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More diseases, more deaths

Global report on climate change shows grim picture for Bangladesh in coming decades

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Global warming may lead to a higher number of deaths and outbreak of diseases linked to extreme events such as heat-wave and flood in Bangladesh in the coming decades, according to a UN report.

Such events could reduce labour productivity and give rise to hunger and malnutrition, it said, calling for strong actions to cut carbon emission and promote adaptation.

"Under a high emissions scenario, heat-related deaths in the elderly [65 plus years] are projected to increase to almost 30 per 100,000 by 2080," said the report, "Climate and Health Country Profile 2015", on Bangladesh released yesterday.

Such heat-related annual death was four per lakh in Bangladesh between 1961 and 1990.

If global mean temperature rises four degrees Celsius, about 28 percent of annual

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS ON HEALTH

Heat-related deaths would rise to 30 per lakh by 2080

28 percent of annual daily work hours would be lost

Annually, 7.2 million people at risk of flooding between 2070 and 2100

Annual dry spell would be 85 days in 2100

Globally, risk of hunger and malnutrition would increase up to 20 percent by 2050

daily work hour is projected to be lost by workers carrying heavy labour in different sectors, including agriculture and construction.

The report, prepared by the World Health Organisation and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, was launched ahead of the UN Climate Change Conference to be held in Paris from November 30 to December 11.

In a statement yesterday, N Paranietharan, WHO Representative to Bangladesh, said, "Climate change threatens to undermine Bangladesh's significant achievements in the health sector."

Health should receive due priority as climate change has a profound link to it, he said, stressing the need for adequate involvement of policymakers to that end.

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PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED

Socceroo Aaron Mooy (L) proved unstoppable for a clueless Bangladesh defence in yesterday's World Cup qualifier at the Bangabandhu National Stadium. The 25-year-old midfielder made all the assists for his team's 4-0 win, which included a fine hat-trick by Tim Cahill. Story on page 14.

'Act of terror' downed jet

Russia confirms; Putin vows to intensify bombing in Syria

AFP, Moscow

President Vladimir Putin vowed vengeance yesterday as Moscow confirmed that a bomb attack brought down a Russian passenger jet over Egypt last month, killing all 224 people on board.

Putin pledged to ramp up Moscow's bombing campaign in Syria in response to the attack but stopped short of blaming any one group as the country's security agency announced a \$50 million reward for information leading to capture of those responsible.

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France steps up efforts to crush Islamic State

Police launch nationwide raids to hunt down Paris culprits; Russia conducts air strikes on IS stronghold in Raqa

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French warplanes pounded Islamic State targets and Russia vowed to ramp up its bombing campaign in Syria yesterday as the devastating attacks on Paris galvanised international resolve to destroy the jihadists and end the Syrian war.

In the Syrian city of Raqa, the stronghold of IS, French warplanes destroyed a command centre and training centre in its second series of airstrikes in 24 hours, AFP reports quoting Prime Minister Manuel Valls.

French President Francois Hollande said Monday that the Paris attacks were "decided and planned in Syria, prepared and organised in Belgium (and) perpetrated on our soil with French complicity".



He also said the French aircraft carrier Charles de Gaulle would be deployed to the eastern Mediterranean to "triple our capacity to take action" against IS in Syria.

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SC judgment on Mojaheed review today

Hearing on SQ Chy review also today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday set 11:30am today for delivering the verdict on the petition filed by condemned war criminal Ali Ahsan Mohammad Mojaheed seeking review of the apex court judgment that upheld his death penalty.

A four-member bench of the Appellate Division of the SC, led by Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha, concluded the hearing on the petition yesterday.

The same bench yesterday fixed today for hearing a similar petition filed by another war criminal, Salauddin Quader

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Indomitable

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A new Malayalam book "Njaan enna Murivu" has three Bangla words written on its cover -- "Aphoto Ami" (The injured me) and "Chhaya".

The author's name appears as Chhaya. But she is not a Keralan writer from the South Indian state; she is actually a Bangladeshi woman.

According to media reports, she escaped a sex racket that kept her confined and tried to force her into prostitution in the Keralan district of Khozhikode. Now she is fighting a legal battle at an Indian court to get back to the country.

"The 80-page book is a collection of her poems and pencil drawings that give expression to her struggle, and her love and desperation for her three children back home," said Indu Varma who helped her with the translation of the book, which was originally

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