

19 firearms seized

BSS, Dhaka

Police recovered 19 firearms, three different kinds of weapons and 58 rounds of bullets from across the country during last 24 hours ending 6 am yesterday.

Police arrested 10 people and filed nine cases under arms acts in this connection, a police press release said.

Of the firearms three each were recovered by DMP and Barisal police while 13 were seized by different districts units.

During the period DMP also recovered 49 explosives and arrested one person in this connection.

Besides, police arrested 1266 people including six identified terrorists, 667 warrantees and 582 persons accused in different cases under investigation.

WEATHER TODAY

Dry weather likely

UNB, Dhaka

Weather is likely to remain dry over the country with partly cloudy sky over Rajshahi division during the next 24 hours till 6 pm today.

Night temperature is likely to rise slightly over the country, Met Office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 32.6 degree Celsius was recorded at Sylhet and the lowest of 12.5 degree at Srimongal.

The sun sets in the capital at 5.55 pm today and rises at 6.29 am tomorrow.

Highest and lowest 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	29.4	18.0	67	48
Chittagong	30.8	15.5	72	82
Rajshahi	29.7	13.8	74	61
Khulna	30.0	14.5	78	51
Barisal	29.8	13.6	80	76



Hindu students celebrated Saraswati Puja at the Rokeya Hall of Dhaka University yesterday to pay obeisance to Saraswati, the goddess of knowledge and learning.

High population growth a threat to demographic situation

UNB, Dhaka

To make population and development programmes sustainable, speakers at a meeting in the city yesterday underscored the need for integration of population variables and gender concerns in development planning at all levels.

The population of Bangladesh is growing at a high rate posing threat to demographic situation, they told the "Annual Sub-Programme Review Meeting for 2001: UNFPA 5th Country programme" at BIAM auditorium.

According to latest information, the current population growth rate of densely-populated Bangladesh is 1.48 per cent and

nearly 3 million new faces are being added to the country's total population of over 130 million.

Additional Secretary of Health and Family Welfare Ministry K Fazlur Rahman chaired the meeting. UNFPA Representative Suneeta Mukherjee, its Deputy Director Janet E Jackson and Assistant Representative M Nurul Ameen addressed the meeting.

High officials from different ministries and representatives from concerned agencies and departments, Population Sciences Department of Dhaka University and Centre for Policy Dialogue also attended the meeting.

The meeting reviewed achievements and constraints of

projects on reproductive health (RH), reproductive rights (RRs) adolescent health, HIV/AIDS and gender issues, and suggested vigorous efforts to achieve more success.

UNFPA came forward with commitment to increase support to religious, political, local leaders on gender issues and increase positive attitude on RH, RRs and behaviour of vulnerable and hard-to-reach groups.

Speaking at the function, representatives from various implementing agencies requested UNFPA to continue its assistance for the next 3-year cycle (the 6th country programme) beginning from the next year.

Teacher hacked to death in Sherpur

UNB, Sherpur

A primary school teacher was hacked to death and two others were injured in a dispute over land in Shapmari village of sadar upazila yesterday.

The victim, Habibur Rahman, 35, was teacher of Jangaldi primary school. Abdul Kalam, 24, injured in the clash was admitted to a sadar hospital.

Ersheed, 34, the other injured, was taken to police custody from sadar hospital along with his daughter Rupashi, 15. Ersheed was later shifted to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital as his condition deteriorated.

According to police, an identified terrorist Ersheed and his 3 or 4 accomplices attacked his cousin Habibur Rahman with sharp weapon in dispute over land. Habib died on the spot.

His body was sent to hospital for autopsy.

Obituary

Maulana Jowadur Rahman, an eminent teacher of Beanibazar High School of Sylhet, died yesterday at the age of 95, says a press release.

Born in Kalaiara, Beanibazar, Jowadur Rahman began his teaching career in Karinganj (now in India) and moved to Beanibazar High School in 1943.

He was also involved in different social welfare activities in his village.

Dr Jamal Uddin

Ahaj Dr. Jamal Uddin died of a cardiac arrest at Al-Noor Hospital in Makkah on February 15 at the age of 69, says a press release.

He went to Makkah along with his wife to perform Hajj. He was buried there.

Jamal Uddin is survived by his wife, 2 sons and a daughter.

A mild mahfil will be held after Asr prayers today at his residence at 12/2/3, Shamoli, 2nd Street, Dhaka.

DHAKA TODAY

Cultural function

The Dhaka University authorities have organised a two-day cultural function to mark the 50 years of Amar Ekushey and International Mother Language Day. Venue: Teacher and Student Centre (TSC) auditorium. Time: 6.30 pm.

CDF ceremony

The inauguration of decade observation ceremony of the Credit and Development Forum will be held. Venue: IDB Bhaban, Rokeya Sharani. Time: 9.30am.

BUET seminar

A seminar on "Advances in Beach Minerals Research in Bangladesh" organised by the Department of Materials and Metallurgical Engineering of BUET will be held with State Minister for Energy and Mineral Resources AKM Mosharraf Hossain as chief guest. Venue: BUET Council Bhaban. Time: 9.30am.

Meet the reporters

Under meet the reporters programme, State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman will deliver a talk on "Sports Situation in Bangladesh". Venue: DRU auditorium, Topkhana Road.

Time: 3.00pm.

Ekushey programme

Bangabandhu Lalitkala Academy will organise a discussion and a cultural function in connection with the observance of Amar Ekushey. Venue: Bishwa Sahitya Kendra auditorium, 14, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue. Time: 4.30pm.

Seminar

A seminar on "Safety in Transport and Industrial Sector : An Indispensable Priority" organised by the Engineering Staff College, Bangladesh, will be held. Venue: Institution of Engineers' seminar room. Time: 3.00pm.

Conference

The 1st National Conference on Environment Health in Bangladesh organised by Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon will begin with Environment and Forestry Minister Shahjahan Siraj as chief guest. Venue: Sasakawa auditorium of ICDDR, Mohakhali. Time: 10.00am.

Inauguration

The 8th Branch of the Premier Bank will be held. Venue: 81, Motijheel Commercial Area. Time: 11.00am.

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3.	35 mm magnetic film	8,000 feet
4.	35 mm sound negative	4,000 feet
5.	16 mm colour raw picture positive	1,50,000 feet
6.	16 mm colour raw picture negative	2,000 feet
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Tender schedule will be available at Tk 400/- per set from the Accounts Section of this Department during office hours from 12-02-2002 to 26-02-2002. Tender will be opened on 27-02-2002 at 12:00 Noon.

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বাংলাদেশ উন্মুক্ত বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়

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পুন: দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

বাংলাদেশ উন্মুক্ত বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের নিম্নে উন্নোবিত টেক্সার-এর আওতায় তোলা, গ্রাস ও সারান সরবরাহের জন্য বাড়িবির তালিকার প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সীলমোহরযুক্ত খামে পুন: দরপত্র আহবান করা যাচ্ছে।

ক) দরপত্রসময় আগামী ১১-০৩-২০০২ তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে বাড়িবির অর্থ ও হিসাব বিভাগ থেকে কেনা যাচ্ছে।

খ) দরপত্রসময় আগামী ১২-০৩-২০০২ তারিখ দুপুর ১২-০০টাৰ মধ্যে রেজিস্ট্রেশন-এর দন্তে, বাড়িবির ক্যাম্পাস, বের্বার্জার, গাজীপুর-এ বৰ্কত কেন্দ্ৰে দেওয়া হচ্ছে। দুপুরসময় উজ্জ্বল দিনে ১২-১৫ ঘণ্টাকালীন দুরদাতাগণের সময়সূচী উন্নোবিত হচ্ছে। যদি কেহ উপস্থিতি থাকেন খোলা হচ্ছে। ডাক মারফত দরপত্র প্রেৰণ কৰলে অশুচ্ছ দুরদাত জন্য নির্বাচিত তাৰিখ দুপুত্র প্রেৰণ কৰা হচ্ছে। উক্ত তাৰিখ ও সময়ের পৰ কেন দুপুত্র এহাতে হচ্ছে না।

গ) প্রতোক দুরপত্রের সাথে উক্ত (quoted) মোট মূল্যের ২.৫% (আড়ি শতাংশ) বায়নার টাকা 'বাংলাদেশ উন্মুক্ত বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়' এর অনুকূলে ডিফিকেশন এর মাধ্যমে জমা দিতে হচ্ছে।

ঘ) কেন কাৰণ দৰ্শনীৰ বাড়িবিৰেই দুরপত্র প্রাপ্তি কৰাবল ক্ষমতা বাড়িবিৰ কৰ্তৃপক্ষ সংৰক্ষণ কৰেন।

ঙ) মালামালেৰ বিৰৱণ নিম্নোক্ত:

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