

RAIN LIKELY



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

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

The sun sets in the capital today at 6:08pm and rises tomorrow at 5:44am.

Country's highest temperature 34.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Sayedpur and lowest 24.1 degrees at Sitakundo.

Highest and lowest temperature 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
Dhaka 30.1	24.6	87	78	Khulna 31.0	25.5	96	89
Chittagong 29.0	25.0	92	88	Barisal 29.8	25.8	88	94
Rajshahi 33.0	24.4	92	80	Sylhet 29.7	25.6	92	87
Rangpur 33.2	26.0	74	79	Cox's Bazar 29.2	25.0	78	83

NEWS IN brief

Transport strike in Khulna starts

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Transport owners and workers started an indefinite strike on different routes in Khulna yesterday, demanding a ban on plying of locally made three-wheelers on highways.

Vehicular movement was halted on the Bagerhat, Pirojpur, Barisal and Jhalakathi routes from Khulna. Rupsha-Khulna Bus-Minibus Owners' Association and Rupsha-Khulna Motor Workers' Union enforced the strike from 10:00am.

President of the association said people prefer to travel by the three-wheelers due to cheaper fares which was curtailing their business.

Ruet admission test on Nov 16

RU CORRESPONDENT

Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology (Ruet) will hold the admission test for the 2013-14 session on November 16.

Ruet has introduced two new departments -- Architecture and Mechatronics Engineering -- which have 30 seats each.

Further details will be available on the Ruet website: www.ruet.ac.bd.

Book fair begins in capital

DU CORRESPONDENT

With an aim to arouse people's interest in books, a six-day book fair was inaugurated in the capital yesterday.

Eleven publishers organised the fair titled "Boier Haat" which will remain open between 2:00pm and 9:00pm till September 14 on the Central Public Library premises.

DU Vice-Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique inaugurated the programme where convener of the fair Komol Kanti Das also spoke.

Car hijacked in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A gang hijacked a car after stabbing the chauffeur in the hand in the capital's Uttara yesterday.

Mofizur Rahman was admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Some four hijackers stabbed Rahman while he was cleaning the Corolla EX car in front of his owner's house at Sector-11 around 6:30am and snatched the key from him. Then they made off on the car, said police.

Australian education exposition today

CITY DESK

An Australian education exposition will be held at Ruposhi Bangla Hotel in the capital today.

Australian Education Agents Association of Bangladesh has organised it with support from Australian Trade Commission of the Australian High Commission in Dhaka.

Australian High Commissioner HE Greg Wilcock will inaugurate the exposition in the ballroom of the hotel.

Australian universities, and technical and vocational institutions will participate in the event which will continue till 5:00pm from 10:00am.

Boy drowns in pond in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A two-year-old boy drowned in a lake in the capital's Osmani Udyan yesterday morning.

The deceased was Md Raju.

Locals rushed him to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead, said Shahbagh police.

His mother, Rahima, who survives by begging on the street, was taking food at a tea stall near the lake and did not realise that Raju was missing.



Discussion

Amader Sangha Shamajik Sangskritik Society will organise a discussion, "The role of social organisations in the context of the present political crisis"; Venue: Central Public Library; Time: 4:30pm.

Rally

Moth-Mandir o Debottor Sampatti Rokkha o Punoruddhar Jatiya Committee will hold a rally protesting "ill-attempts to pass the endowment property management act in the upcoming parliamentary session"; Venue: Shahbagh; Time: 3:00pm.



Some traders of Chittagong city's Fishery Ghat in Firingi Bazar are continually selling flesh-eating piranha despite several raids and seizures by law enforcers. The government, through a 2008 gazette, banned the import, cultivation and trade of this invasive fish species and violators could face up to six months in prison. This native to South American rivers was first imported to Bangladesh for aquariums in the 90s. The photo was taken recently.

PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

7 get life term for lawyer murder

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday sentenced seven muggers to life term imprisonment for killing advocate Emdadul Huq Talukder Kanchan in Tejgoan in April 2006.

Kanchan, 45, an income tax lawyer and a resident of Hatirpool area, was killed by a group of muggers and his body was dumped in front of the emergency unit of Suhrawardy Hospital at about 2:00am on April 29, according to the case statement.

The victim was strangled with a napkin found tied around his throat and bore wounds in his forehead and chest.

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ILLEGAL BILLBOARDS IN CAPITAL
Removal hampered over HC full verdict

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

The full text of the High Court verdict on demolishing unauthorised billboards in the capital has not been released even after over three years of its announcement, barring the verdict's enforcement.

Following a writ petition, the HC on April 29, 2010 directed Dhaka City Corporation (DCC) and the Rajdhani Unnayan Karttripakkha (Rajuk) authorities to remove or demolish the illegal hoardings with assistance from Dhaka Metropolitan Police.

The HC also lifted its 2007 stay on a government order that barred the erection of billboards on rooftops.

Meanwhile, the Supreme Court, following a petition filed by Outdoor

Advertising Owners' Association, stayed a portion of the HC order that lifted the stay.

This means that billboards can be installed on rooftops, Rajuk's lawyer Manzill Murshid told The Daily Star recently.

The DCC, now bifurcated to north and south, and Rajuk had removed the illegal billboards through several drives immediately after the HC issued the verdict, he said.

Afterwards, hundreds of illegal billboards have been installed in different places, said Manzill, also president of Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh, a rights organisation which moved around 100 public interest litigations.

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ILLEGAL MYANMAR CITIZENS
Cabinet okays deporting strategy

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The cabinet yesterday approved a National Strategic Paper in a bid to identify, locate and deport undocumented Myanmar citizens to their homes.

To execute the plan, two bodies -- National Coordination Committee and National Taskforce -- will be formed under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, said Cabinet Secretary Musharraf Hossain Bhuiyan.

The foreign minister and secretary will head the bodies while deputy commissioners and upazila nirbahi officers would head the taskforce at district and upazila levels, he told journalists after a Cabinet meeting in Bangladesh Secretariat.

The move comes against the backdrop

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ACC approves charges against Sircar, Akhtar

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) yesterday approved charge sheets against former speaker Jamiruddin Sircar and his deputy Akhtar Hamid Siddiqui for causing a loss of around Tk 1 crore to the government exchequers.

Both Sircar and Akhtar used five vehicles between November 2001 and December 2008; going beyond their entitlements, said a high official of ACC, adding the duo used the vehicles besides the vehicles they are entitled to.

Sircar used three vehicles -- two jeeps and one microbus -- causing a loss

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AL, BNP, JP chiefs to visit Sylhet in coming weeks

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Chiefs of ruling Awami League, main opposition BNP and Jatiya Party are set to visit Sylhet in the coming weeks.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, also the chief of Awami League, will visit Sylhet on September 17 for a day, confirmed officials.

The prime minister will inaugurate a Tk 3 crore development work project at the proposed well-7 of Kailashila Gas Field at Golapganj upazila of Sylhet. The development work includes land development of the site, construction of a mud road and boundary wall.

She will also address a public meeting at MC Academy. To make Hasina's programme a success, Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid held meetings with party leaders and activists in Golapganj on Sunday.

Jatiya Party Chairman HM Ershad is scheduled to visit Sylhet on September 23 to address a rally and visit the shrine of Hazrat Shahjalal (RA). JP Central Organising Secretary Abdulla Siddiqui said Ershad will join a conference of the party's district unit.

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia is scheduled to visit Sylhet on October 5. She will address a public rally and visit the shrine of Hazrat Shahjalal (RA) on the same day.

For preparation, the district president and general secretaries of the division were called to the Gulshan office of Khaleda today, said Nasim Hossain, vice-president of Sylhet city BNP.



Severe traffic congestion choked the capital on the second day of the week yesterday. The photo was taken from Banglamotor.

PHOTO: FOCUS BANGLA



Ambassador of Brazil to Bangladesh Wanja Campos da Nobrega meets BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia at the latter's office in the capital yesterday.

PHOTO: BNP

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