

EC explains delay in result announcement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The declaration of the Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) polls results was delayed for some time as it is a time consuming task to sort out and compile all the ballots when they start coming from different centres at a time, the Election Commission (EC) secretariat explained yesterday.

Observers term polls fair

Tell of false voting, intimidation
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Different election monitoring organisations yesterday termed the Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) polls free and fair but reported some incidents of false voting, intimidation and mismanagement.

Mother sells daughter for Tk 3,000

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira
A divorced mother yesterday sold her newborn daughter at a cost of Tk 3,000 to an issue less couple of Sultanpur in the town.

FENCHUGANJ POWER PROJECT PMO questions unfit bidder's getting nod

STAR REPORT
The Prime Minister's Office has sent back the files on the 90 megawatt Fenchuganj power project, okayed by the cabinet purchase committee, asking the power ministry to explain how Chinese company Harbin qualified to get the project, sources said.

PEACEKEEPING IN SUDAN Sending of troops from May 23

SHAKHAWAT LITON
Bangladesh is likely to start sending troops to the UN peacekeeping mission in Sudan from May 23, army sources said.



Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal men pelt stones at trucks carrying supporters of Mayor ABM Mohiuddin going to join his victory procession in Laldighi Maidan yesterday afternoon.

CEC still embarrassed at RO's actions

Stresses need for reforms
STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) MA Syed yesterday stressed the need for reforms in the Election Commission (EC) and said that the EC should be more independent and stronger.

MEDITERRANEAN TRAGEDY

13 survivors back home
BDNEWS, Dhaka
Thirteen Bangladeshi youths among the 15, who survived the February Mediterranean Sea tragedy, returned home by a Bangladesh Biman flight from Dubai yesterday afternoon.

SCBA takes out black flag procession

Demands again Faizee's removal
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) yesterday took out a procession at the Supreme Court premises, demanding the removal of High Court Additional Judge Faisal Mahmud Faizee.

Outlaw killed in 'shootout' with police

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia
A listed criminal and regional leader of outlawed Purbo Banglar Communist Party (PBCP -- Janajuddho) was killed in a 'shootout' between law enforcers and the outfit members at village Pirpur under Sadar upazila in Chuadanga district early yesterday.

Home asks cops to explain clubbing of FFs

UNB, Dhaka
The home ministry yesterday issued an order asking the officials concerned to explain why police charged batons on war-maimed freedom fighters on May 7 in the capital.

Dhaka-Ctg electric train planned

RAFIQ HASAN
After shelving the idea of a magnetic train service between Dhaka and Chittagong, the communications ministry now plans to introduce a fast electric train service, aimed at covering the 346-kilometre distance between the two cities in three hours.

32 Nepal rebels killed in fighting

AFP, Kathmandu
Hundreds of Maoists stormed two army bases in southern Nepal, sparking a fierce battle in which at least 32 of the rebels and three security force members were killed, army officials said yesterday.

Prayer Timing		
May 11		
	Azan	Jamaat
Fair	4-10	4-45
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	5-00	5-15
Maghrib	6-36	6-40
Esha	8-00	8-30

Source: Islamic Foundation