

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 33.5 | L 24.5

CHITTAGONG H 33.0 | L 25.6

SYLHET H 35.2 | L 25.1

RAJSHAHI H 32.0 | L 20.7

KHULNA H 33.3 | L 23.7

BARISAL H 33.2 | L 25.3

RANGPUR H 32.2 | L 22.2

COX'S BAZAR H 33.6 | L 25.2

Day and night temperatures may remain nearly unchanged over the country, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:31pm and rises tomorrow at 5:57am. Country's highest temperature 35.2 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Sylhet and lowest 20.7 in Rajshahi.

TI global board chair arrives in city

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José Carlos Ugaz Sánchez-Moreno, the chair of the international board

of directors of Transparency International, arrived in the city yesterday on a two-day visit, said a Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) press release last night.

This is his first visit to Bangladesh since he was elected its chair in 2014, it added.

The purpose of the visit hosted by TIB is to facilitate mutual sharing and learning, and draw on global as well as Bangladesh's experiences of progress in promoting good governance and preventing corruption.

Ugaz will meet senior officials of the government, academics, researchers, and stakeholders from NGOs and media.



From left, Dhaka mayors Mohammad Sayeed Khokon and Annisul Huq, Bengal Foundation chairman Abul Khair, and industrialist Salman F Rahman at an exhibition of urban designs at Bengal Art Lounge yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

TRIAL process resumes against ex-Rab men, 2 others today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Four years after submitting a charge sheet, the trial proceedings is going to resume in a case filed against former (sacked) Rab-7 commanding officer and six others for their alleged involvement in looting money of Talsara Darbar Sharif (shrine) at Anwara upazila of Chittagong in 2011.

The files, documents and charge sheet will be submitted before the court of the Chief Judicial Magistrate today, said court sources.

A new Dhaka envisioned

At exhibition of urban designs

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Circular transport systems based on railway, waterway and roads can resolve Dhaka city's urban transportation challenges, said architect Kazi Khaleed Ashraf, director general of Bengal Institute, in the capital yesterday.

Two railway hubs could be established in Gazipur and Keraniganj instead of chocking the city with one in the core of it, he said in his presentation at the inauguration of an exhibition of urban designs on regeneration of the Buriganga river banks and two Gulshan commercial hubs at Bengal Art Lounge in Gulshan.

Success of the upcoming metro rail system would depend on a functional pedestrian system, which is now lacking, he said.

A light rail system stretching from Khilkhet across Gulshan, Hatirjheel, Karwan Bazaar to Dhanmondi could serve a significant transport

demand, he said.

Sadarghat and Keraniganj banks of the Buriganga have to be reclaimed for civic activities and recreation through reorganisation of the banks that would help recreate the river's panoramic view, he said.

He said reorganisation and recreation of the two commercial hubs at two Gulshan roundabouts could provide opportunities for creating public plazas and commercial complex together.

The challenges Dhaka city is facing in its urbanisation process have to be resolved with decentralisation and redistribution of facilities and population density, he said, adding, regional, social, economic and hydrological planning with an integrative approach is vital for an efficient and productive urbanisation.

It is time to ponder whether the urbanisation presently experienced is modern and humane, he

said. Creating urban core is not all, cities have to have an ecological landscape comprising peripheral agriculture and wetlands.

Finance Minister AMA Muhith however said the plan for any ambitious urban generation would have to be aimed at practicable priority to achieve success.

Nasrul Hamid, a Keraniganj lawmaker and state minister for power, energy and mineral resources, said any such plan should be in keeping with existing government master plans.

Dhaka mayors Annisul Huq and Mohammad Sayeed Khokon pointed out financial constraints and practical challenges in developing urban amenities.

Abul Khair, chairman of Bengal Foundation, also spoke.

The exhibition will remain open to public from November 1 to 20.

New science mag hits stand

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Biggan Chinta, a monthly science magazine, hit the stands yesterday with a view to creating awareness about science among people and eradicating superstitions from the society.

A publication of the daily Prothom Alo, the 96-page magazine made its cover story on Stephen Hawking, a famous physicist and cosmologist.

Edited by Abdul Qayyum, also an associate editor of Prothom Alo, the magazine published write ups of prominent writers living in home and abroad. It featured an elaborate interview of eminent educationist and scientist Prof Jamilur Reza Choudhury.

At the cover unveiling programme of the magazine held yesterday at Prothom Alo office in the capital, Qayyum said the magazine will present science in such an interesting way that readers will not feel scared.

Dr Rezaur Rahman, former chief scientist of Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission, said newspapers publish news and articles on various issues but science, which is vital for a country, but often remains neglected.

Lack of write-ups is the main challenge for publishing a science magazine, he said, hoping that Biggan Chinta will not face such problems as the leading newspaper is involved with it.

Prothom Alo's Coordinator of Youth Programmes Munir Hasan, who also moderated the programme, said the magazine will involve all types of writers and will prominently project the works of local inventors.

The magazine will be available for Tk 50.



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<p>SINGER Screen Size: 32"</p> <p>Price: Tk. 23,590 Discounted Cash Price: Tk. 22,590</p> <p>Minimum Monthly Installment: Tk. 1,733</p> <p>HD Panel TV Model: SLE32D1680TC</p>	<p>Skyworth Screen Size: 32"</p> <p>Price: Tk. 25,650 Discounted Cash Price: Tk. 21,990</p> <p>Minimum Monthly Installment: Tk. 1,863</p> <p>HD Panel TV Model: LED32E300A/LED32E2000</p>	<p>SINGER Screen Size: 28"</p> <p>Price: Tk. 24,200 Discounted Cash Price: Tk. 19,990</p> <p>Minimum Monthly Installment: Tk. 1,517</p> <p>HD Panel TV Model: SLE28D2700TC</p>	<p>SINGER Screen Size: 24"</p> <p>Price: Tk. 16,590 Discounted Cash Price: Tk. 15,590</p> <p>Minimum Monthly Installment: Tk. 1,222</p> <p>HD AC-DC LED TV Model: SLE24E2000AC</p>	<p>SINGER Screen Size: 20"</p> <p>Price: Tk. 14,900 Discounted Cash Price: Tk. 11,990</p> <p>Minimum Monthly Installment: Tk. 979</p> <p>HD AC-DC LED TV Model: SLE20S1300TC</p>

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