

# NEWS IN brief

## Boston blast suspect pleads not guilty

AFP, Boston

Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, the teenager accused of carrying out the Boston bombings, on Wednesday pleaded not guilty to all charges in US federal court, nearly three months after the deadly April attacks. The attacks, which left three people dead and more than 260 wounded, stunned America with scenes of carnage and chaos at one of the country's premier sporting events.

## Canada rail disaster toll hits 50

AFP, Lac-megantic

A Canadian rail disaster that "probably" killed as many as 50 people was likely the result of an engineer's failure to set the brakes on an unmanned train owned by a US railway company, officials said Wednesday. Twenty people have been confirmed dead and 30 remain unaccounted for with little hope of being found alive following the explosive train crash, Quebec provincial police inspector Michel Forget told reporters.

## Greek public TV resumes broadcasts

AFP, Athens

Greek public television went back on air late Wednesday screening a movie, one month after the government abruptly pulled the plug on state broadcaster ERT causing national and international uproar. On June 11, the government suddenly pulled the plug on state broadcaster ERT, making nearly 2,600 employees redundant.

## N Korea shelve family reunion talks

AFP, Seoul

North Korea has retracted its proposal to hold talks with South Korea on restarting a family reunion programme, a Seoul official said yesterday. The North's sudden move came a day after the two Koreas agreed in principle to hold a Red Cross meeting on family reunions.

## Child abuse: Vatican widens probe

AFP, Vatican City

Pope Francis yesterday bolstered criminal legislation against child abuse in the Vatican and increased criminal liability for employees of the tiny city state in a legislative overhaul. The Vatican said in a statement that the pope's decree included "a broader definition of the category of crimes against minors" including child prostitution, sexual acts with children and child pornography. The laws will come into force on September 1.

## Luxembourg's PM resigns

AFP, Luxembourg

Luxembourg Prime Minister Jean-Claude Juncker, Europe's longest-serving leader, tenders his resignation yesterday in a scandal involving the tiny nation's secret services, alleged to have indulged in misconduct on his watch. Though aged only 58, Juncker has been in office for 18 years and in government for 30. He is best known in Europe for his recent tumultuous eight-year stint as head of the eurozone finance ministers group, which ended in January.



Rescue workers help to relocate flood victims in the Sanshui township of Guanghan, southwest China's Sichuan province yesterday. Landslides crushed homes, bridges collapsed, and dozens of villages were cut off. Inset, a rescuer helps relocate a girl.



## China rain, landslides kill 28, 66 missing

AFP, Beijing

Heavy rain across China has left at least 28 people dead and 66 missing, officials reported yesterday, after landslides crushed homes, bridges collapsed, and dozens of villages were cut off.

The storms, which began Sunday, have affected more than three million people, the Ministry of Civil Affairs said on its website.

Nearly half of those -- 1.45 million people -- were in Sichuan, where 62 were missing, the government of the southwestern province said on its Sina Weibo microblog account.

At least 18 people died after a landslide on Wednesday engulfed homes in Zhongxing in the province, the state news agency Xinhua reported Thursday, citing local authorities.

Footage on state broadcaster CCTV showed a wide rush of muddy water, though a reporter said levels had fallen.

## US, China take up rifts but seek cooperation

AFP, Washington

The United States and China yesterday took up rifts ranging from cyber-hacking to market access as the world's two largest economies also sought out small areas of cooperation.

Chinese and US officials were wrapping up the main annual meeting between the two sides and planned to speak to reporters at 2130 GMT at the conclusion of the two days of talks.

In a sign of the importance he attaches to managing ties with the rising Asian power, President Barack Obama -- who generally meets only leaders from other nations -- plans to receive the two main Chinese delegates at the White House.

Obama has invested time in seeking a smooth relationship with China's newly installed President Xi Jinping, meeting him for a weekend at a California desert resort last month, but has also stepped up the tone on hacking.

Vice President Joe Biden, opening the talks on Wednesday, openly raised US charges that China has waged a vast hacking campaign to steal US trade and government secrets.

"We both will benefit from an open, secure, reliable Internet. Outright cyber-enabling theft that US companies are experiencing now must be viewed as out of bounds and needs to stop," Biden told the talks, known as the Strategic and Economic Dialogue.

China insists it is also the victim of hacking and has demanded answers after US intelligence leaker Edward Snowden charged that US spies had worked their way into the billion-plus nation's Internet network.

Chinese officials, who often bristle at US criticism, took a measured tone during the dialogue, whose format of formal, heavily scripted meetings is often seen as appealing to Beijing.

Foreign ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying, asked in Beijing about Biden's remarks, said only that both China and the United States "have the willingness to lay down international regulations" on cyber-security.

The United States and China announced Wednesday that they would step up cooperation on fighting climate change, although their agreements were general in tone.

## DELHI GANG-RAPE First verdict deferred to July 25

AFP, New Delhi

A New Delhi court trying a teenager over a fatal gang-rape last December that shocked India deferred yesterday announcing the first verdict in the case, lawyers said.

A juveniles' court has finished hearing the case of the youngest suspect, aged 17 at the time of the assault on a moving bus, and had been widely expected to announce a verdict yesterday.

The crime, which saw the 23-year-old student victim die of internal injuries inflicted during the attack, generated widespread anger about endemic sex crime in India to the boil.

Several weeks of sometimes violent protests pushed parliament to pass a new law toughening sentences for rapists, while a round of public soul-searching sought answers to the rising tide of violence against women.

## No swift path to US immigration reform

AFP, Washington

Republicans opposed to citizenship for illegal immigrants on Wednesday killed White House hopes that a major reform bill seen as key to President Barack Obama's legacy could soon land on his desk.

The administration meanwhile lashed out at Republicans in the House of Representatives, warning they should not kill the reform drive just to appease "far right" conservative rivals who are after their jobs.

The comprehensive immigration reform bill, which provides a path to citizenship for 11 million undocumented immigrants and strengthens security on the US-Mexico border, has already passed the Senate.

But there are growing fears among reform advocates that the drive will wither and die in the Republican-led House.

Following a crunch meeting of the

Republican caucus, House leaders said they would let the Senate bill languish and that the best the White House could hope for is a set of piecemeal measures.

Speaker John Boehner and House Majority leader Eric Cantor in a joint statement pledged a "step-by-step" approach to fixing a "broken" immigration system.

They argued that Americans were "alarmed by the president's ongoing insistence on enacting a single, massive, Obamacare-like bill (referring to the president's health care reforms) rather than pursuing a step-by-step, common-sense approach."

Earlier, White House spokesman Jay Carney acknowledged that passing the bill was "an uphill battle."

Republicans emerged from the House meeting insisting that they would not speed through legislation.



**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Dhaka Metropolitan Police  
Logistics & Procurement Division  
Rajarbagh, Dhaka

### Invitation for Tender (OTM)

01. Ministry	Ministry of Home Affairs.
02. Agency	Bangladesh Police.
03. Procuring entity name	Dhaka Metropolitan Police.
04. Invitation for	Tender Goods (Item by item basis).
05. Invitation Ref. No.	Logistics & Procurement/05(2013-2014).
06. Date	07-07-2013

**KEY INFORMATION**

07. Procurement method	Open tendering method (OTM) national.
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**FUNDING INFORMATION**

08. Budget and source of funds	GoB revenue depending on budget allocation.
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**PARTICULAR INFORMATION**

09. Name of work	Purchasing pre-paid <b>Satellite Phone</b> for Dhaka Metropolitan Police (As per tender documents).
10. Tender package No.	Package No. 01.
11. Tender last selling date	31-07-2013
12. Tender closing date and time	01-08-2013 12:00 noon
13. Tender opening date and time	01-08-2013 12:30pm
14. Name & address of the office(s)	
Selling tender document	1. Office of the Deputy Police Commissioner (Logistics & Procurement), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Rajarbagh Police Lines, Dhaka-1217. 2. Office of the Deputy Police Commissioner (Finance & Budget), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Dhaka. 3. Office of the AIG (Telecom), Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.
Pre-tender meeting	Office of the Joint Police Commissioner (Logistics, Finance & Procurement), DMP Headquarters, 36, Shahid Mansur Ali Shoroni, Dhaka.
Name & address of the office receiving tender document	1. Deputy Police Commissioner (Logistics & Procurement), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Rajarbagh Police Lines, Dhaka-1217. 2. Deputy Police Commissioner (Finance & Budget), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Dhaka. 3. AIG (Telecom), Rajarbagh Police Lines, Dhaka-1217.
Opening tender document	Deputy Police Commissioner (Logistics & Procurement), Dhaka Metropolitan Police, Rajarbagh Police Lines, Dhaka-1217.


**INFORMATION FOR TENDERER**

15. Eligibility of tenderer	The bidder should have valid trade licence, current bank solvency certificate, income tax certificate, VAT registration certificate and liquid asset certificate (working capital), bidder should not be blacklisted by any govt. organisation in Bangladesh. A complete set of tender document may be purchased by interested bidder on the submission of a written application on their own pad to the address below.	
16. Brief description of goods or works	Procurement of pre-paid <b>Satellite Phone</b> .	
17. Tender document price & type of payment	BDT 1,000.00 (one thousand) Taka only in cash payment non-refundable.	
18. Tender validity	30 June 2014.	
19. Lot information		
Lot No.	Identification of lot	Tender security amount in Taka
Lot-1	Procurement of pre-paid <b>Satellite Phone</b>	BDT 25,000 (twenty-five thousand) only

**20. Special instructions**  
The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any tender prior to acceptance. Interested tenderer may obtain further information from the Office of the Deputy Police Commissioner (Logistics & Procurement).

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**Dhaka University of Engineering and Technology (DUET), Gazipur**  
Gazipur-1700

Invitation Ref No.: DUET/P&D/OTM (Project-2)/2013-14/3 Date: 03-7-2013

### Invitation for Tender

01. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Education.
02. Agency	University Grants Commission (UGC).
03. Name of the project	Rehabilitation & Renovation of the Old Buildings & other Structures of the Public Universities.
04. Procuring entity name	Vice-Chancellor, DUET, Gazipur, Gazipur-1700.
05. Procuring entity district	Gazipur.
06. Invitation for	Procurement of Works.
07. Invitation Ref No.	DUET/P&D/OTM(Project-2)/2013-14/3 Date: 03-7-2013.
08. Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).
09. Budget and source of funds	Development Project, GOB.
10. Tender package No.	WD-01(2013-14) & WD-02(2013-14).
11. Tender publication date	04-7-2013.
12. Tender last selling date	20-8-2013 at 1:00pm.
13. Tender receiving date and last time	04-7-2013 to 21-8-2013 at 12:00 noon.
14. Tender closing date and time	21-8-2013 at 12:00 noon.
15. Tender opening date and time	21-8-2013 at 12:05pm.
16. Selling tender document	Accounts Section, DUET, Gazipur, Gazipur-1700.
17. Receiving tender document	Vice-Chancellor Office, DUET, Gazipur, Gazipur-1700.
18. Pre-tender meeting	Place: Director (P&D) Office, DUET, Gazipur, Gazipur-1700 Date: 30-7-2013, Time: 11:00am.
19. Eligibility of tenderer	Enlisted to any government, semi-government, autonomous body or otherwise qualified.

Package No.	Identification	Location	Tender security amount (Tk.)	Completion time in months	Price of tender document (Tk.)
WD-01 (2013-14)	Construction of CI sheds and other repair works at Dr. QK Hall	DUET Campus	35,000.00 (thirty-five thousand)	3 (three) months from the date of contract agreement	500.00 (five hundred)
WD-02 (2013-14)	Construction of Master Drain from Residential Gate to SSNIAB at DUET, Gazipur	DUET Campus	1,00,000.00 (one lac)	4 (four) months from the date of contract agreement	700.00 (seven hundred)

20. Name of official inviting tender	Prof. Dr. Md. Showkat Osman.
21. Designation of official inviting tender	Director (Planning & Development).
22. Address of official inviting tender	Dhaka University of Engineering & Technology (DUET), Gazipur.
23. Contact details of official inviting tender	Ph-9204734-53, Ext.-1055 or 1429, Fax number: 880-2-9204702.
24. This IFT will be available in the website of DUET	www.duet.ac.bd
25. The price of tender document (non-refundable) should be paid by Pay-Order/Bank Draft in favour of Vice-Chancellor, DUET from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh.	
26. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the tenders.	
27. Scope of billion amount depends on availability of fund received from UGC.	
28. Special instruction: If it is not possible to receive/open the tender on the scheduled date for any unavoidable circumstances the same will be received/opened on the next working date at the same time & same venue.	

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**Pierre Latour and Lucien Raimbourg perform in En attendant Godot in Paris in 1953.**

## Waiting for Godot to mark 60th anniversary at Dublin festival

THE GUARDIAN ONLINE

The Dublin theatre festival will mark the 60th anniversary of Waiting for Godot with a new production of Samuel Beckett's masterpiece.

The festival, which runs for 18 days from 26 September, will also feature a new play by acclaimed Irish playwright Frank McGuinness, a new translation of Bertolt Brecht and Kurt Weill's musical The Threepenny Opera and the latest play by New York experimentalist Richard Maxwell.

Though Waiting for Godot didn't receive its English-language premiere until 1955, it was first produced in French, under the title En attendant Godot, at the Théâtre de Babylone in Paris two years earlier.

The new production by Gare St Lazare Players will star Conor Lovett, one of the most esteemed interpreters of Beckett's work in the world, as Vladimir.

His wife, Judy Hegarty Lovett, will direct the play, having previously done so in 1992 for a Parisian production.

McGuinness's new play, The Hanging Gardens, described as "an unflinching and familiar vision of the Irish family", is his first for the Abbey theatre in 14 years, despite recent adaptations of Ibsen's John Gabriel Borkman and James Joyce's short story The Dead.

The 60-year-old's first play, Observe the Sons of Ulster Marching Towards the Somme, premiered there in 1985.

"What people will see in the festival is the diversity of Irish theatre practice," said Willie White, the festival director.