



Thundershowers likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at one or two places over all the six divisions of the country today.

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

Country's highest temperature 35.0 degree Celsius was recorded at Jessore and lowest 21.4 degree Celsius at Sayerpur yesterday.

The sun sets in the capital at 5:37 pm today and rises at 5:54 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	33.3	22.2	80	61
Chittagong	32.6	24.8	69	76
Rajshahi	30.3	23.2	79	85
Khulna	34.5	24.9	66	77
Barisal	32.5	24.5	79	94
Sylhet	32.0	24.0	85	86
Cox's Bazar	33.1	24.5	74	71



Two-way trouble ... commuters caught in a traffic tangle wait in anticipation yesterday on Mirpur Road near Dhaka College in the city. Commuting did become better when the Dhaka Metropolitan Police made the road one-way. However, things took a turn for the worse with the return of old two-way traffic.

Construction of seismic observatories hits snags

BSS, Dhaka

Although the work on construction of four earthquake monitoring stations has almost been done, the procurement of seismic equipment for the observatories are yet to be completed, according to officials.

The External Resources Division has recently been directed to seek donors' support for procurement of the seismic equipment at a cost of Tk 18 crore. But no donor has yet been found, causing further delay in starting the observatories, sources said.

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Since the project started several years ago, only the buildings have been completed recently. But lack of donor support stood in the way of procurement of equipment necessary for the stations, the sources said.

The government has recently entrusted the External Resources Division with the task of seeking donor support, but there has been no progress so far, the sources added.

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Comrade Farhad's anniversary of death observed

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The 15th anniversary of death of Comrade Mohammad Farhad, former general secretary of the Communist Party of Bangladesh, was observed yesterday.

Paying rich tributes to the late comrade, CPB leaders placed wreaths at the grave of Farhad at Banani Graveyard.

CPB general secretary Mujahidul Islam Selim, Amanullah, Mahub Alam, Ruhin Hossain Prince and Mahubul Haq Ripon were present.

A milad mahfil was held at the late leaders' Azampur Colony residence after Asr prayers. On the occasion of his death anniversary, the CPB will hold a discussion meeting at 4pm today at the party's central office at Purana Paltan.

Mohammad Farhad died in Moscow on October 9 in 1987.

Three snatchers jailed for 5 years in Ctg

BSS, Ctg

Three persons were jailed for five years and each fined Tk 5,000 and in default to suffer another three months of imprisonment in a case of snatching in the city early this year.

Chittagong Public Safety Tribunal Judge (District Judge) A N M Bashirullah in a judgement yesterday convicted and sentenced Mohammad Omar Faruque S/o Kamal, Mintu S/o late Habibur Rahman and Mujib S/o Latifur Rahman, all from Halisahar, under Public Safety Act for committing the crime.

This was the 67th judgement of the tribunal, a press release said.

The case in brief is that while plaintiff Sohel Rana along with his friends were going to sea beach from Bhatiyar around 4.30 pm on February 14, 2002 in two motor cycles, the convicts encircled them on the western side of EPZ near the sluice gate and snatched two mobile phones, 2 wrist watches and Tk 5,215 in cash by stabbing and beating indiscriminately.

The judgement was delivered after 9 prosecution witnesses were examined.

Public Prosecutor Advocate Kamrul Islam Sazzad moved for the state while Messers Kamal Kanti Barua, Shanti Bikas Barua, Pranab Majumder and Timir Baran Barua defended the accused.

Obituary



Gobinda Datta, former operations manager of Meghna Petroleum Ltd and former country manager of K-Mart Corporation, died at Bangladesh Medical College Hospital on Tuesday at the age of 70, says a press release.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, two sons and grandchildren.

Datta hailed from Barisal. His funeral will be held at the cremation ground of Sabujbag Baradeshwari Kalibari today.

Sri Lankan SPC team arrives tomorrow

BSS, Dhaka

A four-member delegation of the State Pharmaceuticals Corporation (SPC) of Sri Lanka led by its Chairperson Sunetra Ramasinghe will arrive here tomorrow on a four-day visit to Bangladesh.

A press release issued by the Sri Lanka High Commission here yesterday said the primary purpose of this visit would be to explore prospect of pharmaceuticals supplies from Bangladesh to Sri Lanka.

The delegation is expected to visit some leading pharmaceuticals factories in Bangladesh and hold meetings with leaders of Bangladesh Association of Pharmaceutical Industries in Bangladesh.

Chehlum



The chehlum of Jalal Uddin Akand, former chairman of Kendua Union Council under Jamalpur district, will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 7:00 am at his residence in Gopalpur village of Kendua Kalibari. Relatives and well-wishers have been requested to attend.

Jalal died on August 31 at the age of 115.



Local residents staged a demonstration at Dhanmondi in the city yesterday demanding arrest of and punishment to the killers of Jasmin Akhter Rila, a college student.



Inauguration

The inaugural ceremony of an exclusive mega sales and display centre of Jordana Colour Cosmetics, USA, will be held with Atab Ul Islam, president, American Chamber of Commerce in Bangladesh, as chief guest. Venue: 1, New Baily Road. Time: 4:00pm.

create awareness about the harmful effects of smoking among the school children. Venue: Khilgaon Government High School. Time: 12:30pm.

Drama

Mohakal Natya Sampraday will stage a drama titled 'Shikhandi Katha' authored by Anan Zaman and directed by Rashid Harun. Venue: Guide House auditorium. Time: 7:00pm.

Reception

Lalmatia Girls' College will accord a reception to newly elected members of the governing body. Venue: College premises. Time: 11:00am.

Photography exhibition

On the occasion of the 8th death anniversary of renowned artist S M Sultan, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy organises a photography exhibition and a discussion meeting with Syed Jahangir as chief guest. Venue: Academy Gallery. Time: 5:00pm.

Prize distribution ceremony

The annual prize distribution ceremony of Aklimabegum School and Madrassa will be held. Venue: School premises, 54/1 North Circular Road. Time: 5:00pm.

Rally

On the occasion of the World Mental Health Day, a colourful rally will be brought out. It will be led by Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr Khandakar Mosharraf Hossain. Venue: In front of National Museum, Shahbagh. Time: 7:30am.

Film show

A four-day British film show, organised by The British Council in cooperation with Lever Brothers Bangladesh, will begin. Venue: The British Council auditorium.

Convocation ceremony

The convocation ceremony of Bangladesh Immigration Lawyers' Society will be held with Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Barstener Moudud Ahmed as chief guest. Venue: Hotel Purbani. Time: 4:00pm.

Health discussion

A discussion on the 'Role of mental health in the field of education of children and adolescents', organised by Dhaka Monog Clinic, will be held. Venue: Mirpur Bangla High School premises. Time: 4:00pm.



Show-room

The inaugural ceremony of the second show-room of Grameen Fashion Bazar will be held with popular TV and film actor Bulbul Ahmed as chief guest. Venue: House-9, Road-7/D, Sector-9, Uttara. Time: 10:00am.

Art exhibition

The inaugural ceremony of a two-day 'Faber-Castell Art Exhibition-2002' will be held. Six hundred drawings selected from 25,000 art works drawn by little artists of different leading schools in the city will be on display in the exhibition. Venue: Shishu Academy Art Gallery. Time: 4:30pm. The exhibition will remain open till 8:00pm on the inaugural day while it will remain open from 10:00am to 8:00pm on the following day.

Rotary meeting

Regular weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Greater Dhaka will be held with James V. Oliver, resident representative of NDI, as chief guest. He will speak on 'The Role of NDI in strengthening democracy throughout the world'. Venue: CIRDP Cafeteria, Abdul Gani Road. Time: 5:30pm.

Film show

Alliance Francaise will screen a film titled 'Le Trou' directed by Becker. Venue: Alliance Francaise auditorium. Time: 6:00pm.

SASC programme

Students Anti Smoking Committee (SASC) will organise a programme to

Science fair

The annual science fair, organised by Bangladesh International School, will be held with Major General Mohammad Aminul Karim as chief guest. Venue: School premises, DOHS, Mohakhali. Time: 8:45am.



The Palestine Solidarity National Committee staged a rally at the Central Shahed Minar in the city yesterday protesting the US imperialism.

শাখা স্থানান্তর

যশোর জেলাধীন সোনালী ব্যাংক ধলগ্রাম শাখাটি আগামী ২৪ অক্টোবর ২০০২ বৃহস্পতিবার পুরাতন ঠিকানা থেকে নতুন ঠিকানায় স্থানান্তর করা হবে এবং একই দিনে ব্যাংকিং কার্যক্রম শুরু করবে।

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