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Shitalakkhya losing foreshores

N'ganj dist administration installing boundary pillars defying HC ruling

TAWFIQUE ALI

After the Turag, it is turn for the Shitalakkhya to get thinner officially with installation of boundary pillars excluding its extensive foreshores, though the authorities lately stopped the faulty action in the Turag.

The Shitalakkhya will lose 1,860 acres of its total area including 595 acres of foreshore and the rest from its existing waterway due to a latest demarcation based on Revised Survey (RS), said sources in Bangladesh Inland Water

Transport Authority (BIWTA) quoting an official estimate.

Pillar installation in Narayanganj part of the Shitalakkhya and Buriganga is beset by faulty demarcation without foreshores as was the case with the Turag, secretary of BIWTA wrote in an April 7 letter to the shipping secretary.

Keeping the river flowing and its foreshores free of grabbers will be impossible if the boundary pillars are installed along the dry season's low-water mark and the river's existence will be at stake, **SEE PAGE 6 COL 1**



Official pillars mark the edge of the Shitalakkhya in Bandar of Narayanganj even though the foreshore of the river is far inland.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

Facebook faces Google challenge

BBC ONLINE

Online search giant Google launched a new social networking website yesterday in its latest attempt to take on Facebook, which now claims more than 500m users.

Google+ allows individuals to share photos, messages and comments but also integrates the company's maps and images into the service.

It also aims to help users easily organise contacts within groups. But some analysts say **SEE PAGE 19 COL 8**

RENAMING HALL JCD calls 2-day strike at DU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), student body of the main opposition BNP, yesterday announced a two-day strike in Dhaka **SEE PAGE 19 COL 8**

PRAYER TIMING June 30

Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-05 4-40
Zohr	12-45 1-15
Asr	5-00 5-15
Maghrib	6-54 6-57
Esha	8-17 8-45

Source: Islamic Foundation

Where degree doesn't matter

BAEC's principal engr has no engineering certificate

SAJJADUR RAHMAN

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Aliuzzaman Sarder started his career at BAEC as a scientific assistant (SA)-II with an HSC degree in **SEE PAGE 6 COL 5**

Rajuk knocks down illegal hoardings

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An enforcement team of Rajdhani Unnayan Kartripakkha (Rajuk) yesterday pulled down around 20 advertising hoardings of 10 illegal housing projects in Uttara and Ashulia.

The projects are Uttara New Model Town, Ashulia Model Town, Best Way, Uttara Atlas Model Town, **SEE PAGE 19 COL 4**

ADVERSELY POSSESSED LAND, ENCLAVES Dhaka, Delhi want to settle disputes by Sept

REZAUL KARIM

Bangladesh and India are trying to settle all the decades-old border disputes like un-demarcated border, adversely possessed territories and enclaves between the two countries by September this year.

Highly placed sources said both the countries have given top priority to permanent solution of all border-related issues and hope to sign several agreements during the proposed visit of Indian **SEE PAGE 7 COL 1**

Prime Minister Manmohan Singh to Dhaka most likely in September.

Foreign ministry sources said Dhaka and Delhi have fixed the tentative date for Manmohan's visit in the first week of September.

Diplomatic sources said besides border-related deals, some other important agreements like that on transit, sharing of the Teesta waters, power purchase and joint venture projects are expected to be **SEE PAGE 7 COL 1**

The Daily Star



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ONLINE POLL

Who would you blame for negative politics?

BNP (13.6%)

Awami League (38.8%)

Both (47.6%)

TOTAL VOTES: 605

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