

**WEATHER FORECAST**

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DHAKA	CHITTAGONG	SYLHET	RAJSHAHI	KHULNA	BARISAL	RANGPUR	COX'S BAZAR
	H 33.5   L 27.5	H 31.5   L 26.5	H 32.5   L 26.1	H 33.8   L 27.2	H 33.2   L 27.5	H 33.4   L 26.5	H 35.5   L 27.4	H 28.2   L 26.2

Day and night temperatures may fall slightly over the country. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:49pm and rises tomorrow at 5:20am. Country's highest temperature 35.5 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Rangpur and the lowest 24.5 in Sandwip.



Polluted water flows down the silted Chaktai canal, which, along with the Rajakhali canal, plays a crucial role in draining water from Chittagong city to the Karnaphuli river. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

**NEWS IN brief**

**Govt offices to remain open Saturday**

BSS, Dhaka  
All government offices will remain open on Saturday, said an official release yesterday. The government had declared July 4 as holiday through an executive order and directed to keep the offices open as a workday on Saturday, July 16, the release added.

**Pak envoy meets president, FM**

CITY DESK  
Outgoing Pakistan High Commissioner Shuja Alam made his farewell call on President Abdul Hamid at Bangabhaban yesterday, says a UNB report. During the meeting, the envoy expressed gratitude to the president for extending cooperation in discharging his duties in Bangladesh. Meanwhile, the outgoing envoy also met Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, said a foreign ministry press release. During the meeting, the Pakistan envoy appreciated Bangladesh's socio-economic development and the warmth and hospitality of its people.

**2 Ctg Shibir men held with arms**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg  
Police arrested two alleged Shibir cadres along with fire arms in Demsha area under Satkania upazila of Chittagong on Tuesday night. The arrestees are Hafez Amir Ahmed, 27, and Abdul Momen, 25, of Demsha area in the upazila. Acting on secret information, police arrested the duo along with a homemade gun and two cartridges from the area around 10:30pm on Tuesday, said Farid Uddin Khondakar, officer-in-charge of Satkania Police Station. There are about 10 cases against Ahmed in connection with subversive activities, the OC said, adding that Momen is the associate of Ahmed.

**Harun-or-Rashid BUBT registrar**

CITY DESK  
Dr Md Harun-or-Rashid joined the Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT) as its registrar recently, said a press release yesterday. Before joining BUBT, he served at NCTB, NAEM, NU, BOU and MIU in different positions. Dr Harun obtained his masters degree in 1981 and PhD in 2004 from Dhaka University under the arts faculty. He also obtained MSS in political science from NU and MED from BOU.

**3 held with unrefined fuel in Barisal**

UNB, Barisal  
Members of Armed Police Battalion (APBn) arrested three alleged smugglers along with 2,000 liters of unrefined fuel from Natun Haat area on the Barisal-Dhaka Highway in Babujanj upazila in Barisal on Tuesday night. Police said when the truck reached Natun Haat, a team of the armed police intercepted the vehicle and seized 2,000 liters of unrefined fuel from the truck and arrested the three in this connection. A case was filed.

**ARSON CASE**  
**Court to decide on charges against Khaleda August 10**

COURT CORRESPONDENT  
A Dhaka court yesterday fixed August 10 to decide whether the charges brought against BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia and 26 leaders and activists of the BNP-led 20-party alliance in three arson cases will be accepted. Judge Kamrul Hossain Mollah of the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court set the date. All the three cases were filed with Darussalam Police Station for the attacks during the alliance's countywide blockade last year. In the first case, it was 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 last year. On May 11, police pressed charges against Khaleda and 23 others. In the second case, it was mentioned that as per her directives, a passenger bus was torched by a group of the BNP-led 20-party alliance on February 14 last year in Darussalam area. Khaleda and 26 others were charged for the arson attack on May 30. In the third case, it was alleged that on the BNP chief's instructions, BNP-led 20-party activists set fire to a minibus at Gabtoli on March 3 last year. Khaleda and 27 others were charged for arson attack on May 11. SEE PAGE 11 COL 6

**WAR CRIMES CASE AGAINST 3 MOULVIBAZAR MEN**  
**ICT seeks probe report**

Records defence's closing arguments in case against 9 of Jessore  
STAFF CORRESPONDENT  
International Crimes Tribunal-1 yesterday asked the prosecution to submit on September 27 the investigation report, if there were any, in a case filed against three Moulvibazar men who allegedly committed crimes during the 1971 Liberation War. Moreover, the tribunal for the second day recorded the defence's closing arguments in a case against nine Jessore men, including former Jamaat-e-Islami and BNP lawmaker Shakhawat Hossain, who are facing five charges of war-time crimes. Yesterday was fixed for the Moulvibazar report's submission. Prosecutor Sabina Yesmin Khan Munni sought two months to complete the investigation and the three-member tribunal led by Justice Anwarul Haque granted it. The accused are Abdul Aziz alias Habul, Abdul Mannan, and Abdul Matin, of Barlekha upazila of Moulvibazar. Of the three, Aziz and Mannan are now in jail while Matin is on the run. According to the case's investigation officer Shahjahan Kabir, the accused were involved with Razakar Bahini, an auxiliary force of the Pakistani occupation army. He has already got evidence over their involvement in at least two incidents of crimes involving rape, arson and torture in Barlekha upazila, Shahjahan told The Daily Star earlier. **JESSORE CASE** Defence counsels Abdus Sattar Palwan and Abdur Shukur Khan placed their arguments and claimed that the prosecution failed to prove the charges. The tribunal adjourned proceedings until today. All the accused are from Keshobpur upazila. Shakhawat, now involved in Jatiya Party's politics, and Billal Hossain Biswas are in jail and Lutfar Morol died of old age complications on May 6. The rest, Ibrahim Hossain, Sheikh Md Mujibur Rahman, Kazi Ohidul Islam, Aziz Sardar, Aziz Sardar, Lutfar Morol, and Abdul Khaleq Morol, are on the run.

**Security beefed up at Ctg airport**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg  
Security at Chittagong Shah Amanat International Airport has been tightened after the recent militant attacks in the capital's Gulshan and Sholakia in Kishoreganj. Contacted, Airport Manager Wing Commander Reazul Kabir told The Daily Star that the number of security personnel and check posts had been increased and all the airport officials were instructed to be cautious. He, however, said there was no specific threat to the airport. "We have strengthened the security after analysing the overall threat and present situation..." he added. Contacted, Arefin Jewel, additional deputy commissioner (immigration) of Chittagong Metropolitan Police, said, "There were 200 on duty armed police battalion personnel in the airport but now the number has been increased to 300. Number of check posts has been increased from 11 to 14."

**ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN**  
**New strategies launched**

BSS, Dhaka  
The World Health Organization (WHO) and partners together launched new strategies to end violence against children globally as the approaches shown concrete results in their field test. WHO hopes that the seven interlinked strategies will dramatically reduce instances of violence against children globally, says a press release. Up to 100 crore children experienced physical, sexual or psychological violence in the last one year, according to a recent study published in pediatrics, that says homicide was among the top five causes of death for adolescents. It says one in four children suffers physical abuse, and nearly one in five girls is sexually abused at least once in their lives. "Knowledge about the extent and harms of violence against children is growing, together with evidence about effective strategies for prevention," noted Dr Etienne Krug, director of WHO. "Now we need to build on that knowledge to work collectively to create the safe, stable, and nurturing environments that protect children and adolescents from violent harm," Dr Krug added.



A group of people under the banner of Shahebganj-Bagdafarm Bhumi Uddhar Sanghati Committee forms a human chain in the capital's Shahbagh yesterday protesting, what they say, shooting of four persons and torching of houses of people of ethnic minority communities seeking return of their forefathers' lands at Shahebganj in Gaibandha on Tuesday.

**NU asks colleges to prepare list of absent students**

BSS, Dhaka  
Vice Chancellor of National University (NU) Prof Dr Harun-or-Rashid yesterday asked college authorities to prepare lists of absent students and send those lists to NU authorities, parents and law enforcement agencies. Against the backdrop of recent terrorist attacks on the Holey Arisan Bakery and near the Sholakia Eid Jamaat ground in Kishoreganj, the NU VC made some directives, an official release said yesterday. The directives include ensuring regular presence of students at classes, enhancing monitoring of guardians in case of private students and arranging of sports and cultural and extra-curriculum programmes.

**VITAMIN A PLUS CAMPAIGN SATURDAY**  
**13 lakh Ctg children to get capsules**

BSS, Ctg  
Nearly 13 lakh children under five years of age will be administered vitamin 'A' Plus capsules on National Vitamin 'A' plus campaign-16, on Saturday in the city and district. The campaign will begin from 8:00am and continue uninterrupted till 4:00pm. Over 700 supervisors including commissioners of 41 wards in Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) and 2,100 supervisors in the 14 upazilas of the district will supervise the programme. Over 20,000 volunteers and health workers including 4,848 from CCC would be engaged for giving vitamin 'A' Plus capsules to the children aged from zero to 5 years. Besides 1,500 volunteers and health workers in CCC area and 5,500 in the 14 upazilas in the district will carry out the campaign in the next four days from Saturday as a follow up programme, visiting households to include children left out, CCC and civil surgeon office sources said. This was disclosed at a press conferences held at Civil Surgeon Dr Mohammad Azizur Rahman Chowdhury's office yesterday noon.

**Hearing on charge framing**

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the court yesterday from Kashimpur jail as production warrant was not sent in due time while the other detainee Saiful was present. Two other accused Akram Hossain Hasib alias Abdullah and Junayed alias Taher have been absconding. Hasib, known as "Boro Bhai" among the ABT members, masterminded the killing, according to the charge sheet. Zikrullah, Ariful and Junayed, who had been enraged by Oyasiqur's write-ups on facebook and other social media platforms, participated in the killing mission on March 30 last year. On September 1 last year, the detective branch of police pressed charges against the five for their alleged involvement with the killing.

**BCL leader sues state**

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Charge ABM Zahidul Islam. Lily, an honours student of political science at Dhaka's Eden College, mentioned that Mohir attacked her motorcyclist elder brother as he could not hear the hooting of Mohir's motorbike in bus terminal area, said Zahidul. According to the case statement, Mohir caught Lily's ponytail as she, who was with her brother, protested the assault, said the OC, adding that they were investigating it. Mohir could not be contacted as his cellphone was found switched off. Meanwhile, leaders of Awami League and its other political wings demonstrated at the police station, demanding Mohir's arrest.

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