

**WEATHER FORECAST**

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DHAKA	CHITTAGONG	SYLHET	RAJSHAHI	KHULNA	BARISAL	RANGPUR	COX'S BAZAR
	H 32.5   L 26.4	H 28.5   L 25.5	H 33.3   L 25.4	H 30.4   L 26.3	H 32.6   L 27.0	H 30.5   L 25.5	H 31.0   L 25.0	H 29.5   L 25.0

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind will likely occur at many places over Rangpur, Rajshahi, Dhaka, Mymensingh, Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions with moderately heavy to heavy falls at places over the country in the next 24 hours. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:48pm and rises tomorrow at 05:22am.

**MITU MURDER**  
**Three suspects remanded**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday placed three accused on a three-day remand in a case filed in connection with the murder of Mahmuda Khanam Mitu, wife of Superintendent of Police (SP) Babul Akter.

The three are Ehteshamul Haque alias Haniful Haque alias Bhola, Saidul Sikdar Shaku and Md Shajahan.

Chittagong Metropolitan Magistrate Harun-ur-Rashid passed the order after the police produced them before the court with a 10-day remand prayer for each, said Additional Deputy Commissioner (prosecution) Nirmalendu Bikash Chakraborty.

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Teachers, students and administrative staff of private universities at a views-exchange meeting observe a one-minute silence in remembrance of the innocent people killed in the Gulshan and Sholakia terrorist attacks. The home ministry organised the meeting on "Public safety, law and order" at the capital's Krishibid Institution Bangladesh yesterday. Story on Page 1

**Verdict on eight Jamalpur 'Al-Badr men' today**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

International Crimes Tribunal-1 yesterday decided to deliver today its verdict in a case against eight Jamalpur "Al-Badr men" facing five charges, including murder, abduction, torture, confinement and arson committed during the 1971 Liberation War.

The prosecution and defence counsels on June 19 completed placing closing arguments before the tribunal led by Justice Anwarul Haque.

Prosecutor Tureen Afroz prayed for capital punishment saying they were able to prove the charges. One of the defence counsels, Syed Mizanur Rahman, said, "We want justice."

SM Yousuf Ali and Shamsul Haque were arrested on March 2 last year and are now in jail.

Of the rest, Ashraf Hossain is believed to have fled to India while Prof Sharif Ahammed, Abdul Mannan, Abdul Bari, Harun and Abul Hashem are on the run in Bangladesh, the tribunal's investigation agency told a press conference last year.

**BACKGROUND**

According to the agency, Al-Badr, an auxiliary force of the Pakistani occupation army, first came to existence in Jamalpur and Sherpur.

Ashraf, along with executed war criminal Muhammad Kamaruzzaman, and Kamran, all leaders of Jamaat-e-Islami's the then student wing Islami Chhatra Sangha, organised Al-Badr in greater Mymensingh.

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**TAVELLA MURDER**

**Court accepts charges, issues arrest warrant against BNP's Quayum**

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday issued arrest warrants for absconding BNP Dhaka city unit Joint Convener MA Quayum and another accused of the Italian national Cesare Tavella murder case.

It also took into cognisance charges against the case's seven accused and directed the Gulshan police station's officer-in-charge to submit by July 28 a report on the progress in executing the warrants. The other warrant was for Sohel alias Bhangari Sohel.

The remaining accused -- Quayum's brother Abdul Matin, Tamjid Ahmed Rubel, Russell Chowdhury, Minhajul Arefin, also known as Bhagne Russell and Shakhawat Hossain Sharif -- are in jail. Tavella, an aid worker, was killed in Gulshan on September 28, 2015.

**By-polls to two Mymensingh seats today**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

By-election in Mymensingh-1 and Mymensingh-3 constituencies will be held today.

Voting will start at 8:00am and continue till 4:00am, according to the polls schedule.

Three candidates are contesting in Mymensingh-1 (Haluaghat and Dhobaura), while five in Mymensingh-3 (Gouripur).

Jewel Areng, son of immediate past lawmaker Promod Mankin, is contesting in Mymensingh-1 from the ruling Awami League while Nazim Uddin Ahmed

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**30 indicted over Burdwan blast**  
**Six JMB accused among them**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Kolkata

A Kolkata court framed charges against 30 people in the Burdwan blast case on Saturday, two years after the incident allegedly linked to a plan to oust the Bangladeshi government.

Ten of them including six Bangladeshis are on the run, court sources said quoting the charge sheet.

India's National Investigation Agency (NIA) claims that all of those indicted were involved with Jamatul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB).

NIA lawyers said charges were filed under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), arms act, explosives act, and under CrPC and provisions for faking passports.

NIA had charged 28 people last year. The number rose to 30 in the supplementary charge sheet.

Shyamol Ghose, a lawyer for NIA, told reporters that the accused would give their opinions, if any, to the prosecution

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**ILLEGAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS**  
**Removal likely within Jan**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Says housing minister; notices sent to owners of 269 structures, out of 1,626, in six Dhaka areas

and cancellation of trade licences.

"We had taken a decision to go slow earlier on humanitarian grounds but now decided to speed up our drive," Mosharraf told a meeting of the ministry's departments at its conference room in Bangladesh Secretariat.

He said they aimed to complete the task in the next three months and, if needed, take another three. Educational institutions, clinics and hospitals would be granted more time to move than others, he said.

Mosharraf said they already demolished 333 ramps for encroaching on public space and cleared unauthorised establishments from 236 designated parking spaces of buildings in Uttara, Gulshan, Baridhara and Dhanmondi.

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**Legend**

- District boundary
- River
- Seismic Zone: Zone-I, Zone-II, Zone-III, Zone-IV

Scale: 1:3,000,000

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