Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at many places over Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Rangpur, Rajshahi, Dhaka 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 rise slightly over the country.

The sun sets in the capital today at 5:52pm and rises tomorrow at 5:48am.

Country's highest temperature 34.2 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Jessore and lowest 23.6 degree Celsius in Sreemangal.

yesterday were:

Dhaka The highest and lowest temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns Rajshahi

Temperature in Celsius Humidity in percentage Morning 31.8 26.2 Chittagong 29.4 24.9 31.0 31.5 24.7 Rangpur

Temperature in Celsius Evening Max: 96 32.5 Khulna 32.0 90 Barisal 32.2 24.3 Cox's Bazar 27.8 25.0

Humidity in percentage Morning Evening 88



### 44 Bangladeshis detained in Thailand brought back home

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Forty-four Bangladeshis detained in Thailand while trying to enter Malaysia using the sea route were brought back home yesterday evening, said the Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training.

A total of 189 Bangladeshis were brought back from there over the last few months, said the foreign ministry.

## Another man held with smuggled gold at Dhaka airport

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Customs intelligence officials arrested one person and seized 27 gold bars worth Tk 1.5 crore and weighing 3.15kg hidden inside a microwave oven at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport yesterday.

On information, the officials caught Tarek Hossain, a passenger of a flight from Dubai, while he was exiting through the green channel, said the officials.

## BNP besieges Ctg PDB office protesting power outage

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

BNP leaders and activists besieged the Power Development Board office at Agrabad in Chittagong city yesterday protesting severe power outage.

Demanding uninterrupted electricity supply, BNP city unit General Secretary Shahadat Hossain alleged when the government was claiming the highest ever power production, the city dwellers had been suffering from outage for 13 to 14 hours every day. He demanded finding irregularities and corruption at PDB. The participants threatened to go for tougher movements if their demands were not met.

#### Cuta observes one-hour strike

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Chittagong University Teachers' Association (Cuta) observed the second phase of one-hour work abstention yesterday demanding expulsion of the students involved in September 10 attack on CU teachers.

It also demanded expulsion of those students from whose rooms, at CU halls, bombs were recovered.

At least 15 CU teachers were injured when crude bombs were hurled allegedly by Shibir men at two buses carrying them.

#### Galleri Kaya extends Murtaja Baseer's solo exhibition

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The ongoing solo exhibition of Prof Murtaja Baseer titled "A Collection of Drawings, Collages & Oil Pastels (1954-2014)" at Galleri Kaya has been extended for two days. The exhibit was originally supposed to end on September 25, now it will end on September 27. The exhibition will remain open daily from 11:00am till 8:00pm at House 20,







The Bay of Bengal off St Martin's beach on a November afternoon, 2013. This is an entry for The Daily Star photo contest 'in Pixel' (ow.ly/BKVdE). Scan the QR code to like or share or comment on the image on Facebook. PHOTO: MD SOJIB HASAN

# HC rejects pleas for regularisation of judge Altaf's job

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday upheld a government decision not to confirm ABM Altaf Hossain as a permanent additional judge of the court.

He was among the six who were made additional judges in June 2012 on a temporary basis, but the government regularised the job of all but his this June. Though the chief justice had recommended confirma-

tion of the position of all six as permanent after a two-

year evaluation, no reason was cited for Altaf's exclusion. In July and August, Supreme Court lawyer Idrisur Rahman and Altaf themselves filed two separate writ petitions challenging the decision, but the bench of Justice Sheikh Hassan Arif and Justice Muhammad Ullah rejected

both yesterday. Altaf said he would petition the SC against the HC order. Salahuddin Dolon, a lawyer for Altaf, told The Daily Star that petitions were rejected since the Appellate Division in

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#### TK 82CR SWINDLE ACC launches investigation against MLM

company STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission has launched an investigation into the allegation of Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd, a multi-level marketing (MLM) entity, misappropriating around Tk 82 crore of depositors' money.

The commission yesterday appointed a threemember inquiry team led by its Deputy Director Jahangir Alam to carry out the investigation, said Pranab Kumar Bhattacharya, another

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# LAWS PROTECTING WOMEN, CHILDREN MPs should also focus on implementation

Says Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Parliamentarians should ensure that all legislation, particularly those concerning women, children and gender equality, have an implementation strategy, said Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury yesterday. "As parliamentarians, we tend to ignore the aspect of implementation as we are more focused on passing the

legislation," she said while addressing a regional seminar for Asia Pacific parliaments. The three-day seminar titled "Ending the Cycle of Violence against Girls in Asia-Pacific" organised by

Bangladesh National Parliament and Inter Parliamentary Union ends today at Sonargaon Hotel. Parliamentarians from 14 countries attended the seminar. Addressing a session on the role of parliamentarians in effective implementation of legislation on violence against

girls, Shirin Sharmin said the implementation of any law

depends on the work of certain authorities like the police

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#### **JU** admission seeker, aide held for cheating JU CORRESPONDENT

An admission candidate and one of her accomplices were held at Jahangirnagar University yesterday over cheating in the admission test through mobile phones.

Humaiya Atia Akhi, who sat for the test under D unit, or biological faculty, and Mamun Rashid, her aide, were handed over to Ashulia police.

Mamun is an ex-student of the Institute of Leather **Engineering and Technology** in the capital. He was trying to send answers to her

through text messages. Hailing from Thakurgaon, Akhi said she was supposed to pay the gang Tk 4.5 lakh if she

qualified for enrolment. SEE PAGE 4 COL 7

# Road 16, Sector 4, Uttara, Dhaka. नामः भिन्नी त्रशम कार्ड नरह ५०५व মাতাঃ মোসাঃ হাবিয়া বেগম আমঃ পদিতো, ডাক্দরঃ আমতলা ালাঃ দৌলভপুর, জেলাঃ মানিকগঞ্জ वर्षभाग विकासाट वि-४०/३ आरम्ब Three-year-old Arman Hossain in the arms of his grandmother, Habiba Begum, his

#### only straw to stay alive. The boy's mother, Shilpi Begum, is one of the more than a hundred Rana Plaza victims still missing or unaccounted for. After the disaster, his father abandoned him and got remarried in no time, leaving him to grow up with Habiba, a widow, who tries to make her ends meet selling cakes by the roadside in Savar, outside the capital. She joined a human chain near the Rana Plaza site yesterday demanding compensation for all victims.

# Four 'JMB operatives'

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sought a 10-day remand for each.

On December 21, unidentified criminals slit the throats of six people at a house in the capital's Gopibagh. A case was filed against 10 to 12 unnamed persons a day after the incident.

The dead were: Lutfar Rahman Faruque, 60, who had claimed to be a "pir" (spiritual

Lutfar's followers Manjur Alam, 27, Shaheen,

administration and the judiciary.

25, Mujibul Sarkar, 25, and Russell, 22. Khaier, also the investigation officer, told The Daily Star that the four JMB members used to preach their ideology in Gopibagh and the surrounding areas. They were sued as police found some evidence linking them to the killings.

Khaier said the four were arrested in

#### different areas in the capital in February. leader), his son Sarwar Islam Faruque, 30, and

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Adibashi Parishad, National Coalition of Indigenous Peoples, Research and Development Collective, OXFAM, United Nations Development Programme, Manusher Jonno Foundation, Christian Aid, International Labour Organization, Caritas, Brac and Action Aid.

Parliamentary Caucus Convener Fazle year," he said.

First plain land indigenous Hossain Badsha said focus would be on establishing a separate land commission and a ministry, formulating a law to establish their rights and raising next year's budgetary allocation. Indigenous

people comprise at least two percent of the population and deserve Tk 4,000 crore. "But only Tk 16 crore was allocated this

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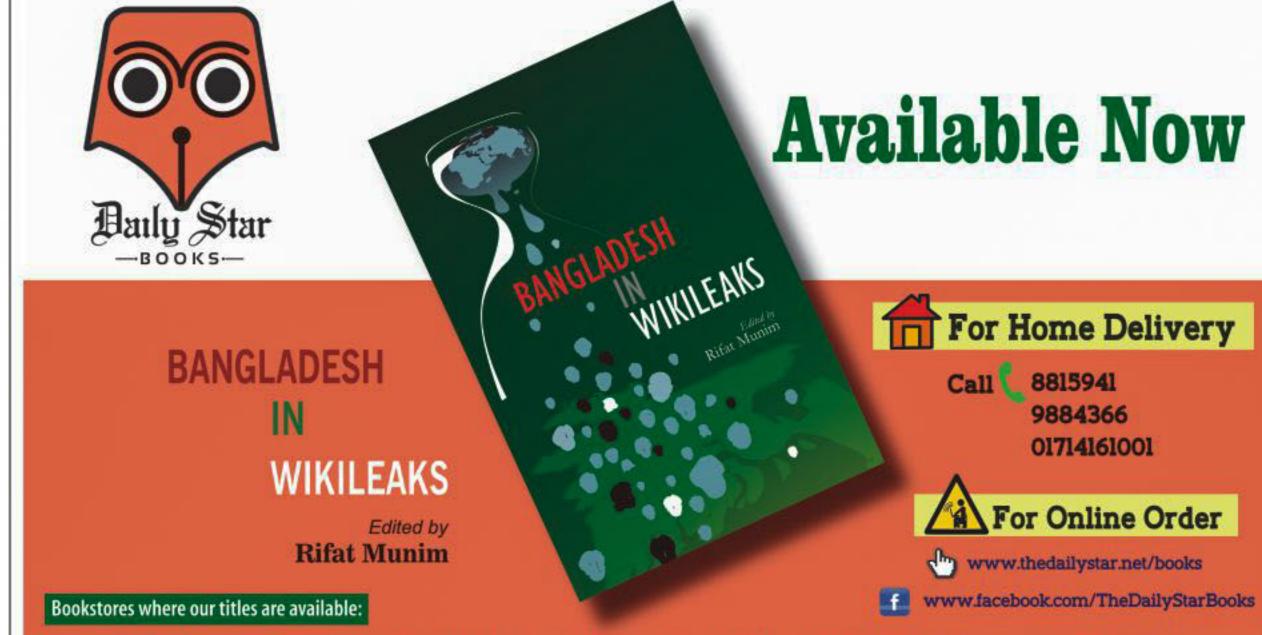


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FROM PAGE 3 inmates. When the staff came it was too late, as the ambulance crew declared him dead, they added.

A memorandum addressed to Home Secretary Theresa May and Immigration Minister James Brokenshire was submitted to Home Office calling for an enquiry. Expressing concerns over the increased harassment, discrimination and intolerance towards immigrants and foreign student population, the protesters said irrespective of backgrounds all detainees should be valued and treated with respect. Rubel's cousins Mayen Uddin Ansar and Heron Miah said they were seeking a second opinion on the post-mortem report.

Hailed from Bishwanath upazila in Sylhet, Rubel had been living there since 2009. PHOTO: RASHAD AHAMAD



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