

Sea level rise to inundate 18 pc of Bangladesh by 2100

BSS, Dhaka
Sea level rise in Bangladesh will inundate 18 per cent of the country by the year 2100, if no special protective measures including embankments are taken.

According to the estimates of United Nations International Governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the sea level rise will be in the range of 15 cm to 95 cm by the year 2100. On the high end of sea level, the rise could be about 30 cm by the year 2030.

The sea is likely to move in further in the Khulna region, says a study report of World Bank published in June last year.

The study said climate change is real and man made. It has also focused on Bangladesh since the country is universally acknowledged as extremely vulnerable to climate change.

"While Bangladeshis do not have a major role in terms of measures to stabilise human induced green house gas emissions leading to climate change, they remain on the receiving end to suffer from its consequences," observes the study on "Bangladesh: Climate Change and Sustainable Development."

The latest IPCC projections have predicted further increases of 1.4 degree Celsius to 5.8 degree Celsius in globally averaged surface temperatures by the year 2100. Bangladesh, according to the projections, will experience a 0.7 degree Celsius temperature rise in the monsoon and a 1.3 degree Celsius rise in the winter by the year 2030.

However, the study said, the impacts of temperature increases could be quite substantial, resulting together with other effects in an overall 32 per cent and 31 per cent decline respectively in boro and wheat production.

"There is an urgent need for Bangladesh to develop mechanisms to better adapt to the climate change impacts as the sea level along the country is rising at about 3 mm a year," the study said.

Ban on smoking in public places in cities demanded

ADHUNIK delegation meets President

UNB, Dhaka

A delegation of ADHUNIK, the national anti-tobacco organisation, headed by its founder National Professor Dr Nurul Islam met President AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury at Bangabhaban Saturday evening.

The delegation submitted to the President a charter of demands to address the growing tobacco problem in Bangladesh.

The demands included ban on smoking in public places in Dhaka and other major cities, increase in tax on cigarette companies up to 200 per cent, restriction on cigarette advertisement in newspapers and TV channels and shifting all cigarette manufacturing factories from cities and towns to remote places.

The charter also called for gradually replacing tobacco cultivation with food and other cash crops, enacting tobacco control law to regulate production and marketing of tobacco products after incorporating necessary suggestions from anti-tobacco groups and stopping sponsorships of sports, musical, fashion shows and other events by tobacco companies.

The President assured the delegation of his full support in the fight against tobacco menace.

The delegation included Amanullah Khan, president of CAT and Chairman of UNB, Dr AKM Kafiluddin, Professor Emeritus NIPSOM, Hakim Yusuf Haroon Bhuiyan, Managing Director of Hamdard Foundation, Magician Jewel Aich, R N Datta Gupta, secretary general of World Conference on Religion and Peace and Vice President of Ramkrishna Mission, Professor Kanij Mawla, Rtn Eng Shahidul Alam, Dr Wadud and Ali Niamat, general secretary of CAT.

President B Chowdhury, the Chief Patron of ADHUNIK, expressed his desire to witness a replay of the stage drama "The Killer" written and directed and acted by school and college students under the Students Anti-Smoking Committee (SASC) sponsorship.

The killer seeks to present in a dramatic form the devastating effects of tobacco use on health with telling impact on audience.



PHOTO: STAR

Mayor Sadek Hossain Khoka speaking at a discussion marking the 21st death anniversary of president Ziaur Rahman at the auditorium of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University in the city yesterday. The Doctors Association of Bangladesh organised the event.

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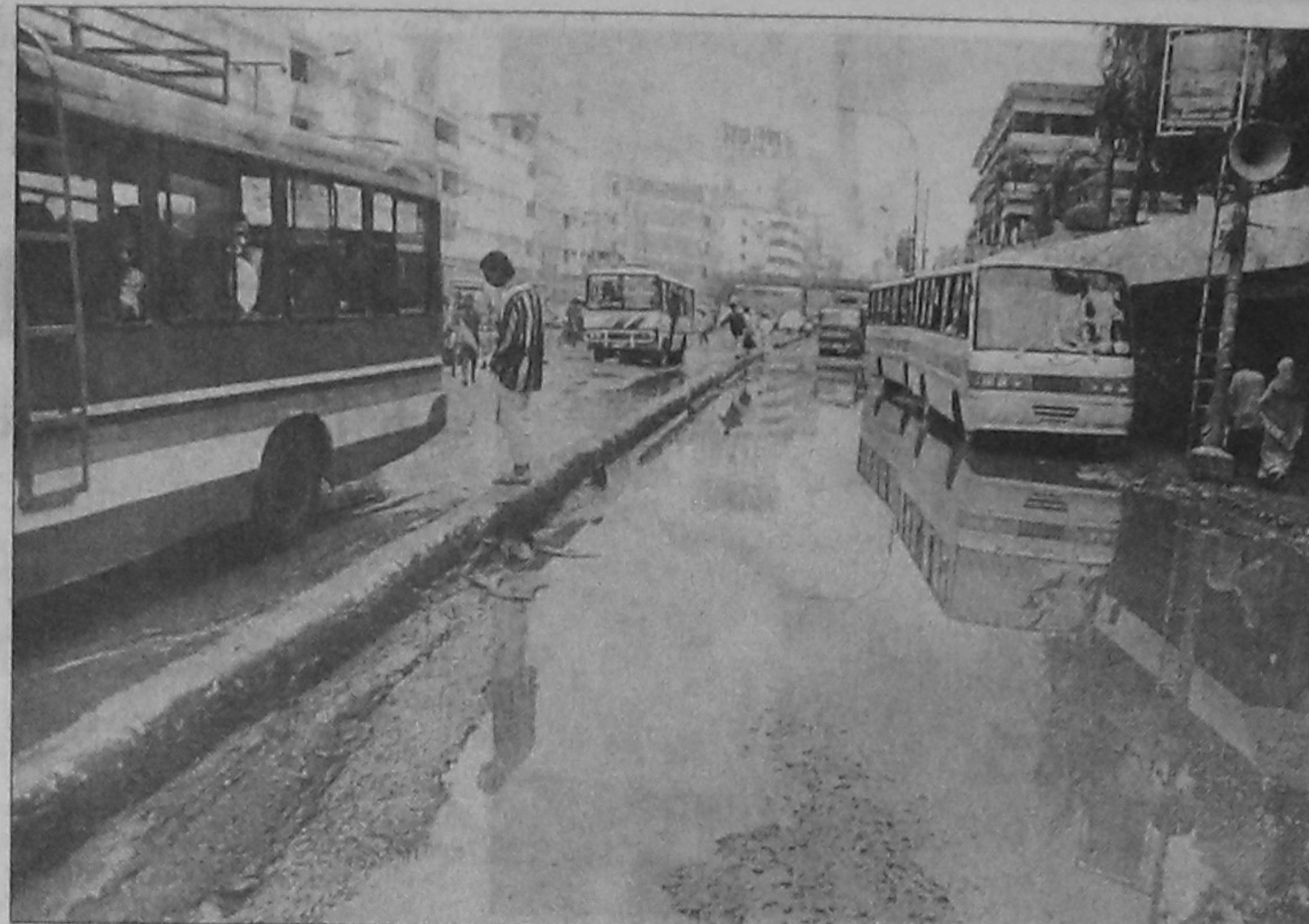
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- ১। কাজের নাম : প্রস্তাবিত সিলেট শাহজীবাজার-আতপাড়া ২৩০ কেজি সম্মানন লাইন রুট সার্ভে কাজ।
- ২। দরপত্রের ধরন : দুই খাম বিশিষ্ট সীলিত দরপত্র।
- ৩। দরপত্র দাখিল প্রাপ্তির স্থান : উপ-মহাব্যবস্থাপক, প্রকল্প-২, পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ (পিজিসিবি), বাড়ী নং-৬ (২য় তলা) সড়ক নং-২৩/এ, গুলশান-১, ঢাকা-১২১২। ০৪/০৬/২০০২ইং তারিখ হইতে দরপত্র বিক্রি হইবে।
- ৪। দরপত্র দাখিলের মূল্য : ১০০০/- (এক হাজার টাকা) মাত্র (অফেরতযোগ্য) পে-অর্ডার/ ব্যাংক ড্রাফট এর মাধ্যমে পরিশোধ করিতে হইবে।
- ৫। দরপত্র দাখিল বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময় : ২৬/০৬/২০০২ইং অপরাহ্ন ৫:০০ টা।
- ৬। দরপত্র দাখিল রক্ষাদানের স্থান, তারিখ ও সময় : উপ-মহাব্যবস্থাপক, প্রকল্প-২, পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ (পিজিসিবি), বাড়ী নং-৬ (২য় তলা) সড়ক নং-২৩/এ, গুলশান-১, ঢাকা-১২১২। ২৭/০৬/২০০২ইং দুপুর ১২:০০ টা।
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- ৮। বায়নার টাকা : দরপত্রের সহিত দাখিলকৃত দরের শতকরা ২.৫% ভাগ, পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ (পিজিসিবি) এর নামে ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার এর মাধ্যমে দাখিল করিতে হইবে।
- ৯। কাজ শেষ করার সময় : ১৫০ (একশত পঞ্চাশ) দিন।
- ১০। পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ (পিজিসিবি) কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতীত যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ অথবা যে কোন/সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার অধিকার সংরক্ষণ করে।

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This road at Fulbaria is in very bad shape. Potholes and deep craters and waterlogging make it very difficult for the vehicles to ply. PHOTO: STAR

Ban on use of cell phone by children soon: Siraj

BSS, Dhaka

Forest and Environment Minister Shahjahan Siraj said yesterday said government would impose ban on use of cellular telephone by children very soon to protect them from invisible and deadly radioactive sources.

"Prior to the issuance of the ban, the government will carefully examine what Australia and other advanced countries did to protect their children from invisible sources of deadly disease including high levels of radioactivity generated from X-ray, LASER ray, cellular telephones and other electric and electronic sources like high-tension electricity transmission line and various micro-wave sources," the Environment Minister said at a seminar in the city.

Jatiya Samikhyha Kendra (JSK) organised the seminar titled "Health hazards from radio-active emission from LASER and mobile telephones" at CIRDAP auditorium in the city. Vice-Chancellor of BUET Prof Dr Noor Uddin Ahmed presided over the session.

Director of Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission (BAEC) Dr Abdul Jalil presented the key-note

paper. Journalist Ferdous Ahmed Qureshi, Dr Ismat Kabir of the Neuro-Pharmacology Department of BSMMU, Prof Dr Khadiza Begum of the Ministry of Science, Information and Communication Technology, Prof Dr Faruq Ahmed and Prof Dr R I M Aminur Rashid of Dhaka University, also spoke on the occasion.

He said millions of people are getting benefits from modern cellular telephone. But most of the users are unaware that they are getting exposed to invisible non-ionised radiation that invites multiple health hazards.

Dr Ismat Kabir said if any user of cellular telephone continues his or her conversation for more than two minutes, the 'blood-brain barrier' gets damaged. The blood pressure gets high and red blood cells (RBC) are damaged if a person gets continued exposure to radiation caused by cellular telephone.

He said most of the researchers have strongly discouraged pregnant women and children's use of mobile and cellular phones.

Prof Dr Faruq Ahmed said the government should streamline all

policies relating to control of radio-active sources (both ionised and non-ionised). He said invisible uncontrolled radioactivity causes irreparable damage to human body and when it gets detected damage take such a turn which is not curable.

Key-note speaker Dr A Jalil said ionised or non-ionised radiation cause damage to sensitive human organs like eyes, ears, reproductive organs and skin.

Cardiologist Richard Kirk to visit Dhaka

Dr Richard Kirk, world-renowned paediatric cardiologist and child heart disease specialist of National University Hospital, Singapore, will visit Dhaka from June 22 to 24, says a press release.

During his visit, Dr Richard will stay at ZH Sikder Women's Medical College & Hospital and extend consultancy in various type of complicated child heart diseases.

He will also demonstrate the latest techniques to the doctors of ZH Sikder Cardiac Care & Research Centre.

Interested persons may contact ZH Sikder Women's Medical College & Hospital, for registration. The phone numbers are 8110101, 8113313, 8115951, 9887458, and 8815363.

Preparatory meeting for IFNGO held

A preparatory meeting for the 19th conference of International Federation of Non-Government Organisations for prevention of drug and substances (IFNGO) was held recently with Mohammad Salam, Director General of the Department of Narcotics Control, in the chair, says a press release.

Held in the conference room of the Department of Narcotics Control, the meeting was attended by Nur Mohammed, president of Bangladesh Anti-drug Federation of NGOs (BAF), Sheikh M N Islam, president-elect of IFNGO, and Ashraf Alam Kazal, secretary general.

Nur Mohammed urged the members to come up with positive programmes for prevention of drug abuse and make the IFNGO conference a success.

Case recorded after 15 days of rape?

UNB, Sathkira

Police recorded a rape case in Sathkira on Saturday after deliberately delaying it for 15 days.

The Superintendent of Police (SP) of Sathkira, on being informed personally directed the officer-in-charge (OC) of Kolaroa thana to accept a case filed by the parents of a 14-year-old girl accusing three local youths of gang rape.

Locals said the victim, a student of class IX of village Krikirampur in Kolaroa upazila along with her father came to Joynagar Bazaar for treatment on May 17.

After sunset local youths Ishatik, Shahjahan and Golam Robbani abducted the girl at gunpoint and took her to a nearby

place and raped her one after another.

On the following morning father of the victim went to Kolaroa thana to file a rape case but police refused to accept the case.

Later a village arbitration was held on May 21 at Joynagar Primary School at the initiative of Kolaroa Chhatra Dal president Shahin, Jobo Dal leaders Rowshan and Siraj who realised Tk 80,000 as fine from the rapists.

But they did not hand over money to the father of the victim. Later Police Super Rafiqul Islam directed the OC of the thana to record the case after being informed about the matter.

However, none was arrested in this connection.



PHOTO: STAR

Akbar Ali, a BNP activist of Sirajganj district, was admitted to the Dhaka Medical college Hospital yesterday with severe acid burns. It is alleged that Awami League activists threw acid on him out of political vengeance.

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Film show

Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen three Oscar Winning films titled 'Harriet' by Laurence Olivier, 'Casablanca' by Michael Curtiz and 'Grand Hotel' by Edmund Goulding. Venue: Goethe Institut, Dhanmondi. Time: 3:30pm, 6:00pm and 7:45pm.

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Memorial meeting

Bangladesh Christian National Youth Organisation will arrange a meeting in memory of those killed in bomb blast at Baniarchar church last year. Venue: Central Shaheed Minar. Time: 4:00pm.

ASK meeting

Ain O Salish Kendra in collaboration with Bangladesh Shishu Adhikar Forum organises an orientation meeting on 'Increase Awareness to Promote Child Rights'. Venue: Bangladesh Mahila Samity, 4 New Baily Road. Time: 9:00am.

Rotary meeting

Regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka North will be held. Venue: Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 6:00pm.

Budget seminar

Krishibid Institution organises a seminar on 'Agriculture Development and coming National Budget'. Venue: BARC auditorium, Farmgate. Time: 4:30pm.

Krishak League

A meeting of the central committee of Bangladesh Krishak League will be held. Venue: 23, Bangabandhu Avenue. Time: 10:00am.

Jatiya party

A presidium meeting of the Jatiya Party (Ershad) will be held. Venue: House-75/E, Road-17/A, Banani. Time: 5:00pm.

BRDB seminar

A two-day seminar on 'Linkage and Common Interests: Experiences of the Participatory Rural Development Project', organised jointly by Bangladesh Rural Development Board and Japan International Cooperation Agency, will begin. LGED and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan will be the chief guest. Venue: LGED Bhaban, Agargaon. Time: 12:00am.

Computer literacy seminar

A seminar on 'Computer Literacy', organised by Bangladesh Science Writers and Journalists Forum, will be held. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 10:00am.

Film show

Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen two Oscar winning films titled 'The English Patient' by Anthony Mingella and 'Ben-hur' by William Wyler. Venue: Goethe Institut, Dhanmondi. Time: 3:30pm and 6:00pm respectively.

Memorial meeting

Abhinoy Shilpi Sangha will hold a meeting in memory of noted actress and danc-performer Roushan Jamil. Venue: Begum Sufia Kamal auditorium of the National Museum. Time: 6:00pm.

Planet observation

Science Museum organises a programme for observation of the closest position of planets Jupiter and Venus. Venue: Science Museum premises. Time: 7:00pm. Interested persons are advised to contact with the museum authorities over phone: 9116589 for registration.

Launching ceremony

The launching of Contraceptive Security Strategy in Bangladesh will be held with Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr. Khondaker Mosharraf Hossain as chief guest. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 9:30am.

Painting competition

In observance of World Environment Day, the Ministry of Environment and Forest organises a children painting competition on environment. Venue: Shishu Academy premises. Time: 10:00am.

PIB seminar

The Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB) organises a seminar on 'Women and Children'. Venue: PIB seminar room, Circuit House Road. Time: 10:00am.



Thundershowers likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at a few places over Dhaka, Chittagong, Barisal and Sylhet divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi and Khulna divisions with moderately heavy falls at one of two places over Chittagong and Sylhet divisions today.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country, Met Office said.

Country's highest temperature 36.4 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Chuadanga and the lowest 22.2 degree Celsius at Sayedupur.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6:43 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:11 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 | 33.8 | 23.6 | 77 | 76 |
| Chittagong | 33.5 | 25.5 | 67 | 78 |
| Rajshahi | 35.6 | 25.8 | 75 | 68 |
| Khulna | 35.3 | 26.6 | 77 | 00 |
| Barisal | 34.5 | 24.0 | 76 | 92 |
| Sylhet | 31.5 | 24.4 | 89 | 69 |
| Cox's Bazar | 35.5 | 26.2 | 79 | 76 |

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