

FALL IN TEMPERATURE LIKELY



WEATHER TODAY

Unb. Dhaka

Moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at most places over Rajshahi, Rangpur, Chittagong, Sylhet, Dhaka, Barisal and Khulna divisions till 6:00pm today.

Moderately heavy to heavy rainfall is also

likely at places over the country, Met Office said.

Day and night temperatures may fall by (1-2) degree Celsius over the country.

The sun sets in the capital today at 6:33pm and rises tomorrow at 5:34am.



Country's highest temperature 34.2 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Chaudanga and lowest 24.9 degree Celsius in Madaripur.

The highest and lowest temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage		Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage		
	Max:	Min:	Morning	Evening	Max:	Min:	Morning	Evening	
Dhaka	29.7	25.8	86	88	Khulna	31.6	27.8	87	80
Chittagong	30.0	25.5	92	95	Barisal	29.8	26.5	90	91
Rajshahi	32.5	28.0	87	97	Sylhet	31.0	26.4	83	92
Rangpur	28.8	27.6	92	92	Cox's Bazar	31.0	27.6	85	97

Abbas again assures govt of peaceful movement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP leader Mirza Abbas yesterday called upon the government not to "kill democracy" while assuring it of a peaceful movement.

Abbas, convenor of Dhaka city unit, also warned the government of "consequences" if it tries to thwart the movement by force. He made the statement while addressing a combined meeting of his unit and its front organisations in the parties central office in Naya Paltan of the capital.

The BNP-led 20-party alliance will stage a rally at Suhrawardy Udyana on August 19 protesting the new national broadcast policy which will be attended by party chief,

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BCL-COP ATTACK ON RU STUDENTS Withdrawal of cases against victims still being demanded Lifting of ban on marches, rallies on campus also urged

RU CORRESPONDENT

Progressive Student Alliance, a platform of four left leaning student organisations of Rajshahi University, yesterday demanded immediate withdrawal of the cases against general students over the February 2 violence.

They raised the demand at a press conference at the university's central cafeteria.

On February 2, over 100 students and eight journalists were injured when some armed Bangladesh Chhatra League men backed by police attacked them who were demonstrating against a fee hike and evenning master's programmes on the campus.

On the contrary, the following day, the university authorities, police and BCL filed six cases with Motihar police accusing more than 750 general students.

The alliance also demanded immediate lifting of the restriction on organisational

and cultural activities on the campus and election to Rajshahi University Central Students Union (Rucusu).

Addressing the press conference, several students said due to the cases they could not move freely on the campus because of the fear of arrest.

Although they were assured several times that the cases would be withdrawn, no step was taken, they alleged.

Among others, Sohrab Hossain, president of RU Samajtantrik Chhatra Front; and Faruk Emon, president of Chhatra Federation, addressed the programme.

Prof Chowdhury Sarwar Jahan, pro-vice chancellor of RU, said to maintain a congenial environment, a ban on all kinds of procession, rally and the use of megaphones was imposed on March 3.

About withdrawal of the cases, he said they were waiting for the report of an RU committee formed to probe the violence.

NAT'L BROADCAST POLICY Civil society, rights bodies demand reformulation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Some civil society members and rights organisations have demanded reformulation of the new National Broadcast Policy consistent with justice, equality and democratic values.

They also demanded establishing an independent broadcast commission to implement the policy, said a statement of Samajik Protirodh Committee, a platform of different civil societies and rights and women's organisations.

They also demanded a halt to the implementation of the policy until the commission is established, said the statement signed by Ayesha Khanam, a top level official of the platform and president of Bangladesh Mahila Parishad.

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BHUPUR MAYHEM
Court orders
further CID
investigation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday ordered CID to investigate further a murder case filed for an alleged attack by Hefajat and Jamaat-Shibir men on a local Awami League rally in Bhupur of Fatikchhari upazila in Chittagong last year that killed three AL men.

Senior judicial magistrate Qudrat-e-Elahi gave the order as complainant Jamal Pasha, maternal uncle of Md Rubel who was killed in the incident, appealed for further enquiry after expressing no confidence in the charge sheet submitted

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PATIENT DIES OF 'WRONG TREATMENT' IN SYLHET Locals, relatives wreck hospital

Three staff suspended

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Sylhet residents and relatives of a patient who died because of alleged wrong treatment vandalised a private hospital in the city on Tuesday night.

The dead was Kabir Ali of Palai village in Sunamganj. Meanwhile, the hospital authorities formed a three-member committee to investigate the allegation. The authorities also suspended three people including a doctor in this regard.

Kabir's family members claimed that they admitted Kabir to Jalalabad Ragib-Rabeya Medical College Hospital in Pathantola area on Tuesday afternoon as he was bleeding excessively from the nose and mouth.

Hena Begum, Kabir's sister, alleged, "In the beginning, Kabir's condition was improving after he was administered some medicine. Later, his condition deteriorated rapidly after a nurse injected him with something."

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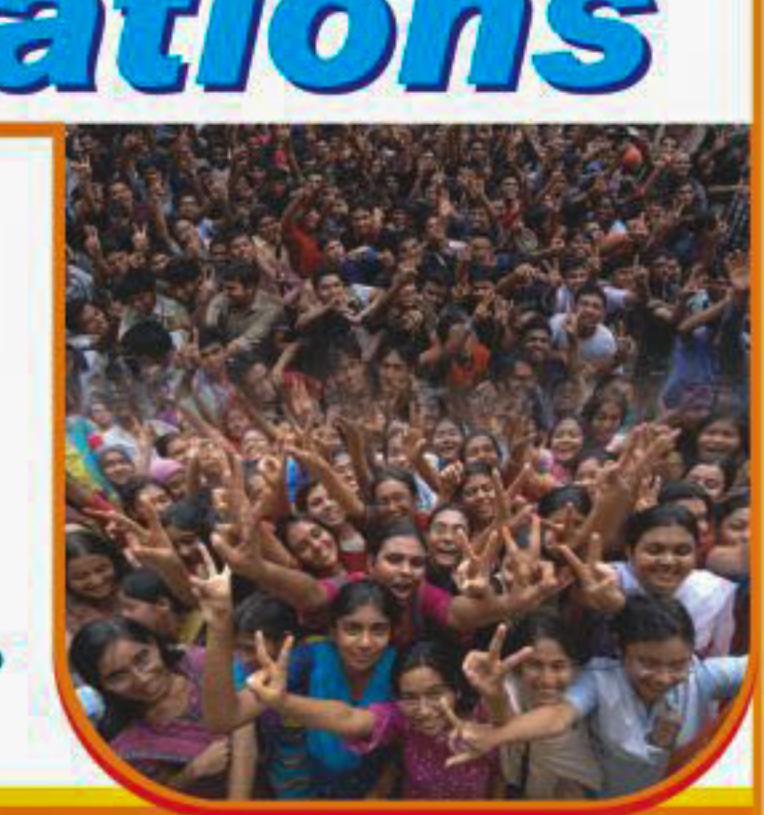
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