

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DHAKA H 33.6 L 23.6	CHITTAGONG H 32.2 L 26.5	SYLHET H 30.5 L 22.5	RAJSHAHI H 33.0 L 22.5	KHULNA H 34.0 L 25.3	BARISAL H 32.0 L 25.2	RANGPUR H 27.5 L 19.4	COX'S BAZAR H 34.0 L 27.0
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Day and night temperatures may remain nearly unchanged over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:29pm and rises tomorrow at 5:21am. Country's highest temperature 35.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Ishwardi and lowest 19.4 in

Allegations of war crimes against 11 ex-agri univ teachers being probed

BNP's Osman Faruk among them
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

International Crimes Tribunal's investigation agency yesterday said it was collecting information concerning allegations that 11 teachers of East Pakistani Agricultural University (now Bangladesh Agricultural University), including BNP leader Osman Faruk, committed crimes during the 1971 Liberation War.

Hailing from Kishoreganj's Karimganj upazila, Osman was an assistant professor, the agency's co-coordinator, Sanaul Huq, told journalists at a press conference the agency organised at its office in the capital to inform of findings involving two war crimes cases.

If any concrete evidence is found, a formal probe will be launched, said the agency's coordinator, Abdul Hannan Khan, adding, "Documents show that Osman Faruk Shaheb was involved with anti-liberation forces."

Names of the other teachers were not mentioned.

Sanaul told The Daily Star that during investigations in a case against Jatiya Party lawmaker MA Hannan from Mymensingh, they got to know that the Pakistani occupation army set up a torture cell turning the university into a cantonment.

He said they obtained a secret intelligence report prepared in 1972 stating of the teachers' anti-liberation activities.

On Osman, the report said, "Had regular visits to the army officers. Invite them to his house for tea, dinners, etc. Used to speak against the Mukti Bahini and Awami League leadership publicly and support strongly the army actions. Used to work as informer for Pak army."

Contacted over the phone, the former education minister of the

War crimes evidence found against 13 of Mymensingh, Jamalpur, Patuakhali

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

International Crimes Tribunal's investigation agency yesterday said to have found evidence of crimes allegedly committed by 13 persons in their respective Mymensingh, Jamalpur and Patuakhali localities during the 1971 Liberation War.

"Involved" with anti-liberation organisations Razakar Bahini, Al-Badr Bahini and Peace Committee, they "committed" murders, abductions, confinements, tortures, arsons and lootings, investigators told journalists at its Dhanmondi office.

Investigators say they would hand over documents, including the probe report, to the chief prosecutor's office today. If prosecutors are satisfied with those during scrutiny, they will press formal charges for initiating a trial, they said.

Now in jail, Esahaq Shikder, 83, Abdul Goni Hawlader, 72, Md Awal alias Awal Moulavi, 69, Abdus Sattar Pyada, 65, and Solaiman Mridha, 86, of Patuakhali sadar upazila, are accused in one case.

Rezaul Hauque alias Akkas Moulvi, 65, and Badaruzzaman alias Chand Kazi, 65, are the

accused from Mymensingh's Muktagachha upazila.

ABM Yunus Ali, 65, his brother AKM Yusuf Ali alias Yusuf Alam, 60, Omar Faruk alias Omar Ali, 70, Nasiruddin alias Kalu, 64, AKM Belayet Hossain, 64, and Ismaili Hossain, 65, are from Jamalpur sadar upazila.

Rezaul, Yunus, Yusuf and Omar are now in jail while the rest on the run.

PATUAKHALI CASE
The agency's coordinator, Abdul Hannan Khan, said Esahaq was a member of Patuakhali Peace committee while the four others were members of Razakar Bahini.

On May 4, they, along with a group of Pakistani army men, killed 15 people of Itbaria village, torched and looted 21 houses and abducted six children and 15 women, whom they confined to Patuakhali Circuit House and raped for 10 days, he said.

On falling sick, the victims were sent back, said Hannan, adding that 51 people have been cited as probable witnesses.

MYMENSINGH AND JAMALPUR CASE
The agency's co-coordinator Sanaul Huq said Badruzzaman was a local Razakar commander while the seven others were engaged with Al-Badr Bahini. They were involved in at least eight incidents of crimes in Muktagachha and Jamalpur sadar upazila, he said.

The incidents concern the killing of three people of Malatipur Pathalia village on May 13 after torture, of five cobblers from Chechua Kurigram on June 27, of class VIII student Ahmmad Ali of Subarnakhila village on August 5 for chanting the Joy Bangla slogan, of seven people of Kejakanda Konagaon on August 5, of Azizur Rahman on November 20 for assisting freedom fighters and of doctor Anil Kumar Singha on November 26.

The others involve the brutal torture on two freedom fighters, who were never found, on November 12 and torture on one Abdul Latif, a freedom fighter's brother, and torching of his house on November 12.

They have cited 49 people as probable witnesses, he added.

NEWS IN brief

Suspended Gazipur mayor placed on 3-day remand

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Two Gazipur courts yesterday placed MA Mannan, the suspended mayor of the Gazipur City Corporation, on three days' remand in two arson cases.

Judicial magistrate court-3 of Abdul Hai placed him on one day remand after Joydevpur police prayed for a seven-day remand.

Meanwhile, senior judicial magistrate court-2 of Shahidul Islam placed Mannan, also an adviser to BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia, and his brother Abdul Kadir on a two-day remand.

BNNRC wins UN WSIS prize

CITY DESK

Bangladesh NGOs Network for Radio and Communications (BNNRC) received the UN World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) prize 2016, said a press release yesterday.

The World Summit on the Information Society Forum presented the award on Tuesday in Geneva, Switzerland.

The prize was given in recognition of BNNRC's successful implementation of the project on Youth Women in Community Media and Journalism -- the beginning of a new era in rural broadcasting journalism of Bangladesh supported by the Free Press Unlimited.

Jahanara president, Towhida secretary general of Dhaka Ladies Club

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jahanara Mannan and Prof Towhida Faroque were elected president and secretary general respectively of Dhaka Ladies Club for 2016-2017 session, said a press release.

The 19-member committee which was formed on Sunday includes Nilu Bilkis Rahman, treasurer, said Mahfuzur Rahman, manager for the club.

Jahanara Mannan

Oitijjo publishes 'Rabindra Rachanabali'

DU CORRESPONDENT

The publication ceremony of "Rabindra Rachanabali", 30-volume literary collections of Rabindranath Tagore was held at Bangladesh National Museum in the capital yesterday.

Oitijjo, a publishing house, published the books edited by Prof Syed Akram Hossain of the Bangla department at Dhaka University and fixed the price of all the volumes together at Tk 40,000. But there is a special offer of Tk 19,900 for the collection. Vice Chancellor of Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata Sabyasachi Basu Ray Chaudhury, and Prof Emeritus Anisuzzaman were present among others.



Garbage heaps up spilling over from a collection dumpster near Baitul Mukarram Mosque at Gulistan in the capital, spreading malodour, and taking over almost a half of the street yesterday morning. Such open garbage containers are likely to raise questions about the new initiative taken by Dhaka South City Corporation to set up smaller trash bins at different points in the capital to "keep the city clean".

AL to bring changes to party charter

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The ruling Awami League (AL) is going to bring some amendments to its constitution in the forthcoming 20th triennial council, scheduled to be held on July 10-11, to make it an up-to-date one.

The party will take opinions and suggestions from its grassroots in an effort to bring changes to the party charter.

The decision was made at a meeting of the party's sub-committee for amending the constitution with agriculture and cooperatives affairs secretary Abdur Razzak in the chair, held at the party president's Dhanmondi office in the capital yesterday.

The meeting decided to send letters to presidents and general secretaries of all district and upazila units of AL seeking their opinions in this connection.

The committee collected charters of the oldest political parties in the world, including of Labour Party and Conservative Party of UK, Bharatiya Janata Party and Congress of India.

It will go through the parties' constitutions and prepare a proposal to take a leaf out of them to make the AL charter time-befitting.

"We will have finalised the proposal by June 15," said Razzak.

He also hinted at expanding the AL central working committee and party presidium.

Currently, the central working committee comprises 73 members.

Three girls including siblings drown in Shitalakkhya

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

Three girls drowned in the Shitalakkhya River at Rupganj of Narayanganj yesterday afternoon.

The deceased were Maksuda Akhter, 9, and her sister Maria Akhter, 7, daughters of Maskur Miah of Belldi - Namapara area in Rupganj and their

cousin Habiba Akhter, 10, daughter of Hafizuddin.

They drowned in the river around 12:00 noon when they went there for swimming, said Khairul Islam, sub-inspector of Rupganj police, adding that their bodies were recovered from the river around 5:00pm after a frantic search.

Environmentalists slam forest act

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"Countries like India and Pakistan do not feel that necessary while amending their forest acts. It is an attempt to reduce the number of people living in forests," Rizwana said.

In preamble of the proposed act, Mongal Kumar Chakma, information and publicity secretary of Parbatya Chattagram Jano Sanghati Samity, suggested adding the protection of the traditional and customary rights of ethnic minority people relevant to the conservation and sustainable use of forests and biodiversity, otherwise their livelihood will face danger. He demanded annulling the proposed "other forest", "protected forest" and "reserve forest" concepts, which will create more complexities and curb locals' rights.

"We don't want the government to pass the act bypassing or without consulting stakeholders," said former information commissioner Sadeka Halim.

Member of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Forest Yasin Ali said he will discuss the matter with his colleagues.

Shamsul Huda, ALRD executive director, Goutom Dewan, president of Movement for Protection of Forest and Land Rights in CHT and Sanjeeb Drong, general secretary of Bangladesh Adivasi Forum, also spoke. Human Rights activist Khushi Kabir moderated the discussion.

Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Benu Bhushan Chowdhury, a physician and politician, died from a cardiac arrest in Dhaka on Sunday. He was 85.

Benu, also the president of Ekatturer Ghatok Dalal Nirmul Committee's UK chapter, left behind his wife and two sons, said a press release.

Benu's funeral will be held in his village in Chittagong after the arrival of his sons in Bangladesh.



Obituary

CITY DESK

Moshtaque Hossain passed away at his Uttara residence in the capital on Monday, aged 78.

Relatives and friends are requested to pray for the salvation of his departed soul.

His qulkwani will be held at Gulshan Society Mosque on Friday after Asr prayers.



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Memo No: MPI/STEP/OTM/2012-16/865(48) Date: 02/05/2016

INVITATION FOR TENDER

01	Ministry	Ministry of Education
02	Agency	Directorate of Technical Education
03	Procuring Entity Name	Principal, Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute, Mymensingh.
04	Procuring Entity District	Mymensingh.
05	Invitation for Tender	MSing/GD-33(Lot-01: Supply of Multimedia Projector, Lot-02: Supply of Laptop, Color Laser Printer. & Lot-03: Supply of Photocopier.)
06	Invitation Ref. No.	Memo No : MPI/STEP/OTM/2012-16/865(48)
07	Date	02/05/2016

KEY INFORMATION

08	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)
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FUNDING INFORMATION

09	Budget and Source of Funds	International Development Association (IDA)
10	Development Partners (If applicable)	International Development Association (IDA)

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11	Project/Program Code.	N/A
12	Project/Program Name	Skills and Training Enhancement Project (STEP)
13	Tender Package No.	
14	Tender Package Name	Mentioned in SI. No-22
15	Tender Last Selling Date	24/05/2016 up to 04:00PM
16	Tender Closing Date and Time	25/05/2016 at 12:00 NOON
17	Tender Opening Date and Time	25/05/2016 at 12:15PM

NAME & ADDRESS OF THE OFFICE

18	Selling Tender Document	Principal, Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute, Mymensingh. Others- Director General, Directorate of Technical Education, F-4/B, Agargaon, Sher-e-Banglanagar, Dhaka-1207.
19	Receiving & Opening Tender Document	Director General, Directorate of Technical Education, F-4/B, Agargaon, Sher-e-Banglanagar, Dhaka-1207. Tender document can be submitted by hand, or by post/courier service within above times.
20	Place/Date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	Office of the Principal, Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute, Mymensingh.. 19/05/2016 at 11:00AM

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

21	Eligibility of Tender	(a) The Tenderers should be the Manufacturers/Distributors/Sole Agents of Equipments having authorization from the Manufacturer. (b) Shall have a minimum of 5 (five) years of overall experience in the supply of goods and related services. (c) Shall have experience of satisfactory completion of supply of similar goods of minimum Lot-01: BDT 32.00(Thirty Two) Lac, Lot-02: BDT 62.00(Sixty Two) Lac & Lot-03: BDT 23.00(Twenty Three) Lac only under single contract in the last 5 (Five) years. i.e years counting backward from the date of publication of IFT in the newspaper. (d) Having Valid Trade License, Up to date Income tax certificate, Bank Solvency, Vat registration certificate, (e) Having Valid Membership Certificate of Bangladesh Computer Council. (f) Others (as mentioned in the Tender Document in Section-02)
22	Brief Description of Goods	Package No. MSing/GD-33 Lot-01: Supply of Multimedia Projector. Lot-02: Supply of Laptop, Color Laser Printer. Lot-03: Supply of Photocopier.
23	Brief Description of Related Services	Mentioned in the Tender Document.
24	Price of Tender Document	Tk 1000 (One Thousand only) (Non Re-refundable).
25	Identification of Package	Tender Security Lot-1: TK. 1,00,000.00 Lot-2: TK. 1,80,000.00 Lot-3: TK. 70,000.00
		Location Principal, Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute, Mymensingh.
		Completion Time 12(Twelve) Weeks from the date of contact signing.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

26	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Dr. Md. Nurul Islam
27	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Principal
28	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute, Mymensingh.
29	Contract Details of Official Inviting Tender	Tel. 091-67294
30	The Procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever	

Signed/-
(Dr. Md. Nurul Islam)
Principal
Mymensingh Polytechnic Institute.

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