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EVEREST EXPEDITION
Muhit leaves advance camp today
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

MA Muhit, the second Bangladeshi to conquer Everest, is safe and staying at an

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CORPORAL PUNISHMENT
Probe ordered into 2 schools
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The education ministry has ordered investigations into two educational institutes in Dhaka and Khulna over reported incidents of corporal punishment meted out to students recently.

Acting on two news reports published in The Daily Star, the

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Interest rate of savings instruments may go up
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Interest rate of savings instruments may go up by 0.5 to 1 percent in the next fiscal year, as their sale dropped by over 60 percent in the current fiscal year.

The issue was discussed at a meeting between Bangladesh Bank, National Board of Revenue (NBR), Finance Division and Savings Directorate at the central bank in the capital yesterday.

Chaired by Bangladesh Bank Deputy Governor

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Govt eyes 27pc more revenue next FY

Likely to set Tk 1,18,380cr target

REJAUL KARIM BYRON

The government may set the target of total revenue earning at Tk 1,18,380 crore in the national budget for the next fiscal year, which is 27 percent higher than that in the present budget.

Revenue earning target in the present budget is 17 percent higher than in the budget for the previous FY (2009-10).

The share of income tax is 28.93 per cent in the earning by the National Board

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of Revenue (NBR) in the current FY, and it will be 29.81 percent in the next budget.

The target of earning from income tax in the next budget will be 37 percent higher than in the present budget.

NBR sources said no new tax will be imposed for raising revenue earning. This will be done through various new

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3 lakh workers in KL to get MRP

Govt to help expedite regularisation of undocumented expatriates

PORIMOL PALMA

The government yesterday decided to issue over three lakh machine readable passports (MRP) to the undocumented Bangladeshis in Malaysia to help expedite their regularisation process.

Following Malaysia's decision to regularise undocumented foreign workers, including around three lakh Bangladeshis, an inter-ministerial meeting was held at

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CTG ARMS HAUL CID grills Rezzakul, Rahim

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Investigators yesterday interrogated two former National Security Intelligence (NSI) directors general at Chittagong Central Jail gate in connection with the 10-truck arms haul cases.

Investigation officer of the cases Md

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Enclave survey to be done by mid-June

Joint teams of Bangladesh, India make major progress towards settling the issue

M RAHMAN

The decades-old issue of adversely possessed land (APL) along the border between Bangladesh and India is likely to be solved soon as by mid-June the countries will complete surveys in all four zones.

And within the deadline, head counts of people in enclaves will also be complete as 10 joint teams have already been formed and data forms have been prepared and awaiting Indian approval.

Official record shows India has 111

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Award for Hasina

French university to honour her for democracy

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is going to be awarded gold medal by Daphine University, a leading Parisian university in France, in recognition of her contribution to the institutionalising and strengthening of

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Plastic bottles collected from cleaning a manhole in Dhaka University area yesterday. The litter of used bottles often clog the city drains causing water logging, especially when it rains.

PHOTO: SHAWKAT JAMIL

Lightning kills 20 in 7 districts

STAR REPORT

At least 20 people were killed and 21 injured as heavy storms and lightning hit seven districts across the country yesterday.


The worst-hit district was Chapainawabganj, where 10 people died and two sustained injuries at municipal area, Nachole, Gomostapur and Shibganj upazilas, reports our district correspondent.

The deceased are Osman Gani, 15, Bairul Islam, 35, Rezaul Karim, 22, Ripon Orao, 12, Abdul Mannan, 35, Manik, 50, Setaur, 28, Abdur Razzak, 18, Abdul Kaiyum, 35, and Rafiqul Islam, 35.

Of the injured, Abu Hanjala, 9, and Nahida Akhtar, 10, was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital and Gomostapur Upazila Health Complex respectively.

Lightning struck Osman Gani and Abu Hanjala when they were collecting mangoes from under trees near their house at Durgapur around 6:30am, said Sarwar Hossain, assistant sub-inspector of Sadar Police Station.

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ONLINE POLL
Do you think BNP should join the budget session of the parliament?

Yes (70.7%)
No (26.4%)
No Comments (2.9%)

TOTAL VOTES: 383

TODAY'S POLL
How do you look at the new claim of PM's defence adviser, home minister and Rab that Limon and his family are involved in criminal activities?

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PRAYER TIMING May 24

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-05	4-40
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	5-00	5-15
Maghrib	6-40	6-45
Esha	8-00	8-30

Source: Islamic Foundation

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