

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 30.5 L 24.0	CHITTAGONG H 32.0 L 25.0	SYLHET H 28.5 L 23.3	RAJSHAHI H 30.2 L 23.7	KHULNA H 31.5 L 24.6	BARISAL H 31.5 L 24.0	RANGPUR H 30.2 L 22.3	COX'S BAZAR H 31.6 L 24.8
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Light to moderate rain or thunder showers accompanied by temporary gusty wind will likely occur over Dhaka, Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions with moderately heavy to heavy falls at places and weather may remain mainly dry elsewhere over the country in the next 24 hours, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:21pm and rises tomorrow at 6:03am.

13 held for admission forgery at DU, JnU, CU

DU CORRESPONDENT

At least 13 aspirants who sat for yesterday's admission tests of Dhaka, Jagannath and Chittagong universities were detained for illegally using electronic devices and forgery at different exam centres.

Seven applicants were found using mobile phones and other electronic devices during Dhaka University's "Gha" unit tests, DU Proctor M Amzad Ali told The Daily Star. Some of them were using their smart phones to see the answers, which were sent from outsiders through WhatsApp and text messages, he said.

Others were held by the invigilators while they were receiving answers from a tiny plug in their ears and a master card like electronic device in their pocket, Amzad said.

All the detainees primarily admitted they made deals of Tk 2 lakh to Tk 3 lakh for getting answers during the tests, the proctor added.

The one-hour test, which started at 10:00am, was held in 99 centres in the capital where a total of 1,09,170 admission seekers vied for 1,540 seats.

Meanwhile, five aspirants were arrested in connection with forgery during the "D" unit admission test of Jagannath University, JnU Proctor Noor Muhammad told The Daily Star.

A case was filed against them with Sutrapur Police Station, he said.

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Selim RF Hussain, Managing Director of BRAC Bank



Sonia Bashir Kabir, Founder President of TIE Dhaka



Amin Ahmad, Chairman of Best Holdings Ltd, the owning company of Le Méridien



Mahfuz Anam, Editor and Publisher of The Daily Star



THE DAILY STAR ICT AWARDS NIGHT



Guests at "The Daily Star ICT Awards" ceremony, an initiative of the newspaper to recognise and encourage excellent work in the field of ICT, at Le Méridien hotel in the capital yesterday. Finance Minister AMA Muhith attended the ceremony as the chief guest, where multifaceted musician, Arnob, enthralled the guests with his songs.

PHOTOS: STAR



Old Dhaka jail museum to open Nov 2-5 to exhibit Bangabandhu, 4 leaders' photos

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The authorities for the first time will keep Bangabandhu memorial museum open for public at old Dhaka central jail on Najim Uddin Road by holding an exhibition of rare photographs of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and four national leaders -- Syed Nazrul Islam, Tajuddin Ahmad, Captain Mansur Ali and AHM Quamruzzaman -- on November 2-5.

This is a first-ever initiative to present the historic significance of the 228-year-old prison to public, Inspector General of Prisons Brig Gen Syed Ifekhar Uddin told reporters, while visiting the former jail yesterday.

The exhibition "Sangrami Jibongatha" will feature 145 pictures.

Visitors will pay Tk 100 for entry for two hours. A documentary on the jail, letters written by Bangabandhu from prison will also be featured, he said.

"The money will be used for the children who live with their mothers in jail."

He also announced that a three-year project is being planned to transform the jail premises into a museum and a recreation park.

"A spacious community centre with a swimming pool, a cineplex, eateries featuring the traditional delicacies of Old Dhaka, will be open to all."

Bangabandhu spent a long time in the prison where the four national leaders were assassinated on November 3, 1975.

Only a leftist force can save country

Inaugural session of CPB congress told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Termining the current political situation unusual due to "absence of democracy" and "presence of fundamentalism", the Communist Party of Bangladesh yesterday said only a left-leaning alternative democratic force could salvage the country.

The CPB leaders said they did not support the squeezing of democratic space in the name of development.

The comments were made at the inaugural session of the party's 11th congress at Suhrawardy Udyan in the capital. The congress will continue till October 31, and

on the last day it will elect its central body for the next four years.

A total of 683 district-level representatives including females and ethnic minorities are expected to take part in the congress, alongside 26 foreign delegates from 12 countries.

The party's last congress took place in October 2012.

Incumbent President Mujahidul Islam Selim and General Secretary Sayed Abu Zafar Ahmed, who were elected in the last congress, are most likely to be re-elected because there are no powerful leaders to contest them, said party insiders.

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Woman killed for dowry

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

A woman was beaten to death allegedly by her husband for dowry at Hasadanga village in Monirampur upazila of Jessore yesterday.

Victim's uncle, Bellal Hossain, claimed that Hafijur Rahman beat up Momotaj Begum, 20, as she refused to bring Tk 1 lakh from her father. Hafijur along with his family fled the scene soon after Momotaj's death.

Being informed by locals, police recovered the body from their house and sent it to Jessore Medical College Hospital morgue for an autopsy. The body bore many injury marks, said police.

Positive thinking breeds success: Speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Md Hanif, an undergraduate student of economics, plans to create a world free of war and hunger, without religious and economic barriers, where nations will work together.

Hanif and youths like him shared their ideas being motivated to think positive at a seminar "LSF Corporate Speaker Series on Leadership, Emotional Intelligence and Corporate Communications" organised by Listeners & Speakers Forum (LSF) at the capital's The Daily Star Centre yesterday, participated by students and professionals of different institutions.

Rehnuma Karim, a motivational speaker, said positive thinking breeds success. "...everybody should think positive." "Emotional intelligence is also an important part of our career as it creates happiness..." said



Participants at the seminar yesterday.

Rehnuma, an assistant professor of The College at Brockport, State University of New York.

Arifur Rahman Khan, assistant general manager of IT and HR department of Transcom Electronics Ltd, said, bosses need to appreciate their employees, and the employees should focus on self care to get rid of stress. HM Mainuddin Ahammed, founder and chief executive of LSF, and Pradip Kar Chowdhury, an executive director of ACI Limited, also spoke.

Ban lead in paint

Demand green activists

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Demanding a ban on lead paint in Bangladesh by 2017, environmental activists yesterday urged the government to take immediate steps to introduce national standard for lead concentration in paint.

Expressing concern about the child health and environment, they also demanded 50ppm as a standard for lead content in paint.

"We must act with urgency as the health of our children can be permanently and irreversibly damaged even at very low exposure to lead," said Syed Margub Murshed, chairperson of Environment and Social Development Organisation, at a rally before Jatiya Press Club.

To observe Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint Week-2016, ESDO in collaboration with international NGO network, IPEN, and Asian Paints Bangladesh Ltd organised the

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With a call for forging unity against communalism and imperialism, leaders, activists and guests of the Communist Party of Bangladesh raise their hands together at the beginning of the party's four-day congress on the capital's Suhrawardy Udyan yesterday.

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Obituary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Syeda Asiya Begum, wife of M Matiur Rahman, former communications minister, died at a city hospital after suffering from different illness yesterday. She was 80.

She left behind her husband, five daughters, three sons and grandchildren, said a press release.

Her body has been kept at Appollo Hospital's mortuary. She will be buried at her parental graveyard following a namaz-e-janaza at Azimpur Boro Daira Sharif on Monday.

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