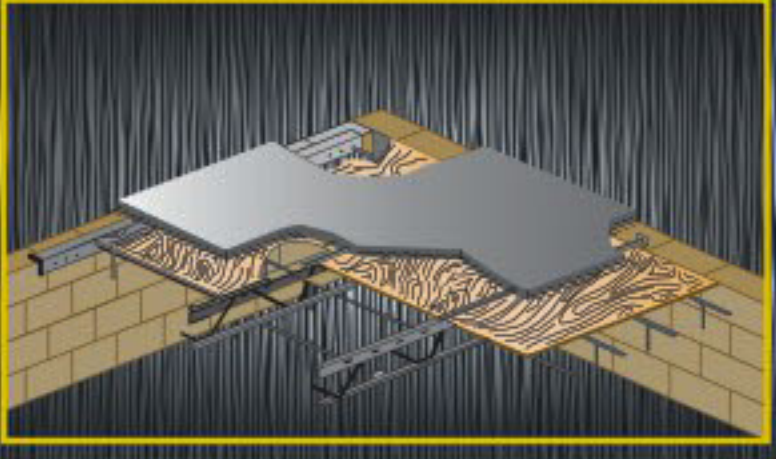


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DHAKA, CTG CITIES Bus, auto fare hiked

PANKAG KARMAKAR

The government yesterday hiked bus and CNG-run auto-rickshaw fares in Dhaka and Chittagong cities amid passengers' worry that transport operators may charge them more than the rate fixed.

Passengers alleged they had to pay more than the government-set rates every time transport fares were increased in the past, thanks to lax monitoring by the authorities concerned.

The bus fare will go up around 7 percent this time to Tk 1.70 per kilometre from Tk 1.60. The fare for minibuses will become Tk 1.60 from Tk 1.50 per kilometre.

However, the minimum bus fare remains Tk 7. It is Tk 5 for minibuses.

While announcing the new rate at the secretariat yesterday, Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader expressed his unhappiness with transport operators and said they often do not follow the government-set rates.

He, however, said an 11-member committee, headed by a Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) director, has been formed to strictly monitor the situation.

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Migrants and refugees beg Macedonian soldiers to allow them passage through the Greece border into Macedonia during a rainstorm near the Greek village of Idomeni yesterday.

PHOTO: REUTERS

BLOGGER KILLING
Ansarullah Team chief, 2 aides held

Rab claims

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Rapid Action Battalion yesterday claimed to have detained the incumbent chief of banned militant outfit Ansarullah Bangla Team and its two members in connection with the murders of secularist bloggers Avijit Roy and Ananta Bijoy Das.

Abul Bashar, who took over the charge of the outfit after the arrest of its chief Jasimuddin Rahmani, and Julhash Biswash and Zafran Al Hasan, members of the militant group's media wing, were arrested at Fakirapul in the capital.

"They were planning to leave the country," said

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NEWS ANALYSIS AL's pledges and govt pay scale

SHAKHAWAT LITON

The government's pay scale for civil servants and teachers runs counter to ruling Awami League electoral manifesto.

In the run up to the last two consecutive general elections, the AL had promised to give separate pay scale for teachers. And in line with the

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Our melody man, his new fight

Lucky Akhand flown to Bangkok

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Pitted against a lung cancer at an advanced stage, he still exudes an air of undying passion for music. When he talks about his compositions, his eyes gleam with excitement.

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WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL Prosecutors asked to explain absence

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes Tribunal-1 has issued a notice upon its acting chief prosecutor to explain why none of the prosecutors were present during yesterday's proceedings.

The three-member tribunal led by Justice M Enayetur Rahim with members Justice Jahangir Hossain and Justice Anwarul Haque asked Syed Haider Ali to give the explanation within 15 days.

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BANGKOK BLAST 'Mastermind' stayed in Dhaka for 2 weeks

Say Bangladesh police

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The alleged mastermind behind the Bangkok shrine blast arrived in Bangladesh the day before the August 17 incident and left for China two weeks later, police said

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NATURE QUEST

Sakhina may not become mom this time

SOHRAB HOSSAIN with ANDREW EAGLE

To the frustration of forestry officials it seems that Sakhina, a resident crocodile of Tengrariri reserve forest in Barguna's Taltali

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Crocodile Sakhina is seen with her eggs in the photo taken at Tengrariri Reserve Forest in Barguna's Taltali upazila about two weeks ago.

PHOTO: STAR

Bangladesh-US 4th security talks today in Washington

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Senior government and military officials of Bangladesh and the United States will hold a dialogue on security issues today in Washington to enhance collaboration in countering extremism and terrorism, security assistance, UN peacekeeping operations, humanitarian assistance and disaster response.

This will be the fourth Dialogue on Security Issues between the two countries.

Foreign Secretary (Bilateral) Mizanur Rahman will lead the Bangladesh delegation, which is comprised of senior officials from the ministries of foreign, home, defence, disaster management, Armed Forces Division and Bangladesh Embassy in Washington.

The US side will be headed by Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of

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New species of human found

INDEPENDENT.CO.UK

A new species of human has been identified from the fossilised bones of at least 15 individuals who were ritually buried deep underground in a South African cave many thousands of years ago, scientists have announced.

The species has anatomical similarities to modern-day humans, such as feet designed for long-distance walking, but also bears ape-like characteristics such as narrow shoulders and curved fingers



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