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NEWS IN brief

3 judges leave for Cambodia

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Three judges of International Crimes Tribunal dealing with cases relating to crimes against humanity in 1971 left Dhaka yesterday for a three-day visit to Cambodia.

The judges will visit Extraordinary Chambers in Courts of Cambodia (ECCC), holding trial of war crimes charges in that country, to gather experience, M Shahinur Islam, registrar of the tribunal told The Daily Star.

The tribunal Chairman Nizamul Huq and its members Justice ATM Fazle Kabir and Justice AKM Zaheer

Internet connection in district courts soon

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government has taken steps to make internet connection available in all district courts so orders of the High Court can be sent to those in 24 hours, Law Minister Shafique Ahmed told parliament yesterday.

It has initiated the process with a view to minimise the delay in sending HC orders to the district

On transparency of war crimes trial, the law, justice and parliamentary affairs minister said the International Crimes Tribunal was formed in light of the International Crimes (Tribunal) Act, 1973. The tribunal is independent, transparent and

Hearing on charge framing against Hashem on July 5

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The hearing on charge framing against Partex Group Chairman MA Hashem and seven others will be held on July 5 in a tax evasion case.

Judge Mohammad Zohurul Haque of the Senior Special Judge's Court yesterday fixed the date yesterday after the accused appeared before his court and appealed to fix a date for hearing a charge framing in the case.

The seven others include Hashem's wife Sultana Hashem, his five sons Aziz-al Kaiser, Aziz-al Mahmud, Aziz-al Masud, Ashfaq Aziz and Shawkat Aziz and Joynal Abedin, general manager (finance

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The parliamentary Standing Committee on Ministry of Planning at a meeting yesterday recommended the Science and ICT Ministry to establish computer labs in all educational institutions of the country and monitor the given guidelines.

The 35th meeting of the committee was held at the Sangsad Bhaban with Committee Chairman Dr Oli Ahmed in the chair, says a press release.

The meeting directed the Religious affair Ministry to distribute the government allocation among mosques and temples through the local MPs.

The committee made a recommendation to bring

Jamiyatul Falah Mosque in Chittagong under government control after solving cases with the local Muslim devotees. The meeting directed the Civil Aviation and Tourism

Ministry to supply cargo security scanning machine to Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport as soon as possible.

The meeting made a recommendation to restart the operation of Rajshahi and Syedpur Airports including transforming the Rajshahi Airport into an international airport.

The meeting recommended establishing 'Shishu Park' and zoo near the Cox's Bazar Sea port for the attraction of tourist.

Secretary of planning division Manjur Hossain, implementation, scrutiny and evaluation division secretary Md Habib Ullah Majumdar, member of socio-economic infrastructure division Md Sahab Ullah and secretary of Civil aviation and Tourism Ministry Md Ataharul Islam, concerned high officials of different ministries and Jatiya Sangsad Secretariat were present in the meeting.



This gaping hole on Mouchak road in the city, present for a long time, poses a risk of accident anytime. The photo was taken yesterday.

ASSAULT ON TEACHER DU VC for action against

DU CORRESPONDENT Dhaka University Vice-

husband

Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique yesterday urged law enforcement agencies to take action against the man who critically assaulted his wife, a DU teacher. Visiting the injured bed-

ridden teacher of international relations department at city's LabAid Hospital, Prof Arefin said her eyes were blindfolded while different parts of her body bore marks of injury. Victim's husband Syeed

Hasan Sumon assaulted her on June 5 following a quarrel at her father's house in the city's Dhanmondi area. Terming the incident as a

"heinous" crime, Prof Arefin said university authorities would take action against the accused after talking to the victim's family. He also assured of necessary help for better treatment.

The victim's friend Zobaida Nasreen, a faculty member of DU's anthropology department, said the victim's family decided to send her abroad for better treatment.

Quoting doctors, she said the victim might lose sight permanently due to the severe injuries inflicted on her eyes.

International relations department Chairman Prof Dr Delwar Hossain also visited the victim at the hospital.

SSC, EQUIVALENT EXAMS RESULT RE-CHECKING

2,480 students get fresh results

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A total of 2,480 students who applied for re-checking their answer sheets of SSC and its equivalent examinations got fresh result yesterday.

Of the 2,480, some 494 scored the highest GPA-5 (grade point average). With this number, the number of GPA-5 in this year's SSC and equivalent exams stood at 77,243.

After the publication of the SSC results, the education boards received a record number of applications-- 74,505 for re-checking the answer sheets thanks to easy way of application. All the application process was done by Short Messaging Service (SMS).

Earlier, students who either failed or did not achieve desired results had to apply for the re-checking by going to the respective board, filling in application forms and depositing the desired money in a bank.

The education boards rescrutinised the answer sheets and gave 2,480 new results, said board officials.

Around 13.07 lakh students from 26,225 institutions appeared in this year's SSC and equivalent examinations and of them, 10.75 lakh passed. Some 76, 749 students under 10 education boards got GPA-5 while some 2,31,269 examinees failed.

In Dhaka Board, some 272 students got their new results. Of them, 50 got

GPA-5. In Jessore Board, 255 students got the result with 105 scoring GPA-5. Some 105 students in Chittagong

Board received their result. Of them, 10 students achieved the highest grade. In Rajshahi Board, 992 got their result with 206 of them got the distinction. In Comilla Board, 46 students

received their new result with 20 GPA-5 scorers. In Dinajpur, 46 got their result and 20 of them achieved the GAP-5. In Sylhet, 34 received the result and 14 scored the highest grade.

Madrasa Board published results of 128 students with 44 getting GPA-5. In Technical Board, 533 received the result and 28 of them got the distinction.

Warehouse gutted in fire

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A fire gutted a warehouse at Strand Road of Majhir Ghat of Double Mooring in the port city yesterday.

fire originated from an electric short circuit and soon engulfed the warehouse named MY Enterprise around 3:00am. On information, fire fighters from Agrabad and Dock

Fire service sources said the

Fire Station rushed to the spot and doused the blaze around 7:15am. Fire service sources said

carpets, jute made sacks and hydrogen peroxide were stored in the warehouse.

Fire service informed that the loss caused by the fire was

estimatedTk7lakh.



PHOTO: PID

Iraqi Ambassador to Bangladesh Shakir Qasem Mahdi Al Kaffaf pays a courtesy call on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her office in the city yesterday.

Build bridges saving environment: PM

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday asked engineers of Local Government and Engineering Department (LGED) to keep in mind the environmental aspects while constructing bridges on rivers.

"You have to construct bridges using such technology that does not hamper natural navigability of rivers and which protects the environment," she said while inaugurating a new website of LGED at Prime Minister's Office in the city.

She said her government is implementing the capital and maintenance dredging project in major rivers to restore their navigability and smooth flow.

Appreciating LGED's efforts for upazila and district mapping, she said it would digitally empower the administration and people to take the right decisions.

Base maps of the country's all upazilas and districts have been installed in the LGED website www.lged.gov.bd/

viewmap.aspx.

Army launches tree plantation

UNB, Dhaka

programme

Bangladesh Army launched tree plantation drive for making the countrywide tree plantation campaign a success and inspiring members of the army in this regard.

Chief of the Army Staff General Mohammad Abdul Mubeen formally inaugurated the programme by planting a sapling at a maidan near central mosque of Dhaka Cantonment on Sunday.

Senior army officials were present on the occasion.

Later, special munajat was offered seeking success of the programme.

Meanwhile, another ISPR release yesterday says Bangladesh Army will begin firing explosives as part of its military summer training-2011 at different spots from today to June 30 and requested people not to be confused.

WAR CRIMES '71

Kamaruzzaman, Quader Molla to be quizzed at safe home

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Detained Jamaat-e-Islami leaders Muhammad Kamaruzzaman and Abdul Quader Molla will be interrogated at Dhanmondi "safe home" tomorrow and day after tomorrow in connection with crimes against humanity in 1971.

The International Crimes Tribunal on June 1 allowed the investigation agency to interrogate the two assistant secretaries general of Jamaat for one day each on charges of crimes against humanity.

Motiur Rahman, a member of the investigation agency probing the allegations of the 1971 crimes against humanity, yesterday said the investigators will interrogate the two Jamaat leaders as per the order of International Crimes Tribunal.

M Shahinur Islam, registrar of the tribunal, also said that his office has received a letter from the investigation agency about the dates of quizzing Kamaruzzaman and Quader Molla.

Earlier, the investigators quizzed Jamaat Ameer Motiur Rahman Nizami, Secretary General Ali Ahsan Muhammad Mojaheed and Nayeb-e-Ameer Delwar Hossain Sayedee, and BNP lawmaker Salauddin Quader Chowdhury in this connection.



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Thundershowers likely

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at many places over Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Dhaka, Rajshahi and Rangpur divisions in 12 hours as of 6:00pm today.

Moderately heavy to heavy falls are also likely at places over the country, Met Office said.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country. The sun sets in the capital at 6:47pm today and rises at 5:11am

Country's highest temperature 35.6 degrees Celsius was recorded yesterday at Khulna and Jessore and lowest 23.3 degrees Celsius at Srimongal. Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities

and towns yesterday were: City/Town **Humidity** in Temperature in Celsius percentage Morning Evening 23.5 Dhaka 34.3 78 25.5 31.5 Chittagong 76 Rajshahi 35.0 25.5 33.5 72 25.0 Rangpur 81 Khulna 35.6 24.0 Barisal 24.7 34.2