

STAR WEEKEND

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EARTHQUAKE!!!

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On April 25, 2015, an earthquake that measured 7.8 on the Richter Scale devastated the entire country of Nepal. Deadly avalanches were triggered around Mt Everest and countless homes and heritage sites all over the country now lie in heaps of rubble. The death toll in Nepal is now in the thousands. The intense aftershocks that can be felt here in Bangladesh, 750 km away from the epicentre, has struck fear into the hearts of many Bangladeshis (especially city dwellers) who are all wondering -can we survive an earthquake of this magnitude if it strikes us next? Can our infrastructure survive such a shock, or will we all be trapped under the concrete jungle we have spent years building around us? While we cannot predict the future, we can prepare for the worst. In this week's spotlight (pages 8-9) we have provided a list of safety precautions one can take in the event of such a disaster.

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FIGHTING THE EPIDEMIC

Talks about the dangers of waterborne diseases in Bangladesh, how it can become an epidemic, and how to tackle the problem if it does.

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HUMILIATED AND INSULTED

Talks about how the lack of legal framework can victimise domestic workers and how they have to face challenges and hurdles everyday.

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AT THE ROOT OF THE MATTER

Talks about how sexual harassment can start in your most personal environment, and how such issues need to be addressed immediately, with punitive action as a consequence.

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RIGHT TO VOTE!

A photo story that highlight how every citizen has the right to vote and how that right needs to be exercised without interference or hassle.

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