Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at many places over Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Rajshahi, Rangpur and Dhaka divisions till 6:00pm today.

Moderately heavy falls are also likely at places, Met Office said.

Day and night temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6:46pm and rises tomorrow at 5:25am.

Country's highest temperature 35.8 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Sylhet and Rajshahi and lowest 25.0 degrees at Rangamati.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

100	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage			Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentag	
	Max:	Min:	Morning	Evening		Max:	Min:	Morning	Evenin
Dhaka	34.6	28.6	68	63	Khulna	33.6	26.6	85	92
Chittagong	32.8	27.0	78	83	Barisal	32.5	27.5	81	76
Rajshahi	35.8	27.5	77	67	Sylhet	35.8	25.7	77	69
Rangpur	33.5	28.2	78	77	Cox's Bazar	33.5	26.2	72	76

Justice Khairul made law commission chief

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



The government yesterday appointed former chief justice ABM Khairul Haque as chairman of the law commission for the next three years. Justice Khairul, who drew attention at

home and abroad for some of his momentous judgements and works during his tenure as chief justice, will enjoy salary, allowance and other benefits equivalent to those of the chief justice as the commission chairman.

The three years' term will begin on the date of his joining,

a law ministry press release said.

Contacted, Justice Khairul declined to make any comment about his appointment and his plan about the law commission. Close sources to the justice said he would join office today. The post of the law commission chairman fell vacant

after its last chairman Justice MA Rashid, a retired High Court judge, resigned on October 7, 2010. Later, the government appointed commission member Prof M Shah Alam as its acting chairman.

Eminent jurist Shahdeen Malik told The Daily Star that there was no legal bar to appointing Justice Khairul Haque as chairman of the law commission.

Justice Khairul worked as the 19th chief justice of Bangladesh between September 30, 2010 and May 17, 2011. During his career, he led the Appellate Division in declaring the caretaker government system illegal and unconstitutional.

Muggers shoot Rab official in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An official of Rapid Action Battalion was shot and injured by muggers during a drive at Mirpur in the capital, Rab said yesterday.

Rab arrested Kamrul Ahsan, 35, one of the muggers.

Rab-2 at a press conference at its office at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar also said they recovered a motorcycle, a foreign made pistol, two rounds of bullets and two cartridges from the spot.

Ripon Mia, 45, deputy assistant director at Rab headquarters, was hit by three bullets in the right leg, Habibur Rahman, media wing director of the battalion, told The Daily Star.

On a tip-off, two Rab teams went to Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium area to arrest a gang of the muggers yesterday noon, said Rahman.

As the Rab men, some in plainclothes, approached them, the muggers opened fire on the law enforcers, injuring Ripon, he said.

Ripon was rushed to Combined Military Hospital in Dhaka.



A teeming Hawkers' Market in Chittagong city yesterday. Shoppers, mostly from low and middle income groups, are increasingly crowding the market as the upcoming Eid-ul-Fitr gets closer.

ANURUP KANTI DAS

Ctg Hawkers' Market abuzz with Eid shoppers

SHAHADAT HOSSAIN, Ctg

Poura Jahur Hawkers' Market, popularly known as Hawkers' Market, is bustling with shoppers ahead of Eid-ul-Fitr, one of the biggest festivals of the Muslim community.

People, especially of lower income brackets, have been thronging the market to buy their desired outfits and accessories for Eid.

The low prices of clothes, shoes and accessories have been drawing people to the market in huge numbers as sales gain

Sajia Rahman, a resident of Hill View Residential area, said she always shops at Hawkers' Market as the prices there are

lower compared to other markets. A good range of Punjabis, shirts, trousers, Selwar Kamiz sets, children's

clothes and other types of dresses are available at some 800 shops at the mar

Saiful Islam Shohag, proprietor of Baticrom Fashion at the market, said their daily sales range from Tk 12,000 to Tk 14,000 while before Ramadan their daily sales used to be less than Tk 10,000.

He said so far sale of children's clothes have been the highest.

"I think sales will gradually increase as we go closer to Eid," Shohag hoped.

Saiful Islam, owner of Saiful Garments, said there has been a surge of shoppers after 10th of the ongoing Muslim holy month of fasting.

Market Traders' Association's Social Welfare Secretary Alamgir Chowdhury said necessary measures have been taken to ensure security of the shoppers at the market.

Fake money making factory busted

3 held with forged notes of Tk 25 lakh

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Detective Branch (DB) of police arrested three per sons with fake notes worth Tk 25 lakh and busted their fake money making factory in the capital yesterday. Ibrahim Hawladar was arrested in Paltan while Nargis

Aktar, and Sharmin Aktar at the factory on the third floor of a building in Kalyanpur. The DB team also seized a huge number of papers

with Bangladesh Bank monograms, four printers and other equipment and Tk 12,000 from the factory. The arrestees said it takes around Tk 3,000 to produce counterfeit money worth Tk 1 lakh which they can

The gang had aimed at circulating forged notes worth Tk

sell in exchange of around Tk 8,000 to other gang mem-

50 crore in the market ahead of Eid, said DB officials. A case has been filed with Mirpur Police Station against the three.

Cop's pistol snatched by Jamaat men recovered

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bhatara police yesterday recovered a pistol, eight bullets and a magazine from a bush in the capital's Basundhara area which had been snatched from a policeman during the hartal enforced by Jamaat on July 15.

Activists of Jamaat-e-Islami and pro-Jamaat Islami Chhatra Shibir beat up Sub-Inspector Aminul Islam of the police station and snatched his pistol loaded with bullets in the same area, said Bhatara police.

Jamaat activist Saiduzzaman Babu was arrested on July 17 in this regard and placed on a three-day remand.

Two held for stealing exportable garments OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

Police arrested two persons in Meghnaghat area of Narayanganj on Dhaka-Chittagong highway on Monday afternoon on charges of stealing exportable garments by replacing those with jhut (scrapped fabric of garment factory) in a covered van.

The arrested are Russel, 22, the van driver; and Rubel, 18, his helper.

The covered van, which was carrying RMG goods of Dotcom Sweater Ltd from Dhaka to Chittagong Port for shipment, was also seized, said Superintendent of Police Sayed Nurul Islam.

Acting on a tip-off, a team from Sonargaon Police Station held them along with a consignment the RMG goods in the area the SP said. During interrogation,

the duo admitted that they took the van loaded with 170 cartons of garments to Zirabo Bazar in Ashulia instead of Ctg port. Later, they stole the clothes from 100 cartons by filling those with jhut and again started to Chittagong, he added. The factory Manager

Humayun Kabir filed a case accusing the arrested two and two others - Khayer Uddin, 40, and Jony, 30.

BEATING OF JOURNOS BY RONY

ASK demands punishment DU CORRESPONDENT

Expressing grave concern over the recent attack on two television journalists, Ain o Salish Kendra yesterday demanded immediate investigation of the incident and exemplary punishment for the culprits to prevent recurrence of such incidents.

On July 20, Awami League lawmaker Golam Maula Rony along with his accomplices physically assaulted a reporter and cameraperson of Independent Television at his Topkhana Road office in the capital, the organisation said in a press release quoting media reports.

"Such an attack on journalists by a lawmaker is a violation of the right to freedom of expression," added the press release.

Sit-in

Jatiya Garment Sramik

Federation will stage a sit-in

demanding compensation for

the victims of Rana Plaza collapse; Venue: Central Shaheed Minar; Time: 10:00am.

Discussion Bangladesh Islamic Lawyers' Council will hold a discussion on significance of Ramadan; Venue: Supreme Court Ainjibi Samity Auditorium; Time: 5:00pm.



pitchers, residents of Motijharna, a water-short area in Chittagong city, besiege the local Wasa office to demand adequate water supply in the neighbourhood yesterday.

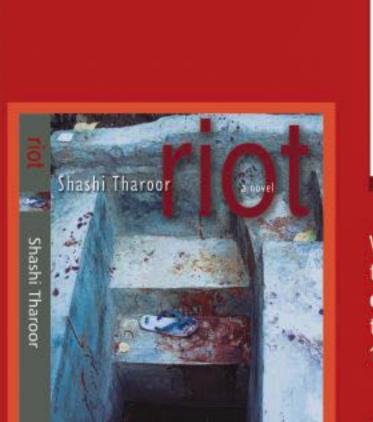
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Fake doctor jailed again in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A man, who served six months in jail for impersonating a doctor in 2010, was arrested by Rapid Action Battalion at the capital's West Agargaon yesterday.

Akram Hossain, 45, was jailed for two years this time and fined Tk 2.5 lakh on the same charge by AHM Anwar Pasha, executive magistrate of the Rab mobile court.

Akram had been comitting the crime under the name of Dr Zahir at Morium Orthopaedic and General Hospital located opposite the National Institute of Traumatology and Orthopaedic Rehabilitation (Nitor) in the capital, said a press release. He had been faking as a doctor for the last 20 years, it added.



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