



Birth anniversary of Sher-e-Bangla today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the 137th birth anniversary of Sher-e-Bangla AK Fazlul Haque, says a press release.

On the occasion, special doa and milad mahfil will be held at the residence of his grandson AK Faiyazul Haque Razu at House 32, Road 6, Block C, Banani in the city after Maghrib prayers today.

Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to join the function to pray for salvation of his departed soul.

Besides, leaders of different political and socio-cultural organisations will pay tribute to the leader by placing wreaths at his grave.

Formulate law to stop mineral resources export Speakers urge govt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government should pass specific law that will impose embargo on exporting mineral resources from the country, speakers of Dhaka-Fulbari long-march urged yesterday.

The country has not enough reserve of mineral resources including gas and coal for next 50 years. So there should be a law to ban exports of mineral resources, they said.

National Committee for Protection of Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources, Power and Port as part of its long-march organised a rally at Tangail Shaheed Minar, where speakers made the urge.

The long-march to press a 7-point demand to resolve energy crisis started on Sunday from Dhaka and will end at Fulbari on Saturday, said a press release.

They also reiterated their demands for implementation of Fulbari treaty immediately.

Committee Convener Engr Sheikh Mohammad Shahidullah, Member Secretary Anu Mohammad, Manjurul Ahsan Khan, Bimol Biswas, Khalekuzzaman, Ruhin Hossain Prince, among others, attended the rally.

Street rallies at different points including Konabari, Chandra, Alenga and Sirajganj were held during the long-march yesterday.

Our Correspondent from Tangail adds: Leaders of the committee alleged that conspiracy to handover country's national resources to the "imperialists" (foreigners) is going on.

They urged the mass people of the country would have to resist it by their united movement.



Nirapad Development Foundation forms a human chain in front of the National Press Club in the city yesterday demanding zebra crossings on the city roads to ensure safe walking.

SC vacates HC order: No bar to shift Babar from BSMMU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court (SC) yesterday vacated a High Court (HC) order that directed the government not to shift former BNP state minister for home affairs Lutfozzaman Babar from Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) hospital.

A three-member bench of the Appellate Division headed by Chief Justice ABM Khairul Haque passed the order following a government petition challenging the HC order.

Assistant Attorney General Ekramul Haque Tutul said there is no legal bar to shift Babar from BSMMU for producing him before a Chittagong court in connection with ten-truck arms haul case following the SC order.

In response to a petition filed by Babar, the HC on October 12 asked the government not to shift him from the hospital for two weeks.

Earlier on October 3, Metropolitan Magistrate Court in Chittagong permitted the police to show Babar arrested in the case linked to the country's largest ever arms haul in Chittagong on April 2, 2004, and ordered the jail authorities to produce him before the court on October 13.

Babar was not produced before the trial court on October 13 following the HC order.

Attorney General Mahbubey Alam and Additional Attorney General MK Rahman argued for the government, while barrister Rafique-ul-Huq argued for Babar.



British Council CEO arrives today

UNB, Dhaka

Martin Davidson CMG, chief executive officer of British Council, will arrive here today on a three-day visit.

During his visit, he will brief the prime minister on British Council's work and commit British Council's English language expertise to the work of the government's access to information project.

Davidson's visit will include a visit to a climate change project in Aila-affected communities where British Council climate champion Sareka Jahan is educating young people about how to live with the impacts of climate change, said a press release.

He will also meet members of British Council's young leadership programme, Active Citizens, in Mongla that are working with their communities to address stalling, illiteracy and early marriage and call on both 'The always smiling happy women's club' where young are learning to read and the 'Old Education Centre' where young are teaching their elders to write.

Court extends bail to Paban

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court on Sunday granted a seven-day extension of the bail order to Khandaker Akhter Hamid Paban, son of BNP Secretary General Khandaker Delwar Hossain, in a cracker blast case.

Judge Mohammad Zohurul Hoque of the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court passed the order after Paban's lawyer submitted a petition seeking extension of bail term on grounds of illness.

Earlier on October 10, the same court granted him a 15-day bail that expired yesterday.

Paban's lawyers submitted a petition yesterday morning when the judge asked them to produce their client before the court for failing which the extension will not be granted unless they submit a medical certificate stating why Paban was unable to attend the court.

MBBS ADMISSION TEST Results of public medical colleges published

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The results of MBBS admission test for 18 public medical colleges were published yesterday. For the first time, a combined admission test for both public and private medical colleges was held on October 22. The results have been posted on website 'www.dghs.gov.bd'.

A total of 2,366 students were selected for the public medical colleges, 46 of them under freedom fighters' children quota, 20 under indigenous quota and the rest general students, said Prof Khondakar Md Shefayet Ullah, Director of Medical Education under Directorate General of Health Services.

He also said a total of 3,350 candidates were selected for the private medical colleges and their merit lists will be published within a week.

Four hundred candidates are also selected for waiting list in general seats for the public medical colleges, 10 under freedom fighter quota and eight under indigenous quota. They will get chance on the basis of vacant seats in

order of merit. If any students want to challenge their results, they have to apply for result re-examination within 30 days of the result publication. The last date of the admission is November 15 and the classes will start from January 2011, said Dr Shefayet Ullah.

"After admission, if any students don't want to study, they can apply for cancellation of their admission within 30 days after starting the classes to get back their original marks sheets and certificates of SSC and HSC," he said.

The interested candidates having TeleTalk phone connections would also be able to find their results through sending short messages by typing 'MISdghs<space>college code<space>registration no' 9934'.

Candidates for the private medical colleges will also get their merit lists by sending same SMS within a week.

A total of 43,644 candidates competed for seats in 61 public and private medical colleges for the academic year of 2010-2011.

CORRUPTION HC clears way for trial of Redowan

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court (HC) yesterday cleared the way for continuing a corruption case against former BNP state minister for liberation war affairs Redowan Ahmed at the trial court.

Earlier in 2008, the same court had stayed the proceedings of the case against Redowan, now a presidium member of National Democratic Party, following a writ petition filed by him challenging the legality of the proceedings of the case.

An HC bench of Justice Md Ashfaqul Islam and Justice SM Emdadul Hoque yesterday came up with the verdict by rejecting the same writ petition.

Freedom fighter Nurul Islam filed the case with Ramna Police Station on February 15, 2007, accusing Redowan of misappropriating Tk 50 lakh from the fund of Bangladesh Muktiyoddha Bangladesh during his tenure as state minister of the liberation war affairs.

Cops assault 2 journos

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police assaulted two senior journalists and confined them to Farmgate Traffic Police Box under Tejgaon Police Station in the city yesterday.

The journalists are Nikhil Bhadra, senior journalist of Jaijaidin, and Amitosh Pal of Kaler Kantho. Meanwhile, Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) yesterday closed three traffic police -- sergeant Mahub and constables MA Rashid and Raihan -- in this connection, Assistant Commissioner Saydur Rahman of Mirpur traffic division told The Daily Star.

DMP also formed a two-member probe committee headed by Additional Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Elias Sharif of traffic West Zone.

Amitosh told The Daily Star that on duty constable Rashid pulled down Nikhil from their slowly moving motorbike near the police box around 11:15am as Nikhil made a comment on the role of traffic police deployed at the spot.

The traffic police there allowed some traffics taking right turn near the police box while some are barred, said Amitosh who along with Nikhil was heading towards Farmgate from Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban area.

Traffic sergeant Mahub rushed in and seeing the word "Press" on the bike got furious and instructed constables Rashid and Raihan to beat them up, he said.

The two policemen then took the journalists to the police box and beat them up severely, Amitosh added.

At one stage, traffic inspector Rafiq reached the spot and stopped the constables from beating, he said.

Following the incident, journalist leaders at an emergency meeting at Dhaka Reporters' Unity office demanded immediate suspension of the policemen for the act and impartial investigation into it.



Guardians of Viqarunnisa Noon School and College stage a demonstration in front of the institution at Bailey Road in the city yesterday protesting the lottery system for admission to class one.

WEATHER TODAY

Dry weather likely

UNB, Dhaka

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at one or two places over Dhaka, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions in next 12 hours as of 6:00pm today.

Weather may remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country, said Met Office.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The sun sets in the capital at 5:23pm today and rises at 6:02am tomorrow.

Country's highest temperature 34.0 degrees Celsius was recorded yesterday Khulna and lowest 21.8 degrees Celsius at Rajshahi.

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

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	32.5	25.1	63	62
Chittagong	31.0	24.4	81	83
Rajshahi	31.8	21.8	83	84
Khulna	34.0	25.3	76	75
Barisal	33.0	24.0	78	83
Sylhet	32.8	23.5	81	80
Cox's Bazar	32.4	24.0	85	78

**DHAKA TODAY**

**Seminar**  
Poribesh Bachao Andolan (Poba) will hold a seminar on traffic jam. Time: 11:00am, Venue: Poba auditorium, Kalabagan.

**Meeting**  
Trust Fund and Trustee Board on Climate Change will hold a meeting. Time: 5:00pm, Venue: Planning Department, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar.

**Seminar**  
European Union (EU) will organise a seminar on disaster preparedness. Time: 9:30am, Venue: Dhaka Sheraton Hotel.

**Discussion**  
Bangabandhu Academy will hold a discussion on war crimes trial. Time: 10:30am, Venue: Dhaka Reporter's Unity.

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