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Day and night temperatures may remain nearly unchanged over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:43pm and rises tomorrow at 5:11am. Country's highest temperature 34.7 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Chandpur and lowest 21.5 in Dimla (Nilphamari).



#### Recording of testimonies deferred until today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A Sylhet court yesterday deferred recording of the testimonies of witnesses until today in the former finance minister SAMS Kibria murder case.

The court fixed the date as

all the accused did not appear before it, said public prosecutor Kishore Kumar Kar. Former state minister for home Lutfozzaman Babar, suspended Sylhet City Corporation mayor Ariful Haque Chowdhury and Habiganj Municipality Mayor GK Gous was absent on health grounds, said the PP. In the murder case, among 32 accused, eight are on bail, 14 in jail and 10 others are fugitive. Kibria was killed in a grenade attack in Habiganj Sadar upazila's Baidyer Bazaar on January 27, 2005.



knowing when they will be able to obtain the precious water again. Chittagong city has been crippled by an acute water crisis this summer due to a high demand and production failure. The ongoing frequent power outage in the city has also doubled their sufferings. The photo was taken in Lalkhan Bazar yesterday. PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

## Road crashes kill 6 including 4 of family

Injure 15

CITY DESK

Four members of a family were killed and 15 people injured as a pickup van carrying 14 devotees turned turtle on Bagerhat-Khulna highway in Mohadever Dokan area of Bagerhat Sadar yesterday.

The deceased were Aleya Begam, 55, her husband Sana Mia, 65, and their relatives Halima Begam, 55, and Lutfar Rahman, 60. All of them hailed from Gadaipur village.

Police said the van carrying the devotees of Khan Jahan Ali shrine hit a tree as its driver lost control over the vehicle leaving its passengers injured. Three of them died on the way to a hospital while another died at hospital. In Manikganj Sadar, Nurul Islam, 65, of Joyra area was killed as a pickup van hit his bicycle from behind on Dhaka-Aricha highway at Manora yesterday.

He was a teacher of Garpara Government Primary School. Officer-in-Charge of Manikganj Sadar Police Station Aminur Rahman said a pick-up van hit the teacher around 8:30am when he was riding a bicycle on the highway. He died on the spot, he said, adding that he was going to his native village Char Garpara from his Joyra residence.

In Dinajpur, Abu Raihan, 24, of South Debipur village was killed as his microbus collided head-on with a truck on Dinajpur-Dhaka highway in Durgapur village.

#### 3 'Jamaat men' arrested in Ctg STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

police arrested three alleged Jamaat-e-Islami men with "a good number of jihadi books" in Basundhara

Halishahar Police Station in

residential area under

Detective Branch (DB) of

Chittagong city yesterday. The arrestees are Abdur Sabur, 51, Tasnim Ahmed Tahsin, 18, of Rangamati and Shahidul Alam, 24 of Banshkhali, said DB's Deputy Commissioner Moktar Hossain at a press

yesterday. On information that Jamaat men were secretly planning to conduct subversive activities in the city, DB raided the area and arrested them.

conference at its office

Sensing their presence other Jamaat men fled.

## Sylhet transport workers block road for two hours

Protesting eviction of illegal vehicle stand

Sylhet human hauler workers blocked the road with their vehicles in the city's Court Point for about two hours yesterday afternoon protesting the eviction of illegal vehicle stand from there by Sylhet City Corporation.

a three-wheeler. The workers withdrew the blockade after getting an assurance of looking into the matter from the authorities concerned.

unit President Manjur Hossain Sohag said the city corporation started the drive without giving them any prior notice.

an eviction.

The Daily Star could not contact Enamul Habib, chief executive officer of the city corporation, as his mobile phone was found

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

SCC launched the drive in the afternoon and at one stage damaged

Sylhet District Paribahan Shramik Oikya Parishads' vehicle stand

The workers also demanded a permanent vehicle stand before such

The Parishad's President Selim Ahmed Folik said, "We have a written permission to park 10 public transport vehicles, but the city corporation violated its permission wrecking [the vehicle] and evicting the stand."

switched off.

# A mobile court inspects bottles of ethephon which was being used to ripen bananas, something the label, inset, clearly instructs against, in

Obituary

Mosammat Hasna Banu, widow of late Afsar Uddin Ahmed of

Ghoraghat in Dinajpur, passed away on Monday, says a press release.

A doa mahfil will be held at house-19A, road-9, Gulshan-1, Dhaka after Asr prayers tomorrow.

#### Suspended

FROM PAGE 3 other over violence in Kadirganj. But Bulbul was not freed as a letter from the attorney general's office told that an appeal was

filed against the bail order. Yesterday, the jail authorities got another letter saying that the appeal verdict went for Bulbul,

said Shafiqul.

## Dhaka being cleared

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the capital's Kawran Bazar yesterday. The court jailed 18 traders for

one to three months and destroyed 80,000 bananas.

measures to make the country hunger and poverty free and into a middle income one by 2021," she said.

She also renewed the government's firm commitment to continue work for changing the lot of womenfolk to build a happy and prosperous nation. "These brave movements and strong activities of our womenfolk are being highly acclaimed on the world stage," she said.

#### **BUDGET SESSION TO CONTINUE TILL JULY 28**

The 11th session of the 10th Parliament beginning yesterday would continue till July 28. The session, however, wil remain adjourned from July 1 to July 16 for holy Eid-ul-

The decision was taken at a meeting of the Business Advisory Committee at Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban with Deputy Speaker Fazley Rabbi Mian in the chair, said a press release from the parliament secretariat. As per the decision, the sitting of the 11th JS session

would resume at 10:00am everyday during Ramadan, but the Speaker can change the time if needed. The Business Advisory Committee meeting also

decided that MPs will discuss on the next fiscal's budget

#### for 45 hours. **OBITUARY MOTION**

The House yesterday unanimously adopted obituary references on a number of distinguished personalities, including a sitting state minister, Promod Mankin, former national assembly member and some other former MPs.

Court to decide FROM PAGE 3 alleged that as per the BNP chief's directives, BNP leaders and activists torched a minibus in the capital's Shah Ali Mazar area on February 4. CASE AGAINST FAKHRUL

**BNP Secretary General** Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir yesterday secured a bail in a case filed over the party's antigovernment road blockade in the capital in 2012.

Judge Abul Kashem of the eighth Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court passed the order and set August 28 as the date for hearing the

charges. Paltan police sued Fakhrul in the case, filed under explosives act, for violent demonstration in Dhaka during the party's anti-government move in

2012.

## Hi-Tech Park now Bangabandhu Hi-Tech City in Gazipur

**OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur** 

The name of Hi-Tech Park in Gazipur has been changed to Bangabandhu Hi-Tech City.

State Minister for Information and Communication Technology Junaid Ahmed Palak informed journalists of the official declaration while he was visiting the under construction park in Kaliakoir upazila yesterday.

He said the government had a plan to establish a hightech park, an IT park and a software technology park in every district gradually.

Around 10 lakh people would be employed in Bangabandhu Hi-Tech City in the next 10 years, he said, adding that eventually it would increase foreign investment that would play a role in GDP growth.

To facilitate people, a modern rail station would be constructed in the area, and its work would be inaugurated by Prime Minister's ICT Affairs Adviser Sajeeb Wajed Joy in July, he said.

The government had undertaken a plan to establish "Sheikh Kamal IT Training and Incubation Centre" at divisional level, he added.

The hi-tech city, being constructed on 355 acres of land, is the first hi-tech park in Bangladesh.

#### Adolescent girls, women severe

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health needs of the women and prevent gender-based violence in the aftermath of Roanu. A Joint Response Plan, led by the Humanitarian Coordination Task Team, is calling for donors to step up efforts to support Bangladesh in helping the affected people.

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#### Navy ship with 105 tonnes of relief goods sail for Sri Lanka

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Bangladesh Navy ship with around 105 tonnes of relief materials set sail from Chittagong Port to Sri Lanka on Tuesday evening. The materials include pure drinking water, water

purifier, medicine, baby food, rice, clothes, tents and generators. Before departure of the ship, Rear Admiral M Akhtar Habib told a press conference at the ship that on May 25, the Sri Lankan government urged for international

help as the country had been affected by cyclone Roanu and flood. Earlier on May 27, Bangladesh sent relief materials through an air force plane as per the prime minister's

directive. Sri Lankan High Commissioner to Bangladesh Yasoja Gunasekera was present at the news conference.

#### Ctg man to die for killing youth

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday sentenced a man to death for killing a youth in 2005.

The convict Soumitra Barua, 28, of Alkaran area in the city is now in jail.

According to the prosecution, Soumitra killed Tajuddin Babu, 20, on March 27 in 2005 as Tajuddin did not accept Soumitra's relationship with his sister.

Locals detained Soumitra from Aboymitra Ghat while he was trying to throw the body in the Karnaphuli River.

#### STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg Detectives yesterday arrested two persons in Parki area

2 held over 'attack on cops' in Ctg

of Anwara upazila in Chittagong in connection with an alleged attack on police on Tuesday night. The two are Md Foysal Alam of Dudkumra in Anwara,

and Md Abdul Mannan of Gobadiya in CUFL area, said Deputy Commissioner (DC) Moktar Hossain of the Detective Branch of Chittagong Metropolitan Police. Detectives were allegedly attacked by a gang when

they arrested an alleged Yaba peddler on Tuesday. The arrested, later, was snatched, he said.

#### **Summit's Aziz Khan becomes** Finland's honorary consul general DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Chairman of Summit Group Muhammed Aziz Khan has been appointed as the honorary consul general of Finland in Bangladesh, said a press release. In light of this, New Delhi

Ambassador of Finland Aapo Polho visited Dhaka and inaugurated the Honorary Consulate General Office of Finland in the capital and unveiled the flag of Finland at Summit

Centre at Karwan Bazar on Tuesday. The Honorary Consul General hosted a reception in honour of the visiting Finish envoy at Hotel Radisson Blu on Tuesday evening.

#### Transport leader's body found in Ctg hotel

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Police recovered the body of a man from a hotel in Cinema Palace area of Chittagong city early yesterday. Azim Chwodhury, 46, of Satkania upazila was the assistant general secretary of Bangladesh Inter-Districts

President Ekramul Huq. He had been staying in the hotel for the last two

Sarak Paribahan Sramik Union, said it's Executive

and a half years, Huq added. Officer-in-Charge of Kotwali Police Station Jasim Uddin said the reason behind the death could be known after an autopsy.

### Seized grenades destroyed

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cross-examination of the first investigation officer Subinspector Amir Hossain was completed at the court. During the attack on an Awami League rally in 2014, party chief and the then opposition leader Sheikh Hasina narrowly escaped death. However, 24 leaders and workers of her party, including top leader Ivy Rahman, were killed and 300 others injured.

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