

Design Thinking

'Design Thinking' is something that makes life easier in all aspects. The term is defined as combining empathy, creativity and rationality while dealing with a problem and finding possible solutions. Design Thinking can be applied to anything from designing a toothbrush to providing better customer care at an airport or a bank. For example, take a simple thing like a chair or a sofa. In this country, most sofas or chairs are very uncomfortable to sit on (although some of them look fancy) and when you sit on one, it feels like you are being tortured. It does not cost more to design them as more user-friendly. It is a wonderfully written article and I thank the *Star* for it.

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An Icon in Theatre

As a theatre lover I was really happy to see one of the pioneers of theatres in Bangladesh being acknowledged by the *Star*. Ramendu Majumdar along with Abdullah Al Mamun, Nasiruddin Yousuff and others has made theatre a powerful tool to promote social justice and a weapon to fight oppression. We congratulate Majumdar for being elected the president of International Theatre Institute for the second time. He has made our country proud.

Shirin Jahan
Basabo, Dhaka

Hello, Boishakh!

Nice article on the eve of Shubho Noboborsho. I didn't know *Boishakh* is celebrated in so many other countries until I read this article which is informative and easy to read. I hope this year will be happier and more peaceful for everyone.

Rumana Zaman
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Dreadful Biking

I want to draw the attention of the authorities on the reckless motorcycle driving on roads in Comilla. In last two years the number of motorcycles has increased two to three times in Comilla, thanks to the illegal import of cheaper bikes from bordering India. But the number of driving licenses issued by BRTA has not gone up accordingly. As a result inexperienced drivers are driving on the roads risking the lives of others and their own. Every month at least two persons die and 10-20 people get injured in accidents caused by motorcycles. Besides, a lot of young guys ignore the speed limits and act like they are invincible while driving bikes.

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Star: a Lifesaver

I am a candidate for the HSC exam in 2014. In the Bangla second paper, one of the topics we were asked to write an essay on was Information Technology in Bangladesh. As soon as I got the question paper, I wanted to jump in joy because I had thoroughly read the cover story titled "A New Bangladesh" (published on March 28) which was about the Information Technology revolution in Bangladesh. By reading the article I developed a good understanding about the issue. And I am very satisfied with the way I was able to write the essay, thanks to the *Star*.

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