

**DRY WEATHER LIKELY**  
  
**WEATHER TODAY**  
 Dhaka

Weather may remain dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country till 6:00pm today.  
 Day and night temperatures may rise slightly over the country, Met Office said.

**The sun sets in the capital today at 5:27pm and rises tomorrow at 5:59am.**  
 Country's highest temperature 33.5 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in

Sitakunda and lowest 18.0 degree Celsius in Rajshahi, Ishwardi and Chuadanga.  
 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	32.8	22.4	65	66	Khulna	32.5	21.0	62	75
Chittagong	31.2	22.5	77	74	Barisal	32.0	22.0	75	89
Rajshahi	32.6	18.0	78	79	Sylhet	32.9	21.6	81	75
Rangpur	31.2	21.4	75	76	Cox's Bazar	33.0	23.8	64	75

**Khaleda starts 4-dist tour with Nilphamari today**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia will leave Dhaka for Nilphamari today to address a public rally there tomorrow as part of the countrywide mass campaign of the BNP-led 20-party alliance to drum up public support for a fresh election under a non-party administration.  
 She is scheduled to stay overnight in Bogra Circuit House and move towards Nilphamari tomorrow to attend the rally in the afternoon, said Sayrul Kabir Khan, her media wing member.  
 With the tour, the BNP chief will start a series of tours in four districts.  
 Khaleda is scheduled to make visits to Natore on October 30, Comilla on November 7 and Kishoreganj on November 12.  
 After the mass campaign, she is likely to announce a decisive programme to force the government to meet the alliance's demand, said party insiders.



**Demanding arrears, 600 workers of Dorin Fashion Garments demonstrate in front of BGMEA office in the capital yesterday. A statement circulated by Dorin Fashion Garments Ltd Sramik Karmachari Sangram Parishad reads, owner of the factory in Mirpur fled with its machinery during the Eid-ul-Azha vacation without paying them.** PHOTO: STAR

**Intruders hack father, son in capital**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 Armed assailants forced into the residence of a retired government employee and hacked him and his son in the capital's Sabujbagh yesterday.  
 The injured Abul Hossain, 67, a former assistant director of Board of Investment Bangladesh, and his son Jahid Hossain, 45, are undergoing treatment at National Institute of Traumatology and Orthopaedic Rehabilitation.  
 Some seven to eight assailants first took the gatekeeper hostage at gunpoint and forcibly entered the flat on the second floor of their four-storey building at Baganbari around 5:00am, the father told The Daily Star.  
 They asked for valuables including gold ornaments and cash," said Abul, who opened the door, adding his wife and a domestic help were at the flat at that time.  
 Some of the assailants also latched the doors of other flats from outside so  
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**Cook confesses to killing Keraniganj madrasa boy**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 Cook Shah Alam yesterday confessed to killing a madrasa boy in Keraniganj on the outskirts of the capital, said police.  
 As he failed to sodomize Abu Raihan, 11, and the boy threatened to disclose the illicit attempt, Alam slit his throat with a knife in the kitchen of Tahfizul Quran Nurani Hafizia Madrasa, the law enforcers quoted Alam as saying.  
 On Monday morning, police recovered the body of Raihan from the kitchen.  
 Police detained seven madrasa staff including the cook for interrogation.  
 Around 1:00am Monday, when Raihan, a residential student, came out of his room to go to the toilet, Alam, 35, tried to take him to his room, said Habibur Rahman, superintendent of police in Dhaka, at a press briefing at the media centre of Dhaka Metropolitan Police.  
 While talking to reporters, Alam said before committing the murder he knocked him down the floor and sat on the boy's chest.  
 Police seized Alam's bloodstained lungi and the kitchen knife from the madrasa, in where Raihan and his elder brother Rejwan Rony had been studying for three years.  
 The victim's father Murad Ali filed a murder case with South Keraniganj Police Station.

**Ctg Nursing College closes indefinitely**

**Students demonstrate against low pass rate, accuses principal of biting three of them**  
**STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg**  
 Being frustrated at the results of different batches which showed 117 out of 257 succeeded, students besieged the principal's office in the administrative building for about an hour on Monday.  
 Chandana Haldar, a third year student, having a bandage around her right wrist, yesterday alleged, "The results were far below our expectation. Some 12 students went to the principal to talk about the unexpected results. But the principal without giving any answer first bit me in my wrist"  
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 Chittagong Nursing College has been closed sine die amid a mass demonstration of students who were protesting against a low pass rate seen in the results published on Monday afternoon.  
 The academic council made the announcement yesterday following the students' sit-in staged on the campus demanding review of the exam papers and resignation of the principal and a female teacher.

**RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT**  
**Revise section 7 for better implementation**

**MJF, MRDI seminar recommends; emphasises mass awareness campaign**  
**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 Massive awareness campaign about the Right to Information Act is very urgent to ensure its effective implementation, and to get benefits from the law, said discussants at a seminar yesterday.  
 Most of the people do not know about the law, though five years have already passed after its enactment. The government, mass media and NGOs should work together to encourage the people to use the law, they viewed.  
 Management and Resources Development Initiative (MRDI) in cooperation with Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF) organised the seminar titled "Section-7 of the Right to Information Act, 2009"  
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**OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- All subsections should be clarified
- Subsections on similar issues should be merged
- An information disclosure policy should be formulated
- Information preservation system should be updated at all offices
- All offices should have help desks

**Stop encroachment on Munshiganj river**

**HC directs govt, gives it one week to comply**  
**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 The High Court yesterday ordered the government to stop constructing structures in a river in Sirajdikhan upazila of Munshiganj in a week and to submit a compliance report before it in two weeks.  
 In response to a writ petition, the court directed the government to take legal action against the people responsible for constructing illegal establishments in the river.  
 It also issued a rule upon the authorities concerned of the government to explain in four weeks as to why the construction of structures in the river should not be declared illegal and why a direction should not be given to remove them from the river.  
 An HC bench came up with the order and rule after hearing the writ petition filed by Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh.  
 Citing from the petition, HRPB's lawyer Asaduzzaman Siddique told The Daily Star that some local influential people including Zabbar Madbor and Jalil have reportedly been constructing structures for a market and a house in the tributary of the Ichhamoti and Dhaleshwari rivers after encroaching its land at Matborerhat in Sirajdikhan.



**Discussants at a seminar titled "Section-7 of the Right to Information Act, 2009" organised by Management and Resources Development Initiative in cooperation with Manusher Jonno Foundation at Brac Centre Inn in the capital yesterday.** PHOTO: STAR



**Nobel laureate Dr Muhammad Yunus inaugurates Mary Robinson Centre at Ballina, County Mayo in Ireland on Friday. He also delivered the opening lecture on "We can create a world without poverty, if only we want it" the same day on invitation from former Irish president Mary Robinson, who was born there and spent her childhood years in it, which has now been donated to the City Council of Ballina for public use.** PHOTO: COURTESY

**Bangladesh becomes UNHRC member**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**  
 Bangladesh has become a member of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) for the period of 2015-17.  
 During an election held in New York yesterday, Bangladesh won by 149 votes to become a member, according to a foreign ministry statement.  
 Bangladesh has contested for the post from the Asia Pacific region, says the statement signed by Khaleda Begum, senior information officer of the ministry.  
 Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Thailand and Qatar were the candidates for four member posts reserved for the Asia Pacific region in the election, the statement adds.

**DEMANDING SECOND CHANCE FOR DU ADMISSION**  
**Candidates submit memo to VC**

**Give 3-day ultimatum, announce protest rally at Shaheed Minar if demand not met**  
**DU CORRESPONDENT**  
 A group of six candidates, who sat for the Dhaka University admission tests this year, submitted a memorandum to DU Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique yesterday, urging the authorities to withdraw their decision of not allowing candidates to sit for the tests more than once.  
 The group gave an ultimatum -- either the authorities withdraw the decision in three days or they will hold a protest rally at Shaheed Minar.  
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