

Stay alert against IS entry into Bangladesh

Menon tells Biman officials

UNB, Dhaka

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister yesterday urged Biman officials to maintain vigilance at the highest level so that members of the so-called IS cannot enter Bangladesh.

"In case of any militant attack on Biman or airports, it'll trigger huge global media attention and isolate Bangladesh from the entire world," Menon said.

He mentioned that the Islamic State (IS), being pushed back to Syria and Iraq, is now reportedly sending its members to various countries.

Menon was addressing a meeting Biman's Balaka headquarters in Kurmitola.



A post-human chain rally taking over almost a half of the road, impeding vehicular movement and causing huge sufferings to commuters. The Municipal Association of Bangladesh organised the anti-terror rally in front of the capital's Jatiya Press Club yesterday.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

3 DU students receive Qazi Motahar Husain award, scholarship

DU CORRESPONDENT

Three students of the Department of Statistics, Biostatistics and Informatics of Dhaka University were awarded the Prof Qazi Motahar Husain Memorial Gold Medal and scholarships yesterday for their outstanding results in bachelor and master examinations.

Mirajul Islam achieved the gold medal, while Mst Sonia Khatun and AHM Mushfiqur Rahman Nabin received the scholarships.

DU Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique handed over the awards to the students at a programme at TSC.

The Prof Qazi Motahar Husain Foundation along with the department organised the programme, marking the 119th birth anniversary of the late professor of the department.

Born in Kushtia in 1950, the eminent educationist and philosopher, started teaching statistics at the university in 1950. He passed away in 1981.

NEWS IN brief

Five-year-old boy dies in road crash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

A five-year-old boy was killed in a road accident on Chowrangi-Kathaldangi road in Afjaldighi village under Haripur upazila of Thakurgaon on Saturday afternoon.

The deceased was Junayet, son of Abdul Jabbar of Rosunpur village.

Officer-in-Charge of Haripur Police Station Saidur Rahman said the accident occurred when a three-wheeler hit the boy while he was playing alongside the road. He died on the spot. The boy came to visit his grandfather's house in the village.

UP member killed by rivals: Police

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A Union Parishad (UP) member was killed by his rivals in Sendha village under Brahmanbaria Sadar Upazila on Saturday night, said police.

The deceased was Anwar Hossain Anu, 45, member of Ramrail Union Parishad under the upazila.

Officer-in-Charge of Sadar Model Police Station Moinur Rahman said some people of his rival group hacked Anu while he was returning home at night, leaving him critically injured.

He died on way to Dhaka. Later, his body was sent to Brahmanbaria Sadar Hospital for autopsy.

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than 4.63 lakh students.

At the conference, the UGC chairman said Darul Ihsan University continued its outer campuses taking stay orders from the HC. "It also opened up numerous outer campuses," he said.

According to the list given by the UGC, Southern University has seven outer campuses, International Islamic University of Chittagong five, and BGC Trust University two.

The other universities that have one outer campus each are Northern University, University of Information Technology and Sciences, Queens University, and University of Science and Technology-Chittagong.

A source, however, said that Northern University has shut down its campus in Rajshahi.

Apart from these outer campuses, Prof Mannan said, around 119 campuses of different universities have been shut down at different times.

HC asks govt to report

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in January on the killing of tigers in the Sundarbans and supply of small arms.

According to the Prothom Alo report, the Interpol reports said the organs of tigers of the Sundarbans in Bangladesh were being smuggled into India and members of boarder forcers of the two countries were involved in it.

The Interpol also mentioned names of 32 people, including ruling Awami League lawmaker from Satkhira-4 constituency SM Jaglul Haider, who were involved in killing tigers and supplying arms to robbers, the newspaper report said.

Yesterday, the HC came up with the order after Supreme Court lawyer Mohammad Ali Khan placed the newspaper report before it for necessary order.

Secretaries to the ministries of home affairs, and forest and environment, inspector general of police, director general of Bangladesh coastguard, deputy commissioners and superintendents of police of Khulna, Satkhira and Bagerhat, chief conservator of forest and divisional forest officers concerned have been made respondents to the rule, Ali told The Daily Star.

Hazaribagh tanners'

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deadlines missed in the past.

The government then again extended the March 31 deadline to April 10 following a request from the Bangladesh Small and Cottage Industries Corporation (BSCIC), the implementing agency of the tannery estate project.

Environment and Forests Anwar Hossain Manju, Deputy Minister Abdullah Al Islam Jakob, Secretary Dr Kamal Uddin Ahmed, Director General of the Department of Environment Md Raisul Alam Mondal and Chief Conservator of Forests Md Yunus Ali also spoke at the programme.

JP parliamentary team

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on the occasion. The other members are Ziauddin Ahmed (Bablu), Md Altaf Ali, Pir Faziur Rahman, Ziaul Huque Mridha, Amir Hussain Bhuiyan, Nurul Islam Milon and Mohammad Noman.

DMP launches

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groups, their financers and shelters by using the app.

Inspector General of Police AKM Shahidul Hoque said it was not possible to curb militancy only through policing while awareness of countrymen was also required to stop the menace.

DMP Commissioner Asaduzzaman Miah and Additional Commissioner Monirul Islam, also chief of Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime unit of the DMP, were present.

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