

Agri credit policy July 21

Farmers to get Tk 12,000 crore: Dr Atiur

BSS, Barisal Bangladesh Bank Governor Dr Atiur Rahman yesterday said the agriculture credit policy would be announced on July 21 aiming to disburse Tk 12,000 crore loans among farmers.

were given to education and agriculture sectors. "The government has remained beside the farmers and it would stay on their side," he said.

inaugurating a solar irrigation system of Resource Development Foundation (RDF) at Kumrahali-Fultola village in sadar upazila.



Students of Chhayanaut sing at the inaugural ceremony celebrating 50 years of Rabindra Jayanti at Shilpakala Academy auditorium in the city yesterday.

Bangladesh Army becomes a big conglomerate over years

Says a BBC documentary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT Bangladesh Army has turned into one of the biggest conglomerates in the country over the years following its engagement in different types of commercial businesses, according to a BBC documentary.

could not get any official statement from Bangladesh Army regarding the history and nature of their involvement in businesses, the documentary reported.

The documentary said Army Welfare Trust, established in 1998 during the tenure of the then army chief Lt Gen Mustafizur Rahman, is doing brisk business than SKS.

Road accidents kill 3

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Three people were killed and 27 injured in separate road accidents in Chapainawabganj, Bogra and Gazipur.

around 11:45am. Police recovered the bodies and sent them to Naogaon General Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Actor Bulbul laid to rest

UNB, Dhaka

Prominent film and television actor Bulbul Ahmed was laid to rest at Azimpur graveyard yesterday.

32,000 more cops to be recruited in three years

Says Sahara

BSS, Savar

Home Minister Sahara Khatun yesterday said the government will recruit more 32000 law enforcers within the next three years.



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina speaks at a meeting of Awami League Central Working Committee (ALWC) at Gono Bhaban in the city yesterday. (Story on Page 1)

Call to ban Jamaat, Shibir politics

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangabandhu Sangskritik Jote yesterday burnt effigies of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami top brass - Motiur Rahman Nizami, Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojahid, and

Delwar Hossain Sayedee - in front of the Jatiya Press Club. They called on the government to ban the Jamaat-e-Islami and Islami Chhatra Shibir during a human chain programme held before the burning of effigies.

Stressing the need for immediate trial of war criminals, Joint General Secretary of Bangabandhu Sangskritik Jote Arun Sarkar Rana said there is no national and international obstruction to conduct the trial.

the war criminals and uphold the image of the country, he added.

Thai fair begins

BSS, Dhaka

A three-day Thai fair titled 'Taste of Thailand in Bangladesh' began at the Thai Embassy in the city yesterday.

He expressed the hope that the bilateral relations between the two countries would be strengthened further with holding such a fair.



Children engaged in painting at a competition at the Institute of Fine Arts Faculty of Dhaka University yesterday organised by Colonel Taher Sangsod. The competition was organised in observance of the death anniversary of Colonel Taher.

RMG workers' ultimatum

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leaders of the Sarbodaliya Garments-Sramik Oikya, an alliance of different workers' organisations, yesterday threatened to wage tougher movement if the government fails to announce Tk 5,000 as the minimum wage for garments workers by July 28.

Nurunnahar Begum

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Nurunnahar Begum, wife of late engineer Sirajul Haque and mother of martyr freedom fighter Lt Atiqur Rahman, passed away at her New Colony residence at Asad Gate in the city yesterday at the age of 86.

Begum Faizunnessa

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Alhaj Begum Faizunnessa, mother of Director of BRAC Health Programme Faruq Ahmed, passed away in the city on Wednesday at the age of 80.

Jyotsna Moyee Banik

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Jyotsna Moyee Banik, wife of late Ram Gopal Banik of Sadhu Dhama, Kahet Pada, Dhamrai, Dhaka passed away on July 12, says a press release.



Prof Nazrul, Adv Harun DUPSAA president, secy

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Prof Dr M Nazrul Islam and Advocate M Harunur Rashid have been elected the president and general secretary of the Dhaka University Political Science Alumni Association (DUPSAA) for 2010-12, said a press release.

The 31 member executive committee was elected on July 9.



No change in temperature

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at a few places over Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi, Rangpur, Dhaka and Khulna divisions in next 12 hours until 6:00pm today.

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

The sun sets in the capital at 6:48pm today and rises at 5:21am tomorrow.

Country's highest temperature 35.6 degrees Celsius was recorded yesterday at Jessore and lowest 26.0 degrees Celsius at Srimongal.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

Table with 4 columns: City/Town, Temperature in Celsius (Max, Min), Humidity in percentage (Morning, Evening). Rows include Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Barisal, Sylhet, Cox's Bazar.

Chehlum

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Chehlum of Azizul Haque, president of Ward 16 of Dhaka city unit Awami League, will be held today, says a press release.

On the occasion, a doa and milad mahfil will be held at his city residence after Jhr prayers.

Azizul Haque died on May 16 this year.

Sraddha

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sraddha of Monoj Kanti Dey, former teacher of Durgapur Nagendra Chandra High School under Mirsharai upazila of Chittagong, will be held today at his village home on Mithachara of that area, said a press release yesterday.

Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend the function.