy calls on Rob

The newly appointed Ambassador of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Bangladesh, R I Sang II, called on Minister for Fisheries and Livestock ASM Abdur Rob at his secretariat office yesterday, reports BSS.

The Ambassador spent some time with the minister and discussed matters of mutual interest, an official source said.

AL city committee meet today

A meeting of the Executive Committee of Dhaka City Awami League will be held at the party central office at Bangabandhu Avenue today at 3 pm, reports BSS.

Dhaka City Awami League general secretary and State Minister for Shipping Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya has urged all office bearers and members of the executive committee to attend the meeting in time.

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