HSC exams

in Aila-hit

postponed

Higher Secondary Certificate

(HSC) and equivalent exami-

nations in the cyclone Aila-

affected areas have been

Monday night said the HSC

examinations scheduled for

Tuesday in cyclone-affected

ers in affected districts in

consultation with the respec-

tive education board will

decide as to where examina-

tions cannot be held due to the

records 68.01pc

pass rate, 4000

A CORRESPONDENT, Jessore

About 68.01 percent of the

examinees have become suc-

cessful in this year's SSC exam-

A total of 72,271 students

among 1,06,264 passed in the

exam while the number of GPA

5 achievers from the board is

In science group, 13476 of

the 15624 examinees became

successful while from humani-

ties group it was 35038 out of

In business studies group,

In science group 3738

examinees got GPA 5 while the

number was 235 in humanities

and 794 in business studies

examinees passed from sci-

ence group, 58.96 percent from

humanities group and 76.11

percent from business studies

On an average 86.25 percent

the examination, whereas

23757 became successful.

31214 examinees appeared in

59426 examinees.

inations under Jessore Board.

get GPA 5

Jessore Board

It said deputy commission-

areas will be held later.

A government handout on

areas

UNB, Dhaka

postponed.

cyclone.

# Website fails to portray DU properly

RAKIB AHAMMED

This site is still under construction. Some of the pages or links may be inactive' -this line still remains on the top of the home page of the website of Dhaka University, although about four years have passed after it went online.

have a clear idea about this highest seat of learning as the site is not updated regularly and maintained properly.

contains backdated and inadequate information about the university's tion. departments, institutions, research administrations.

The overseas students interested to study at the university will hardly find any centres. useful information on this site. Besides, there are no information about university's extra curriculum activities, seminar and publications.

Even the students of the university who visit the site round the year are fed up with the 'under construction' notice. They also said that most page links do not always work.

The website still carries the names of previous provosts of several halls instead of the incumbent provosts. These halls For a visitor, it is quite impossible to are Jagannath Hall, Kobi Jasim Uddin Hall, Surya Sen Hall, Rokeya Hall and Bangabandhu Hall.

The fine art institute of the university The website -- www.univdhaka.edu -- was turned into fine art faculty last year, but the website still shows it as an institu-

At present, the university has 21 centres, faculties, dormitories and research centres, but the website puts the figure at 18. Even, there is no information about researches conducted in these

At present, nobody is entrusted to look after the website. A teacher of computer science and technology monitored the website, but he is now outside the country service and website.

for his higher study, sources said.

Expressing dissatisfaction over the poor performance of the website, Prof Syed Manzoorul Islam recently told The Daily Star that the website is degrading the university by displaying inadequate and wrong information about it.

"It is poorly designed and not interactive at all," he added.

He also sought the intervention of Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique in working out a proper plan involving experts to enrich the website and improve its standards so that it can properly portray the university.

When contacted, VC Prof Arefin Siddique also admitted poor performance of the website. The administration will take necessary steps soon to make it standard and updated, he said, adding that a committee is working towards the improvement of university's internet

69.61 this year while it was 72.62

in 2008, 57.94 in 2007, 63.87 in

GPA-5 achievers, Faujdarhat

Cadet College topped the list

with 100 percent of its students

securing the GPA-5, Chittagong

Public School and College

secured the second position

with 85.49 percent, Ispahani

Public School and College third

position with 79.81 percent,

Chittagong Collegiate School

fourth with 74.57 percent and

Bangladesh Mohila Samiti Girls'

High School fifth with 69.20

School has topped the list of 10

best institutions in terms of the

number of GPA-5 achievers.

Some 346 students, out of 464,

obtained GPA-5. The pass

percentage of the school is 98.49

Dr Khastagir Government

Girls' High School secured the

second position, with 229

students, out of 363, obtaining

GPA-5, and the pass percentage

School became third, with 196

securing GPA-5 and the pass

A total of 191 GPA-5 achiev

ers put their institution -

Bangladesh Mahila Samiti

Girls' High School and College

- on the fourth position while

the fifth position went to

Nasirabad Government High

School having 185 GPA achiev-

The list also includes Nou-

Bahini High School and College

(155 GPA-5 achievers)

Chittagong Government High

School (138), Chittagong Public

School and College (112),

Chittagong Government Girls

High School (98) and Ispahani

Public School and College (87).

students of 28 institutions

became successful this year.

The institutions include

Faujdarhat Cadet College,

Chittagong Government Girls

High School, St. Scholastica

Girls' High School, Arpana

Charan City Corporation Girls'

High School, Chittagong Public

School and College, Bayezid

Line High School, Silver Bells

Girls' High School, Chittagong

Ideal High School, BEPZA

Public School and College, and

Jorarganj Bouddya High School.

dents of Konakhali Karimiah

High School at Chakaria

upazila in Cox's Bazar passed

Controller Abdul Aziz said the

pass percentage of most of

the schools outside the city

has declined this year. The

pass percentage has declined

by 27.82 percent in

Khagrachhari district alone,

which contributed to the

decrease in the total pass

percentage in the Chittagong

Some students who dis-

qualified in the test examina-

tions also appeared in the SSC

examinations, he added.

education board.

Deputy Examination

the exams.

On the other hand, no stu-

Besides, 100 percent of

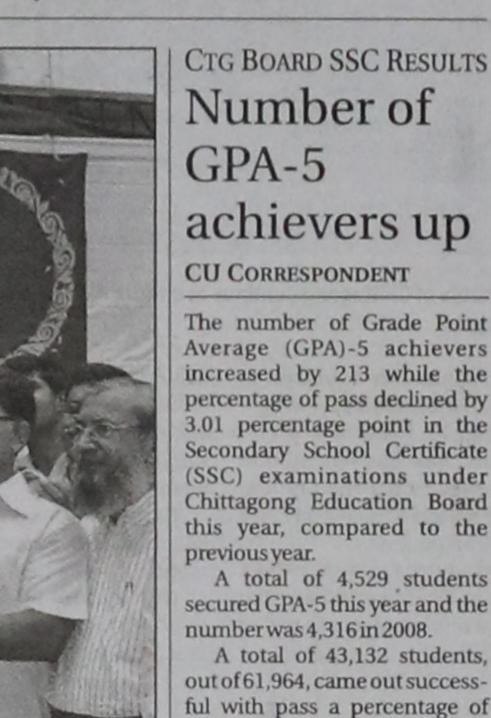
percentage is 100 percent.

Government Muslim High

percent.

is 99.72.

In terms of percentage of



HT Imam, adviser to the prime minister, inaugurates a programme celebrating the 14th anniversary of Dhaka Reporters' Unity in the city yesterday by releasing balloons.

## Chinese envoy meets Dy Speaker

UNB, Dhaka

Deputy Speaker Shawkat Ali yesterday requested China to take initiatives for extending its assistance to Bangladesh.

Shawkat made the request when Chinese Ambassador Zhang Xianyi met with him at his office.

During the meeting, they discussed matters of bilateral interests of the two countries.

Terming China 'genuine friend' of Bangladesh, the deputy speaker said, "China is playing a significant role for socio-economic and infrastructural development of the country".

The Chinese envoy assured him of continuing his country's assistance to Bangladesh in implementing various development projects, including road and bridge construction, in the days to come.

### Correction

The name of the director general of Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIISS) should read Maj Gen Md Monirul Islam, not Maj Gen (retd) Md Monirul Islam as mentioned inadvertently in a report headlined 'Regional cooperation a must to counter radicalisation' published in The Daily Star on page 2 yesterday.

We regret the error.

### Sierra Leone cracks down on fake doctors

AFP, Freetown

The Sierra Leone authorities on Tuesday raided a number of surgeries of suspected unregistered doctors in a government clampdown on the estimated 200 fake foreign doctors operat-

ingin the country. "We don't know the exact number of people faking to be doctors and practising in the country with forged documents but we are determined to put a stop to this menace," Health Minister Sheiku Tejan Koroma

said, explaining the raids. "We are estimating that since they have established throughout the country particularly in the remote areas, there may be about 200 or more engaged in theillegal practice," he told AFP.

PETROBANGLA-CHEVRON DISPUTE OVER WHEELING CHARGE

# Int'l court verdict likely in 4 months

UNB, Dhaka

The judgment of the international arbitration court, which heard the submissions from the state-owned Petrobangla and the US-based oil-major Chevron last week in London over wheeling charge dispute is likely to be given within next four months.

According to sources the arbitration court may take four to six months to announce its verdict.

Both Petrobangla and Chevron are hopeful about wining the ICSID arbitration from their respective point of

"Chevron is confident about the strengths and merits of its case. We are not commenting further until the ICSID rules come on this issue," said an official source of the foreign company.

Petrobangla acting Chairman Muktadir Ali also expressed optimism about win in the case on international

"We made our submission in a proper manner. We're confident and hopeful of win-

ing the case," he said. The final hearing on the gas

pipeline's 4 percent wheeling charge dispute took place at the World Bank's International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) in Landon on May 18-19.

Petrobangla lawyer Dr Kamal Hossain made submissions on the issue on government side while Chevron's lawyers made theirs own.

The dispute over 4 percent wheeling charge is a longstanding issue between Petrobangla and Chevron.

Petrobangla has been deducting 4 percent as wheeling charge from its payments to Chevron for its purchase of gas at Jalalabad gas field. A pipeline is being used to carry the gas from Chevron's Jalalabad field into Petrobangla's own network.

Chevron claims that the 4 percent wheeling charge deduction is illogical as the pipeline belongs to Petrobangla and it is used for carrying gas to Petrobangla's own selling point.

According to the Petrobangla officials, the state-owned agency would have to pay back about \$ 40 million to Chevron if it lost the case at the ICSID.



UNB, Dhaka

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at most places over the country with moderately heavy to heavy falls at places over the country in next 12 hours until 6:00pm today.

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

The sun sets in the capital at 6:40pm today and rises at 5:11am tomorrow.

Country's highest temperature 33.2 degrees Celsius was recorded yesterday at Satkhira and lowest 20.9 degrees Celsius at Feni.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	30.7	24.5	73	75
Chittagong	31.0	24.0	84	81
Rajshahi	28.4	23.8	98	86
Khulna	32.2	25.2	73	79
Barisal	31.6	26.0	92	91
Sylhet	27.0	24.8	96	98
Cox's Bazar	32.8	24.0	78	84



METROPOLITAN/NEWS

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid hands over the results of SSC and its equivalent exams to

KHALEDA'S CANTT HOUSE

# Hearing on writ petition resumes today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The hearing of the writ petition filed by BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia challenging the legality of the government notices concerning her cantonment house resumes today.

The High Court (HC) yesterday adjourned the hearing till 2:00pm today after the arguments of the counsels of both the government and the petitioner.

tioner's counsel TH Khan told the court that the deed of the allotment of cantonment house to his client (Khaleda) was registered in accordance with due process of the law and the government notices illegal and malafide.

## Dinajpur board 2nd largest GPA-5

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The first-ever Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examination results under Dinajpur Education Board showed an astounding result in terms of GPA-5 achievers, though the result in terms of pass percentage was not good.

Meanwhile, Collegiate The board stood second among the eight general education boards in terms of GPA 19.086 GAP-5s.

> Dinajpur board has been placed as second last board in terms of pass rates among the general boards, while Rajshahi board secured the lowest 58.41 percent pass rate.

secured 63.58 percent pass

sat for the exams from the board. Of them, 51,681 were male students and 50,420 were females. Out of the total examinees, 64,913 students passed the exams. Of them 34,261 were males and 30,652 were females.

students is 60.79.

Besides, 34 out of 2,327 education institutes under the board have secured cent percent pass rates with only one school not having a single pass. Rangpur Cantonment

Public School and College was the top-performing school of the board with cent percent pass rate and 197 GPA-5 getters out of 222 examinees and Rangpur Zilla School stood second with 195 GPA-5s and 99.16 percent pass rate, while Rangpur Govt Girls' High School third with 145 GPA-5s.

A representative of the then president of the country had allocated the property to Khaleda Zia as per decision of the president, and any decision of the president cannot be cancelled at any rate as per the constitutional provision, headded.

TH Khan said the government, which has been facing problem with the documents of the property allocated to Khaleda Zia, has to move to the court for the relief of the problem as per the Transfer of Property Act.

cannot go by the exchange of letters one after another, he argued. argued.

is not maintainable on the prayer moved by TH Khan. ground that she has been illegally occupying the property earmarked for a high official of the army.

cantonment house and has June 30.

refrained from citing any reasons and has not turned it down, so she has no legal rights to occupy the house, he said, praying to the court to reject the petition. The top law officer of the

state said the ruling party has not suddenly decided to restore this government property.

The defence ministry earlier in 2000 had issued a notice to Khaleda Zia, stating that the process of allotment of the property to her was without any lawful authority, but she had refused to receive The government will have the notice. Then the governto take a decision on the basis ment could not implement of the law, it (government) the step to restore the property due to time constraint, he

The HC bench of Justice Countering Khan's argu- Syed Refaat Ahmed and ments, Attorney General Justice Moyeenul Islam Mahbubey Alam representing Chowdhury yesterday the government said the writ resumed the hearing, as the petition filed by Khaleda Zia bench earlier on Monday, against the government adjourned until 2:00pm yesnotices regarding the lease of terday the hearing on the the cantonment house to her same writ petition following a TH Khan on Monday

prayed to the bench for time to file a supplementary petition against the government's Khaleda Zia has not made third notice asking the leader any reply to the government's of the opposition in parliashow-cause notice over the ment to vacate the house by

# 'Attain qualities to STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The freshers' reception and farewell of the Department of Pali and Buddhist Studies of Dhaka University was held at TSC auditorium of the university yesterday.

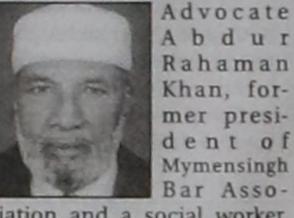
Vice Chancellor Prof Dr AAMS Arefin Siddiqui at the programme urged the students to attain qualities to lead the

He also said students should explore different field of study and learn different languages, religions, literature and sciences.

University Grant Commission Chairman Dr Nazrul Islam addressed the programme as the chief guest.

Information Secretary Samar Chandra Pal, Ambassador of Vietnam in Bangladesh Nguyen Van That, and Ambassador of Myanmar in Bangladesh U Phae Thann Oo also spoke on the occasion.

#### Obituary METRO DESK

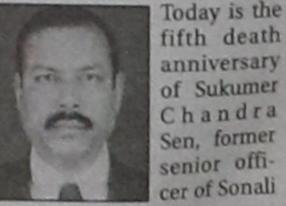


ciation and a social worker, passed way at Mymensingh Medical College Hospital on May 20 at the age of 85, says a press release.

He left behind his wife, two sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and admirers to mourn his death.

To pray for salvation of his departed soul, a doa mahfil will be held at his residence at Golpukurpar in the town after Asar prayers on Friday. Relatives and friends are requested to attend the programme.

Death anniversary METRO DESK



of Sukumer Chandra Sen, former senior officer of Sonali

programmes will be held at his residence at Ghurka in Sirajganj.

leagues and admirers are requested to pay for salvation of the departed soul.



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her office in the city yesterday. (Story on Page 1)

During the hearing, petiasking her to leave the house is

SSC RESULTS

# achieversins

achievers with 5,292 GPA-5s next to Dhaka board with

Dinajpur education board

A total of 1,02,101 students

The pass rate of male students is 66.29 and female

#### STAFF CORRESPONDENT area and arrested the three on Detective police in Chakoria of Cox's Bazar yesterday recovered a stolen microbus and the cellphone of the driver who was killed on May 6 by criminals during the carjack.

recovered in

Cox's Bazar

Stolen microbus

Police made the recovery following confessional statements of three carjackers who were arrested May 24. Detective police sources said four such gangs of

carjackers, who kill drivers to steal cars, are active in the capital. The arrestees are Sujit two yet to be arrested hired the Talukdar also known as Chittaranjan Talukdar, 45, of Senpara Parbata in Mirpur,

Chakma alias Tanu, 27, of Senpara Parbata in Mirpur. They hail from Bandarban and Rangamati.

Moni Chakma, 22, of Gazir

Char of Ashulia and Rupam

Assistant Commissioner (AC) Mukhlesur Rahman of Detective Branch (DB) said acting on a tip off they conducted several raids in Kafrul them.

May 24. He said two other criminals of the gang, Real Chakma, 26, of Siddhirganj and Jalil, 48, of Bandar area of Narayanganj, are yet to be arrested. On the night of May 6, driver

Shahjamal of the microbus was going to the garage at Senpara Parbata in Mirpur dropping off the owner of the vehicle at his home in Ibrahimpur of Kafrul, police said. Gang leader Sujit told

reporters at the DB office in the

capital that they along with the

microbus near Shah Ali market to go to Comilla that night. He said they strangled Shahjamal near Daudkandi Bridge. Ditching the body they took the microbus to Matlab in

Chandpur. Sujit said they handed the vehicle over to Liton who paid them Tk 90,000 for it.

The arrestees said they strangled the driver so that law enforcers could not trace

# Uniform edn system soon Says minister

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid yesterday said the uniform education system would be initiated soon and a committee to finalise and upgrade the has already been formed in this regard.

At the inaugural session of the three-day 'National training session in the field of Commission for Unesco Abbas Sadri, director of vocational and technical training' at BANBAIS Bhaban in the city, he also said the technical education.

he said, "We are trying to remove illiteracy from the skilled labour force to comcountry as well as to build a pete in international labour technology-based society. We market, some 30 representamust go for human resources

Speaking as the chief guest, Organisation (IICO).

National Education Policy easy access to vocational and technical training for human resource development," he further said.

development by 2014."

(BNCU) organised the training session in association with ministry of Education in education policy, which was cooperation with Islamic Islamic Charitable Mohammad Alialso spoke.

With a view to producing

tives of the education ministry and principals of different "We will have to facilitate vocational and technical institutions took part in the training session. Education Secretary Syed Ataur Rahman chaired the Bangladesh National inaugural session, while Dr

ISESCO Regional Office,

Tehran, attended the event as

the guest of honour. BNCU Secretary Abdul formed in 2000, will be Scientific, Educational and Khaleque and Director (curupdated giving paramount Cultural Organisation riculum) of Bangladesh importance to vocational and (ISESCO) and International Technical Education Board

Bank, says a press release. On the occasion, religious Relatives, friends, col-