

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA
H 27.3 L 25.7

CHITTAGONG
H 32.6 L 24.6

SYLHET
H 30.5 L 25.0

RAJSHAHI
H 29.5 L 26.5

KHULNA
H 28.0 L 25.0

BARISAL
H 28.4 L 24.9

RANGPUR
H 28.0 L 26.5

COX'S BAZAR
H 32.0 L 24.8

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at most places over all the divisions with heavy to very heavy falls at places over Khulna, Chittagong, Barisal and Dhaka divisions with moderately heavy falls at places over the country till 6:00pm today. Day and night temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country, Met Office said. The sun sets in the capital today at 05:57pm and rises tomorrow at 05:47am.

Robbers hack two at home in capital

Loot valuables of Tk 17 lakh

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Armed robbers looted valuables, including 30 tolas of gold ornament, worth about Tk 17 lakh from a house in the capital's Goran yesterday after injuring the landlord and a tenant.

Injured Golam Kabir Kochi, the landlord, and tenant Farid Uddin, were shifted to a private clinic from Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Police said four robbers entered the first floor, where Kochi lives with his family, after cutting his window grille around 5:30am.

They kept the residents at gun point, and looted cash and valuables from the first and second floors of the four-storey building, said Khilgaon police. At one stage, the robbers hacked Kochi and Farid while they were trying to resist them, he added. A case was filed while police picked up some persons for interrogation.



A cow being hurriedly taken to a suitable place for slaughter after it had already died at an illegal cattle market right next to the rail tracks in Kamalapur of the capital yesterday. The man on extreme right claimed that he had bought the dead cow for Tk 6,000. Others in the market alleged that this kind of trade only happens for selling the dead animal's meat at a bargain basement price to roadside restaurants or on the streets of low-income neighbourhoods. The cattle trader who brought the bovine from Kushtia to the market said he had bought it for Tk 30,000.

NEWS IN brief

18 doping gang members held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Detectives arrested 18 members of doping gangs from Jatrabari, Kalabagan and Paltan bus stands in the capital on Saturday night.

They recovered 45 Yaba tablets, 154 sedatives, a CNG-run three-wheeler, five wallets, four mobile phones, and several razor blades from their possession.

During initial quizzing, most of the arrestees admitted that they used to masquerade as street vendors, hawkers, and commuters, and gave sedative laced food to people, especially auto-rickshaw drivers and cattle traders, at bus stands, rail stations, and other crowded places, said DMP officials at a press briefing yesterday.

Journalist Humayun Zaman hospitalised with cancer

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Associate Editor of the New Age Humayun Zaman, who is suffering from stage-3 lung cancer, was admitted to the capital's Samorita Hospital in a critical condition yesterday. He underwent a surgery, said his brother Biplob Zaman.

Ruet admission test November 14

RU CORRESPONDENT
The admission test for the first year honours courses under 2015-16 academic session at the Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology (Ruet) will be held on November 14, said a press release yesterday. Admission seekers must register their names through Short Message Service (SMS) from Teletalk numbers between October 4 and October 17. Students from 'A' level must download admission forms from the website www.ruet.ac.bd and submit them to the registrar. Detailed information can be found at www.ru.ac.bd

USAID showcases improved stoves for promoting clean energy

CITY DESK
Catalyzing Clean Energy in Bangladesh, a project of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), in cooperation with the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves, hosted by the United Nations Foundation, has organised the Third Annual Market Facilitation Platform for improved cook stoves in Bangladesh at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre, Dhaka recently, with the theme "Transitioning Towards a Sustainable Market", said a press release yesterday.

Cardiology symposium held in Dhaka

CITY DESK
A symposium was held at Hotel Le Meridien in the capital on Friday to share updated knowledge about cardiology, says a press release. Sun Pharmaceutical Ltd in collaboration with American College of Cardiology (ACC) organised the event titled "Best of ACC-Bangladesh, 2015". Four renowned cardiologists -- Franz H Messerli, Seon Pinney, Thomas Moddow and Alison Boilely -- shared their experiences on current research.

Ctg container depot owners worried over Friday's siege by extortionists

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Bangladesh Inland Container Depots Association expressed concerns over the recent siege to a container depot in Sitakunda upazila of Chittagong by some local extortionists. They had besieged BM Container Depot in Kesolpur on Friday for seven hours demanding extortion money, said a press release signed by Nurul Kaium Khan, president of the association of the privately-owned container depots in and outside the city.

The extortionists prevented vehicles from going in and out of the depot. It is a part of a conspiracy to cripple the country's import export trade as the inland container depots handle around 100 percent export and 30 percent import goods, the release said. Such illegal and aggressive activities had also been carried out at some other depots before, claimed the association. BICDA members urged the government and other business organisations to come forward to prevent recurrence of such incidents. Ruhul Amin Shikdar, general secretary of the association, said they came to know that local Jubo League activists were involved in the incident. SM Al-Mamun, district (north) president of Jubo League, could not be reached despite repeated calls for comments, as he did not pick up the phone.

Ex-BCSIR director develops new brick

Claims it can reduce earthquake casualties

DU CORRESPONDENT

A brick developed from a mixture of rice husk, lime, and sand can reduce earthquake casualties because it is one and a half times lighter than clay bricks, a past director of the Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR) said yesterday.

Dr Kazi Nasrin Farooque presented the pictures of her creation at a daylong seminar on earthquake risk management, at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban of Dhaka University.

During earthquakes, many die under the rubble because of heavy construction materials, she said, adding that since the alternative brick was light, it would reduce the casualties to a great extent.

The brick is created by mixing rice husk, lime, and sand in a ratio

of 3:1:1.

Other speakers said the brick could also save valuable resources.

Kilns produce ordinary bricks, which are resource intensive, energy inefficient, and highly polluting since they require precious agricultural land, water, wood, coal, and soil, and cause emissions, they said.

Dr Nasrin said alternative bricks could be developed by recycling waste materials, which could protect the environment too.

The Department of Disaster Science and Management, and Curzon Hall Environment Club jointly organised the seminar. MA Mannan, state minister for finance and planning; Brig Gen Ali Ahmed Khan, director general of the Fire Service and Civil Defence; and Md Abu Sadeque, director of the Housing and Building Research Institute, were also present.

Majority of cervical cancer patients die in developing countries

25,000 women contract the disease every year in Bangladesh, roundtable told

CITY DESK

The majority of cervical cancer patients die in developing countries where women delay in seeking help because of ignorance, stigma, poor access to quality care and intention to save money, said a roundtable yesterday.

In Bangladesh, an estimated 25,000 women contract cervical cancer every year but the screening and treatment facilities are still limited. A comprehensive cervical cancer control programme is needed for the women especially living in chars (shoals) and riverbank areas in the north.

Friendship, an NGO, hosted the discussion on "Sustainable Cervical Cancer Prevention in Hard to Reach Areas of Bangladesh" in the capital, said a press release. Md Nur Hossain Talukder, director general of family planning, was the chief guest while Prof Alexander Arnold William Peters, founder and member of the board of Female Cancer Foundation, Netherlands, presided over the discussion.



The wholesale market of Khatunganj in Chittagong city sending goods to grocers and small traders by boat ahead of Eid-ul-Azha when sales will see a huge boost. However, the canal that serves as a major commercial route is in death throes because of continuous encroachment on both sides. Local residents say once merchant boats sailed on Chaktai Khal but today it is just a stream that does not get water even during the monsoon. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH

Chapai road crash kills 1

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

A man was killed when a truck hit him while he was walking along a road in Sonamasjid Land Port area in Shibganj upazila of Chapainawabganj yesterday.

The deceased was a resident of the village. Police detained the driver.

2 electrocuted in Chittagong

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Two people were injured from electrocution in Lalpool area of Patiya upazila in Chittagong yesterday. The duo, undergoing treatment at CMCH, came in contact with a live electric wire while trying to remove it from a road, said a relative.

Marginalised groups, NGOs should

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owners, he said. Gain said that within these gardens there were khet lands (croplands), which tea workers use for production of food grains to supplement their meagre cash pay of Tk 69 per day.

"However, the government is now trying to build a special economic zone on these croplands," said Swapon Saotal, who came from Chandpore Tea Estate in Habiganj. "When we protested, the deputy commissioner said we didn't belong to this country! Why did they give us voter ID cards then?" he asked.

"They have been living and using this land for 150 years so this gives them customary right over the land," said Shamsul Huda, executive director of the Association for Land Reform and Development, adding that customary land rights were recognised internationally. He said policymakers were not concerned about the

fate of marginalised communities such as tea workers because they did not have importance as voters, due to their small numbers.

Indigenous women's leader Bichitra Tirki, who was tortured by land grabbers in August 2014 to evict her from her own land, talked about the routine harassment she faces while fighting the legal battle and struggling against muscle power to retain her land.

Indigenous leaders and victims of eviction spoke of the torture they face regularly from different quarters including government bodies to force them out of their land.

"The present government has become desperate to achieve economic growth at any cost. They are implementing development projects without leaving space for anyone and thus pushing the already marginalised people into further marginalisation," said Jahangirnagar University's Prof Anu Muhammad.


Government incoordination

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lawmakers. The parliamentarians also suggested that the government include education, health, food and disaster ministries to the

advisory body of the Bangladesh Haor and Wetland Development Directorate to strengthen it.

They also urged the government to create a separate ministry for the haor region.



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JOB OPPORTUNITY

Dhaka Power Distribution Company Ltd. (DPDC) is entrusted with the responsibility of operation, maintenance and development of the power system network within the geographical area of DPDC (major half of Dhaka & Narayanganj City), invites applications from energetic and promising citizens of Bangladesh for appointment to the following position on contract basis for a period of maximum 03 (three) years at a time (inclusive of 01 year probationary period) which is renewable up to the age of 60 years subject to satisfactory performance against specific yearly targets to be set by the Board.

1. Assistant Manager (HR): Number of posts 11=(10+1*)

1.1 The Assistant Manager (HR) position is in the functional area of Human Resource Management of the Company reporting to the head of the office/ unit concerned. He/ She will work under the direct supervision of the head of the concerned office/ unit of DPDC.

1.2.1 Required Qualification (for 10 posts):
Candidates must have Master Degree in any subject/ discipline from a recognized university. Candidates must have minimum 2nd divisions/ classes or CGPA 2 or above in SSC and HSC or equivalent and must have minimum 2nd divisions/ classes or CGPA 2.25 or above in a scale of 4 or 2.82 in a scale of 5 in rest of the educational life. Letter grades of O Level and A Level subjects are to be converted into grade points on the basis of A= 4, B= 3, C= 2 and D= 1. Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated by averaging the grade points. Computer proficiency is an absolute necessity. The candidate should be fluent in spoken and written Bangla and English languages, and should be capable of working in challenging situation.

1.2.2 Required Qualification (for 1* post):
Candidates should be retired armed forces officer (Warrant Officer/Senior Warrant Officer/Master Warrant Officer or equivalent and above).

1.3 Remuneration/Compensation Package:
Basic salary per month Taka 29,000.00 (Twenty Nine Thousand) only plus house rent @ 60% of basic per month, two festival bonuses in a year, contributory provident fund, group insurance, encashment of leave, gratuity as per applicable rules of the company. Expenses at actual for medical treatment purpose as mentioned in the company Service Rules will be reimbursed up to a maximum limit of equal to 02 (two) months basic salary per annum, and transport allowances will be provided as per company policy. Income tax shall have to be paid by the employee.

Conditions:

- Interested candidates have to apply through the 'Online Application Form' wherein a scanned photograph and signature of the candidate has to be inserted in due place. The online application form's web link will be available in the website of Teletalk Bangladesh Limited (<http://dpdc.teletalk.com.bd>) and the website of Dhaka Power Distribution Company Ltd. (www.dpdc.org.bd).
- Aged maximum 32 (thirty two) years for group 1.2.1 on 01.06.2015. Maximum age limit & educational qualifications may be relaxed for suitable internal (DPDC's employees only) and the personnel of DESA cell candidate. Maximum age limit for the candidates of armed forces personnel (group 1.2.2) is 50 (fifty) years on 01.06.2015.
- Those who have recently appeared in the examination and yet to get their degree, need not apply for the position.
- The applicant must pay Tk.1500/- (one thousand five hundred) through SMS from any Teletalk mobile connection following necessary directives mentioned in DPDC's website www.dpdc.org.bd or Teletalk's website <http://dpdc.teletalk.com.bd>.
- Persons employed in govt., semi govt., autonomous organization or power sector utilities should submit application through proper channel as per instructions provided on DPDC's website www.dpdc.org.bd or Teletalk's website <http://dpdc.teletalk.com.bd>.
- Persuasion of any kind will disqualify the candidate. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any application and increase or decrease number of positions/posts as it may seem proper and no explanation for such action will be provided to the applicant.
- Quota (30%) for freedom fighter, son/daughter of freedom fighter, grandson/ granddaughter of freedom fighter will be followed during the recruitment process.
- Last date of submission of application through online is 20/10/2015.

Deputy General Manager, Employee Management (Administration), DPDC
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