Sonamasjid land port closed for 10 days

OUR CORRESPONDENT, C'nawabganj

Export and import activities at Sonamasjid land port in Chapainawabganj will remain closed for 10 days from September 20 to 29 due to Eidul-Fitr and Durga Puja.

Port sources said the export and import activities through the two ports of Sonamasjid and Mohodipur of Maldah district in West Bengal will remain closed from September 20 to 24 for Eid-ul-Fitr and from September 26 to 29 for Durga Puja and the Friday, a weekly holiday, in two ports of Bangladesh and India.

As a result of the holidays, the port authorities will incur a revenue loss of about Tk6 crore.

Assistant Commissioner of Customs at Sonamasjid land port Mahbubul Alam told The Daily Star that the businessmen of the two countries have jointly decided to observe a 10day holiday for Eid and Puja.

The offices of customs and immigration and other offices will however open on September 24 although the export-import activities will remain closed.

Father, daughter killed in road accident

Mob vandalises 25 vehicles in protest

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

A father and his daughter were killed in a road accident on Dhaka-Sylhet highway in Bhulta Kornogop area under Rupganj upazila here when a Dhaka-bound speeding bus hit them yes-

The deceased were identified as Dosto Mohammad, 46, a bank official, and his daughter Israt Jahan Moni, 12.

Critically injured Afrin Aktar, wife of Dosto, was admitted to

Bhulta Memory Hospital for treatment. Witnesses said Dosto, his wife and daughter Moni, a student of class six at Khilgaon National Ideal College, were returning

home by a motorcycle after Eid shopping at noon. The passenger bus (Kishoreganj-Ja-04-0015) ran over the motorcycle at Bhulta and the bank official and his daughter died

on the spot. The angry locals blocked the highway for around half-hour protesting the accident.

They damaged 25 cars and set fire to three buses during the demonstration, creating an eight kilometre-long congestion on the road.

Later, firefighters of Narsingdi brought the fire under control. Officer-in-Charge of Rupganj Police Station Forkan Sikdar said the situation was under control and a case was filed in this connection.



Visitors admire an artwork at the inaugural ceremony of an art exhibition of eminent artist Shahabuddin at Gallery Chitrak in the city yesterday. The exhibition will remain open up to October 9.

3 cops closed to Natore police lines

Jubo Dal leader

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

The police arrested Jhalakati

early yesterday on charges of

joint convener of town Jubo

Dal, was arrested following a

confessional statement given

by another drug peddler

Abdul Mannan, officer-in-

charge of Jhalakati Sadar

with 26 bottles of Phensidyl

early Thursday, told the police

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Dolly, who was arrested

Al Maksud alias Collins,

held for drug

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Jhalakathi

drug peddling.

police station.

UNB, Natore

Three police officials of Lalpur police station have been closed to the district police lines for allegedly misappropriating some Phensidayl bottles seized from a char area one and a half month ago.

Police Superintendent Rafiqul Islam took the action against SI Mokbul Hossain and ASIs Akhter and Shah Alam as they were found guilty in preliminary investigations sources said.

The police superintendent also recommended taking departmental action against the three.

According to the sources, the policemen had reportedly misappropriated some Phensidyl bottles after seizing them in a char area.

Night guard killed in Bogra on theft charges

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, BOGTO

A night guard of a cold store was killed at Sabgram, on the outskirts of Bogra town, yesterday morning allegedly for involvement in stealing.

Identified as Jannatul Ferdous Rony, the victim was a night guard at Northern Cold Store of Abul Kalam Azad, vicepresident of the ruling Awami League (AL) district unit.

Jahidul Islam, manager of the store, filed a case with Bogra Sadar Police Station On August 2, claiming that the guard had stolen Tk 26,600 from the store.

Police said the employees and workers of the store caught Rony from his residence in Hili land port area around 6:00am and took him to the spot by force. They confined him in a room.

After few hours, police rescued his body."

Terming it unnatural death, Rafiqul Islam, subinspector of the police station, said the victim's neck bore several injury marks.

Jahidul said, "We confined him in the room. We did not torture him. Perhaps he committed suicide."

Meanwhile, the victim's family claimed that Rony was severely tortured in the room. The influential quarter is trying to downplay the incident.

'Take steps to remove discrimination in edn sector'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rashed Khan Menon, chairman of the parliamentary standing committee on education ministry, has urged the government to observe the Education Day at the national level every year.

Terming the 1962's move- sector. ment for a unified education system a universal movement, he said the country's education system should be universal so that all students both poor and rich have access to quality education.

cussion organised by National ment is trying to bring the Front of Teachers and madrasa education in the Employees (NFTE) at the mainstream, which was National Press Club on reflected in its education Thursday to mark the historic policy. Education Day.

commemorate the sacrifices trying to foil the government's of three students -- Mostafa, Babul and Wajiullah -- who mainstream. were killed in police shootout while staging a demonstration vice chancellor of Dhaka protesting the SM Sharif Education Commission Rahman, treasurer of DU, and formed during the Ayub Khan Prof Dr Quazi Shahidullah, regime in 1962.

Speaking on the occasion, University, also spoke.

Menon said the movement was universal as students from all levels joined the movement to press home their demands.

He stressed the need for taking a crash programme in the education sector to eradi cate all kinds of irregularities and discriminations in the

"A whimsical state is prevailing in the education sector... Extremely bureaucratic tangles of this sector are also creating more chances for corruption," he said.

Principal Kazi Farruque Ahmed, chief co-ordinator He was speaking at a dis- of NFTE, said the govern-

However, he alleged that, The day was observed to "A quarter is desperately plan to bring madrasa into the

Prof Harun-ar-Rashid, pro-University (DU), Prof Mizanur vice chancellor of National

Failure on climate change 'catastrophic' for health: Doctors

AFP, Paris

change at a key UN conference in Copenhagen could be "catastrophic" for health, the heads of 18 doctors' associations warned on Wednesday.

In an exceptional joint doctors' letter. appeal published in the British Medical Journal (BMJ) and The Lancet, they called on governments to act decisively to roll back the threat from global warm-

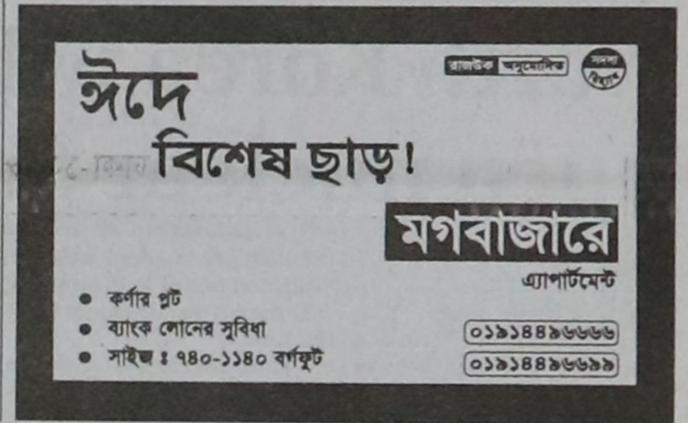
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could affect health in many ways, ranging from malnu-Failure to tackle climate trition caused by drought to the risk of cholera from flooding and the spread of mosquito-borne disease to temperate zones.

> "Doctors must take a lead in speaking out," said the "There is a real danger

that politicians will be indecisive, especially in such turbulent economic times as these. "Should their response be

weak, the results for interna-Scientists have repeatedly tional health could be cata-



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A salt-laden truck skids off the road and falls into roadside ditch at Ashulia while it was trying to save

weekly magazine 'Star Campus' - the ultimate magazine for the young generation - a common platform for the college and university students and academicians - to share their ideas, thoughts, dreams, opinions and views. Star Campus is an endeavour to bring into the center stage the visionary aspects of our college and university students, alongside their lifestyle, cultural trends and their multidimensional talents. Star Campus is a magazine broadly based on campus life! It contains articles, academic news, achievements, travelogues, interviews, book reviews, quiz, milestones, academic tips, profiles of educational institutes, cultural and extra-curricular activities in campus, jokes, cartoons, photographs and much more. This is a magazine Of the Students, By the Students and For the Students. Star Campus helps link young minds together.

a cow which suddenly came in front of the speeding vehicle.

The Baily Star



Work on the 500-bed world class cancer hospital is now at the final stage Much more fund is needed to fully commission this massive hospital We appeal to all of you to come forward to complete the remaining construction work

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