

WEATHER TODAY

Thundershowers likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at a few places over Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna, Barisal and Sylhet divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi division with moderately heavy falls at places during the next 12 hours till 6pm today.

Day temperature may rise slightly over the country. Met Office said. Yesterday's highest temperature of 33.0 degree Celsius was recorded at Rangamati and the lowest of 21.0 degree at Mymensingh.

The sun sets in the capital at 5:29pm today and rises at 5:58am tomorrow.

The 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	27.0	24.0	78	95
Chittagong	31.8	24.0	76	73
Rajshahi	25.6	22.6	97	--
Khulna	29.5	25.0	83	93
Barisal	30.0	23.8	77	93
Sylhet	27.2	22.8	100	97
Cox's Bazar	32.5	23.5	73	82



The first solo painting exhibition of Rabeya Begum Lipi began at the Zainul Gallery of the Institute of Fine Arts in the city yesterday. The exhibition will remain open from 11.00am to 8.00pm every day until October 22.

Joint Study Group formed to promote Indo-Bangla trade

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A six-member Joint Study Group was formed at a seminar in Chittagong yesterday to study the problems and prospects of trade and investment between Bangladesh and northeastern states of India.

The group comprising representatives of the Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) and Tripura Chamber of Commerce and Industry (TCCI) will prepare a report in consultation with other chambers along the bordering districts of

Bangladesh within the next three months.

The report would make recommendations for setting up of a task force by the governments of Bangladesh and India to promote bilateral trade.

The Joint Study Group was formed with CCCI President Amir Humayun Mahmud Chowdhury and TCCI President ML Debnath as convenor and joint convenor respectively. The other members of the group are: A L Banik, vice-president and AK Roy, honorary secretary of TCCI, Monjurul Amin

Chowdhury, vice-president and Syed Mahmudul Haq, director of CCCI.

The group was formed as per a resolution taken on conclusion of a 2-day seminar on "Promotion of Trade and Investment between Bangladesh and northeastern states of India" at the CCCI auditorium.

The Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) and the High Commissioner of India jointly organised the seminar to usher in a new era of increased bilateral trade, investment and cooperation between the two friendly neighbouring countries.

The discussion on the last day of the seminar was participated among others by V Tulasidas, chief secretary of Tripura government, Neelam Deo, joint secretary of the external affairs ministry of India, RR Dash, economic counselor of Indian High Commission in Dhaka and ML Debnath of Tripura Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Amir Humayun Mahmud Chowdhury, president, Ershad Ullah, senior vice-president, Monzur-ul-Amin, vice-president and senior officials and businessmen of both the countries.

1512 more arrested

BSS, Dhaka

Police seized four arms, including three firearms, and 14 rounds of ammunition and arrested 1512 people in their countrywide drive over the last 24 hours that ended at 6.00 am yesterday.

Besides, four explosives were recovered over the period, a Police Headquarters press release said.

Six persons were arrested in

connection with the arms and ammunition seizure and five cases were filed against them under the Arms Act.

Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) recovered three of the explosives and arrested one man in this connection and filed a case against him. Shariatpur district police recovered the rest of the explosives, arrested a man and filed a case against him.

CU reopens today

BCL threatens to continue siege programme

CU CORRESPONDENT

The Chittagong University (CU) reopens today after a 12-day vacation.

Many students have already returned to their dormitories to attend the classes.

Different offices of the university reopened on Thursday.

Meanwhile, the Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) CU unit has expressed the determination to continue its siege programme on the campus until their demands are met.

The demands include arrest and trial of those who attacked BCL leaders at different times on the campus, permission for those BCL activists who could not sit for the examinations due to threat by Shibir workers and maintenance of congenial academic atmosphere on the campus.

The BCL leaders also blamed the university authorities for their insincerity in fulfilling their demands.

Kazi Mazharul Islam, general secretary of BCL CU unit told The Daily Star that if the university authorities fulfil their two or three demands they would sacrifice their other demands for the greater interests of 16 thousand students of the university.

They enforced the indefinite siege programme on the campus on October 1 following the attack on Saiful Mahmud Sohad, assistant general secretary of BCL CU unit by the ICS cadres on September 29.

In another development, students of the Institute of Marine Science (IMS) have also announced an indefinite siege programme on the campus protesting the police attack on them.

Police resorted to baton-charge to disperse the students who staged a sit-in programme on Dhaka-Chittagong rail line at the city's Battali railway station.

The IMS students observed the programme in protest against the announcement of the Public

Service Commission (PSC) barring them from appearing at the upcoming Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) examination under the fisheries cadre.

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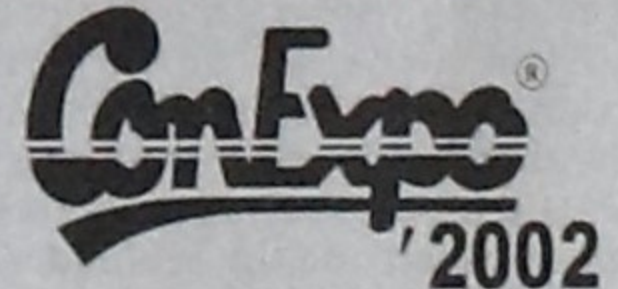
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Dhaka for peaceful solution to disputes

BSS, New York

Dr Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations said Bangladesh believes in diplomatic and political solutions of international disputes through constructive discussions.

He was speaking on Thursday at an emergency Security Council debate on the situation in Iraq called at the request of Non-Aligned Countries.

About 70 delegations participated.

"We acknowledge the need for enforcement of Security Council Resolutions, but such enforcement actions should be based on International Law and backed by the United Nations," said Ambassador Chowdhury.

"The objective of any enforcement action should indeed be the need to enhance security, peace and stability," he said.

While welcoming Iraq's decision to allow the return of weapons inspectors into the country, the Bangladesh Ambassador said "they must have total and unfettered access in course of discharging their assigned responsibilities, and no impediments should be placed on their work."

Iraq must also comply with all past Security Council Resolutions on the issue, he said.

"Wars cause death and destruction. They disrupt economies and exacerbate human sufferings," Ambassador Chowdhury said while arguing that in the ultimate analysis every possible effort should be made to avert war.

সেরা চমক ১৩০০ সি সি টয়োটা কার

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