

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 31.0 | L 25.7

CHITTAGONG H 33.4 | L 25.0

SYLHET H 34.8 | L 26.5

RAJSHAHI H 28.6 | L 25.4

KHULNA H 28.5 | L 25.8

BARISAL H 29.7 | L 25.5

RANGPUR H 30.3 | L 26.8

COX'S BAZAR H 31.5 | L 26.0

Day and night temperatures may rise by 1-2°C over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:49pm and rises tomorrow at 05:18am. Country's highest temperature 34.8 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Sylhet and lowest 23.5 in Rangamati.

2 remanded over Mirpur murder

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police arrested two persons in the capital yesterday over the murder of college student Reshma in her Mirpur house the day before.

The victim's stepbrother Robin and their security guard Milon were remanded for three days by a Dhaka court, said Mirpur Police Station Sub-inspector Touhidul Arefeen, also the investigation officer.

Robin was held as he had an altercation with Reshma and her mother several days before the killing while Milon because of his absence from his duty during the incident, the IO said.

Reshma, an HSC student at BCIC College in Mirpur, was found dead with her throat slit in her residence on Thursday.

The killers also looted 5 tola of gold from the house, said police. Police suspect that the murderers are known to Reshma and she might have been killed over family feud.

Appeal for help

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur



Rashida Begum, mother of Sohel Sunny, Parbatipur upazila

correspondent of the Daily Amader Orthoeteeti, has been suffering from lung cancer for almost one year.

The family is unable to further bear the treatment cost and has requested all for financial help.

People, interested in sending financial aid, can contact Sohel at 01749208540.

Dr Yunus made honorary citizen of Bologna, Italy

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nobel laureate Prof Dr Muhammad Yunus has been given honorary citizenship of the city of Bologna in Italy.

Mayor of Bologna Virginio Merola conferred this citizenship at a grand ceremony in the City Hall on July 8, said a press release of Yunus Centre yesterday.

Prof Yunus yesterday concluded a five-day visit to Italy after attending several high level events within the framework of the Milan Expo 2015.

He was a keynote speaker at the Social Enterprise World Forum that took place in Milan from July 1 to 3.

Over 1,000 delegates from all over the globe attended the forum organised by the ACRA-CCS foundation of Italy and Social Enterprise UK.

On July 7, Yunus delivered a keynote speech at a program titled "The other Half of the Planet-Women's Weeks" at the Expo Milano 2015. Yunus was also a keynote speaker at a forum organised by Letizia Moratti, former Mayor of Milan, on the subject of Women in Business.



Hundreds of maunds of Hilsha arrive at Port Road Hilsa Wholesale Market in Barisal from Kalapara and Barguna at a time when the fish seemed to have become scarce in the country. According to our Barisal correspondent, around 500 maunds of Hilsha arrived in the market yesterday. The price of the fish ranges from Tk 600 for fry under 500 grammes to Tk 1,200 for 1 kilogramme Hilsa.

PHOTO: ARIFUR RAHMAN

Waterlogging damages Zahir Raihan Road

MAHBUBUR RAHMAN KHAN

Frequent waterlogging has left a portion of Zahir Raihan Road stretching from Chankharpul Intersection to Bakshibazar Intersection in Dhaka in a terrible state.

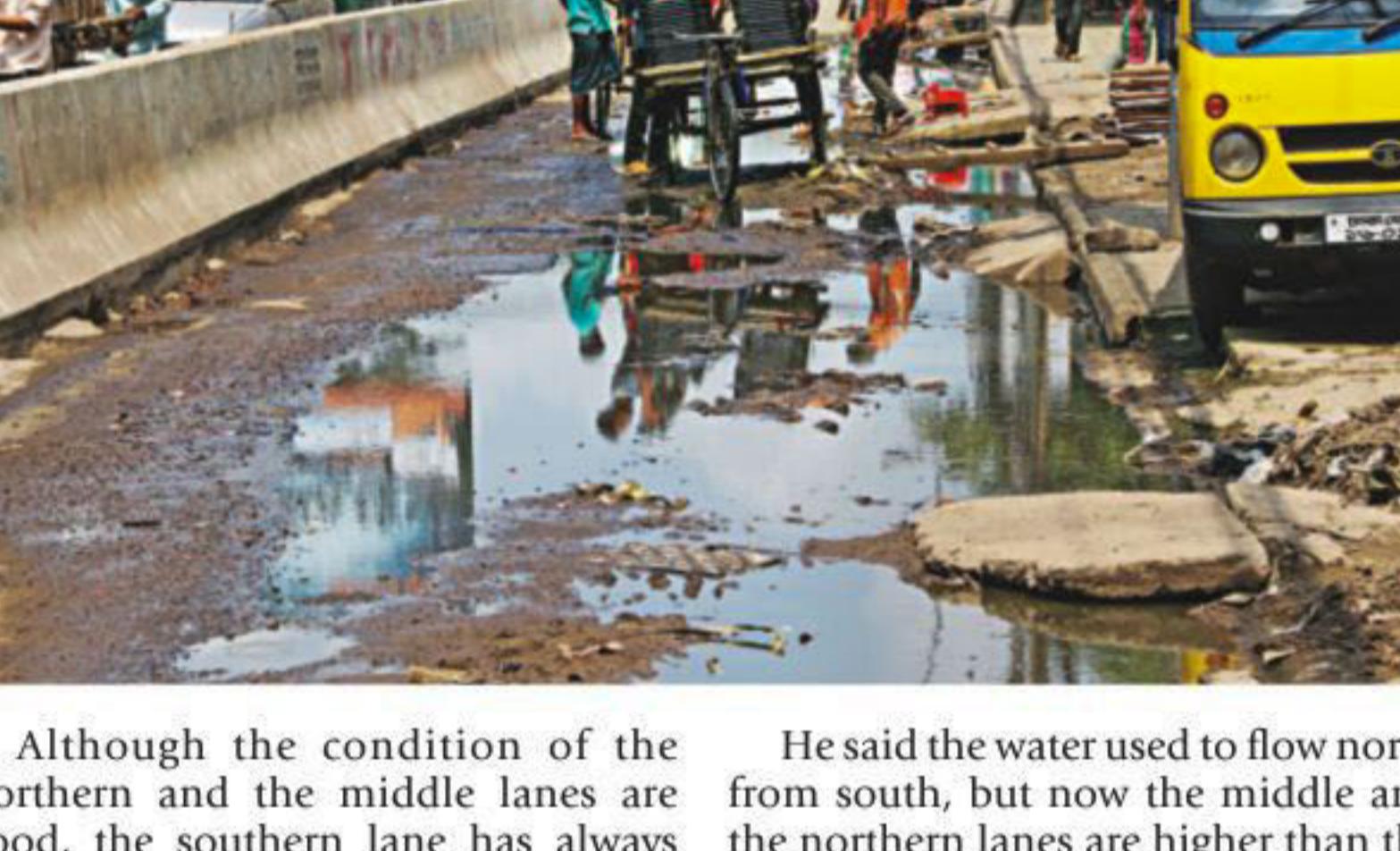
Moreover, insensible residents throw their household garbage on the road, adding to its woes.

Most private cars, rickshaws, and vans avoid the 500m stretch of road that is riddled with potholes, leading to severe traffic congestion on the main road.

"Wheels of rickshaws and vans often get stuck on the road. Whenever I bring goods, I ask my staff to be aware of large potholes," said Md Mohan, manager of Al-Madina Vulcanizing situated beside the road.

"Just recently, I was bringing some goods on a rickshaw when one of the wheels got stuck in the mud," he said.

The 1.8km Zahir Raihan Road, stretching from Chankharpul Intersection to Nilkhel Intersection, used to be two lanes. However, after construction of Mayor Hanif Flyover, the road from Chankharpul to Bakshibazar was made into three lanes.



Although the condition of the northern and the middle lanes are good, the southern lane has always been neglected for some reason, locals claimed.

"No initiative has been taken to repair it," said Hafez Ali, a resident of the area.

Abdul Hye, caretaker of an under-construction building, said after the road was turned into three lanes, the old drainage system stopped functioning properly.

He said the water used to flow north from south, but now the middle and the northern lanes are higher than the southern lane.

"The southern lane becomes easily waterlogged," he said, adding that water washes away concrete leaving the road in a very poor condition.

Fariduddin Ahmed Ratan, councilor of ward-20, said they would take necessary measures very soon to repair the road and solve the waterlogging problem.



Nobel laureate Prof Muhammad Yunus is awarded honorary citizenship of the city of Bologna in Italy at the City Hall on July 8. The city in north Italy prides itself to be the home of the oldest university of the western world.

Former Saudi minister's death mourned

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali yesterday expressed deep shock at the death of former Saudi foreign minister Prince Saud Al Faisal.

"This is an irrecoverable loss for the Royal family, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as well as the Muslim Ummah," he said in a condolence message to Saudi Foreign Minister Adel A Al-Jubeir.

The Bangladesh foreign minister appreciated the contributions of Faisal to the promotion of the cause of the Muslim Ummah for the last four decades.

NEWS IN brief

Int'l help for flood forecast sought

OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

Bangladesh yesterday sought international assistance in sharing the latest data and technology for reliable forecast and early warning of floods and flash floods.

"We are eagerly willing to use the experiences of other countries," Disaster Management and Relief Minister Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury told the 2nd ministerial conference of Regional Integrated Multi-hazard Early Warning System (RIMES) here. Ministers and senior officials from 22 countries including hosts India joined the event.

Bangladesh joined RIMES on March 6, 2012.

BSF picks up two Bangladeshis

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kushtia

Two Bangladeshi cattle traders were picked up by Indian Border Security Force (BSF) from near the Jagannathpur border in Chaudanga early yesterday.

Bagu Mia, 30, and Asgor Ali, 40, of Hudapur entered the Indian territory with four to five other cattle traders before a BSF patrol team from Gonra camp caught them at Beltola of India, BGB officials said.

The officials said they sent a letter to BSF protesting the detention.

Muggers kill auto-rickshaw driver

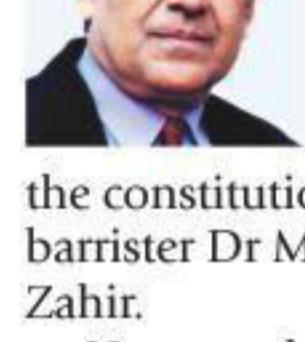
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

Muggers killed a battery-run auto-rickshaw driver and took away his vehicle in Jamalpur town on Thursday night.

Locals found the body of Shahadat Hossain, 16, of Brahmonpara, beside a road near the Bangladesh Institute of Nuclear Agriculture sub-station. Police said criminals might have strangled him with a gamchha which was found around his neck.

Amjad's death condoled

CITY DESK



Today is the second death anniversary of eminent jurist and the constitution expert barrister Dr Muhammad Zahir.

He passed away on July 11, 2013.

Dr Zahir taught Company Law at Dhaka University and was a senior advocate at the Supreme Court. He was also the convener and member of several Company Law Reform Committees in Bangladesh, and was elected as a member of the Court of Arbitration at the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, France.

Dr Zahir authored the renowned analytical legal publication, "Company and Securities Laws".

Death anniversary

CITY DESK

Today is the 11th death anniversary of Begum Khurshid Chowdhury, wife of former President Justice Abu Sayeed Chowdhury.

A Qurankhiani and a milad mahfil will be held at Nagbari Jame Mosque in Tangail.

Family members requested all relatives and well-wishers to pray for the salvation of her departed soul.



Today is the fourth death anniversary of 45 victims, mostly schoolchildren, of a road mishap which occurred in Mirsarai upazila of Chittagong. The driver of a truck taking them home from a football match lost control of the vehicle, which then flipped over into a rainwater-filled ditch beside the link road near Mayani Bridge, 65 kilometres from Chittagong city.

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