CHANGE IN TEMPERATURE Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at most places over Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at many places over Dhaka, Rajshahi and Rangpur divisions till 6:00pm

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Moderately heavy to heavy falls are also likely at places over the country, Met Office said. Day and night temperatures may remain nearly

unchanged over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:46pm and rises tomorrow at 5:10am.

Country's highest temperature 36.7 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Rajshahi and lowest 24.6 degree Celsius at Sylhet.

The highest and lowest temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

Te	emperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage		1	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentag	
	Max:	Min:	Morning	Evening		Max:	Min:	Morning	Evenin
(a	32.7	27.8	74	68	Khulna	35.5	27.5	75	84
agong	29.2	26.0	86	83	Barisal	32.4	26.0	84	88
hahi	36.7	27.5	77	74	Sylhet	31.3	24.6	93	83
gpur	30.2	27.0	93	89	Cox's Bazar	32.2	25.1	98	89

NEWS_{IN} brief

NU 4th year Honours exams results of 22 subjects published

A CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

The results of 22 subjects of fourth year Honours examinations for Bachelor's degree for 2010 under National University were published yesterday.

NU examination Controller Mohammad Badruzzaman said the results were released at about 10:00am.

The results are also available at the university website - www.nubd.info or www.nuadmission.info

The results of the six remaining subjects would be published within this week, Badruzzaman added.

Man held with smuggled gold

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police arrested an alleged smuggler along with a total of 294 gold chains worth about Tk 47.5 lakh at Shahjalal International Airport in the capital on Saturday night. The arrestee Golam Rabbani, 39, of Muradnagar

upazila in Comilla, returned from Singapore by a Singapore Airlines flight.

A team from Armed Police Battalion (APBn) arrested him at canopy-1 while he was passing through the immigration around 11:00pm, said Motazzer Hossain, senior assistant superintendent of APBn.

Two die as train runs them over

A CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Two youths were killed after a train ran them over on Matikata rail crossing in Kaliakoir of Gazipur yesterday

The victims were Rubel, 20, son of Abdul Mannan of Kowchakuri village in Kaliakoir; and Shohag Hossen, son of Shahzahan of Sirajganj.

Joydebpur Government Railway Police Assistant Subinspector Dadon Miah said the two died as the Rajshahi-bound train, Dhumketu Express, crushed them.

5 BNP men held in Ctg arson case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Police yesterday arrested five BNP activists in Sitakunda of Chittagong in a case filed over arson and vandalism on Dhaka-Chittagong highway after party leader Aslam Chowdhury was sent to jail in another arson case.

Shamim, 22, Sohel, 21, Masud, 22, Alauddin, 20, and Bacha Mia, 20, are the party activists of Sitakunda upazila unit. They were arrested after an overnight drive in different areas of Sitakunda, said Sitakunda police Inspector (investigation) Aminul Islam.

Mob beats snatcher in Gazipur

A CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

A mob caught an alleged snatcher red-handed, beat him up and handed him over to police in Latifpur area of Kaliakoir upazila in Gazipur yesterday.

The snatcher is Habibur Rahman, 30, of Tengrabari in Kaliakoir.

After snatching a handbag from a female passenger of a CNG-run auto-rickshaw before a filling station on Dhaka-Tangail highway, the youth tried to flee, said Saiful Islam, sub-inspector of Kaliakoir police.

Russian language day celebrated

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The Russian Centre of Science and Culture (RCSC) in Dhaka organised a literary and cultural programme yesterday to mark the Russian Language Day and 214th birth anniversary of Russian poet Alexander Pushkin.

RCSC Head Alexander P. Demin, Bangla daily Prothom Alo Assistant Editor Zahid Reza Noor and Soviet/Russian Alumni Association President Engr Habib Ahsan Bablu also spoke at the event at RCSC auditorium.



Reception

Workers' Party of Bangladesh wil accord a reception to Anjuman Mufidul Islam for playing an important role in the rescue operation of Rana Plaza collapse in Savar; Venue: Anjuman meeting room, Kakrail; Time: 10:30am.

Discussion

Bangabandhu Ain Chhatra Parishad

পরিবেশ বান্ধব সেরা আবাসন নির্মাণে নিবেদিত

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আমিন মোহাম্মদ গ্রুপ

will hold a discussion on "Role of law students against militancy, terrorism and violence"; Venue: Bar Auditorium, Supreme Court; Time: 4:30pm.

Meeting

Bangabandhu Academy will organise a meeting on budget, city corporation polls and current politics; Venue: Institute of Diploma Engineers, Bangladesh; Time: 11:00am.



Numerous potholes riddle this dilapidated road, from Mirpur 10 to 14, of the capital. The danger rises when rainwater conceals the broken down sections, resulting in accidents for unsuspecting vehicles. The photo was taken yesterday. PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

Dilapidation of Dhaka roads brings sufferings to users

HELEMUL ALAM

Taxi-cab driver Swapon could not earn anything for the last one week as his lone income source broke down after unexpectedly running over a pothole in the road from Mirpur 10 to 14 in the capital. The repairs require around Tk 6,000

while Swapon was forced to borrow money to run his family. "My daily earnings of around Tk 500 to Tk 700 totally stopped," he said. Swapon said it was not only he who fell victim to the numerous potholes

and the situation worsens after even light showers when rainwater conceals the potholes. Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) Chief Engineer Brig Gen Abul Khayer said they would shortly repair

riddling the road for the last two years

the road. Negligence of the authorities concerned also resulted in the dilapida-Pallabi, Mirpur and Senpara Porbota.

BLAST CASE

July 17

Charge framing

against Fakhrul

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday

the hearing on charge

Acting Secretary General

Alamgir and 28 others in a

The hearing has been

Shahbagh police filed

the case against them on

charge of aiding and abet-

ting the bombings inside

the Secretariat during the

The court deferred the

hearing as seven lawmakers

of BNP led 18-party alli-

before it due to parliament

others accused were present

ance could not appear

session. Fakhrul and 21

in the court yesterday.

opposition's April 29

hartal last year.

framing against BNP

Mirza Fakhrul Islam

deferred until July 17.

bomb blast case.

for the ninth time deferred

deferred till

At the other end of Dhaka, around one kilometre of the Flood Protection same degradation. Embankment road at Kamalbagh point is a similar trap waiting for the Green Road, South Banasree road, a unsuspecting vehicle.

The affected section becomes inundated with rainwater after light showers and this has been going on for years. "Many vehicles avoid the road even after light showers," said CNGrun three-wheeler driver Anowar.

Repairs and a proper drainage system seem to be a far cry, said one of the Tikatuli road and Baunia road. commuters, Nazrul Islam.

Syed Aslam Ali, executive engineer Gulshan Avenue now has a brick chip of Road Division of Roads and Highways Department, said implementation of the road's Tk 59 crore tarmac. four lane project would take time for re-tender.

He said they were using brick chips to temporarily make the road

Adjoining Dinnath Sen, Rankin tion of different adjoining roads in Street, Sutrapur, Dakkhin Sayedabad, regular maintenance shortly, he Lalbagh's Water Works, and assured.

Islambagh's Chadnighat roads face the Lack of maintenance has also left

road near Gulistan intersection and Fulbaria and one near first Buriganga bridge in Postagola in a poor state. Delays by the city corporations to

fix roads right after utility works have also taken a toll on Gulshan Avenue, Shahid Faruk Hossain road, Dayaganj-DNCC Chief Engineer Khayer said

layer and they were waiting for it to become compact before laying a new Dhaka South City Corporation Chief Engineer Jahangir Alam said the roads around Gulistan and Jatrabari

were damaged due to an adjoining flyover's construction works. The shabby roads will come under

NEW CABINET COMMITTEE ON ROAD SAFETY

First meeting plans action

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The newly formed Cabinet Committee on Road Safety yesterday took some decisions regarding road safety that have been discussed in similar kinds of committees for years but not executed.

Removing illegal shops, bazars and nonmotorised vehicles from national and regional highways, effectively operating overload control machines and preventing set up of cattle markets on highways were taken at the first meeting of the cabinet committee held at the Cabinet Division yesterday.

These issues dominated meetings of National Road Transport Advisory Council and Regional Transport Committee over the last several years. The committees involving ministries, transport organisations, police department and non-government organisations failed to implement the decisions taken mainly because of non-cooperation of influential locals and politicians.

However, Communications Minister Obaidul Quader, head of the cabinet committee, was confident about the execution of the decisions taken.

"The earlier committees held many meetings on road safety to resolve traffic conges-

tion but achieved little success," he said briefing reporters, adding that the committee would start executing the decisions in phases from June 15 by involving local representatives, police department and local administrations.

He said 16 roadsides bazars -- four in Dhaka and two each in six divisions -would be removed primarily. "We are also going to remove unnecessary speed bumps and risky trees from the roads," he said, adding that risky and illegal billboards in Chittagong city will also be removed.

Sources at the meeting said an influential secretary raised the issue of Dhaka's billboard business which is controlled by some ruling party leaders. He suggested the committee take the decision to remove the illegal billboards. But the meeting did not discuss his point

and focused on the Chittagong billboard issue, said the sources.

Shipping Minister Shahjahan Khan, who is a member of the new committee, mainly talked about his trade unionism and its outcome in the transport sector.

The 22-member cabinet committee was formed last month comprising eight ministers and 12 secretaries to ensure road safety.

Held policemen

SHAMIM'S DEATH IN CUSTODY

confess torture

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Five policemen arrested over a land broker's death confessed that the victim was tortured by police intending to glean information, not murder him, an anonymity-seeking police official investigating the case told The Daily Star yesterday.

The arrestees are Savar Police Station assistant subinspector Akidul Islam and constables Ramjan, Mofazzal and Yousuf, and Ashulia Police Station sub-

inspector Emdadul Islam.

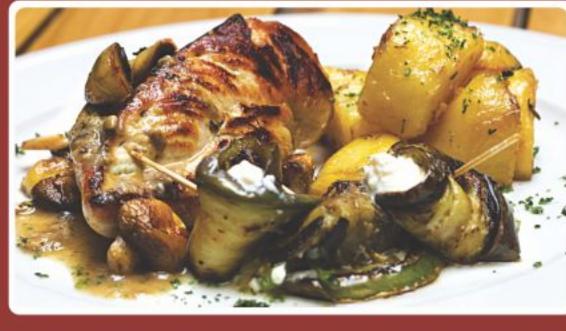
Dhaka Range Deputy Inspector General Md Moniruzzaman, alongside members of two probe committees, visited the police outpost where the alleged torture took place and the victim's house in Savar.

He too stated that preliminary investigations indicated custodial death.

Shamim Sarkar, 30, was found dead hours after plainclothes police picked him up along with his nephew Sohel, 28, from Hemayetpur early Thursday.

RUPCHANDA - STAR LIFESTYLE





CONTEST DETAILS Rupchanda-Star Lifestyle

Amateur Chef Cook-Off competition will be divided into three different rounds. In the first round, interested participants will send their recipe and a picture of their own dish to lifestyeds@yahoo.com.

The initial applicants will be short-listed to a final list of contestants, who will be invited for interview in the second round of the competition. The selected applicants will then be divided into 5 different categories-Appetiser, Dessert, Baked Goodies, Regional Specialties and Main Course. Each competitor will then provide a recipe and a picture of a dish

related to their category. 4. In the third round of the competition the short-listed contestants will take part in the actual cook-off. The cookoff will be held in The Daily

5. All contestants will have their recipe printed, along with their name and picture, in Lifestyle's Eid Special Cook-6. The top 3 stand to win

Star premises.

prizes and every participant will go home with attractive gift hampers from Rupchanda. 7. The deadline for submissions is 15 June, 2013. Applicants must be 18 years or above.



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