1 dies as rain continues to batter Ctg Two villages flooded

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A construction worker was killed and three others were injured early yesterday when a rain-soaked boundary wall of a building collapsed on a tin-shed barrack of the workers at Rahamat Nagar in Nasirabad of Chittagong city which has been in the grip of incessant rain for the fourth consecutive day.

The deceased was Md Aslam, 22, of Chapainawabganj. Md Mamun, Md Shefajul, and Khokan are undergoing treatment at Chittagong Medical College Hopital, said Jasim Uddin, deputy assistant director of Fire Service and Civil Defence of Chittagong.

The port city dwellers got no respite from waterlogging and faced immense sufferings as the city's low-lying areas, almost one-third of the city area, went under knee-deep to waist-deep water due to torrential downpours that continued from Friday midnight till yesterday.

Chittagong Met Office recorded 537.4mm rain in the city during the last 48 hours while 211.2mm rain during the last 24 hours till 9:00am, said an official, Nur Mohammad.

The low-lying areas include Bakalia, Bahaddarhat, Katalganj, Muradpur, Halishahar, and Agrabad.

People were seen again yesterday throwing out water from their houses and shops. Motor vehicles did not run on the streets while very few rickshaws were seen plying. Commuters and pedestrians mostly had to walk through filthy water overflowing from roadside drains to reach their destinations.

Many schools had to suspend their academic activities due to the rain. Aparna Barua, a teacher of Chittagong Grammar School, said their exams scheduled for yesterday were postponed. Water entered the classrooms on the ground

floor of Pashchchim Bakalia Government Primary School, Bakalia Adorsha Uchcha Balika Bidyalay, Bakalia Government High School and Bangabandhu Model Primary School, said locals. Jahid Chowdhury, who was walking through

filthy water in Kapasgola area, expressed his resentment towards Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) for failing to address the city's waterlogging problem. People of the submerged areas held CCC

responsible for poor sewerage management of the city that is causing waterlogging.

Meanwhile, water overflowed the embankment of Srimati Khal (canal) and submerged many houses, ponds and acres of agricultural fields in Bhatikhine and Chhanahara villages of Patiya upazila on Friday, said Abdul Mannan, Bhatikhine Union Parishad member.

Road communications on Chittagong-Rangamati and Chittagong-Khagrachhari routes remained snapped from the morning till afternoon due to waterlogging from Laliar Hat to Bara Dighir Par in Hathazari upazila, said Hathazari police.

People of Chittagong might not get a respite immediately as forecasting officer of Chittagong Met Office Nilufer Jahan yesterday said rain might continue for the next 24 hours. Chittagong Port was advised to hoist signal number 3, she added.



A rickshawpuller lying facedown next to his vehicle narrowly escaping being run over by a CNG-run auto-rickshaw, not in picture, which knocked him down before speeding away in the capital's Rampura yesterday. Such reckless driving by motorised vehicle operators is a daily occurrence in the city, and the victims are not always as lucky as this man. PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

Fruit growers and traders form a human chain on Ahsanullah Road in Badamtoli area of the capital yesterday as a part of their protest against the use of Formaldehyde Metre Z-300 in the ongoing drive to check formalin in fruits because, they claim, Z-300 is meant to measure formaldehyde in the environment and not in food. The agitators are demanding that officials of the Directorate General of Health Services, Buet, and the Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research form a joint body to end use of formalin in fruits. PHOTO: STAR

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College student raped by peers in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A female college student was raped by fellow students and the incident was also recorded on a mobile phone in Chittagong.

Victim's family filed a case in this regard yesterday.

On June 10, Anisur Rahman Manik and AR Khan, students of a local college, raped the woman after luring to a hill on the pretext of sightseeing near the college, said police.

AL leader's house robbed in Savar

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Armed robbers looted valuables from the house of an Awami League leader in Savar on the outskirts of the capital early yesterday.

House owner Kamal Hosen, organising secretary of Savar upazila Awami League, said two masked robbers enter the house by cutting window grilles of a three-storey building's first floor and took the family members hostage at gunpoint. None was arrested yet, said police.

India may extradite

Hossain's extradition issue is expected to figure during the visit of External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj to Bangladesh on June 25-27.

Hossain and two other Bangladeshi nationals were arrested at an apartment at Koikhali in Kolkata for not having valid documents for entering India. All three are currently in police custody. Their eight-day police remand, ordered by a Barasat court, ends today.

One-third are climate

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), said with such adverse effects of climate change, building the coal fuelled power plant at Rampal is a very bad decision.

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Climate change endangers Narsingdi fish species mother fishes from confined water bodies,

pearing fast.

production.

BSS, Narsingdi

The adverse impact of climate change has been posing a serious threat to indigenous fish species, particularly the small ones, in Narsingdi. Even in the month of Ashar fish is not

the water bodies in the region are now dying due to the adverse impact of climate Fisheries experts said breeding fields for

available in the local markets as most of

fishes had been drastically reduced due to scanty rainfall and siltation in the big rivers and their tributaries, water-bodies and other wetlands. All native fishes are declining in numbers

because of a great fall in the surface of water resources.

Fishermen, indiscriminately catching

district fisheries officer, said various proposals, including re-excavation and dredging of local rivers and canals, have

been placed before the higher authorities to save the indigenous species.

also add to the sharp fall in fish production.

nous species of sweet water fish are disap-

According to locals, almost 40 indige-

Fishermen said their community is suffer-

They said frequent use of pesticides and

ing the most as they are passing hard days with

nets everytime returning empty from the water.

chemical fertilisers in lands and continuous

disposal of wastes and chemical-mixed

water into the water bodies by local factories

are contributing to reducing the overall fish

Chowdhury Mohammad Abul Faraha,

Independent candidate

and it will bring a qualitative change in politics, hoped BSD general secretary Khalequazzamn.

Asif Nazrul, a law professor at Dhaka University, called the Narayanganj-5 election a battle between the evil and wellmeaning forces, and said the people would surely reject the evil force.

CPB presidium member Haidar Akbar Khan Rono, Gonoshasthaya Kendra founder Dr Zafrullah Chowdhury, academician Dilara Zaman, among others, also spoke.

Meanwhile, Commanding Officer of Rapid Action Battalion-11 Anwar Latif Khan said over 1,000 Rab members started patrolling the constituency yesterday to maintain law and order during the poll.

Ctg residents walk for

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encouraged to keep their surroundings clean with their own hands.

During the events, leaflets containing slogans like "If I am fit, country is fit", "We will remain clean and build up habitable Chittagong", and "We will abide by the rules and break the culture of unlawfulness" were distributed among the people.

Hossain Zillur urged all to come forward

to make Chittagong a liveable city.

Walking for Chittagong-2 came to an end through a brief rally in Reazuddin Bazar area around 5:00pm where Nasir Uddin Chowdhury, former vice-president of BGMEA; Manjurul Kibria, associate professor of the zoology department of Chittagong University; and James Gomes, regional director of Caritas, Chittagong Region, also spoke.

Road crashes kill five

ambulance collided head-on with a bus at Dhareyer bazar point on Rangpur-Kishoreganj road in Kishoreganj upazila of the district yesterday. The deceased were Akbar Ali, 55, and

Moner Ali, 45, of Deviganj upazila.

Our Chapainawabganj correspondent reports, two people died and two others were injured when they fell from the roof of a bridal party bus after they dashed against a branch of tree in Chakmoirom area of Dhamuirhat upazila in Naogaon

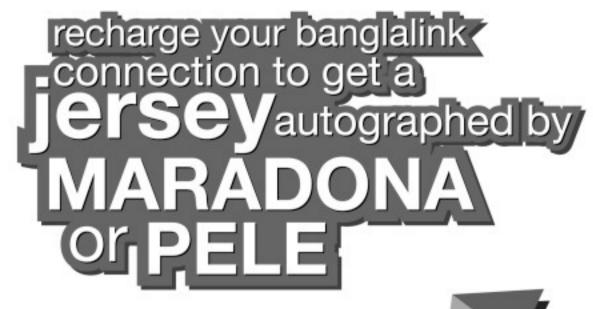
The deceased were Shoilen Murmu, 20, son of Ramlal Murmu and Sanjit Hemrom, 18, son of Golap Hemrom of Bahadurpur village of the upazila.

Our Benapole correspondent adds a person died and four others were injured when a truck collided head-on with a human hauler on Benapole-Jessore highway in Amrakhali area on Friday.

The deceased was Monir Hossain, 21, son of Alomgir Hossain of Panta para village of the district.

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