

● What's on today ●

Clinical meet: Z H Sikder Cardiac Care and Research Centre has organised a clinical meeting on ACERA (ACE Receptor Antagonist). Keynote speaker: Dr Shamimul Haque, Assistant Professor of Cardiology. Venue: Conference Hall of the centre at Monica Estate, West Dharmondi. Time: 9 am.

Launching programme: The launching programme of 'Management Development for Thana Managers' will be held. Chief guest: Salah Uddin Yusuf, Minister for Health and Family Welfare. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel Ballroom. Time: 9:30 am.

● and tomorrow ●

Nat'l Craft Show '99: The inaugural ceremony of the National Craft Show '99 will be held. Organisers: Export Promotion Bureau and Banglachraft. Chief guest: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 11 am.

Training course: The inaugural ceremony of the Regional Training course on 'Food and Nutrition Programme Planning and Management' will be held. Organisers: BIRTAN, MoA & RTP-FNP, UPLB. Chief guest: Begum Matia Chowdhury, Minister for Agriculture and Food. Venue: BARC auditorium, Farmgate. Time: 9:30 am.

Weather

Moderate rain likely

Light to moderate rain or thundershower is likely at one or two places over Dhaka, Barisal and Chittagong divisions in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Weather may remain mainly dry with partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country during the period, according to the Met Office.

Day temperature may rise by one to three degree Celsius across the country while rainfall activities may increase in the subsequent two days, it forecast.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 35.3 degree Celsius was recorded at Madaripur and the lowest 22.2 degree Celsius at Sathkhira.

The sun sets in the capital today at 5:32 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:57 am.

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

City/Town	Temperature		Humidity in Percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	33.1	23.2	72	81
Chittagong	35.0	25.3	81	78
Rajshahi	31.8	23.2	86	90
Khulna	32.8	24.4	83	76
Barisal	33.3	23.4	75	83
Sylhet	34.0	24.9	89	80
Cox's Bazar	35.0	26.0	85	82

HERE and THERE

Dhaka College Ex-Students' Assoc ('84 Batch)

A meeting of the Dhaka College Ex-Students' Association ('84 Batch) was held in the city recently, says a press release.

The meeting was presided over by its convener Anisul Hoque Litu.

The meeting decided to hold a reunion programme of the ex-students of the 1984 batch of Dhaka College on November 26.

The registration fee has been fixed Tk 300/- per person and Tk 500/- for couples.

Interested ex-students of the batch have been requested to contact with Anisul Hoque. Phone No: 9561062-64 (off), Jalal Ahmed Swapan: 9559561-

3 (off), 9660782 (Res), Mesbahuddin Khan: 9351853 (off) and Mamun: 9346862 (Off) 018-220442 (Mobile) by November 10 for registration and further details.

Udichi Shilpi Goshthi

By Staff Correspondent

The two-day 4th conference of the Dhaka city unit of Udichi Shilpi Goshthi concluded in the city on Thursday with a call to unite all against killing, terrorism, rape, repression and social erosion.

On the concluding day, a 41-member committee was also formed with Dr Golam Mohiuddin as president and Habibul Alam as general secretary.

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Accidents claim 4 in Comilla, B'baria

COMILLA, Oct 15: Four people including a woman and child were killed and 25 others injured today and yesterday in three separate road accidents on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway and main road of the Brahmanbaria town, reports BSS.

Police and hospital sources said one Uttam Kumar Roy died on the spot when a Dhaka bound bus of Soudia Paribahan collided head-on with a newspaper carrying bus near Chhiochoria under Chandina thana of the district early this morning. Fifteen passengers were injured in the accident.

In the second accident, an unidentified man was killed on the spot when a Parshuram bound passenger bus fell into a roadside ditch at Isha Nagar under Choudhogram thana around 12 noon. The accident left 10 others injured.

All the injured persons were admitted to different local hospitals and clinics in Comilla.

In another accident one Chameli, 45, and her grand son Prodip, 8, were killed on the main road of the Brahmanbaria district town yesterday.

The accident occurred when a tractor hit their rickshaw from behind at around 9:30 pm.

According to police and eyewitness, the killer tractor was coming in high speed from the southern side of the town and hit the rickshaw from behind. As a result, Prodip, 8, was

crushed under the wheels while his grandmother, Chameli, was injured seriously. On way to hospital she died.

Angry mob set the killer tractor on fire. Firefighters rushed to the spot and tried to control the fire, but angry people clashed them away.

Later, police of Brahmanbaria Sadar thana rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control.

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Spouses of the members of the Jatiya Press Club in a 'tug of war' competition marking the founding anniversary of the club yesterday.

— Star photo



A procession marking the World White Cane Safety Day in the city yesterday.

White Cane Safety Day observed

The World White Cane Safety Day was observed yesterday in the city and other parts of the country in a befitting manner, reports BSS.

As part of the day's programme, State Minister for Social Welfare Dr. Md. Moazzam Hossain led a procession in the city participated by different forums of retarded people.

The procession, which started from the Jatiya Shishu Park, paraded different streets with colourful placards and banners before ending in the Eskaton area.

Later, speaking at a function Dr. Moazzam Hossain urged the social and voluntary organisations to supplement the government efforts for the benefit of the blind and the people with other disabilities.

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Trade and investment

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existing relations between Australia and Bangladesh are very good and would be strengthened further as a result of this tour. The visit would be a dreamer on the cake," Flynn said.

Sheikh Hasina will fly to Sydney by Biman and will attend a 'Trade and Investment' seminar on Bangladesh there on the following day. From Sydney she will be flown to the capital, Canberra, by an Australian VIP aircraft. She will be received there ceremonially by Prime Minister John Howard.

Official talks between the two prime ministers will take place after a very high profile reception. The reception ceremony in front of