METROPOLITAN



Light rain likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at a few places over Chittagong, Barisal, Khulna, Rajshahi, Dhaka and Sylhet divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today.

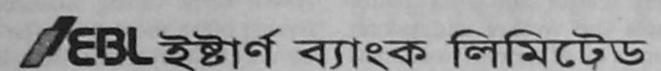
Little change in day temperature is expected over the country during the period, Met Office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 33.6 degree Celsius was recorded at Rangamati and the lowest of 23.5 degree at Hatiya.

The sun sets in the capital at 5.43 pm today and rises at 5.51 am

Maximum and minimum temperature and humidity recorded in major cities and towns vesterday were

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	30.7	24.5	81	93
Chittagong	31.9	25.5	80	83
Rajshahi	31.6	24.6	95	95
Khulna	32.2	25.4	79	97
Barisal	31.5	24.4	81	92
Sylhet	31.1	25.8	96	86
Cox's Bazar	33.3	25.5	80	83



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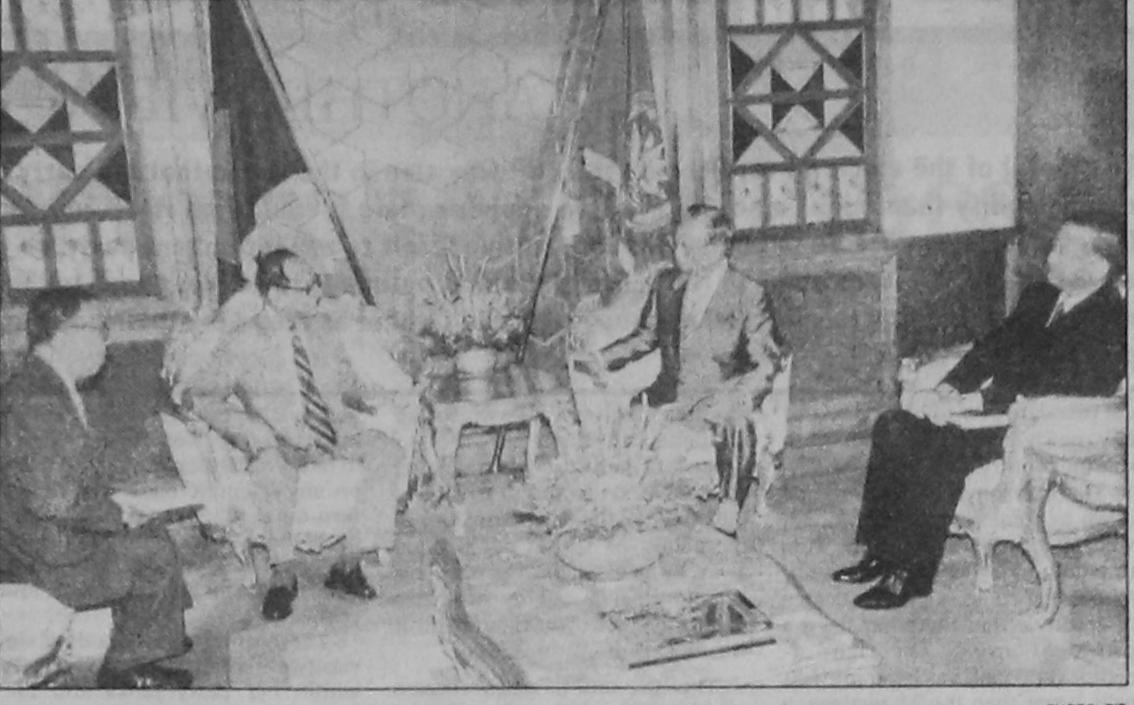
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Leader of Japanese election monitoring team Shin Sakurai called on President Shahabuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban in the city yesterday.



Chief Advisor Justice Latifur Rahman exchanges views with the foreign polls observers at a reception hosted in their honour at his official residence in the city yesterday.

advancement of democracy: ASA

BSS, Dhaka

The Association for Social Advancement (ASA) considers the good turnout and presence of large number of women among the voters as a advancement of the democratic process.

In a statement, the ASA, which observed and monitored the polls with its own funding, said its observers found the voting free, fair and peaceful

ASA's Election-Monitoring Secretariat found the turnout remarkable and said the atmosphere was largely peaceful.

Polls showed an | AL candidate demands repolling in Mymensingh-5

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Rashida Mohiuddin, AL candidate in Mymensingh-5 (Muktagacha) at a press conference at Mymensingh Press Club yesterday evening alleged that BNP nominee AKM Mosarraf Hossain has conducted massive vote rigging, snatching of ballot boxes, and terrorism at seven centres to turn the election result in his favour.

ing agents of AL were forced out of some centres. She rejected the results of those seven centres and demanded repolling in these cen- the press conference.

She also told the journalists that despite asking the returning officer, assistant returning officer and presiding officers to control the untoward situation, they didn't take any notice of her complaint. She also criticised the security measures at the polling centres as inadequate.

Al. leader Md Abdul Hye termed the situation a 'civil coup'. She also alleged that the poll- He also informed that several AL activists were also injured.

AL leaders of Muktagacha upazila unit were also present at

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People have rejected AL's misrule thru' polls: Saifur

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet BNP leader M Saiful Rahman has said that, the verdiet given by the people in a clear negation to the

misrule and gross irregularities of the previous government that badly messed lip the country

economy and administration. The former Finance Minister Saifur who won a landslide victory in both the constituencies was talking to a group of newsmen at a view exchange meeting held at his residence in Sylhet town yesterday afternoon. Saifur said that the people gave their silent opinion through their ballots, showing a proof of their awareness. The people have really assessed the large scale terrorism, repression on the opposition activists, corruption, assimilation, nepotism and plundering of the national wealth by the Awami League during its re

The BNP believes in democ racy, so rule of law should be ensured at first along with the freedom of press, Saifur said, adding that enforcement of human rights is another basic thing towards attaining economic emancipation. We will take steps in the education sector especially for the advanca ment of the women education, h

It will be our first task to root out the terrorism from Sylhet as well as from the whole country Saifur Rahman said at the same time it should remember that, if the next government also fails to curb corruption and in taking other measures on priority basis including the terrorism, the people may again go against them. Large scale plundering of national wealth by the powerful quarter should be stopped at any cost I added. "We have to ensure prope utilisation of our limited resources. Above all, there should be a good and effective governance, Saifur stressed. If we fail to do these things, BNP may also face serious consequences, he opined. Saifur Rahman said, "with the victory this time, I am now entrusted with more responsibilities I will have to take some measureimmediately for resolving some major problems as a representa-

tive of Sylhet. Many places in the suburban areas and other parts of Sylhet had been lacking in gas supply for long due to absence of initiatives, "He asserted, that it will be done soon." We will take measures for development of Sylhet with the help

of all, we will ensure participation

of all in the process of develop ment," he said. "Sylhet will be made into a modern city and arrangements will be taken for protection of both banks river Surma, which flows through the divisional town of

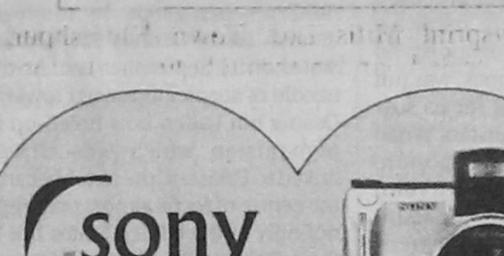
Sylhet, he added. Death anniversary The second death anniversary of journalist, litterateur and essayist Mir Nurul Islam will be observed

today, says a press release. To mark the occasion a milad mahfil will be held at the Colony Jame Masjid of Mirpur Journalists Residential area after Asr prayers.

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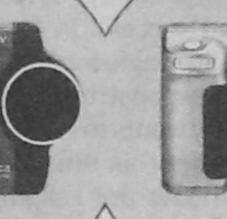
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