

CLIMATE CHANGE

Victims relate it differently

Finds survey in 10 districts

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To Ambia Begum, who lives in a char in the Jamuna in Kurigram, climate change is river erosion and floods that have gobbled up her homestead several times.

"We can have our meals only if my husband can earn. We face severe difficulties during floods for he finds no work then," Ambia, wife of a farmer rendered landless, said when asked what she understood by climate change and if she had ever experienced it.

Surveying as many as 2,649 people like Ambia from 10 districts, a perception report on climate change finds that different people interpret climate change in different ways.

But all of those surveyed know about climate change and 80 percent of them said they had faced losses, especially in cultivation, due to its impacts.

The survey found that people interpreted climate change as per natural hazards they face in their

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Shafiqul, Ziaur drafted into Test side

SPORTS REPORTER

Pace bowler Shafiqul Islam and all-rounder Ziaur Rahman left for Zimbabwe last night to bolster the Bangladesh Test squad. The players were sent as cover for pacers Rubel Hossain and Shahadat Hossain, who are nursing a shoulder niggle and a knee injury respectively.

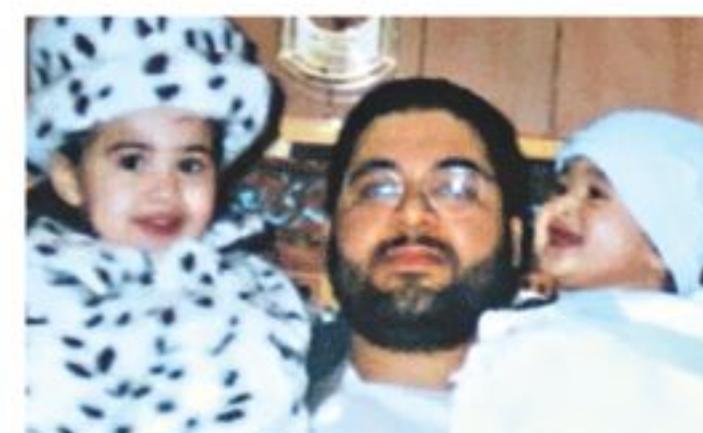
According to team's physiotherapist Vibhav Singh, Shahadat will

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BRITON AT GUANTÁNAMO BAY

Cleared for release, not to be released

THE GUARDIAN ONLINE



The last British resident being held in Guantánamo Bay may never be allowed to return to his family in London because of an alleged "secret deal" between US authorities, Saudi Arabia and the British security services.

Shaker Aamer, 46, has been in the Cuban detention centre for more than 11 years without charge or trial, and has been cleared for release since 2007.

This month, two Metropolitan police detectives interviewed Aamer, gathering an estimated 150 pages of testimony and allegations that MI5 and MI6 were complicit in his torture. These included claims that a British officer was present while US soldiers tortured him and that MI6 officers made allegations to the CIA they knew to be false, including that Aamer was a member

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A guardian accompanies HSC examinees going to their exam centres in Bogra yesterday. A hartal called in Rajshahi and Rangpur divisions left them with no other option to using a rickshaw van. Their misery is unlikely to end soon as the opposition has called for a 36-hour nationwide hartal from tomorrow as well. PHOTO: FOCUS BANGLA

CANCELLING REMAND
HC rejects petition for Mahmudur

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday summarily rejected the writ petition for cancelling the remand of acting editor of daily Amar Desh Mahmudur Rahman after it heard argument on the petition on Thursday.

The grounds upon which the HC rejected the petition could not be known as the court did not release the full text of the order.

The petition was filed with the HC on Wednesday by Mahmudur's wife Firoza

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3 JAMAAT LEADERS

Tribunal brings contempt charges

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

International Crimes Tribunal-2 yesterday initiated contempt proceedings against three top Jamaat-e-Islami leaders for making "provocative and derogatory remarks" about the tribunal.

The three-member tribunal led by Justice Obaidul Hassan also directed the Jamaat leaders to come up with their reply, if they have any, by May 9 as to why they would not be punished for violating section 11 (4) of the International Crimes (Tribunals) Act, 1973.

Section 11 (4) says: "A tribunal may punish any person, who obstructs or abuses its process or disobeys any of its orders or directions or does anything which tends to prejudice the case of a party before it or tends to bring it or any of its members into hatred or contempt or does anything which constitutes contempt of the tribunal..."

The three Jamaat leaders are acting secretary general Rafiqul Islam Khan, central executive council member

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ONLINE POLL

Do you agree with Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu that the government is ready to sit with the main opposition for unconditional dialogues at any time?

Yes (15.2%)

No (84.8%)

TOTAL VOTES: 341

TODAY'S POLL
Do you agree with Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) that implementation of the Padma bridge project with own financing would eat up a significant share of the additional allocation in the next budget?

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| | Azan | Jamaat |
|--------|-------|--------|
| Fajr | 4-25 | 5-00 |
| Zohr | 12-45 | 1-15 |
| Asr | 4-45 | 5-00 |
| Magrib | 6-27 | 6-31 |
| Esha | 8-00 | 8-30 |

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BKSP's Romana Akter strokes her way to setting a new national record and winning the gold in the 200m butterfly event of the 8th Bangladesh Games at the National Swimming Complex in Mirpur yesterday. Story on page 16.



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FIROZ AHMED

SHOOTING IN GREECE
7 still under treatment

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Seven of the 32 Bangladeshi workers who were shot at a strawberry farm in Greece on Wednesday were still receiving medical treatment, said the counsellor of the Bangladesh

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7 masked men opened fire

Witness to Fatikchhari attack tells probe body

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

Seven masked men suddenly opened fire on the rear end of the Awami League's anti-hartal motor procession on April 11, victims of the Fatikchhari carnage told a probe

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