

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 23.6 L 13.3	CHITTAGONG H 25.8 L 14.8	SYLHET H 24.5 L 11.9	RAJSHAHI H 23.5 L 10.7	KHULNA H 24.3 L 13.2	BARISAL H 24.0 L 14.7	RANGPUR H 22.3 L 10.5	COX'S BAZAR H 25.5 L 14.6
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Weather may remain dry over the country till 6:00pm today. Moderate to thick fog may occur at places over the river basins and light to moderate fog may occur at places elsewhere over the country during midnight till morning, Met Office said. Mild cold wave may spread some regions of Rajshahi, Khulna and Dhaka divisions. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:16pm and rises tomorrow at 6:37am.

Cybercrime training, investigation centres by March next year

BSS, Dhaka
Country's first-ever Cybercrime Training Centre and Cybercrime Investigation Centre will start operating in full swing by upcoming March as 99 percent of the work have already been completed, Project Director and CID's Police Super of Dhaka Metro (North) Rezaul Hawlader said yesterday.

Both the centres are being constructed at a cost of US \$3.5 million (around Tk 28 crore) under the project of Enhancing Cyber Investigation Capacity of Bangladesh Police, he added.

The government contributed around Tk 4.5 crore while Koica gave the rest of the money. The investigation centre has been built at the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) headquarters in the capital while the cyber training centre is housed in the Traffic and Driving School in Mill Barack of the old part of the city. Most of the equipment have been purchased from Korea and the United States, and some others from Germany. Six CID officers, including a computer programmer, with posts equivalent to additional police supers, two assistant police supers, and three sub-inspectors have already been trained in a Korean university for six months. The trained CID officers and two computer experts from Korea will train others, and now they are preparing a syllabus suitable for Bangladesh.

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Physically challenged beggars form a human chain in front of Jatiya Press Club in the capital yesterday, under an initiative of a platform "Alokito Protibondhi Samity", seeking to be rehabilitated by employment instead of resorting to begging.

PHOTO: STAR

Literacy rose in 20yrs: Campe

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Over the last two decades, overall literacy attainment of the population increased while there has been a number of achievements in the primary education sector, revealed a Campaign for Popular Education (Campe) report yesterday afternoon.

In 2000, 58 percent of households had at least one literate person, which in 2013 increased to 81.4 percent, according to the report.

Enrollment rate, attendance, and competencies of students increased while both the dropout rate and total number of out-of-school children decreased, showed the study, "Education Watch 2015, Moving from MDG to SDG, Accelerate progress for Quality Primary Education".

Launched at the LGED building in the

capital's Agargaon, the report tried to identify trends in the primary education sector documented by various Education Watch studies carried out during 1999-2015.

Data of five previous studies carried out in 1998, 2000, 2005, 2008, and 2013 were used along with surveys in 663 primary education institutions, including government, newly nationalised and non-formal ones, ebtedai madrasas and kindergartens in 2014.

Tests on 27 types of competencies were carried out on 5,375 students in 309 primary education institutions and the results were presented by Samir Ranjan Nath, principal researcher of the study.

The assessment showed that students' competency has increased in mathematics and English more than it did in Bangla.

Urban students outperformed rural students while government primary students performed better than those in the other four institutional categories.

Though girls could not outperform boys compared to the test results of 2000 and 2008 surveys, their attendance in class was higher.

The report also showed a higher teacher attendance, qualification and increase in the number of female teachers and head teachers.

Addressing the launching ceremony as chief guest, Primary and Mass Education Minister Mostafizur Rahman told teachers not to work only for the salary but to teach students as part of their duty as citizens.

Rasheda K Choudhury, executive director, Campe, stressed the need for the educa-

tion ministry to take up from the social welfare ministry the responsibility of educating persons with disabilities to make the system inclusive.

Hailing the success of primary education endeavours, Dr Wahiduddin Mahmud, member, UN Committee for Development Policy, said now it was time to look at the secondary education arena.

Dr Hossain Zillur Rahman, former adviser to a caretaker government, said interest towards education can be seen among everyone now. He explained that people on their own accord were sending children to at least primary schools.

Dr Carolyn Sunners, team leader (education and health), DFID, Bangladesh, and Kazi Rafiqul Alam, chairperson of Campe, also spoke.

Ever schooled population aged 6 or above	53.8% (1998)	72.1% (2013)
Secondary education completers aged 16 or above	12% (1998)	18.7% (2013)
Net enrollment rate of 6-10 years old	77% (1998)	94.3% (2013)
Classroom attendance	58.9% (1998)	74.5% (2014)
Mean number of competencies	16.1 (2000)	20.1 (2014)
Drop outs	5.6% (1998)	1.2% (2014)
Total number of out-of-school children aged 6-10	3.8 million (1998)	1 million (2013)



Rajshahi University Vice Chancellor Prof M Mizan Uddin looks at photos in the photography exhibition organised as a part of The Daily Star and Standard Chartered Bank's Celebrating Life- 2015 festival held on the campus yesterday. The exhibition displayed at least 22 photographs, 12 of which were taken by winners of last year's photography contest.

PHOTO: ANWAR ALI

NEWS IN brief

Indian military band plays victory music on Bangladesh's Victory Day

CITY DESK

A military band played music at Princep Ghat at Hoogli in Kolkata of India as a part of the overall celebration of Bangladesh's Victory Day, said an Indian High Commission press release.

Civil dignitaries along with Indian Army officers' family members witnessed the programme. Lt Gen Praveen Bakshi, AVSM, VSM GOC-in-C Eastern Command was also present.

Two found 'murdered' in Savar

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Two persons were killed in different areas of Savar, outside the capital, yesterday.

Shefali Begum, 23, a garment worker, was found dead in her house in Badda-Vatpara area by her mother in the morning, said police, suspecting that she was suffocated the previous night.

In Hemayetpur, police recovered the body of an unidentified youth, clad in a sweater and trouser, from Ekota Housing. The throat of the youth was slit, and police recovered two knives from the spot.

5 diagnostic centres fined in capital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A mobile court of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) yesterday fined five diagnostic centres Tk 12.2 lakh in the capital's Mirpur-1 for providing fake medical reports with forged signatures of physicians, said a press release.

Most of the employees at the pathology sections of Madison Diagnostic Centre, Padma Pathology Lab, Saik Digital Diagnostic Lab, Medinet Medical Services, and Doctor Amanat Khan Hospital did not have required education and training, it added.

Harijans being denied

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sharing findings of a study, "The Dalit communities living in railway colonies/lands in northern part of Bangladesh".

She said there were fears that the Dalits would be deprived of their "traditional livelihood." In the study, Prof Ainoon recommended tackling of corruption and bribery in railway and other public offices to protect their livelihoods and accommodation rights.

Articles 27, 28 and 29 of the constitution clearly state that the law and fundamental policy of the state do not support any form of discrimination against any citizen based on their religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth or profession, but in reality the Dalits are being discriminated against and denied their rights and opportunities, she said.

Speaking as chief guest, lawmaker Shirin Akhtar stressed the need for a coordinated initiative to bring the deprivations of the Dalits to the attention of policy-makers. Anik Asad, country director of HEKS, a Swiss development organisation; Aroma Dutta, member of the National Human Rights Commission, and Prof Dr Mostafa Hasan of Jagannath University also took part in the discussion. Moazzem Hossain, chair of executive committee of NNMC, Monjur Nahar, coordinator of NNMC, and Tonusree Manji of advocacy and communication office of NNMC, were present.

Bangladesh's hydroponic agri-system

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of natural resources and sustainable rural development, if adequate policies and investment are directed to them."

GIAHS was launched by FAO in 2002, and has been recently endorsed by member countries.

3 Japanese GIAHS

Ayu of the Nagara River System in Gifu

Nagara is one of the cleanest rivers in Japan that provides a number of ecosystem services. Various components of the system such as rivers, forests and farmlands are closely linked to each other. The sustainable inland fisheries of a specific type of fish (Ayu) benefit from clean waters of the Nagara River which are maintained through upstream forest management. Local communities have lived within this linked ecosystem and have developed their livelihoods and cultural practices.

Minabe-Tanabe Ume System in Wakayama

Minabe-Tanabe Ume System allows for the production of high-quality Ume (Japanese

apricots) and various kinds of fruits on nutrient-poor slopes. Local communities have created a thriving Ume production environment by maintaining upper coppice forests for landslide prevention and maintenance of water, and Japanese honeybee for pollinators. By permitting the production of a diverse range of products, the system ensures stable livelihoods and makes communities more resilient to disasters.

Takachiogoro-Shiibayama Mountainous Agriculture and Forestry System in Miyazaki

This site is located in a steep mountainous area where flat land is extremely scarce. In this severe environment, local people have established a distinctive and sustainable system of agriculture and forestry, which balances timber production with diverse farming activities -- such as terraced rice growing, shiitake mushroom cultivation, beef cattle raising, or tea cultivation. The forest is maintained as a "mosaic" of conifers and broadleaf trees using traditional practices.

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Schedule for FCPS Part-I, FCPS Part-II (Final) examination in general subjects, Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality) and MCPS written Examinations to be held in January, 2016.

FCPS Part-II (Final) Examination in General Subjects, Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality) and MCPS Examinations.

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue
All subjects	Paper - I	02.01.2016 (Saturday)	9.00 A.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
	Paper - II	03.01.2016 (Sunday)	12.00 P.M.	

FCPS Part-I Examinations

Morning

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue
Medicine and allied & Obst. & Gynae and allied	Paper - I	04.01.2016 (Monday)	9.00 A.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
	Paper - II	05.01.2016 (Tuesday)	to	
	Paper - III	06.01.2016 (Wednesday)	10.40 A.M.	

Noon

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue
Anaesthesiology, Biochemistry, Dentistry and allied, Dermatology & Venereology, Family Medicine, Haematology, Histopathology, Microbiology, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology, Paediatrics and allied, Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Psychiatry, Radiology & Imaging, Radiotherapy and Surgery and allied.	Paper - I	04.01.2016 (Monday)	12.00 P.M.	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
	Paper - II	05.01.2016 (Tuesday)	to	
	Paper - III	06.01.2016 (Wednesday)	01.40 P.M.	

Program for clinical, practical & oral examinations for FCPS Part II (final) examination in general subjects, Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality) and MCPS examination will be notified in the Notice Board and Website of BCPS well in advance.

The Admit Card for the said examinations will be issued from 26 to 31 December, 2015. Please visit our website (exams.bcpsbd.org) and login to your password protected profile and print your admit card. Please contact examinations department if there is problem related to download the admit card. **Admit Card is essential for entering the examination hall.**

Professor Md. Azizul Kahhar
Controller of Examinations

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আপনার বিশ্বস্ত সহযোগী

আপনার হিসাব সংশ্লিষ্ট তথ্য হালনাগাদ করুন

ব্যাংকের চলমান প্রক্রিয়ার অংশ হিসেবে আমাদের সকল গ্রাহকের হিসাব সংশ্লিষ্ট তথ্য বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের নির্দেশনা মোতাবেক হালনাগাদ করা হচ্ছে। এ বিষয়ে গ্রাহকদের সাথে বিভিন্ন মাধ্যমে যোগাযোগ করা হচ্ছে। কিছু কিছু ক্ষেত্রে গ্রাহকের ঠিকানা ও টেলিফোন নম্বর পরিবর্তন হওয়ায় এবং তা ব্যাংক কর্তৃপক্ষকে অবহিত না করায় যোগাযোগ করতে সমস্যা হচ্ছে। এমতাবস্থায় যেসব গ্রাহক বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের নির্দেশনা অনুযায়ী প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র ও হালনাগাদ তথ্য এখনও প্রদান করেননি, তাদেরকে অতিসত্বর নিকটস্থ ডাচ-বাংলা ব্যাংকের শাখায় প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র ও হালনাগাদ তথ্যসহ যোগাযোগ করার জন্য বিশেষভাবে অনুরোধ করা হচ্ছে।

হিসাব হালনাগাদ করার ব্যাপারে ব্যাংক কর্মকর্তাদেরকে প্রয়োজনীয় তথ্য ও কাগজপত্র দিয়ে সহযোগিতা করার জন্য সম্মানিত গ্রাহকদের অনুরোধ করা হচ্ছেঃ

- গ্রাহক ও তার নমিনার ছবিযুক্ত পরিচয়পত্রের (যেমন-জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র/পাসপোর্ট অথবা জন্ম নিবন্ধন সনদপত্র সাথে অন্য কোন ছবিযুক্ত পরিচয়পত্রের) অনুলিপি।
- হিসাব খোলার সময় প্রদত্ত 'বর্তমান ঠিকানা' এবং 'টেলিফোন নম্বর' পরিবর্তন হয়ে থাকলে হালনাগাদ 'বর্তমান ঠিকানা' এবং 'টেলিফোন নম্বর'।
- গ্রাহকের নিজ নামে টেলিফোন বিল, বিদ্যুৎ বিল থাকলে তার অনুলিপি।
- এছাড়া যদি অন্য কোন তথ্য ও কাগজপত্র প্রয়োজন হয়।

মনে রাখবেন, আপনার স্বার্থেই আপনার হিসাব সংশ্লিষ্ট তথ্য হালনাগাদ থাকা প্রয়োজন। হিসাবের হালনাগাদ তথ্য এবং প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র সরবরাহ করা না হলে, ব্যাংক হিসাব সাময়িকভাবে স্থগিত রাখা হতে পারে।

আপনার ব্যাংক হিসাবটি নিরাপদ ও সুরক্ষিত রাখতে আমরা অঙ্গীকারবদ্ধ এবং সন্দা সচেত। আমাদের এই প্রচেষ্টায় আপনার সহযোগিতা একান্ত প্রয়োজন।