

MANPOWER EXPORT
Fishermen may
be sent to Fiji
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government mulls over allowing Bangladesh nationals to go to the pacific island state of Fiji for fishing-related work.
A Singapore-based company has recently come up with a proposal for hiring Bangladeshis for fishing-work in Fiji.
A representative from Singapore came with the proposal and called on State Minister for Expatriate Welfare and Overseas Employment Mohammad Quamrul Islam on
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STORMS, TORNADOES

6 harbours on major
river routes sought

RAFIQ HASAN

Lack of harbour facilities on major river routes makes several hundred passenger launches plying every day between Dhaka and southern districts vulnerable to disasters in monsoon storms and tornadoes, according to

launch owners and operators.
They suggested setting up 'at least six harbours' on these river routes to provide shelter to passenger launches in cases of rough weather.
The routes between Munshiganj and Chandpur, and Chandpur and

Diara Khal in Barisal become highly risky for water vessels from March to June. Launches plying from Dhaka to Barisal, Patuakhali, Bhola, Borguna, Chandpur, Shariatpur, Madaripur and Pirojpur mainly use these routes.
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TRIPLE MURDER CASE
Charges framed
against Jubo Dal
leader Kajaal,
8 others
COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday framed charges against Jubo Dal leader Rafiqul Islam Kajaal and eight others in the sensational triple murder case of an Old Dhaka businessman, his son and their chauffeur in March last year.
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Tight security for CCC polls

Army to work as striking force

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A high-level meeting at the Election Commission (EC) yesterday chalked out stringent security measures to make the May 9 Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) polls free from any kinds of intimidation and violence.

The meeting chaired by Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) MA Syed decided that army will be

deployed in the city corporation area a day before the poll to work as striking force. The forces will stay there until May 10.

Armed Forces Division will make the deployment in consultation with local administration, decided the meeting attended by high officials of the home ministry, army and different law enforcement agencies.

A huge contingent of police, Bangladesh Rifles (BDR), Coast

Guard and Ansar members will also be deployed as striking and mobile forces.

Besides, over 600 magistrates will be on election duties, the sources said. A number of mobile courts will be formed to hold instant trials of law-breakers and troublemakers.

The meeting also decided that the intelligence agencies would send reports on vulnerable polling
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A silent procession as part of 'Blue for Peace', a set of programmes launched to ensure trial of the killers of former finance minister Shah AMS Kibria, parades through a Gulshan street in the capital yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR



Hundreds gather
for trial of
Kibria killers
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Hundreds of people yesterday stood in a line between city's Gulshan-1 Crossing and Mohakhali to demand trial of the killers of former finance minister and Awami League leader Shah AMS Kibria.
The people, many of whom were in blue, lined up for an hour from 5:00pm. They reiterated the demand for international probe into the January 27 grenade attack in
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'Criminal' killed
in 'crossfire'

Five others shot in city
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A criminal was killed in a police 'crossfire' at Tejgaon and five men were bullet-hit in three separate incidents in the capital yesterday.

A mob held Abdus Sattar alias Moga Babu, 26, accused in four criminal cases including two for murders, Wednesday from the city's Green Road area at 9:30am and handed him to police.

Upon Babu's confession, police
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Port workers clash
with police

1 killed, 25 hurt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

One labourer was shot to death and at least 25 others including three cops were injured in a clash between police and labourers in Chittagong yesterday.

Agitated workers set fire to a police van during the clash, which

also left a journalist injured.

Seven injured were admitted to Chittagong Medical College and Hospital (CMCH), where Md Shahjahan, 55, of Bhola died.

The conditions of two cops -- Nazrul Islam and Siraj -- and two labourers -- Sahabuddin, 25, and
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Holiday notice

The Daily Star offices will remain closed today on account of Eid-e-Miladun Nabi. Therefore, there will be no issue of the newspaper tomorrow.

Prayer Timing

April 22		
	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-25	5-00
Juma	12-30	1-15
Asr	4-45	5-00
Maghrib	6-27	6-31
Esha	8-00	8-30

Source: Islamic Foundation

