

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DHAKA	CHITTAGONG	SYLHET	RAJSHAHI	KHULNA	BARISAL	RANGPUR	COX'S BAZAR
	H 33.0 L 23.8	H 32.0 L 25.0	H 33.7 L 22.7	H 32.5 L 22.3	H 33.6 L 24.5	H 32.7 L 23.8	H 33.2 L 23.0	H 32.5 L 25.0

Day and night temperatures may remain nearly unchanged over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:30pm and rises tomorrow at 5:58am. Country's highest temperature 34.5 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Syedpur and lowest 21.4 in Sreemangal.

Oppressors of children won't be spared

Warns PM marking Sheikh Russell's 51st birthday

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday warned that no one would be spared if found guilty of child repression as it is a crime against humanity. She was speaking at a programme organised at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the capital marking the 51st birthday of her murdered younger brother Sheikh Russell.

Sheikh Russell Jatiya Shishu Kishore Parishad organised the programme. On this day in 1964, Sheikh Russell, the youngest son of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, was born at Bangabandhu Bhaban in Dhanmondi.

On the fateful night of August 15, 1975, Sheikh Russell, a class IV student of University Laboratory School at that time, was assassinated along with most of the family members of Bangabandhu.

Sheikh Hasina yesterday urged all to remain vigilant so that incidents like child oppression and killing can be brought to an end in the country. She urged all, including children, to give their all-out efforts to stop child repression.

Referring to torture of children engaged in household works, she wondered how people could do such things. She also asked the people to think about their own children before torturing others'. "Being born into a poor family is not a sin... all children have their basic rights to enjoy."



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina hands over a trophy to Swarnavo Choudhury, a class III student, for winning the Sheikh Russell Chess Tournament -2015 at a programme organised by Sheikh Russell Jatiya Shishu Kishore Parishad at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre yesterday marking the 51st birthday of Sheikh Russell.

PHOTO: BSS

NEWS IN brief

Youth held with VoIP equipment worth Tk 2cr in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Armed Police Battalion yesterday arrested a man with five VoIP equipment worth Tk 2 crore in a building in the capital's Azimpur. Over 100 illegal SIM cards, a receiver box and a laptop were, among others, also seized from Mamun, 18, said a press release. Both the equipment and the arrestee were handed over to Lalbag police.

'JMB organiser' Minhazul remanded

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday granted a three-day remand for Md Minhazul Islam, "one of the organisers of Jama'atul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB)," in a case filed for possessing grenades and ammunition which have been recovered from a building at Khoaznagar in the city's Karnaphuli area. Minhazul alias Sajil alias Sajib, 24, was arrested on Friday in another case filed for killing their two activists and a manager of a private firm in a "grenade" attack during a mugging incident in the city on September 23. He confessed to the crime before a Chittagong court on Saturday night and another JMB man Bulbul Ahmed Sarkar alias Fuad confessed to it last night.

3 hurt in fire at shoe factory

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Three persons sustained injuries in a fire that broke out in a shoe factory in Bangshal in Old Dhaka yesterday. The injured are Alauddin, 19, Robin Hossain, 20, and Sujon Miah, 20. Around 3:30am, the fire originated from a short circuit at Maximus Shoe Factory on the second floor of a five-storey building, said fire service sources. Monir Hossain, owner of the factory, said the three were admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital. Partha Shankar Paul, a resident surgeon of DMCH, told The Daily Star that 40 percent of Alauddin's body was burnt and that he is in a critical condition.

Abductors demand ransom for release of Savar tea-stall owner

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Unidentified abductors demanded Tk 6 lakh as ransom on Saturday from the family of a tea-stall owner who was abducted on Friday from his stall at Padmar Mor of Hemayetpur in Savar. The victim is Faruque Hosen, 32, of the area. Police said Faruque left his home for his tea stall on Friday morning but did not return. Later, the miscreants contacted his son and demanded the money over the phone. A general diary was filed.

SUST ADMISSION TESTS VC seeks opponent teachers' help

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (Sust) Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof Aminul Haque Bhuiyan yesterday urged teachers who resigned demanding his removal to assist him in holding the admission process for undergraduate courses after the Durga Puja and Ashura holidays. Though "Mohan Muktiuddher Chetonay Udbuddho Shikkhak Brindo" on October 10 announced suspending their movement over the demand, its convener, Prof Syed Shamsul Alam, reaffirmed to The Daily Star yesterday that they would not take part in the process. The 10-day holiday begins today and the exams will begin on November 14. The teachers' forum raised the demand and accused the VC of being involved in corruption, nepotism, and misbehaving with colleagues from April 13. That day a heated altercation between the VC and 19 teachers took place when the latter met him to discuss ways for allocating space in an academic building. After their April 19 ultimatum seeking the removal passed with no change, 35 teachers, including Dr Muhammed Zafar Iqbal, stepped down from 37 administrative posts. The VC refutes the allegations. Prof Aminul made the urge at a dialogue at Sust Press Club.

48 Jamaat-Shibir men held in Ctg, Rangpur

CITY DESK

Police arrested 48 leaders and activists of Jamaat-Shibir in Chittagong and Rangpur yesterday and on Saturday. In Rangpur, 46 leaders and activists of Jamaat-Shibir were arrested in separate drives yesterday and on Saturday in connection with subversive activities in the district. Meanwhile in Chittagong city, Mamunur Rahman, 28, -- former president of Bakalia Thana unit of Shibir -- and his younger brother Anisur Rahman, 24, were arrested in Rahattarpool area in connection with cases filed over similar charges.

Court refuses to put Barrister Shakila on new remand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday rejected a four-day remand petition for Barrister Shakila Farzana who was arrested allegedly for involvement in financing a militant outfit, Shaheed Hamja Brigade. Chittagong Judicial Magistrate Shiplu Kumar Dey passed the order. The court also sent Shakila to jail after rejecting her bail prayer, said court sources. On October 12, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab-7) sought remand for Shakila. Public Prosecutor (PP) Abul Hashem said they will move a petition before the Chittagong District Sessions Judge court challenging the court order. Earlier, on August 26, Barrister Shakila gave confessional statement before a Chittagong court in the case, said court sources. Meanwhile, the jail authorities informed the court that they formed a medical board to carry out check-up on Shakila as she was ill earlier. The court directed the board to submit its report within three days. Shakila was detained on August 18 in the capital's Dhanmondi.



Speakers at an event organised by Knorr Bangladesh in partnership with SOS Children's Village, an NGO working with children, at the NGO's office in the capital where general public participated by sharing a meal with children of the Village. Celebrating World Food Day on October 16, Knorr partnering with United Nations World Food Programme launched an initiative asking everyone to #shareameal with someone in their community.

Inu calls for talks for

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three-wheelers were not safe, why the authorities concerned had given those registrations and licences. On that note, the authorities concerned should be punished first, he added. Referring to an ARI's, Golam Faruk, convener of the Parishad, said auto-rickshaws and auto-tempos are responsible for only 15 to 20 percent of the overall road accidents on highways. Leaders of the parishad reiterated their demand for a separate lane for auto-rickshaws and other three-wheelers on highways. The minister assured them of conveying the demand to the prime minister. Lawmaker Nazmul Haque Proddhan also spoke.

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Ilias Hossain Helali and Delwar Hossain, claiming to be the president and general secretary respectively, attacked another led by Aktar Hossain and Mawla Mohammad Abul Hasan Sheikh Shariatpuri, who claim the same. Abul filed a case with Shahbagh Police Station accusing nine people including Helali. Police say none has been arrested so far.

Dupatta caught in rickshaw wheel spokes kills girl in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A domestic help died after her dupatta got entangled with the wheels of a rickshaw carrying her in the capital's west Nakhhalpara yesterday. The deceased Sumaiya Akter, 16, of Gazipur had been working at the house of one Abdur Rahim in the area. Sumaiya was returning home with her employer's school going daughter, said Officer-in-Charge of Tejgaon Police Station Mazharul Islam. She was rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where she succumbed to her injuries, the OC added.

DHAKA TODAY

Exhibition A week-long group art exhibition titled "Lingering Memories" will start at the Fine Arts of Dhaka University. Time: 5:00pm	Exhibition A week-long solo painting exhibition titled Lines from Life" by Alomgir will start at DRIK Gallery, Dhanmondi. Time: 6:00pm
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