

60

YEARS

OF PIONEERING NEWS



A building requires around  
**5kg**  
of steel reinforcement per sq.ft.  
Then why  
**COMPROMISE  
ON SAFETY?**

**BSRM Xtreme**  
Feel safe with Xtreme Inside

www.bsrn.com

Be obsessed with sound

► 400W RMS power

► Super slim SoundBar design

► Wireless subwoofer

► DVD, VCD, CD & USB playback

HTS 5120

Price

Tk. 69,000

Get 5% discount\*

For More Information:

9855366-8, 01712-665463

\*Conditions apply

PHILIPS

TRANSKOM

DIGITAL

think electronics... think DIGITAL

# PM steps in to end JU crisis

## VC 'may have to go'; anti-VC teachers postpone agitation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The teachers of Jahangirnagar University (JU) who had been demanding removal of the vice-chancellor yesterday postponed their demonstration on assurance from the prime minister that she would look into the matter.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday talked separately to both factions of JU teachers in an effort to end the ongoing deadlock over the demand of the vice-chancellor's resignation.

Prime Minister's Office sources told The Daily Star last night that the controversial VC, Prof Shariff Enamul Kabir, would have to step down eventually.

"After getting the [anti-VC] teachers' views, the prime minister hinted at either removal or resignation of the present VC," a PMO source said, requesting anonymity.

Prof Rayhan Rhine, who was present at the meeting, said the premier had assured them of a "happy solution"

SEE PAGE 19 COL 5

The Krishnachura trees in full bloom with their fiery orange blossoms conspire to set the street ablaze. The photo was taken yesterday on Lake Road adjacent to Chandrima Udyan in the capital's Sher-e-Bangla Nagar.

PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

## HILLARY-MAMATA MEET Indo-Bangla ties to be on agenda

PTI, Washington

US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is looking forward to meeting "dynamic" and "influential" West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee next week during

SEE PAGE 19 COL 4

## LOOTING CTG SHRINE

# Ex-Rab official held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police early yesterday arrested Lt Col (sacked) Zulfiqar Ali Majumder, former commanding officer of Rab-7, for his alleged involvement in robbing Tk 2.07 crore from a shrine in Chittagong six months ago.

He was picked up from one of his relatives' house on Doktorar Goli in the capital's Moghbazar area around 4:00am,

Lt Col Zulfiqar

said police.

He went into hiding after Bangladesh Army fired him on Monday.

Plainclothes members of Rapid Action Battalion-7 on November 4 last year entered the Talsara Darbar Sharif in Anwara upazila and kept Pir (religious leader) Ahammed Safa Shah confined to a room at gunpoint.

SEE PAGE 19 COL 4

## DESTINY DIRECTORS 3 more bank accounts frozen

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The National Board of Revenue yesterday froze bank accounts of Destiny Group's three more directors.

The directors are Ashraful Amin, brother of the group's Chairman

SEE PAGE 19 COL 3

# Fashion house owner shot

## Tk 8.96 lakh taken away by muggers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Muggers shot and injured the owner of a small fashion house in broad daylight yesterday and took away Tk 8.96 lakh from him at the capital's Mirpur.

The victim, Ferdous Islam Russell, 30, owner of

SEE PAGE 19 COL 8

## DC Hill turns criminals' den

TAREK MAHMUD, Ctg

DC Hill Park, which is a symbol of green nature in Chittagong city, has turned into a haven for criminal activities after dusk due to a lack of adequate lighting and security measures.

Dealing in drugs like phensidyl, yaba, and cannabis; mugging, gambling, and stalking of female

SEE PAGE 19 COL 5

## Arms worth \$2.2b sold in a decade

### Myanmar, Iran top buyers

AFP, United Nations

Countries under arms embargoes have imported more than \$2.2 billion worth of weapons over the past decade, the Oxfam aid agency yesterday said in a report calling for tighter global rules.

Several states have traded weapons "on a massive scale" despite being banned from the arms market, the

SEE PAGE 19 COL 1

## THE TOP BUYERS

Myanmar

\$600<sub>m</sub>

Iran

\$574<sub>m</sub>

D R Congo

\$124<sub>m</sub>

# Zakat fund plundered

## Shahjahan, Sayedee, Azad charged

COURT CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission yesterday charged former state minister for religious affairs Mosharref Hossain Shahjahan, Jamaat leaders Delwar Hossain Sayedee and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad with misappropriation of Tk 1.28 crore from the government Zakat Fund.

SEE PAGE 6 COL 5

## অধ্যক্ষ রাজিয়া মতিন চৌধুরীর জীবনাবসান

এই মে মাসের ২ তারিখ দুপুর ১২ বেজে ৫০ মিনিটে প্রখ্যাত বিজ্ঞানী বোস প্রফেসর ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের সাবেক উপাচার্য প্রয়াত ড: আব্দুল মতিন চৌধুরীর সহধর্মিনী সাবেক সংসদ সদস্য রাজিয়া মতিন চৌধুরী ইন্তেকাল করেছেন।

তিনি ঢাকা ইউনিভার্সিটি ল্যাবরেটরী স্কুল ও কলেজের এবং ইউনিভার্সিটি উইমেন্স ফেডারেশন কলেজের প্রতিষ্ঠাতা প্রিন্সিপাল ছিলেন।

তিনি বাংলা একাডেমি, মহিলা সমিতি এবং ঢাকা লেডিস ক্লাবের আজীবন সদস্য ছিলেন। তাছাড়া তিনি বি, পি, ডব্লিউ ক্লাবের প্রেসিডেন্ট ও পরে বি, পি, ডব্লিউ ফেডারেশনের প্রেসিডেন্ট ছিলেন। তিনি ঢাকা বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় ও জাতীয় বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের সিনেট সদস্যও ছিলেন। তিনি ঘাতক দালাল নির্মূল কমিটি এবং মৌলবাদ ও সাম্প্রদায়িকতা বিরোধী দক্ষিণ এশীয় গণসম্মেলনের সদস্য ছিলেন। তিনি বঙ্গবন্ধু পরিষদের প্রেসিডিয়াম সদস্য ছিলেন। তিনি অত্যন্ত দক্ষতা ও নিষ্ঠার সঙ্গে তাঁর কর্মজীবনের দায়িত্ব পালন করেছেন। কর্মজীবনে ও সামাজিক জীবনে তিনি অত্যন্ত জনপ্রিয় ছিলেন। পৃথিবীর বিভিন্ন দেশে তিনি আন্তর্জাতিক সেমিনারে অংশগ্রহণ করেছেন। দেশভ্রমণ তাঁর প্রিয় নেশা ছিল। তিনি তিন কৃতি ছেলের ও একমাত্র মেয়ের মাতা।

মরহুমার কুলখানী ৬ই মে রবিবার বাদ মাগরেব, লেক শোর হোটেলে (বাড়ি ৪৬, রোড ৪১, গুলশান-২) অনুষ্ঠিত হবে।

The Daily Star

Integral Energy Limited

### ONLINE POLL

Do you think the authorities concerned are doing enough to trace missing BNP leader M Ilias Ali?

Yes (11.6%)  
No (86.0%)  
No Comments! (2.4%)

TOTAL VOTES: 535

### TODAY'S POLL

Do you think Bangladesh will be benefited from US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's visit to Dhaka?

PLEASE CAST YOUR VOTE AT [www.thedailystar.net](http://www.thedailystar.net)

YOU MAY ALSO VOTE AT [facebook.com/dailystarnews](https://facebook.com/dailystarnews)

### PRAYER TIMING

	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-15	4-50
Juma	12-30	1-15
Asr	4-45	5-00
Maghrib	6-31	6-35
Esha	8-00	8-30

Source: Islamic Foundation

# NOTICE

Dear valued mobile phone subscribers, in order to provide nationwide optimum telecommunication service and effective utilization of frequency spectrum, below mentioned Mobile Phone operators have rearranged their frequency in 1800 MHz band from 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2012, 11:59 pm all over the country. The entire activity has been led by Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC). In case of any network disturbance, our valued customers are requested to inform network access related problems to the customer care of the respective operators.

Thank you.

EDITOR: MAHFUZ ANAM-Published by the Editor from Transcraft Ltd, 229, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208 and 12-13, Kalurghat Heavy Industrial Area, Chittagong-4208 on behalf of Mediaworld Ltd, 52, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. Editorial, News & Commercial Offices: 64-65, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka-1215, Tel: 9144330 (Hunting) & 8124944, Fax: 9144332, 8125155, 8126154, GPO Box No: 3257, e-mail: editor@thedailystar.net,reporting@thedailystar.net