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Job well done

City corporations accomplish tough task of removing animal waste after Eid-ul-Azha

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two city corporations did a good job in removing wastes of sacrificial animals from the capital this Eid but many city dwellers had slaughtered cattle right on the streets and released their waste into surface drains due to lack of awareness.

Together, the north and south city corporations designated over 1,200 sites for slaughtering cattle with a view to contain the haphazard dumping of animal waste which harms public health and pollutes the environment.

However, most of the people were not even aware of them. They blamed it on the lack of awareness campaign. Again, many said they could not take their cattle to the designated sites due to rain on the Eid day.

The Daily Star correspondents saw animals being slaughtered on almost every street in Gulshan, Banani and Mohakhali residential areas and their wastes being released directly into surface drains throughout the entire Eid day.

As there was "no awareness campaign", many city dwellers did that in a casual manner, said Shahana Akhtar, who lives in Mohakhali.

Anwara Begum, who is from Gulshan Road-2 area, echoed Shahana.

Before the Eid, two city corporation mayors announced that they would sensitise all city dwellers and distribute garbage bags among them for free.

"But the waste bags were insufficient and they did not reach every house," said Ali Akbar, caretaker of a multi-storey apartment building on Gulshan Road-35.

He, however, praised the way animal wastes were removed from the city.

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina exchanging greetings with passengers inside a Biman flight heading for London on Wednesday. She was going to London en route to Canada and the US.

PHOTO: PMO

PM reaches Canada

To award late Pierre Trudeau with Friends of Liberation War Honour

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, now in Montreal, will today hand over the "Friends of Liberation War Honour" award to the latter's son, Canadian PM Justin Trudeau.

The people of Bangladesh have remained grateful to late Canadian premier Pierre Trudeau, a staunch supporter of the Liberation War in 1971.

He received hero's welcome when he first visited Bangladesh along with Justin Trudeau in November 1983.

Trudeau died on September 28, 2000.

Bangladesh has awarded 129 foreign citizens and organisations for their outstanding contributions to the Liberation War.

And Trudeau is one of those who received the "Friends of Liberation War Honour" posthumously.

According to the foreign ministry officials, Justin Trudeau will receive the award on behalf of his father from Hasina.

Hasina, who left Dhaka on Wednesday morning, reached Montreal yesterday after a stopover in London.

After her programmes in Canada, she is due to depart for New York on Sunday afternoon to attend the 71st session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

Hasina is leading a 55-member delegation to Canada and will lead a 215-member delegation, including 114 businessmen, to UNGA. Usually, the businessmen bear their own costs.

As per the schedule, the PM will attend the inaugural

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Water-logging in some areas hampers city cleaning

HELEMUL ALAM

Waterlogging at different parts of the city is nothing new, but on eid day it took on a new shade as the rainwater got mixed with the blood of sacrificed animals.

Roads in Shantinagar, Malibagh, Nayapalton and Gandaria, some of the areas which experience frequent waterlogging, went under red water on the Eid-ul-Azha this year.

Environmentalists say the blood of the sacrificial animals on the open road creates serious health as well as environmental hazards.

This issue even drew the attention of different international media including AP, The Guardian, BBC, The Independent, The Washington Post, The Times of India and India Today as they ran stories on it.

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EID-UL-AZHA HOLIDAY

31 killed in road crashes in 3 days

STAR REPORT

At least 31 people, including two policemen, were killed and 74 others injured in separate road accidents across the country during the three-day Eid holidays.

One of the accidents was in Sheorapara area of the capital on Wednesday that killed an elderly couple.

Most of the accidents were a result of head-on collisions between buses, minibuses, human hauliers, CNG-run auto-rickshaws and motorcycles.

Last year, at least 30 people were killed and 54 others injured during the same holidays while in 2014 at least 26 people were killed in road accidents across the country during Eid-ul-Azha. The death toll was 10 in 2013, 40 in 2012 and 46 in 2011, according to The Daily Star reports.

The number of casualties was prepared on the basis of reports published in this newspaper. However, the actual number might be higher as many accidents go unreported.

In Dhaka, elderly couple -- Ataur Rahman, 70, and his wife Rawshan Ara, 60 -- were killed when a car hit them in Sheorapara area of the capital around 6:30am on Wednesday, police said.

Two people were killed and 17 others sustained injuries when a Gaibandha-bound coach from Dhaka smashed into a roadside tree and

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CASUALTIES DURING THREE-DAY VACATION		
YEAR	DEAD	INJURED
2016	31	74
2015	30	54
2014	26	43
2013	10	8
2012	40	125

Reckless driving takes couple's lives in city

SHAHEEN MOLLAH

Seventy-year-old ABM Ataur Rahman and his wife were waiting on a footpath at the East Sheorapara bus stand in the capital to get an auto-rickshaw early Wednesday when a speeding car struck them.

Ataur was left dead there but the burka of his wife Raushan Ara Begum, 60, got tangled with the car that dragged her around 15 yards until it rammed the road divider and turned upside down. She was also killed.

After the crash around 6:00am, two to three youths came out of the car and ran away, witnesses said. Nobody tried to catch them, said Nur Hossain Nuru who rushed to the spot hearing the sound of the crash.

Raushan's body was lying near the wreck, he added.

She and her husband had planned to go to their elder daughter's house in Mohammadpur that morning. There they would have had breakfast before heading to Mawa Ghat along with the daughter's family, said Mohammad Raihan, the victims' son who lived with them at their East Sheorapara residence.

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Moon might cause quakes on Earth



INDEPENDENT.CO.UK

The moon could cause huge earthquakes because of the stress it puts on our planet, according to new research.

Scientists have long suspected that the moon might play some part in the major earthquakes that strike across the world and often cause huge amounts of death and destruction.

But until now they haven't been able to prove it, and no connection between our moon's activity and those quakes has been established.

High tides are usually just caused by the gravitational pull of the moon, which moves the ocean's water.

But twice a month, when the moon is new or full, the tides are especially high -- the moon, earth and sun line up together and lead to an extra-high

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PRAYER TIMING SEPTEMBER 16

Fazr Juma Asr Maghrib Esha
AZAN 4-35 12-30 4-30 6-09 7-45
JAMAAT 5-10 1-15 4-45 6-12 8-15

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



A nine-year-old boy rescued this baby kingfisher from Jhautola area of Chittagong city and handed it over to the local zoo authorities recently. Zoo officials said they were feeding and taking care of the bird. The photo was taken on Wednesday.

PHOTO: MINHAJ UDDIN



Germany arrests three 'IS linked' Syrian refugees

Says suspected militants used same network that brought Paris attackers to Europe

REUTERS, Berlin

Three young Syrian men arrested in Germany on Tuesday were Islamic State members brought into the country by the same network that smuggled militants into France to carry out deadly attacks last November, the German government said.

Federal prosecutors said police special forces arrested the three in the northern state of Schleswig-Holstein on suspicion of being sent by Islamic State "either to carry out a mission that they had been informed about or to wait for further instructions" for an attack.

Interior Minister Thomas de Maiziere said they arrived in late 2015, probably with the help of the same network that funnelled IS militants into Paris to carry out shootings and bombings that killed 130 people on Nov 13 last year.

"Everything points to the fact that the same smuggler organisation behind the Paris attacks also brought the three men to Germany who were arrested," de Maiziere told a news conference. "Indications are that their travel documents all came from the same workshop in that region."

European governments are on high security alert after a series of militant strikes in France, Belgium and Germany, where three attacks this summer were carried out by asylum-seekers and two were claimed by Islamic State.

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LIBYA WAR UK lawmakers blame ex-PM for flawed intervention

REUTERS, London

Britain's 2011 military intervention in Libya, ordered by former prime minister David Cameron, relied on flawed intelligence and hastened the North African country's political and economic collapse, lawmakers said on Wednesday in a damning report.

Britain and France led international efforts to help oust Libya's then-leader Muammar Gaddafi in early 2011, using fighter jets to beat back Gaddafi's armies and allow rebels to topple the longtime dictator.

But Libya has since

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