



Heavy falls likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershows accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at many places over Chittagong, Barisal and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Rajshahi, Dhaka and Khulna divisions today.

Moderately heavy falls is also expected at one or two places over Chittagong, Barisal and Sylhet divisions during the period, Met Office said.

Country's highest temperature 36.6 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Jessore and the lowest 22.0 degree Celsius at Dhaka.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6.33 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:17 am.

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	34.0	22.0	83	75
Chittagong	33.5	24.8	73	69
Rajshahi	35.2	23.6	82	83
Khulna	36.2	27.4	79	77
Barisal	34.0	23.0	86	83
Sylhet	26.5	25.8	96	91
Cox's Bazar	34.0	26.5	78	--

PM tells Congressmen We want free access of goods to US market, not aid

UNB, New York

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia in meetings with US Congressmen Gregory Meeks and Benjamin Gillman discussed the crucial issue of free access of Bangladeshi products to American market which she said is needed for weathering the country's economic problem.

She said the access of Bangladeshi exports to the US market is very important to keep up the economic growth and help sustain democracy in Bangladesh, which the USA likes to see.

"We don't want aid but expect increase in our exports," she told US lawmakers.

Khaleda pointed out that Bangladesh is a tolerant Muslim country and urged the Congressmen to help project the correct image of her country in the USA.

Referring to the decline in ex-

port of Bangladeshi goods to USA, Congressman Meeks underlined the importance of enacting a special law to protect the interests of Bangladesh.

The PM urged Meeks, who is a member of the US Foreign Relations Committee, to be a member of the Bangladesh caucus in the US legislature to pursue Bangladesh's cause.

Later, Congressman Benjamin Gillman called on the Prime Minister and discussed issues of mutual interest, including trade.

World Bank Executive Director BP Singh also called on Khaleda Zia at her hotel suite and discussed WB-assisted projects in Bangladesh.

The prime minister also had a meeting with Norwegian minister

for Development Cooperation Hilde Fraforgd Johnson.

During her meeting, the Norwegian minister said the holding of elections in Bangladesh under a neutral caretaker government is an example of democratic process that deserves to be emulated. "Democracy is taking firm roots in Bangladesh."

She said her country would continue its support for Bangladesh's socioeconomic uplift.

Regretting frequent calls for hartal in Bangladesh which affects public life, she said all problems should be resolved through discussion in parliament.

The Norwegian minister assured all possible cooperation in education sector and underlined the need of accelerating public-sector reforms.



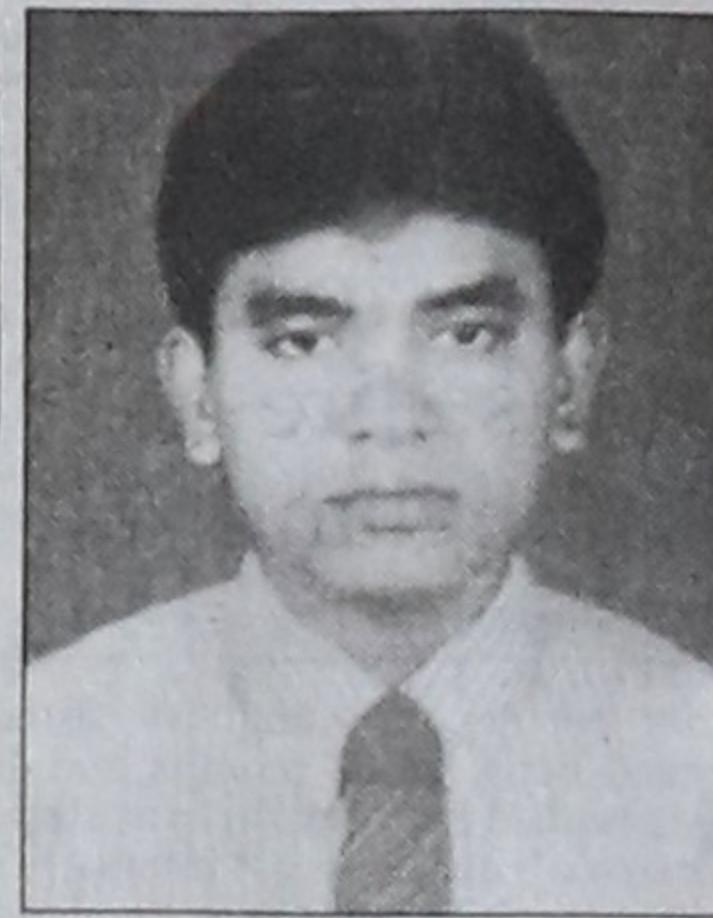
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This road near the Sayedabad Bus Terminal is in a very bad shape. Potholes filled with rainwater make it all the more difficult for the road users.

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WORLD CUP QUIZ 2002

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TOSHIBA RICE COOKER



3 journalists undergoing treatment

BSS, Dhaka

Three senior journalists with severe health complications are now undergoing treatment in separate hospitals in the city.

They are Mozaffar Hossain Manik of the New Nation, Zakaria Milon of the Ittefaq and poet Helal Hafiz.

Manik, diplomatic correspondent of the New Nation, who has been suffering from serious gastrological problems, is now improving at BIRDEM Hospital.

Poet Helal Hafiz, former literary editor of the Dainik Desh, has already undergone a successful operation and is gradually improving. He was admitted to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University Hospital.

They urged all colleagues, friends, well-wishers and admirers to pray for their early recovery.

Qulkhwani

Qulkhwani of Sofia Begum, wife of Isratuddin Ahmed (Babul), a freedom fighter and former chairman of Tarail upazila, will be held at her Mohammdpur residence in the city after Asr prayers today, says a press release.

She died at Anirban Nursing Home on May 10 at the age of 44.

She is survived by her husband, two sons and two daughters.

Relatives, friends and admirers have been requested to attend the qulkhwani.

Appeal for help

CU CORRESPONDENT

Mohammad Sirajul Islam, a first year brilliant student of Accounting department of Chittagong University (CU) has been suffering from Rectum cancer.

He was treated at a clinic in Kolkata recently but he was not cured.

As his condition was deteriorating, Siraj was admitted to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University Hospital in Dhaka but unfortunately he was released from there for failing to pay hospital charges, sources said.

Doctors have advised him to go abroad (Madras or Thailand) for treatment which will cost at least Tk 10 to 12 lakh.

But the family of Siraj cannot afford his treatment abroad.

So a fund titled 'Siraj Medical Treatment Fund' has been formed with Prof KM Golam Mohiuddin as convener.

At a press conference held at the CUCSU building recently, Prof Mohiuddin made an appeal to the government and the affluent people for financial help for his treatment.

Contributions can be deposited to: Savings Account No 11382, Agrani Bank, CU Branch, Chittagong.

Forms will have to be cut along the dotted lines.

Participants are to put a tick (✓) mark in the box alongside their answer to each question.

A person may send numerous entries for each round.

Entries should be completed with a ballpoint pen.

Name, address, father's name and particulars of participants must be clearly written. Each entry form must also bear the signature of the participant and date.

Incomplete forms will not be accepted.

Entries must reach the office of The Daily Star on or before the closing date marked on the entry form. Late entries will not be accepted.

Envelopes of entries must be clearly marked "Star World Cup Quiz 3."

Entries may be hand delivered or posted to The Daily Star, 19, Karwan Bazar, Dhaka-1215.

Entries will be placed in a sealed box for the draw to be held on a notified date in public in presence of invited guests and Quiz participants, if any.

Winners will be decided on the basis of correct entries drawn out from the box.

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Local Government Engineering Directorate

Office of the Executive Engineer, Faridpur

Memo No LGED/EE/Farid/DM-05/2001-2002/1725 Dated: 28.04.2002

Tender Notice

No 32/2001-2002 (Short)

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited from as per class & financial capacity 2001-2002 financial year (current year) enlisted/renewed LGED's & LGED's all projects prequalified (as per class/capacity applicable) contractors for implementation of 1 (one) work under Nagarkanda upazila of Faridpur district under Priority Basis Project under Local Government Engineering Directorate. Tender document can be purchased against cash payment of the prescribed price (non-refundable) from the office of:

a) Chief Engineer, LGED, LGED Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.

b) Project Director, Priority Basis Project, LGED, LGED Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.

c) Deputy Commissioner, Faridpur.

d) Police Super, Faridpur.

e) Executive Engineer, LGED, Rajbari/Madaripur/Gopalganj/Shariatpur.

f) Upazila Engineer, LGED, Sadar/Boalmari/Nagar-kanda/Banga/Madhukhali/Alfandanga/Sadarpur/Charbhadrasor, Faridpur & office of the undersigned up to office hours of 22.05.2002. Tenders will be received in tender box kept at the abovementioned offices up to 12.00 Noon of 23.05.2002 and tender boxes will be simultaneously opened at the said offices on the same day at 12.30 hrs. in presence (if any) of the attending tenderers. Tenders received in lac sealed condition from the said offices will be opened at the office of the undersigned on 28.05.2002 at 11.00 AM in presence (if any) of the attending tenderers or their representatives. In case more than one contractor happens to be the lowest by submitting the same rate for the same work, the contractor will be selected through lottery by beads on 30.05.2002 at 11.00 AM at the conference room of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Faridpur in presence (if any) of the respective contractors or their representatives. It may be noted that while attending lottery the contractors shall bring along their licence book and the representatives, written authorisation letter & licence book of respective contractors.

This tender notice is short. All information & papers/detailed description can be seen/known from the abovementioned offices during office hours and tender should be participated in by thoroughly going through the matter. The authority reserves the right to accept any tender or reject all tenders without assigning any reason.

With a ballpoint pen in clear BLOCK letters. Cut along the dotted lines and mail to OR drop in the Quiz Box at The Daily Star. You may send as many entries as you like. Envelopes of entries must be clearly marked "Star World Cup Quiz 3."

JOIN The Daily Star BANDWAGON TO BOOST FOOTBALL IN BANGLADESH

12 more arms recovered

BSS, Dhaka

Police recovered 12 firearms, three other types of arms and 34 bullets during the last 24 hours country-wide operation ending at 6 am yesterday.

They arrested 13 persons in connection with the arms recovery and filed five cases against them under the Arms Act, a police headquarters press release said here.

DHAKA TODAY

Musical evening

Katha Lalikala Academy will organise a solo musical evening of Alaudin Ahmed. Venue: High Commission of India Cultural Centre, Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi R/A. Time: 6.00pm.

Shahjahan in the chair to fix the date of Eid-e-Miladunabi. Venue: Islamic Foundation. Time: 7.30pm.

DHAKA TOMORROW

Film show

Under World Film Manifestation Programme, Dhaka University Film Society will screen two films titled 'Kanchanjangha' by Satyajit Ray and 'Nagrik' by Ritwik Ghatak. Venue: High Commission of India Cultural Centre, Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi R/A. Time: 4.00pm and 7.00pm respectively.

Seminar

Legislative Support Service Project (LSSP) of European Commission and National Democratic Institute jointly organise a seminar on 'Electoral System: Making Every Vote Count'. Venue: Conference Room of LSSP, House-67, Road-4, Block-C, Banani. Time: 9.00am.

SIBL inauguration

The inaugural ceremony of Dhanmondi branch of Social Investment Bank Limited will be held with Commerce Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud as chief guest. Venue: House-84, Road-7A, Dhanmondi R/A. Time: 11.00am.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

প্রধান বন সংরক্ষকের দণ্ড

বন্ডবন, মহাখালী, ঢাকা-১২১২

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নং-২১ সিএফসিজিপি/২০০১-২০০২

জাতীয় প্যারেড কোয়ার্ট, আগামী ১৫/৬/২০০২ইং তারিখ হইতে পক্ষকার বাপী বৃক্ষমোৰ্ফ ডেকোরেট ও প্রদর্শনে কার্যালয় আগামী ১২/৬/২০০২ইং তারিখের মধ্যে সম্পন্ন করার জন্য আবশ্যিক অভিজ্ঞতা নির্বাচিত হইতে দরপত্র সিডিভেলের শর্তব্যীনক করিব। দরপত্র সম্পর্ক প্রত্যক্ষ প্রত্যক্ষ আবশ্যিক করা যাইতে হবে। যারের উপর কার্যকারী নিম্নস্থানকারীর অফিসে ও বিভাগীয় বন কর্মকর্তা, সামাজিক বন বিভাগ, ঢাকার (৩০ বেইলী রোডে) দণ্ড হইতে অফিস চলাকালীন সময় প্রতি দেখিবে ও জানিবে পার যাইবে।

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