

RAIN LIKELY



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

Moderately heavy to heavy rainfalls are also likely at places, Met Office said. Day and night temperatures may remain unchanged over the country. **The sun sets in the capital today at 6:41pm and rises tomorrow at 5:29am.**

Country's highest temperature 35.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Sylhet and lowest 24.0 degree Celsius at Cox's Bazar. The highest and lowest temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage		Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage		
Max:	Min:	Morning	Evening	Max:	Min:	Morning	Evening	
32.0	25.5	78	72	Khulna	33.0	26.0	93	94
30.0	26.0	86	80	Barisal	31.2	25.5	83	73
34.3	25.5	83	88	Sylhet	35.0	25.4	78	76
33.0	26.5	80	63	Cox's Bazar	30.0	24.0	93	86

NEWS IN brief

DU journalism department celebrates 51st anniversary

DU CORRESPONDENT
The Department of Mass Communication and Journalism of Dhaka University yesterday celebrated its 51st founding anniversary. The event began with a colourful procession brought out in the morning from Aparajeya Bangla on the campus. Established in 1962, the department, first of its kind in the country, has been devoted to producing academically and professionally skilled journalists in the country.

NSU admission test on Aug 16

CITY DESK
Admission test of North South University will be held on August 16 at 3:00pm on the university campus. Considering the upcoming HSC results and Eid holidays, the deadline for submitting admission forms has also been extended up to 4:00 pm on August 14.

Muggers stab bKash official in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Unidentified miscreants stabbed an official of bKash, a subsidiary of Brac Bank that provides mobile cash transfer service, indiscriminately before snatching over Tk 4 lakh from him in the capital's Moghbazar yesterday afternoon. Shakil Khan, 25, was shifted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital from a private hospital. He came under the attack at Amtoli when he was carrying the money from his workplace to deposit it in a nearby Brac Bank branch in Moghbazar. Shakil sustained stab injuries to his head and hands, said Ramna police.

Why evening programmes not to be declared illegal HC asks DU to explain

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The High Court yesterday issued a rule upon the Dhaka University authorities to explain why the master's programme in economics for professionals should not be declared illegal. It also asked the authorities to reply why all the commercial evening programmes should not be stopped at the institution. The HC came up with the order following a writ petition submitted by Supreme Court lawyer AKM Salahuddin Khan. The petition says the DU authorities has moved to open the "Masters of Economics Programme for Professionals Degree" without taking the approval from the Board of Advanced Studies violating Article 30 of the DU Order 1973, which states that postgraduate studies shall be organised by this board. It adds that the teachers are getting additional salaries and benefits from all the commercial evening programmes, which violates a section of the First Statutes of DU.

Reception
Gono-Sangbardhona Udjapan Committee will accord a civic reception to Nobel Laureate Prof Muhammad Yunus; Venue: Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh; Time: 3:00pm.

Rally
Jatiya Garments Sramik Federation will stage a rally demanding payment of all RMG workers' arrears and Eid bonus by August 5; Venue: In front of Jatiya Press Club; Time: 11:00am.

Henna festival
Jatiya Press Club and Dhakabasi will organise a henna festival ahead of Eid-ul-Fitr; Venue: The press club; Time: 11:00am.



A rickshaw trundles over a muddy and pothole-riddled road, devoid of repair for long, in the capital's Badamtali. The suffering of pedestrians is even worse. The photo was taken last Tuesday. PHOTO: FOCUS BANGLA

A new Dhaka possible with reclaimed rivers, canals

Hawaii-based Bangladeshi architect Kazi Khaleed Ashraf tells The Daily Star

TAWFIQUE ALI
Dhaka can reemerge as an aesthetically designed vibrant capital city with restoration of the dying rivers, wetlands, and farmlands, a Hawaii-based celebrated Bangladeshi architect told The Daily Star in a recent interview.



Water bodies play a vital role for life, livelihood and landscape, and these must be preserved, said Kazi Khaleed Ashraf, who teaches architecture at the University of Hawaii in the USA. He came up with some provocative ideas for redesigning Dhaka in the light of his academic and research experiences from Bangladesh and abroad. He has authored several books on urbanism and architecture published from home and abroad and remains focused on Bangladesh and Dhaka city. Here are some ideas he shared. Though Dhaka faces constant destruction of wetlands and natural ecology, it is not doomed yet and a new Dhaka is still possible with their restoration. Dhaka is originally surrounded by rivers and crisscrossed by canals where water must come in the forefront in making policy and plans for development and transportation. He lamented the ruthless destruction of wetlands, water bodies and farmlands on the city's peripheries--on the eastern fringe for instance--in the name of urbanisation. "Save wetlands, cash in on rivers and canals and make use of water, as land is scarce and expensive,"

Khaleed said. The way wetlands and floodplains are being destroyed in and around Dhaka city is comparable with the ruthless ravaging of the Amazon Rain Forest. "It is not predestined at all to ruin ecology, farmlands and biodiversity to make way for urbanisation," he said. "They can coexist with creative development plans and designs." Water must play a key role in the mental landscape of architects and urban planners while thinking of housing and transportation. The concept is fondly replicated in Vietnam, China and Thailand. In the case of Dhaka, urban design, however, has to start from the edge, not from the irreversible core, with a mélange of urban and rural features with agriculture and wetlands as part of the urban life on the basis of "land-water" use instead of focusing only on land.

"River is the soul of a city," he said. "Frame the river edge with an appropriate landscape of buildings and spaces, and Dhaka would again be a garden city with parks and open spaces." Making housing plots by misusing scarce land must be stopped and replaced by residential mass housing complexes to leave plenty of open spaces. Devastation of farmlands at the current pace around the capital will result in displacement of communities from ancestral homesteads, loss of traditional livelihoods like farming and fishing, and loss of people's cultural and emotional bond. Dhaka can turn around with mass transit system (metro rail) and circular waterways in its snarled-up transport system. The city is an island blessed with natural circular waterways that must be made navigable and functional with water buses and taxis with links to the road at a negligible cost. Bangkok, Mexico city, and Curitiba of Brazil had worse transportation problems compared to what is in Dhaka. The city must contain the reckless onrush of private cars and give way to mass transportation and pedestrian passage. Decentralisation is a must for Dhaka while expanding the civic services and connecting smaller urban hubs with functional communications network is a necessity. In fact, the parliament complex in Sher-e-Bangla Nagar designed by the maestro Louis I Kahn is the model for Bangladeshi township development.

Shop owners clash with cops in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Owners of several shops yesterday clashed with police and vandalised two vehicles over car parking on the road between Bangla Motor and Moghbazar intersections in the capital. The shop owners claimed that police had been collecting bribe for long from those who park their cars in front of their shops, with a threat that the cars would otherwise be towed on charge of illegal parking. Infuriated by what they said harassment of their customers, the shop owners locked into an altercation with police that turned into the clash around 2:10pm. Denying the allegation, Ramna police Officer-in-Charge Mashiur Rahman said police wanted to tow the cars as part of their duty to stop illegal parking.

Death anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Today is the 10th death anniversary of Suraiya Begum, a former associate professor of the Department of Information Science and Library Management of Dhaka University, says a press release. She was the wife of late Tawfiq Aziz Khan, former executive editor of The Daily Star and renowned sports writer and commentator. Suraiya was a life member of the Library Association of Bangladesh Bangla Academy, and Asiatic Society of Bangladesh.

জরুরী জমি বিক্রি

গাজীপুরে শিল্প কারখানা অথবা আবাসন প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়নের উপযোগী এক প্রুটে +- ২৩০ শতাংশ জমি জরুরী বিক্রি হবে।

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- FCA with Masters with no third class/division

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Position: SO/EO/SEO/FAVP
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- 6-10 years Banking experience of which 2-3 years in the related field of ICCD in a reputed commercial bank
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- 8-12 years Banking experience in overall banking of which minimum 3-5 years experience as HOB having extensive exposure in general banking, credit, trade finance operations
- He/she must have proven record in relationship management
- Masters preferably in business discipline with no third class/division

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Position: EO/SEO
Requirements:

- 6-9 years Banking experience in overall banking of which minimum 2-3 years experience as Manager Operations having extensive exposure in GB, credit & trade finance operations
- He/she must have expertise in housekeeping of a Branch
- Masters preferably in business discipline with no third class/division

FOREIGN TRADE
Position: Officer/Senior Officer/Executive Officer
Requirements:

- 4-6 years Banking experience of which minimum 3 years experience in foreign trade department of a large sized branch
- Conversant with import/export operation, scrutiny, documents, negotiation, processing cash incentives, lodgment, retirement etc.
- Masters preferably in business discipline with no third class/division

GENERAL BANKING
Position: Officer/Senior Officer
Requirements:

- 4-5 years Banking experience of which minimum 3 years experience in GB of a large sized branch
- Masters preferably in business discipline with no third class/division

CREDIT
Position: Officer/Senior Officer/Executive Officer
Requirements:

- 4-6 years Banking experience of which minimum 3 years experience in credit department of a large sized branch
- Conversant with credit appraisal process, analysis of financial statement, ratio analysis, CRG techniques, borrower selection process etc.
- Masters preferably in business discipline with no third class/division

IN-CHARGE: CASH
Position: Junior Officer/Officer
Requirements:

- 3-4 years experience in cash department of a large sized branch of a commercial bank
- Capable to operate fully automated cash department independently with high degree of skill in cash receipt, payment, reconciliation, returns, fund management etc.
- Graduate in any discipline with no third class/division

DEPUTY HEAD OF TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT CENTER
Position: Senior Executive Officer/FAVP
Requirements:

- 8-10 years experience in Banking HR of which 3-4 years in the related field of a reputed commercial bank
- Able to train & manage Training & Development independently with high degree of skill in the related field
- MBA in HR with no third class/division

ORGANIZATION DEVELOPMENT, HR
Position: Senior Officer/Executive Officer
Requirements:

- 6-8 years experience in Banking HR of which 3-4 years in the related field of a reputed commercial bank

- Able to design, facilitate and implement organizational strategies that boost the effectiveness of employee and organizational performance
- Well conversant with regulatory policies
- MBA in HR with no third class/division

PAYROLL MANAGEMENT, HR
Position: Senior Officer/Executive Officer
Requirements:

- 6-8 years experience in Banking HR of which 3-4 years in the related field of a reputed commercial bank
- Capable to operate fully automated payroll Management independently with high degree of skill in the related field
- MBA in HR with no third class/division and having expertise in moderate C&B practice with excellent analytical ability

HR OPERATIONS
Position: Officer/Senior Officer
Requirements:

- 6-8 years experience in Banking HR of which 3-4 years in the related field of a reputed commercial bank
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