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North Korea's army chief is removed from all his posts "because of illness"

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PADMA BRIDGE PROJECT

Govt is ready for donations

HASAN JAHID TUSHER

The government yesterday decided to open two bank accounts to collect "voluntary contributions" from the public in its efforts to construct the Padma bridge with the country's own funds.

The accounts, one for local currency and the other for foreign currency, will be opened so that individuals can easily deposit their contribution to the project from anywhere in the world.

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AL meet flays World Bank

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Slamming the World Bank for suddenly cancelling the Padma bridge loan, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said she had information beforehand that the global lender would scrap the loan agreement because of a bank's managing director.

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PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

Disregarding potential danger, a man with his wife and kids rides a single motorbike on busy roads of the capital. Even worse, none but one has a helmet on while a baby is precariously balanced in the arms of the woman. The photo was shot at Khilgaon flyover in the capital on Sunday.

Noab seeks PM's help to overcome crisis

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Newspaper owners yesterday urged the government to increase the rate and quota of its advertisements in the press and cut import duties on newsprint to help the industry overcome its current crises.

In a statement, the Newspaper Owners' Association of Bangladesh (Noab), said the country's newspaper industry was going through various crises.

It said the cost for printing had been increasing. Newsprint, the key material for publishing daily newspapers, was being imported at higher prices.

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Teachers wait with resignation letters

Give time till Sunday to end Buet crisis; education boss says decision after discussion with president, PM

WASIM BIN HABIB and PALASH RAHMAN

The Buet teachers agitating for the removal of the vice-chancellor and his deputy have threatened to resign en masse if the demand is not met by Sunday.

They issued the ultimatum at a press briefing last night, saying if the two administration bosses did not step down by 4:00pm Sunday, they would tender

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BNP to stay off Gazipur by-polls

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The BNP standing committee last night decided not to take part in any polls, not even the Gazipur-4 by-election, during the tenure of the present Awami League government and the Election Commission.

"The party will take disciplinary action if anyone defies the decision," Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, the party's acting secretary general, said.

He was briefing the press following a meeting of the standing committee at BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia's Gulshan office.

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Rivals stab 2 BCL men at DU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League of Jagannath University unit were stabbed indiscriminately and beaten up by their rivals on the Dhaka University campus yesterday afternoon over previous enmity.

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BCL INFIGHTING Bullet-hit RU student dies

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The BCL leader, who was shot during a gunfight between two BCL factions at Rajshahi University early yesterday, succumbed to his wounds in a Dhaka hospital nearly 12 hours after the incident.

The body of Abdullah Al Hasan Sohel, joint convener of BCL Sher-e-Bangla Hall unit, was sent to his village home in Rangpur



Al Hasan Sohel



With monsoon at its prime, boats are the only means of transportation for lowland dwellers. A recent photo shows a boat fair held at a village in Swarupkathi upazila of Pirojpur. Prices range from Tk 4500 to Tk 8000.

PHOTO: RASHED SUMON

PM was advised to go for negotiations

Navy chief tells court on BDR mutiny

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The three chiefs of the armed forces had suggested that the prime minister negotiate with the mutineers rather than go for military action during the February 25-26 BDR mutiny in 2009.

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