The sun sets in the capital today at

Country's highest temperature 31.6

5:59pm and rises tomorrow at 6:24am.

degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in

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Office said.

Weather may remain dry with temporary

partly cloudy sky over the country till 6:00pm

nearly unchanged over the country, Met

Night and day temperature may remain

towns yesterday were

27.8

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Evening

yards being

RAIN LIKELY

FORESTED LAND IN CTG 2 ship breaking removed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The Forest Department yesterday started removing the installations of two ship breaking yards, which were set up after razing several thousand trees on 14.5 acres of forested land in Sitakunda upazila of Chittagong four years ago.

The drive was launched in line with a Supreme Court order of October 6 last year. The review of the verdict was completed on January 30.

The court also directed the Chittagong deputy commissioner to give all assistance to the eviction drive and not lease the land to any person or organisation in the future.

The eviction team, led by Executive Magistrate Abdullah Arif Mohammad, planted over 1,000 saplings of different tree species on the recovered land. In 1989, the authorities

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The Supreme Court yester-

day cancelled a High Court

order that granted anticipa-

tory bail to BNP leader

Hossain in a money laun-

The Anti-Corruption

sued the former health

minister for laundering

United Kingdom.

in a UK bank.

over Tk 9.53 crore to the

ACC Director Nasim

Anwar filed the case with

saying Mosharraf amassed

the amount between 2001

and 2006 and deposited it

A five-member bench of

headed by Chief Justice Md

Muzammel Hossain passed

the order after disposing of

an appeal filed by the ACC

against the HC order. The

HC had granted anticipa-

weeks on February 10.

the Appellate Division

Ramna Police Station,

Commission on February 6

Khandaker Mosharraf

dering case.

bail

Bangladesh Forest Department yesterday demolishing structures two ship breaking yards, SK Steels and SK Ship Breaking and Recycling, erected after razing several thousand trees on 14.5 acres of forested land in Sitakunda upazila of Chittagong four years ago. Inset, afterwards the department planted saplings there.

SC cancels Declare February 25 'Shaheed Sena Dibosh' Mosharraf's STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Urge families of 57 army officers slain during BDR mutiny

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Families of the 57 slain army officers of the February 25-26, 2009 BDR mutiny yesterday urged the government to declare February 25 a public holiday naming it "Shaheed Sena Dibosh" (martyred soldiers day).

Speakers at a memorial the families were addressing in the capital's Jatiya Press Club requested the government to include the incident in textbooks and put up related exhibits in Bangladesh National Museum and the military museum as reference for future generations.

"I have seen a lot in these 18 years including my father's body in the morgue, watching my mother trying to identify him, said Fabliha Bushra, daughter of Lt Col Lutfar Rahman Khan. "...but my younger brother and many who were not even

born...know nothing about their fathers," she added. Claiming that killing of 57 army officers in a single inci-

dent was unprecedented, Habibur Rahman, father of Capi Kudrat Elahi, said, "We want to know who planned this killing?...We have not yet received justice, we just heard it." He said he may not live to see execution of the carnage

case verdict for a long legal process lies ahead with appeals awaiting hearing at the High Court and Supreme Court. Among the convicts, 152 were handed down death sen-

tence and 161 life term. Son of Col Elahi, Saquib Rahman, also founder of non-

tory bail to Mosharraf for six | government organisation "DESH: WE'RE CONCERNED SEE PAGE 5 COL 1

Occupational safety majorly ignored

International conference told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Occupational safety of most of Bangladesh's workers is not even talked about let alone ensured, speakers said on the second day of a three-day international conference in the capital yesterday.

Around 80 percent of Bangladesh's labour force is engaged in the construction sector with virtually no safety measures, said Chowdhury Mufad Ahmed, a joint secretary and director of the labour skill development project of the government.

Bangladesh National Building Code (BNBC), containing some considerable provisions for labour safety in the sector, is rarely followed, resulting in frequent acci-

dents, most of which go unreported, he said. Dhaka Community Hospital Trust jointly with Collegium Ramazzini and Harvard School of Public Health organised the conference on occupational safety in Bangladesh's garment, tannery and con-

struction industries. "I have been hearing demands for reloca-

over environmental concerns," said Chowdhury, "But I have hardly heard any concern for health safety of the labourers who are exposed to a silent death." Massive safety lapses and helplessness of

tion of the Hazaribagh tanneries since 1988

readymade garments workers recurrently come to light following accidents like the Rana Plaza collapse and Tazreen factory fire, he said

Though this sector brought phenomenal economic leaps in the lives of the factory owners, it contributed to women emancipation to a certain degree with a minimal economic empowerment and independence, he said.

Eighty percent of Bangladesh's 4.5 million readymade garment (RMG) workers are women while the country is the world's second largest garment exporter with \$21.5 billion in earnings in the fiscal year.

In 1985, the wealthiest five percent of Bangladesh's population owned 1.8 percent of the nation's wealth and it increased to

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COLLEGE STUDENT'S SUICIDE AFTER RAPE Why case not filed

HC summons Munshiganj OC for explaining STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday summoned the officer-in-charge (OC) of Munshiganj's Srinagar Police Station on April 2 to explain why a case was not filed over the suicide of a college student who had been raped. Yasmin, a first year higher secondary student, committed

suicide two days after she was raped by her neighbour Sheikh Aslam, 52, a father of seven sons, of Melahati village in East Baroikhali on the night of February 12, said a weekly. In its February 16 report, the weekly from Munshiganj,

Ekusheyr Khanta, added that the victim's father Ayar Hossain went to the police station but police refused to record any case. Later, the local union parishad chairman and members

and ruling party leaders settled the matter through arbitration, fining the rapist Tk 3 lakh, it said. The HC ordered the OC, Mahbubur Rahman, to file a

case against the alleged perpetrators in 48 hours and submit a report on compliance in 10 days.

It also asked the home secretary to form a committee SEE PAGE 5 COL 3

Condemned to a life of trauma

Acid attack survivors tell closing session of four-day convention

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

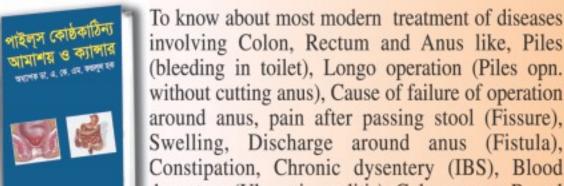
When Runa looked at herself in the mirror for the first time after the acid attack, it scared the hell out of her. "I didn't want to look again. I felt the need to hide my face all the time," she said.

The survivor was describing her trauma at the closing ceremony of a four-day convention on "psychosocial support for the acid and burn victims" organised by Acid Survivors Foundation in the capital's Bangabandhu International Conference Center.

"The victims are condemned to a life of trauma because they have to struggle to get back to society," said Meher Afroze Chumki, state minister for women and children affairs.

The fact that acid survivors need to be provided with psychological treatment is often overlooked, said SEE PAGE 5 COL 3

Piles, Constipation, Dysentery, Cancer



involving Colon, Rectum and Anus like, Piles (bleeding in toilet), Longo operation (Piles opn. without cutting anus), Cause of failure of operation around anus, pain after passing stool (Fissure), Swelling, Discharge around anus (Fistula), Constipation, Chronic dysentery (IBS), Blood dysentery (Ulcerative colitis), Colonoscopy, Bowel (Colon & Rectum) Cancer, most modern stapling rectum cancer operation without artificial stool collecting bag (Colostomy),

Childrens bleeding in toilet (Polyp), you may read the book written by : Pioneer Colorectal Surgeon of Bangladesh & the Sub-Continent **Prof. Dr. AKM Fazlul Haque**

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