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# BURIGANGA ENCROACHMENT 28 structures demolished

STAFF CORRESPONDENT  
Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority in a joint drive with Dhaka district administration yesterday removed 28 illegal structures, including four concrete buildings, built on the Buriganga river in and around Keraniganj on the outskirts of the capital.  
The two two-storey buildings and two one-storey buildings, in Meererbagh and Noyatola near the first China-Bangladesh Friendship Bridge, had been constructed illegally on the river, said Saiful Islam, joint director of BIWTA.  
All the structures demolished were in Meererbagh, Noyatola and Hasnabad areas. The joint team also sealed off four unauthorised waste disposal lines flowing directly into the river.  
Sariful said unscrupulous traders and individuals had built the structures on the foreshore of the river within the demarcation boundary of the river.  
He pointed out that the river boundary demarcation was faulty and that hundreds more illegal structures would have been under the purview of their drive had the demarcation been done properly.  
The two-day drive would continue today to clear the



Dhaka district administration and BIWTA in a joint drive demolish illegal structures on the Buriganga near Buriganga Bridge in Postagola yesterday. Workers employed for the joint drive tearing down the walls of a two-storey house, inset.

PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

# Ship-breaking worker killed

He was working without safety gears

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Cg  
A worker died falling from a ship at a ship-breaking yard in Sitakunda upazila of Chittagong on Sunday night.  
Md Mohiuddin, 22, of Moheshkhali upazila of Cox's Bazar, was inexperienced and was not wearing helmet at the time of the accident, fellow workers said.  
His brother Mohammed Mamun said he was informed at 6:00pm on Sunday that Mohiuddin had fallen from a ship at SH Enterprise.  
Mohiuddin, who was residing at Alamgir Colony in Kadam Rasul area of Sitakunda upazila, worked as a cutting helper at the ship-breaking yard.  
He fell on a steel plate while working on the ship, MV Rachar Express, said Aminul Islam, inspector (investigation) of Sitakunda Police Station.

# Mobarak's war crimes trial ends

Verdict any day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT  
The International Crimes Tribunal-1 may deliver verdict in the war crimes case against Mobarak Hossain, a leader of Brahmanbaria Awami League, any day as the trial proceedings concluded yesterday.  
With the completion of proceedings in Mobarak's case, four war crimes cases are now waiting for verdict delivery at two tribunals conducting trial of war crimes accused.  
The accused are facing charges of crimes against humanity and genocide committed during the Liberation War in 1971.  
On March 24, Tribunal-1 kept the case against Jamaat Chief Motiur Rahman Nizami waiting for verdict delivery for the second time.  
It had also kept the case against Faridpur BNP leader Zahid Hossain Khokon awaiting judgment on April 17.  
Tribunal-2 kept the case against Jamaat leader Mir Quasem Ali waiting for verdict delivery on May 4.  
Tribunal-1 had completed Nizami's case proceeding on November 13 last



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# Love beyond frontiers

QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT from Thakurgaon  
There were barbed wire fences, fear of arrest and even of sudden firing by the border guards. But to one desperate to meet the beloved on the other side of the border, there was little to care about all such attendant dangers.  
Nineteen-year-old Indian girl Putul Rani Roy slipped into Bangladesh through the Tentulia border in the dark of night on Saturday successfully, though she had to return a day later.  
According to Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) and local sources, Sadequul Islam, 23, of Magura village in Tentulia upazila of Panchagarh stays at the home of Gopal Chandra in Haftiagoch village of Islampur thana in India's Uttar Dinajpur district whenever he goes there to bring cattle. On one such visit a couple of years ago,

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# CABINET OKAYS NEW LAW MPs, SC judges cannot take foreign funds

STAFF CORRESPONDENT  
The cabinet yesterday approved the draft of Foreign Contributions (Voluntary Activities) Regulation Act, 2014 to ensure proper inspection and monitoring of foreign-funded NGOs in the country.  
The proposed law will ensure transparency, accountability and appropriate use of foreign contributions to the NGOs, Cabinet Secretary M Musharraf Hossain Bhuiyan told newsmen after a cabinet meeting at the secretariat.  
The proposed law prohibits political parties, lawmakers, Supreme Court judges, government and semi-government officials and employees, and candidates of national and local body elections from taking any foreign donations, he said.  
Under the act, no NGO will be able to take up any project and implement it with foreign donations without the approval of the NGO Affairs Bureau.  
Individuals will have to take approval from the bureau and make clear the source of the foreign funds and their areas of utilisation.  
NGOs concerned would be warned for violation of the law in the first step, Musharraf said, adding that the 10-year registration would be cancelled and a fine would be slapped on the firm in the later phases.

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# Abed wins Leo Tolstoy Gold Medal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT  
Brac Founder and Chairperson Sir Fazle Hasan Abed has been awarded the Leo Tolstoy International Gold Medal by the Russian Children Foundation (RCF)

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PRAYER TIMING		June 3
	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-05	4-40
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	5-00	5-15
Maghrib	6-45	6-50
Esha	8-15	8-45

Source: Islamic Foundation



BGB Nayek Mizanur Rahman's body being carried to the helicopter after his first namaz-e-janaza at the 31 Battalion camp of Border Guard Bangladesh yesterday. His body was taken to his Comilla home and buried. Story on page 3.

# Google satellites to cover entire planet

MAIL ONLINE  
The world wide web may seem like a global community, but two-thirds of the planet still remain without access.  
Now, Google is planning to change this by launching a fleet of 180 satellites to provide web access for the 4.8 billion people not yet online, according to sources close to the company.  
The California-based giant will spend more than \$1 billion on the technology, which will rival Facebook's efforts to connect remote regions of the world.  
Details remain vague, but the Wall Street Journal reports that the satellites will be small and high-capacity, and will orbit the Earth at 'lower altitudes than traditional satellites'.  
Google's venture is being led by Greg Wyler, founder of satellite-communications start-up O3b Networks, and depending on the network's final design.  
The group may double the number of proposed satellites.  
The project is the latest venture from a Silicon Valley to connect the world to the internet in the

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