

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA
H 34.3 | L 29.2

CHITTAGONG
H 30.3 | L 25.4

SYLHET
H 32.8 | L 26.5

RAJSHAHI
H 35.5 | L 26.2

KHULNA
H 34.2 | L 27.5

BARISAL
H 32.5 | L 28.0

RANGPUR
H 31.8 | L 23.0

COX'S BAZAR
H 27.4 | L 25.0

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged and night temperature may fall by 1-2 degree Celsius over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:47pm and rises tomorrow at 5:10am. Country's highest temperature 36.6 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Satkhira and lowest 22.4 degree in Badalgachi.

RMG workers block Gazipur road after bus hits guard

They also vandalise the vehicle, torch another; girl dies in N'ganj road crash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Agitated RMG workers vandalised a bus and blocked a road after the vehicle hit a motorbike injuring three persons, including a guard of a garment factory, in Konabari of Gazipur yesterday.

The workers also torched another bus of the same company while it was passing through Itahata area in Konabari after the accident, said Konabari Highway Police Sub-inspector Mozammel Hoque.

The guard, Fozlul Haque, 50, of Diganta sweater factory, and the other two, whose identities could not be ascertained immediately, were admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

The road was blocked for about one hour.

Our Narayanganj correspondent adds, a five-year-old girl was killed instantly as a battery-run auto-rickshaw ran her over in Fatullah of Narayanganj yesterday.

Khadiza Akhter was a daughter of Arej Ali of the area. Police arrested the auto-rickshaw driver Alamgir Hossain.

Sub-inspector Golam Mostafa of Fatullah Model Police Station, quoting witnesses, said Khadiza was crossing Muslim Nagar graveyard road in Muslim Nagar area.

The body was sent to Narayanganj General Hospital morgue for an autopsy.

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Savar man held with arms

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

A man was arrested with a foreign pistol in Savar, on the outskirts of the capital, on Friday night.

The arrestee is Ibrahim, 45, of Jhauchar village in Savar.

"Ibrahim was involved in arms trade for a long time. On information, a team of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab)-4 raided the village and arrested him with the arms, said SM Kamruzzaman, officer-in-charge of Savar police, quoting Rab.

They also seized three rounds of bullets and two magazines from him. A case was lodged.



With cyclone Roanu and heavy rainfall severely damaging most of the roads in Barisal city, it has become a nightmare for the residents to take a ride on any mode of transport. The photo was taken recently in the city's Banglabazar Hospital Road area.

PHOTO: ARIFUR RAHMAN

Rides always bumpy for Barisal city residents

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

All it took was a rainfall of a few days for the Barisal city's landscape to change from bad to worse. With the cyclone Roanu severely damaging most of the roads and the authorities concerned not taking any step to repair them after the cyclone, commuters are in for a rough ride in the city.

Apart from waterlogging, the heavy rainfalls created potholes and craters on the roads, putting commuters and pedestrians in peril.

Major thoroughfares like Sadar road, Amtola intersection, Battala road, Rupatali, Dinobandhu road, and Lamsari road turned a nightmare for the people, said Abdul Motaleb, an auto-rickshaw

driver.

Rebeka Sultana, a resident in the city, said people were busy shopping for food and clothes ahead of the Eid festival, but they had to suffer a lot due to the dreadful conditions of the roads, adding that students, children and patients were the worst sufferers.

Biplob, a battery-run auto-rickshaw driver, said three-wheelers were quite unable to run on the dilapidated roads.

Mizanur Rahaman, president of Barisal Nagorik Samaj, said, "We urged the city corporation to commence repair work, but it did not."

Contacted, Ranajit Kumar, chief executive officer of Barisal City Corporation, said they already tendered for repair work of Battala and Sadar roads, and will repair the other roads before the Eid-ul-Fitr.

Responsibility lies with all

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child labour and declare waste picking and child domestic works as a hazardous form of child labour.

Mujibur Haque Chunnun, state minister for labour and employment, said the government is determined to end all hazardous forms of child labours by 2021. He, however, admitted that the deadline for doing so was 2016.

He emphasised on creating awareness about the adverse side of child labour.

Representatives from different organisations and several children also spoke at the programme. The guests handed over prizes to 10 winners of an art competition on child labour.

Meanwhile, 12 children, earlier involved in different forms of hazardous child labour and now either rehabilitated or doing risk-free jobs provided by the six NGOs, yesterday visited six media houses to share their experiences ahead of the World Day Against Child Labour.

During their visit at The Daily Star, Bibi Ayesha, 15, who used to work as a waste picker and is now taking technical training with the help of Aparajeyo Bangladesh, said, "I do not want any children to go through the hurdles that I faced while working as a waste picker."

She urged the government to do more to eliminate child labour.

All the children demanded full implementation of different government initiatives to end child labour, especially from hazardous works.

Ex-enclave

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Indian Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha unanimously in May 2015, the LBA was implemented from the midnight of July 31, 2015 ending the decade-old sufferings of the people living in enclaves on both sides of Bangladesh and India.

Under the agreement, India gave 111 enclaves measuring 17,160 acres to Bangladesh and received 51 enclaves covering 7,110 acres.

The enclaves' people had option to choose the citizenship of either Bangladesh or India.

The 111 ex-Indian enclaves inside Bangladesh include 12 in Kurigram, 59 in Lalmonirhat, four in Nilphamari and 36 in Panchagarh, whereas all 51 ex-Bangladeshi enclaves are located in Cooch Behar of India.

Fahim Munaim remembered with much fondness

At memorial meeting organised by American Alumni Association

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers yesterday at a memorial programme highlighted the vibrant life of Syed Fahim Munaim who, they said, attracted everyone with his amicable behaviour, witty jokes and cordial smile.

Discussions including Fahim Munaim's colleagues, friends, college mate and well-wishers described him as a helping person, dependable and dynamic colleague who liked to inject his spirit to all surrounding him.

They said Fahim would always greet people with warmth and leave them enchanted with his sharp wit.

American Alumni Association (AAA) organised the event at The Daily Star Centre in the capital.

Munaim, chief executive officer and chief editor at Maasranga Television, died of cardiac arrest at his Gulshan residence at the age of 62 on June 1.

He was a former executive editor of The Daily Star. Munaim also served as the managing editor of the newspaper since

1996 before starting to work as press secretary to the then chief adviser of caretaker government in 2007.

"He was a very helpful person. I went to The Daily Star seeking his help to get a copy of the paper in which my son wrote an article. I couldn't say the time when it was published. But it was Fahim who made it happen within two days," Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's economic affairs adviser Dr Moshir Rahman recalled.

"Fahim's help eventually assisted my son to get admitted to a London college," said Dr Moshir, also the founding president of AAA.

"Now-a-days, most of us take responsibility as duty. But Fahim was different and always helped others," he added.

Dr Moshir also recalled his memories with Fahim centring "Editors' Guest," a programme at Maasranga Television anchored by Fahim.

Recalling his eventful and unforgettable memories with Fahim Munaim, The Daily Star Editor and Publisher Mahfuz Anam said after Fahim joined the news-

paper, The Daily Star became a very productive team.

"He accepted my leadership very naturally. I learnt to respect his judgement almost intuitively and together we helped to turn The Daily Star into the most successful English language daily in the country," Mahfuz Anam said.

"He was one of the early builders of The Daily Star for which I, and all my fellow colleagues, will forever remember him with gratitude and pride. His was a life dedicated to news media and all of us in this profession will sorely miss his guiding leadership," he added.

Sayeeful Islam and MA Momen, two former presidents of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Zia Ahmed, Fahim's mate at Mirzapur Cadet College, Dr Iqbal Mahmud, founding executive committee member of AAA, Faraz Munaim, eldest son of Fahim, also spoke. Syed Almas Kabir, president of AAA, conducted the programme.



Dr Moshir Rahman, prime minister's economic affairs adviser, reminiscing about Syed Fahim Munaim at a memorial programme at The Daily Star Centre in the capital yesterday, organised by American Alumni Association.

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