



BASE Limited, the authorised Oracle Education Partner in Bangladesh organised an Iftar Party and Certificate Awarding Ceremony on its premises in the city on December 8. From left: Prof M Abdus Sobhan, Executive Director of Bangladesh Computer Council, Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan, Minister for Information, and Mozammel Hossain, Director of FBCCI are seen in the picture.

WEATHER TODAY

Moderate fog likely

UNB, Dhaka

Weather is likely to remain mainly dry over the country today. Moderate fog may occur over the country and also moderate to thick fog may occur over the river basins and coastal belts during morning, said Met Office predicting slight fall in night temperature over the country.

Country's highest temperature 30.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Chittagong and the lowest 9.6 degree at Srimongal.

The sun sets in the capital today at 5.13 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:33 am.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity in the main cities and towns yesterday were.

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	21.7	14.5	99	82
Chittagong	30.0	14.2	87	53
Rajshahi	19.8	14.9	100	94
Khulna	25.0	14.2	98	90
Barisal	26.8	14.3	91	90
Sylhet	26.7	15.0	85	79
Cox's Bazar	-	15.4	67	-

Get ready to face challenges of new Millennium

BASE Limited, an authorised Oracle education partner in Bangladesh, organised a certificate-awarding ceremony on December 8 at its Panthapath office.

Information Minister Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan was present at the ceremony as chief guest and distributed certificates among IT professionals, who have completed the advanced level of Oracle courses from BASE Limited. Prof M Abdus Sobhan, executive director of Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC), was present as special guest. The ceremony was presided over by Mahboob-ur-Rahman, managing director of BASE Limited.

In his speech, Dr Moyeen Khan said people should get ready to face challenges of the new millennium. The young generation should be groomed as expert human resources in the age information technology (IT).

Prof M Abdus Sobhan said Oracle is the most powerful database management software and being used worldwide. He mentioned a draft IT policy that also includes development of human resources in the country.

Mozammel Hossain, director of FBCCI, and BASE directors -- Mirka Rahman and BN Adhikary -- also spoke on the occasion.

Mohammad Monir Ahmed, son of noted social worker Serajul Haq Mollah, died of a brain stroke at a clinic in the city on December 3. He was 47, says a press release.

Monir hailed from Syedpur village under Laharkandi union in Laxmipur district.

He is survived by his wife, parents, two daughters, one son and a host of relatives.

Obituary

President and Prime Minister will give messages on the occasion and place wreaths at the National Memorial on the day.

The day is a public holiday.

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Victory Day receptions will be held at Bangabhaban and all Bangladesh missions abroad.

Bangladesh Betar and Televi-



Way home...day-labourers and rickshawpullers from the northern districts of the country are waiting at the Mohakhali Inter-District Bus Station in the city to return home with the Eid only days ahead.

Programmes to celebrate Victory Day

UNB, Dhaka

The government has taken up elaborate programmes to celebrate the Victory Day on December 16th due patriotic zeal and festivity.

This year's Victory Day will mark 30 years of the country's independence achieved through a nine-month bloody war against the Pakistan occupation forces in 1971.

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Task Force to check launch accidents

BSS, Dhaka

Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority (BIWTA) has formed a special task force to prevent overloading of vessels ahead of Eid-ul-Fitr, according to an official handout.

To avoid accidents, the task force, comprising officials from BIWTA and Department of Shipping, will not allow overloaded launches to leave the terminals.

Digital phone exchange in Narail

BSS, Dhaka

Bangladesh Telegraph and Telephone Board (BTB) inaugurated a 2000-line digital telephone exchange in Narail, to improve telephone service.

All old telephone numbers were also upgraded to digital ones, a BTB press release said.

Users have to dial "62" before the old analogue numbers to receive connection.

DHAKA TODAY

Uttara: Time: 3:30pm

Human chain

The Bangabandhu Sangskritik Jote will form a human chain demanding punishment to the killers of intellectuals who were martyred in 1971. Venue: Jayiya Press Club. Time: 11:00am.

DHAKA TOMORROW

Discussion

Asian University of Bangladesh organises a discussion meeting with Social Welfare Minister Ali Anhan Mohammad Mujahid as chief guest. Venue: Seminar room of the university, house No. 3, road No. 7, sector No. 7.

Take initiative to preserve memory of Atish Dipankar

UNB, Dhaka

A 15-member delegation of Buddhist community called on President AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury at Bangabhaban yesterday and requested to take initiative for preserving the memory of great Buddhist Monk Atish Dipankar.

They suggested that a monument or library or conference hall may be constructed at Bikrampur, the village home of the Buddhist leader to pay tribute to his memory.

The delegation member led by State Minister for Religious Affairs Mosharrar Hossain Shahjahan, also requested to increase the fund for Buddhist Welfare Trust to implement different welfare oriented activities of the country.

Recalling the Buddhist heritage in Bangladesh, they said Buddhists are not minority group in this land rather they are the citizen of the country.

They said that they had been working since long unitedly with other citizens of the country for its development.

Bangladesh is a land of peace and religious harmony, they observed and said Bangladeshi Buddhists have no problem with their Muslim brothers.

Jewellery shop looted in Ctg

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A gang of extortionists looted money and gold ornaments worth about Tk 2 lakh from a jewellery shop at Chandraghona under Rangunia thana on Tuesday night.

The armed gang stormed into the jewellery shop at Dohbah bazaar at around 8pm and injured its owner, Kartik Dey, and an employee, Dulal, before looting the shop.

The sources said the gang earlier demanded tolls from Kartik Dey but they were refused.

The owner of the shop and its employee were beaten up as they tried to resist the gang.

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Company	FV/ML (Tk./No.)	Price	Change (%)	Pre Day	Turnover	Share	Price	Change (%)	Pre Day	Turnover	Share	Last	EPS	DPS	AGM	(Tk.)	(%)	Company	FV/ML (Tk./No.)	Price	Change (%)	Pre Day	Turnover	Share	Price	Change (%)	Pre Day	Turnover	Share	Last	EPS	DPS	AGM	(Tk.)	(%)
<p>BANK</p> <p>AB Bank Ltd. 10005 244.75 2.19 239.50 10578 239.00 Not Traded --- 22/07/01 38.7 18.0</p> <p>IFIC Bank Ltd. 10005 251.75 0.70 250.00 1190 253.00 2.85 246.00 20 05/12/01 47.0 20.0</p> <p>Islami Bank BD Ltd. 10001 294.00 0.10 293.70 355 292.45 0.20 292.50 20 02/08/01 35.6 25.0</p> <p>National Bank Ltd. 10020 260.50 1.46 256.75 9981 260.25 1.46 256.50 6300 23/06/01 53.1 30.0</p> <p>Pubali Bank Ltd. 10005 277.75 2.68 270.50 5615 220.00 Not Traded --- 30/09/00 99.8 ---</p> <p>Rupali Bank Ltd. 10010 85.25 1.49 84.00 2010 80.00 Not Traded --- 12/05/01 -2.4 ---</p> <p>UCBL 10005 203.50 6.96 190.25 6945 201.00 4.55 192.25 500 15/09/99 15.6 ---</p> <p>Utara Bank Ltd. 10005 463.00 0.54 460.50 925 --- Not Listed --- 01/11/01 22.5 ---</p> <p>AI Baraka Bank Ltd. 10001 310.00 0.31 306.00 1 --- Not Listed --- 24/06/01 22.1 ---</p> <p>IDLC Ltd. 10020 482.00 0.26 480.75 60 485.00 Not Traded --- 05/08/01 28.6 ---</p> <p>Eastern Bank Ltd. 10020 280.00 1.82 275.00 40 --- Not Listed --- 08/05/01 15.6 30.0</p> <p>United Leasing Co. Ltd. 10020 265.25 1.39 269.00 550 262.00 Not Traded --- 29/05/01 28.3 20.0</p> <p>Utara Finance and Invs. 10005 265.25 1.83 262.50 35 266.00 2.27 262.00 10 21/11/01 18.1 12.0</p> <p>Al Arif Islami Bank 10005 360.00 1.27 355.50 9550 361.00 3.07 350.25 1750 07/04/01 72.0 30.0</p> <p>Prime Bank Ltd. 10050 288.00 0.33 287.00 3700 290.00 1.40 286.00 1400 08/08/01 52.3 25.0</p> <p>Southeast Bank Ltd. 10050 382.00 1.33 377.00 10200 370.00 0.00 370.00 2000 26/05/01 57.0 25.0</p> <p>Dhaka Bank Ltd. 10050 232.00 1.20 229.25 14830 233.75 1.50 230.75 9500 28/05/01 23.4 ---</p> <p>N C Ch Bank Ltd. 10050 420.75 0.06 421.00 850 510.00 Not Traded --- 14.8 ---</p> <p>INVESTMENT</p> <p>1st ICB Mutual Fund 10005 600.00 0.00 600.00 15 1181.25 Not Traded --- 31/7/01 16.9 17.0</p> <p>2nd ICB Mutual Fund 10005 390.00 0.00 390.00 10 378.00 Not Traded --- 31/7/01 70.7 40.0</p> <p>8th ICB Mutual Fund 10050 136.25 0.55 137.00 50 135.00 Not Traded --- 31/7/01 14.2 13.0</p> <p>1st SIMS Mutual Fund 10050 81.25 2.52 79.25 2800 93.00 Not Traded --- 25/11/01 5.29 5.20</p> <p>AIS First 12500 0.93 0.00 0.93 237500 0.93 1.09 0.92 40000 01/11/01 --- 10.0</p> <p>ENGINEERING</p> <p>Alfa Automobiles Ltd. 10005 215.50 0.23 216.00 240 208.00 Not Traded --- 14/12/00 18.9 16.0</p> <p>Aziz Pipes Ltd. 10005 141.25 0.56 140.75 570 140.00 Not Traded --- 31/05/01 7.35 10.0</p> <p>Olympic Industries Ltd. 10005 98.00 0.51 97.50 285 99.75 Not Traded --- 09/10/00 --- 2.5 ---</p> <p>Bangladesh Lamps Ltd. 10005 337.00 4.32 341.50 15 450.00 Not Traded --- 12/09/01 2.26 15.0</p> <p>Eastern Cables Ltd. 10005 141.50 1.80 139.00 4520 140.00 0.72 139.00 100 23/06/01 10.7 12.0</p> <p>Monno Jute Ltd. 10005 610.00 0.43 609.00 10 --- Not Listed --- 22/10/00 52.0 50.0</p> <p>Singer Bangladesh Ltd. 10005 180.00 0.43 179.00 25 215.25 Not Traded --- 28/05/01 7.2 80.0</p> <p>Atlas Bangladesh Ltd. 10050 129.00 2.38 126.00 150 --- Not Listed --- 14/12/00 8.76 10.0</p> <p>BD. Autocars Ltd. 10005 20.00 1.23 20.25 20 21.25 Not Traded --- 31/12/00 --- 3.12 ---</p> <p>Quemex Drycells Ltd. 10050 181.00 0.00 181.00 24400 181.00 1.12 179.00 13400 14/12/00 1.13 10.0</p> <p>National Tubes Ltd. 10010 560.00 0.00 560.00 20 --- Not Listed --- 31/03/01 85.2 35.0</p> <p>BD. Thai Aluminium Ltd. 10001 180.00 0.00 180.00 600 178.00 Not Traded --- 27/09/01 9.18 20.0</p> <p>Anwar Galvanizing Ltd. 10050 152.50 2.87 157.00 350 175.00 Not Traded --- 08/03/01 14.4 10.0</p> <p>Woodsen Lead Toys Ltd. 10050 38.25 9.28 35.00 440 33.00 Not Traded --- 20/12/00 -5.9 ---</p> <p>Rangpur Foundry Ltd. 10050 20.50 0.49 20.60 24500 20.40 1.92 20.80 500 02/08/01 1.87 16.0</p> <p>FOOD & ALLIED</p> <p>Apex Foods Ltd. 10005 270.00 0.00 270.00 10 258.00 Not Traded --- 22/12/01 16.5 10.0</p> <p>Tripi Industries Ltd. 10005 39.75 1.27 39.25 10 38.00 Not Traded --- 09/10/00 --- 2.5 ---</p> <p>Bangas 10005 175.00 4.17 168.00 5 280.00 Not Traded --- 21/11/01 12.4 15.0</p> <p>BATLCL 10050 68.90 0.58 69.30 15650 69.90 0.14 70.00 100 19/06/00 3.95 40.0</p> <p>National Tea Co. Ltd. 10005 607.50 0.00 607.50 20 610.00 Not Traded --- 19/05/01 43. 15.0</p> <p>Talip Dairy & Food Ltd. 10010 62.00 1.59 63.00 50 --- Not Listed --- 28/06/01 3.5 ---</p> <p>BD. Plantation Ltd. 10005 43.00 1.18 42.50 10 --- Not Listed --- 31/12/00 1.59 ---</p> <p>Hill Plantation Ltd. 10005 65.50 0.74 68.00 10 --- Not Listed --- 31/12/00 3.64 ---</p> <p>Bencim Fisheries Ltd. 10020 49.25 0.00 45.00 1300 45.00 Not Traded --- 20/06/01 3.69 50.0</p> <p>Bengali Biscuits Ltd. 10020 49.25 3.68 47.50 6220 49.00 1.55 48.25 960 27/05/01 -7.3 ---</p> <p>Meghna Shrimp 10020 103.00 0.98 102.00 660 103.00 Not Traded --- 20/12/00 13.9 15.0</p> <p>AMPL (C) Ltd. 10050 5.20 1.96 5.10 72000 5.20 1.96 5.10 53000 14/12/00 0.27 ---</p> <p>AMPL (P) Ltd. 10010 374.50 0.40 373.00 100 366.00 Not Traded --- 14/12/00 4.22 20.0</p> <p>Dhaka Fisheries Ltd. 10050 45.00 0.00 45.00 300 55.00 Not Traded --- 14/12/00 4.28 ---</p> <p>Rahma Food Corp. 10050 37.75 0.00 37.75 200 35.00 Not Traded --- 12/12/01 3.64 5.00</p> <p>Gulf Foods Ltd. 10050 84.50 4.97 80.50 700 80.50 Not Traded --- 10/10/00 3.11 ---</p> <p>Mono Food Ind. Ltd. 10050 34.00 0.00 34.00 600 38.00 Not Traded --- 26/12/00 3.16 5.00</p> <p>Gachhabata Aqua. 10050 24.00 0.38 25.50 150 24.00 Not Traded --- 18/12/00 -5.8 ---</p> <p>Bencim Seafood 10050 7.10 1.39 7.20 169500 --- Not Listed --- 19/12/00 0.39 ---</p> <p>Fu-Wang Food Ltd. 10050 10.90 2.83 10.60 84500 10.90 1.87 10.70 45000 --- Not Listed --- 0.16 ---</p> <p>Meghna PET Industries 10050 62.00 0.96 63.00 50 --- Not Listed --- 28/06/01 3.5 ---</p> <p>Rangamati Food 10050 6.10 3.39 5.90 341500 5.20 Not Traded --- 31/12/00 1.59 ---</p> <p>German Bangla Food 10050 7.80 4.00 7.50 211500 7.80 4.00 --- Not Listed --- 0.11 ---</p> <p>Meghna Condensed Milk 10050 8.70 3.57 8.40 307000 --- Not Listed --- --- ---</p> <p>FUEL & POWER</p> <p>BOC (BD) Ltd. 10050 93.40 2.64 91.00 2350 92.00 Not Traded --- 17/02/01 13.3 40.0</p> <p>Padma Oil Co. Ltd. 10050 175.00 2.34 171.00 100 165.00 Not Traded --- 01/05/01 21.5 50.0</p> <p>Bangladesh Welding 10050 5.00 0.00 5.00 13000 5.00 13.64 4.40 500 31/12/01 0.06 ---</p> <p>JUTE</p> <p>Saleh Carpet Ltd. 10020 1.90 0.00 1.90 5600 --- Not Listed --- 15/09/01 -1.1 ---</p> <p>TEXTILE</p> <p>Ashraf Textile Ltd. 10050 8.30 0.00 8.30 6100 8.90 Not Traded --- 14/12/00 -1.6 ---</p> <p>Quemex Textile Ltd. 10050 4.40 0.00 4.40 100 --- Not Listed --- 21/06/01 4.4 ---</p>																																			

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