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Tired and frustrated with workers of Moghbazar-Mouchak flyover clogging up the road in front of his hotel with debris and construction materials, Eldridge MacEwan, general manager of Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka, takes matters into his own hands yesterday. Armed with a shovel, MacEwan in the sweltering heat had the workers remove the dirt and clear the street in front of the FDC. Now several cars can move on the road at the same time and guests can get into his hotel.



PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

NIZAMI 'YET TO BE STABLE' War trial verdict delayed further

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Verdict in the war crimes case against Jamaat-e-Islami chief Motiur Rahman Nizami is likely to face further delay as health of the 71-year-old accused was "yet to be stable".

"His health has improved slightly but yet to be stable" AKM Nasiruddin Mahmud, registrar of the international crimes tribunals, told The Daily Star yesterday citing Nizami's latest health report.

Following an order of the International Crimes Tribunal-1 on Tuesday when Nizami's verdict was postponed "due to his illness", the Dhaka Central Jail authorities submitted the health report to the registrar's office at 3:00pm yesterday.

"The jail authorities will send another report once his [Nizami's] health becomes stable, and the tribunal will take the next step then," Mahmud, also the spokesperson of the tribunals, added.

The International Crimes Tribunal-1 on Tuesday postponed Nizami's verdict as the three-member tribunal led by

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Biman sorry for assault of Rubi

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Biman Bangladesh Airlines yesterday apologised to the nation unconditionally two days after one of its staff struck a passenger in the head with an iron chair.

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PRAYER TIMING June 27		
	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-05	4-40
Juma	12-30	1-15
Asr	5-00	5-15
Maghrib	6-54	6-57
Esha	8-17	8-45

Source: Islamic Foundation

Shibir men clash with cops at RU

Blast crude bombs, vandalise 2 buses

RU CORRESPONDENT

Islami Chhatra Shibir activists clashed with police, vandalised two university buses and blasted at least five crude bombs while observing a daylong hartal at Rajshahi University yesterday.

They enforced the strike to realise the demand for the arrest of Chhatra League leaders, who they accuse of severing the ankle of an RU Shibir leader, Russell Alam, on June 16.

Some 20-25 Shibir men were locked in a clash with law enforcers when they obstructed a procession near Charukala gate on the RU campus, said Alamgir Hossain, officer-in-charge of Motihar Police Station.

The protesters threw stones and brick chips at police and exploded two

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Modi accepts PM's invitation to visit Dhaka

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Accepting Sheikh Hasina's invitation to visit Dhaka, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has vowed to further accelerate his country's engagement with Bangladesh and strengthen the framework for bilateral ties.

In a letter to his Bangladesh counterpart, India's new leader also extended an invitation to

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Delhi wants to resolve all

Sushma tells PM about pending bilateral issues

UNB, Dhaka

India wants to resolve all bilateral issues between Dhaka and New Delhi as it is looking forward to a positive relationship with its neighbour, India's external affairs minister said yesterday.

"We want to resolve all the bilateral issues once and for all through cordial discussions," Sushma Swaraj was quoted as telling Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina when she made a courtesy call on her.

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Too much TV doubles early death risk

THE TELEGRAPH ONLINE

Watching three hours of more television each day may double the risk of early death compared with people who watch one or less -- even if you are young and healthy, a study suggests.

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