

News

• What's on today

Human chain: Bangabandhu Kendra will organise formation of a human chain in front of the American embassy to protest the stay of killers of Bangabandhu in the USA and Canada. Venue: In front of US embassy. Time: 11.00 am.

• and tomorrow

ISTT seminar: Institute of Science, Trade and Technology (ISTT) will hold a seminar on "British Educational system in context of globalisation in perspective of Bangladesh." Venue: CIRDAP auditorium, Charnelli House, Topkhana Rd. Time: 11.30 am.

Discussion meeting: Bangla Academy, Bangladesh National Museum, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy, Nazrul Institute and National Library will jointly hold a discussion on "Society, Culture and State: Thoughts of Bangabandhu." Venue: Main auditorium of National Museum, Shahbag. Time: 5.00 pm.

Career Night programme: New Horizons Computer Learning Centre will hold its 3rd Career Night programme. Venue: National Museum, Shahbag. Time: 5.30 pm.

Musical soiree: Liberation War Museum presents a musical soiree by Mahmudur Rahman Beni. Rahman was a leading member of the cultural troupe that went around the refugee camps in the war fields during the Liberation War to encourage the fighters. Venue: Liberation War premises, 5, Segun Bagicha. Time: 7.00 pm.

Weather

No change in temp

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

Heavy falls is expected at places over Chittagong, Barisal and Sylhet divisions during the period, Met Office said adding day temperature will remain unchanged over the country.

The country's highest temperature 35.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Chuadanga and the lowest 23.2 degree at Chittagong.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6:32 pm and rises on Wednesday at 5:34 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	31.8	25.0	83	78
Chittagong	31.4	23.2	93	89
Rajshahi	33.7	27.5	82	79
Khulna	32.0	24.0	--	--
Barisal	29.5	24.5	--	88
Sylhet	32.0	25.0	77	100
Cox's Bazar	30.0	23.8	98	89

Prof Firoza Begum's death condoled

The Council members and employee of MR Training and Services Programme (MRTSP) have condoled the sudden and sad demise of the past president and Executive Council member of the organisation Prof (Retd) Dr Syeda Firoza Begum, says a press release.

They recalled with profound respect the contribution made by late Professor Syeda Feroza Begum for the development of women's health at home and abroad till the last day of her journey to eternity.

They also prayed for the salvation of her departed soul and conveyed sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

Bangladesh Pediatric Association condoled the death of Prof Firoza Begum.

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Qulhwani

The qulhwani of Professor Dr Syeda Firoza Begum will be held tomorrow at her 19/E, Green Road residence after Asr prayers, says a press release.

All her relatives, friends, colleagues and admirers have been requested to attend the qulhwani on time.

She died of cancer at the age of 71 on Friday at her residence at 11 am.

No electricity at old HC building area

By Staff Correspondent Three Benches of High Court (HC), offices of the Law Commission and Judicial Administration Training Institute (JATI) located at Old High Court building did not have power supply since Thursday night, officials said yesterday.

Judges of the three benches of the HC as well as the officials of the Law Commission and JATI attended their offices yesterday without electricity.

When asked about the reason of power disruption sources said, unauthorised use of electricity caused damage to the underground cable through which electricity is supplied for the sake of investigation.

Hazarika used to conduct arms and ammunition trade through an agent in Chittagong city and earned huge amount of money, they said, adding efforts are on to round up this agent.

Officials of the PWD electrical division who visited the site yesterday estimated that it would require about Tk 13 lakh to replace the damaged cable to restore power in the old high court building.

The power supply in the building would be disrupted again if the authorities failed to take drastic action against unauthorised users in the area, sources said.

The arms and ammunition supplied by Hazarika were used in Bahadardar incident, police sources said.

The trawler sank in the Bay with fish, fishing net, engine, cash money and other articles worth about Taka five lakh, Yusuf Khan said.



Flash floods have broken down many roads in the country, since there are no culverts for the flood water to be released through, the heavy wrought of floods have left the Dhaka-Mawa link road from Sripur Sanbari to Doha broken at three points. Picture shows the situation at Kumaripara. A shako, a make-shift bamboo pathway has been erected here for temporary relief. To add to the misery of locals, those who set up the shako charge Tk 1 per trip on it. They are making a nice little profit out of the situation, and as in all stories in our country, it's the common people who are suffering.

— Star photo

'Meet demands of non-govt teachers'

Extending solidarity with the striking non-government teachers, opposition BNP lawmakers asked the government to meet their demands immediately, reports UNB.

In a joint statement yesterday, 108 MPs headed by Leader of the Opposition Begum Zia accused the government of betraying the teachers by renegeing on its commitment that compelled them to continue their strike.

"We are observing that the government is unwilling to fulfil the demands of the non-government teachers, rather if let loose terrorism to foil their ongoing movement," the statement said.

The lawmakers alleged the government resorted to heinous tricks to stop their movement although it, before assuming power, had made several commitments for the welfare of teachers.

Among the signatories are BNP chief and Leader of the Opposition Begum Khaleda Zia, Deputy Leader Prof A Q M Badruddoza Chowdhury, MPs M Saifur Rahman, Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan, Oli Ahmed, Khandaker Delwar Hossain, Dr Khanda Karim, Mosarrif Hossain, Sheikh Razaq Ali, Sadeq Hossain Khoka, Col Akbar Hossain, Barrister Nazmul Huda, Barrister Aminul Islam, Barrister Zamiruddin Sirker and Shamsul Islam Chowdhury.

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