

What's on today....

Rally: Bangladesh Muktijoddha Sangsad will hold a rally to protest the attempt on the Prime Minister's life and the killing of a journalist in Jessore. Venue: Central Shaheed Minar. Time: 3:00 pm.

Discussion on dengue: Voluntary Health Services Society (VHSS) has organised a discussion on 'Prevention and Control of Dengue fever'. Venue: VHSS auditorium, 273, Baitul Aman Housing Society, Road No 1, Adabar, Shyamoli. Time: 3 pm.

Meeting: An emergency meeting of the Peace Movement Against Terrorism (South East Boro Shanti Andolon) will be held. Venue: CIRDAP auditorium, Chameli House, Tophkhana Road. Time: 4:30 pm.

Uttam Kumar Retrospective: Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen *Khokhabur Pratyabartan* (starring Uttam Kumar and Sumita Sanyal). Venue: Indian High Commission auditorium, Road No 2, Dhanmondi R/A. Time: 6:15 pm.

Seminar: Health For All (Shobar Jonnya Shasthya) will hold a seminar on 'Tonsillitis: Remedy and Prevention'. Speaker: Dr Md Badrul Haq. Venue: Ganoshasthya Nagar Hospital, House No 14/E, Road No 6, Dhanmondi R/A. Time: 5:30 pm.

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Uttam Kumar Retrospective: Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen *Jhinder Bandi* starring Uttam Kumar and Arundhati Devi. Venue: Indian High Commission auditorium, Road No 2, Dhanmondi R/A. Time: 6:15 pm.

Weather

Light rain likely

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind may occur at many places over Rajshahi, Dhaka, Sylhet and Chittagong divisions and at a few places over Barisal and Khulna divisions till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country during the period. Met office said.

The country's highest temperature recorded yesterday was 34.2 degree Celsius at Ishwardi and the lowest 24.5 degree Celsius at Sylhet and Rangamati.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6:43 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:27 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	33.7	27.3	80 88
Chittagong	32.6	24.7	73 81
Rajshahi	34.0	27.2	88 79
Khulna	33.8	25.5	80 70
Barisal	32.0	25.5	80 83
Sylhet	31.8	24.5	91 77
Cox's Bazar	32.0	25.3	78 73

HERE and THERE

National Youth Council

The National Youth Council of Bangladesh has been formed at a meeting of the representatives of youth-organisations recently, says a press release.

Held at the auditorium of Sena Kalyan Bhaban, the meeting also formed a 101-member convening committee with Faruk Ahmed as its convenor.

Lion Magsood Ahmed Chowdhury has been elected secretary general of the Council.

CJFD executives

The annual general meeting and election of the executive committee of Chittagong Journalists' Forum-Dhaka (CJFD) was held in the city yesterday, reports BSS.

The meeting was held at Chittagong Samity Bhaban

with CJFD convenor Enamul Hoque Chowdhury in the chair.

An 11-member executive committee for the year 2000-2001 was formed in the meeting with Enamul Hoque Chowdhury (BSS) Shaheenul Islam Chowdhury daily Matribhumi as its president and general secretary respectively.

The other office-bearers are: Vice president — M Wahidullah (Daily Azadi), treasurer — Mostafa Kamal (UNB), joint secretary — Saiful Islam Dilal (Prothom Alo), office and publicity secretary — Quazi Azam (Sonali Barta), and members — Shymol Dutta (Bhorer Kagoj), Anis Alamgir (Ajker Kagoj), Profr Dasgupta (Janakantha), Miltan Rahman (Rupali) and A M Borhanuddin (Weekly Khelhar Asar).

A five-member advisory committee was also formed with Managing Editor of UNB Mohiuddin Ahmed as Chairman.

By-polls tomorrow

EC bans meeting around Jhalakati-2 constituency

Election Commission has banned meeting or gathering in and around Jhalakati-2 constituency where by-election is being held on Monday, reports UNB.

The restriction is imposed from Saturday midnight to Monday midnight, said an Election Commission press release.

Violation of the restriction will entail a maximum punishment of seven years rigorous imprisonment. Anyone found engaged in election activities or carrying arms, move in motor cycle, baby taxi, microbus, jeep, pick-up, car, bus, truck, tempo, launch, engine boat or speed boat during restricted period will come under the mischief of law.

The restrictions will however not be applicable to election officials, candidates, election agents, newsmen, law-enforcing agencies, ambulance, fire service, power and gas.

FEMA to monitor Jhalakati by-polls

Fair Election Monitoring Alliance (FEMA) has decided to monitor the by-election of Jhalakati-2 constituency, to be held July 31, on a limited scale, reports UNB.

Based on the information received from its local chapter as well as through scrutinising recently the published news and views, FEMA has decided to observe the by-election, a release of the organisation said.

Dutch envoy

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Both Khaleda Zia and Ben Haas expressed their satisfaction over the existing bilateral relations between the two countries and hoped that it would further develop in the days to come.

BNP Secretary-General Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan and Deputy Head of Mission of Netherlands Embassy in Dhaka Jan A. Maas were present on the occasion.

Professional hazards of journalists identified

Journalists yesterday identified absence of free access to information, official spokespersons and risk of life as the key professional hazards they face, reports UNB.

The journalists were attending a meeting of the Dhaka Reporters' Union (DRU) at its hall room yesterday afternoon.

Chaired by DRU president M Anwarul Haq, the meeting was attended by different bodies of journalists.

The meeting was told that insecurity prevails among journalists especially after the gruesome killing of Shamsur Rahman in Jessore and some recent police operations on newsmen and frequent threats by political and non-political gangs.

"Even 10 years ago, we didn't believe that there were mafia groups in the country. But the murder of Shamsur Rahman has proved that any journalist can be killed, anytime, by the mafia," said Farid Hossain, president of Overseas Correspondents' Association, Bangladesh (OCA).

Economic Reporters' Forum President Syed Kamaluddin said reporters always become easy prey to vested interest

groups. "There is no protection of the journalists."

Cultural Reporters' Association President Rezanur Rahman drew attention to how the newsmen are being deprived membership of Jatiya Press Club while Film Journalists Association President Rafiqulzaman talked about harassment of newsmen.

Leaders of other journalist bodies also narrated varied hazards faced by them in discharging their duties and demanded insurance by the respective newspapers as they always work at risk.

Among others who addressed the meeting were Alamgir Hossain of Diplomatic Correspondents' Association, Shawkat Mahmud of Committee to Protect Journalists, Nadeem Qadir of OCAB, Monwarul Islam of DRU, Mujtaba Danish of Sports Journalists Association, Shyamol Dutta of Environmental Journalists Association, Parvez Khan and Fakhrul Alam Kanchan of Crime Reporters' Association, Monwarul Haq of Sports Journalists-Writers Community and Zahid Newaz of IT Journalists Guild.



Siddheswari Shudhi Samaj, a voluntary social organisation, did not waste time at all yesterday in their pursuit of the concerned personnel of municipal authorities to come to their place with the anti-dengue spraying drive. It has itself begun cleaning up the surroundings as an effective prevention against the dengue virus that has claimed quite a few valuable lives so far.

— Star photo

City educational institutions complete cleanliness drive

Different schools and colleges in the city have completed cleanliness drive yesterday as a precaution to prevent further spread of dengue virus, reports UNB.

The 3-day drive that ended yesterday with the end of the government declared holiday to clean up the premises.

After the cleaning operation, many schools and colleges informed Dhaka City Corporation for fogging and larvaciding of their premises.

Although many schools and colleges were not closed during this time due to on-going exams, the call for cleaning drive received favourable response among general people as well as students.

Talking to UNB, headmasters and principals of different schools and colleges in the capital appreciated the role of stu-

dents and authorities in the cleaning operation.

Father Benjamin Costa, Principal of Notre Dame College said, "If each and every person spontaneously cleans his or her premises regularly, possibility of many infectious diseases spreading will be reduced."

Shyamoli Nasreen Chowdhury, Principal of Udayan High School said she got a huge response from her students. DCC Mayor Mohammad Hanif has meanwhile said, "I hope everything will be alright within a week and the mosquito menace will be brought under control if the city dwellers continue their help."

Chief Health Officer of DCC Dr Ashraf Uddin said they are getting phone calls from the schools and colleges for collection of garbage from their

premises and larvaciding.

BSS adds: A massive anti-dengue awareness campaign was launched on the Dhaka University (DU) campus yesterday through bringing out of a procession by the vice-chancellor, faculty members and students of the university.

They drive was initiated to motivate the students to keep the campus clean and lower the risk of spread of the virus.

The procession, organised by the Pharmacy Department and Bangladesh Pharmacists Association, paraded the campus.

Alongside the awareness drive, voluntary blood donation programmes for dengue patients also began on the campus with the Department of Library Studies and Information Science holding blood donation camp under the historic banyan tree on the campus.

Call for facing challenges of uneven WTO agreement

By Staff Correspondent

Speakers at a consultation meeting yesterday observed that global trade liberalisation through World Trade Organisation (WTO) will have a negative impact on the labour force of the country.

They called upon all political parties, labour organisations and conscious section of the society to be united to face the challenges of the uneven agreement of WTO.

They were speaking at a consultation meeting organised by INCIDIN Bangladesh at CIRDAP auditorium.

Jatiya Samik Federation president Abul Bashir, garment workers leader Abdul Hossain and Shahidullah Chowdhury and Dr Wazidul Islam Khan participated in the discussion titled "World Trade Organisation: Trade Liberalisation and Labour in Bangladesh."

Govt urged to ban politics of religious fanatics

Colonel Taher Sangsad yesterday urged the government to impose a ban on politics of religious fanatics including those of the war criminals of 1971, reports BSS.

The Sangsad also called on the people to build up a united resistance against war criminals and 'religious traders' who have been trying to undermine the spirit of the War of Liberation, democratic practice and social progress.

The appeal came from a meeting of the National Council of the sangsad, named after veteran freedom fighter Shaheed Colonel Mohammad Abu Taher, with its vice-president Prof Anwar Hussain in the chair.

The meeting decided to observe August 11 as 'Khudiram Dibas' in memory of Khudiram Das, a legendary revolutionary against the British colonial rule in India.

169 RU teachers demand judicial enquiry into Ctg killings

From Our Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, July 29: Some 169 teachers of Rajshahi University in a statement today condemned the killing of eight people in Chittagong and demanded judicial enquiry into the incident to identify the real culprits.

But, they said, the government has waged a campaign against the opposition political parties centring the issue by making provocative remarks.

Such irresponsible acts of the government led to the deterioration of law and order situation in the country, they added.

The signatories include Abdul Qadir Bhuiya, president of Rajshahi University Teachers Association, Mokhesur Rahman, Dean of Arts Faculty, Robiul Hossain, Dean of Law Faculty, former VC Yusuf Ali, former Pro-VC Altaf Hossain, and K M Shahadat Hossain Mondal.

Sharing of seats

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He said BNP has decided to finalise the seat sharing issue at best two months before the election schedule is announced. And the party will give concession to its allies after confirming its single majority in the next election.

Another BNP leader said the party has already given two major commitments to its partners. It has agreed to form an electoral alliance and contest polls unitedly and adjust seats and accommodate the component parties.

He said, "We have to watch who will be with us and who will quit the alliance. There is

151 agriculturalists condemn Ctg killings

By Staff Correspondent

Some 151 agriculturalists yesterday condemned the killing of eight people in Chittagong and a journalist in Jessore and the attempt on the Prime Minister's life.

In a statement, they blamed the killers of 1971 and 1975 for these incidents.

They demanded immediate arrest and exemplary punishment of those involved in the heinous acts.

The signatories include S Tasaddek Ahmed, Md Nuruz-zaman, M Aminul Islam, Shanker Goswami, Nasrin Akhter Litu, Dr Sarder Abul Basher and GM Faruq Don.

DCC Mayor says

Jamaat-Shibir clique conspiring to kill PM

Mayor of Dhaka Mohammad Hanif yesterday said the Jamaat-Shibir-Razakar clique had allied themselves with the Khaleda-Ershad duo to hatch a deep-rooted conspiracy to kill Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, reports BSS.

Addressing a mammoth rally at the historic Paltan Maidan in the city organised by the Jamaat-Shibir Resistance Committee, he said the killers of '71 and '75 together with the Khaleda-Ershad duo were now out with their evil design to dash the hopes and aspirations of the teeming millions by conspiring to kill Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

The Mayor said these heinous forces being envious of the success of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina both at national and international levels and also to save the killers of Bangladesh finally resolved to kill her to grab state power from the back door, a press release of the committee said.

State Minister for Shipping Mofazzal Hussain Chowdhury Maya said the patriotic citizens of the country including the followers of Father of the Nation would give a befitting reply to the conspirators as they did during the War of Liberation.

"We will no more tolerate the heinous activities of the identified conspirators as they have long been engaged in activities subversive to the country's interest," he said.

every possibility that Ershad may quit and again join hands with the Awami League. We will share seats when we will be convinced that no one will leave the alliance."

BNP is preparing itself for achieving its target of single majority in the next polls because it does not want to depend on any one to form government after the election. But the three other parties, especially JP, are trying to make BNP dependent on them, he added.

JP sources said the party is planning to make itself a 'determining factor' so that either BNP or Awami League has to seek its help to form government after the election.

The party chief and other policy makers had secret discussions with Jamaat and IOJ on some specific issues, especially to keep BNP always under pressure, one source said.

JP will agree to participate in the next general election with BNP if it agrees to allocate 100 seats to the party, a senior JP leader said. Otherwise, the party will form a separate alliance with like minded parties and contest the polls.

Asked about this, a BNP policy maker said, "The question of allocating 100 seats to JP does not arise at all because the party does not have the strength or capacity to win 25 to 30 seats even if it is allocated all the 300 seats."

He hoped that the alliance partners would understand the reality in the greater interest of political stability, democracy and welfare of the people.

Kashmir militants

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foreign mercenaries opposed to peace in Jammu and Kashmir could try to sabotage the efforts to restore peace following Hizbul's ceasefire offer and willingness for talks.

The high-level meeting yesterday evening was attended by Home Minister L K Advani, Defence Minister George Fernandes, Army Chief V P Malik and Home Secretary Kamal Pandey.

AP adds: Kashmir's top separatist leader welcomed New Delhi's offer of unconditional talks today and proposed simultaneous discussions with India and Pakistan to solve the knotted five decade dispute.

"The proposal reflects a change and could be a step in the right direction," said Abdul Ghani Bhat, the new chairman of an umbrella group of organisations seeking Kashmir's independence from India. "It will certainly help resolve the Kashmir dispute."

"We are ready to talk simultaneously to New Delhi and Islamabad," said Bhat, who heads the All Party Hurriyat Conference. He said he had held unofficial discussions with some Indian bureaucrats, confirming reports that backdoor meetings have been taken place to end the 11-year-old insurgency in the Himalayan region.

"Our proposal is that four of our representatives can talk to New Delhi and three to Pakistan simultaneously, so that a propitious political climate generates and we are able to achieve peace and stability," Bhat told The Associated Press in an interview at his home.

Bhat said the cease-fire call was a 'hasty step' and the separatist groups would try to reach a common position.

"It has to be a collective effort ... we will sort it out," he said.

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নাটক ও নাট্যতত্ত্ব বিভাগঃ

আসন সংখ্যার ৭ নম্বর প্রাথমিক ফলাফল ক্রমিক অনুযায়ী প্রকাশ করা হলো। ব্যবহারিক পরীক্ষার পর চূড়ান্ত মেধা ও অপেক্ষা তালিকা প্রণীত হবে। (ছাত্রী) 75, 165, 224, 270, 347, 368, 454, 596, 645, 677, 1281, 1818, 1840, 2236, 2240, 2413, 2512, 2541, 2551, 2681, 2949, 2990, 3263, 3267, 3337, 3354, 3418, 3450, 3514, 4568, 4590, 4609, 4692, 5097, 5175, 5209, 5217, 5359, 5491, 5514, 5530, 5563, 5591, 5656, 5674, 5858, 5872, 5887, 6064, 6258, 6474, 6527, 6559, 6634, 6723, 7051, 7091, 7139, 8013, 8244, 8246, 8248, 8449 (৬৩ জন), (ছাত্র) 248, 444, 502, 517, 592, 663, 688, 1088, 1240, 1313, 1340, 1413, 1460, 1566, 1576, 1587, 1654, 1757, 1775, 1780, 1825, 1837, 1935, 1959, 2148, 2222, 2250, 2343, 2353, 2373, 2406, 2609, 2801, 2944, 3014, 3040, 3041, 3058, 3129, 3204, 3219, 3254, 3261, 3462, 4648, 4668, 4669, 4688, 4790, 4808, 4811, 4886, 5174, 5275, 5397, 5477, 5572, 5689, 5717, 5780, 5846, 5932, 5940, 5991, 6000, 6015, 6052, 6077, 6114, 6244, 6250, 6259, 6268, 6337, 6381, 6394, 6472, 6550, 6642, 6728, 6744, 6760, 6850, 6898, 6984, 7016, 7128, 7304, 7339, 8141, 8182, 8195, 8212, 8227, 8324, 8325, 8361, 8408 (৯৯ জন)। আগামী ৭-৮-২০০০ তারিখ সকাল ৯:৩০ থেকে ছাত্রী ক্রমিক নং ৭৫ থেকে ২৯৯৯ পর্যন্ত এবং ছাত্র ক্রমিক নং ২৮০১ থেকে ৫৯৯১ পর্যন্ত ও ৯-৮-২০০০ তারিখ সকাল ৯:৩০ থেকে ছাত্রী ক্রমিক নং ২৯৯০ থেকে ৫৫৩০ এবং ছাত্র ক্রমিক নং ২৮০১ থেকে ৫৯৯১ পর্যন্ত ও ৯-৮-২০০০ তারিখ সকাল ৯:৩০ থেকে ছাত্রী ক্রমিক নং ৫৫৬৩ থেকে ৮৮৮৯ পর্যন্ত এবং ছাত্র ক্রমিক ৬০০০ থেকে ৮৮০৮ পর্যন্ত নাটক ও নাট্যতত্ত্ব বিভাগে ব্যবহারিক পরীক্ষা অনুষ্ঠিত হবে। ৯-৮-২০০০ অপরাহ্নে বিভাগীয় নোটিশ বোর্ডে চূড়ান্ত ফলাফল প্রকাশ করা হবে এবং ১০-৮-২০০০ তারিখ থেকে ২০-৮-২০০০ তারিখ পর্যন্ত মেধা তালিকার ও ২৮-৮-২০০০ তারিখ থেকে ৭-৯-২০০০ তারিখ পর্যন্ত অপেক্ষা তালিকার ছাত্রছাত্রীদের ভর্তি করা হবে।

প্রত্নতত্ত্ব বিভাগঃ

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বাংলা বিভাগঃ

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