

**WEATHER FORECAST**

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DKHAKA	CHITTAGONG	SYLHET	RAJSHAHI	KHULNA	BARISAL	RANGPUR	COX'S BAZAR
	H 28.5 L 18.6	H 29.2 L 18.6	H 28.8 L 15.7	H 29.3 L 16.3	H 29.2 L 17.0	H 28.8 L 16.7	H 28.5 L 15.9	H 29.2 L 19.2

Weather is likely to remain dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country till 6:00pm today. Night and day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country, Met Office said, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 05:11pm and rises tomorrow at 06:19am.

# Doctors hopeful after surgery on child rape victim

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) doctors are hoping for a success following reconstructive surgery yesterday on a five-year-old rape victim of Dinajpur of October. Being treated free of cost, the child is now in the intensive care unit and, if no infection develops, will be shifted to the One-stop Crisis Centre. Her mother and grandmother are taking care of her along with nurses.

A nine-member medical board and a specialised physician conducted the operation lasting for around four hours, Deputy Director Khwaja Abdul Gofur told The Daily Star.

Prof Ashraf ul Huq Kazal, head of paediatric surgery, said they had to first make sure that her wounds had healed and infections cleared up to a certain extent.

He said they had reconstructed various parts of her genitalia and reproductive organ and hope that she would once again be able to consciously retain urine.

Her mother noticed she was missing on the evening of October 18. She was last seen playing near her home in Parbatipur upazila's Jamirhat village.

She was found beaten and raped near a garlic field near their house the next day with several bite and scratch marks and cigarette burns on her body.

Her father filed a case against two persons. One villager, Saiful Islam, 42, has been arrested.



**A throng of anglers by the Eidgah Moydan pond in Sylhet city on Saturday. As per the rules set by the authorities, one can fish there all day paying Tk 500. However, only fishing rods can be used.**

# PSC examinee dies as scarf gets entangled in wheel

**CITY DESK**

A Primary School Certificate (PSC) examinee died as her scarf got entangled in a wheel of a battery-run auto-rickshaw in Pargachha upazila of Rangpur on Sunday.

The deceased was Suborna Akter, 13, daughter of Badshah Mia of Kaliganj village under the upazila. She sat for PSC examination from Hasna Government Primary School in the upazila.

Family members said Suborna was critically injured when her scarf got entangled with one of the rear wheels of the vehicle and knotted tightly around her neck while she was returning home after finishing her examination on Sunday afternoon.

Locals rushed her to Rangpur Medical College Hospital where she died in the evening.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

# Rampal will displace 40 lakh people

**Prof Anu tells rally**  
**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Around 40 lakh people of the coastal belt near the Sundarbans will be displaced and environmental refugees if the proposed Rampal coal-fired power plant is constructed, Prof Anu Muhammad said yesterday.

"If the power plant is set up..., the number of environmental refugees will double....," said Prof Anu, member secretary of the National Committee to Protect Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources, Power and Ports.

He was addressing a rally held by the National Committee's Dhaka chapter at Shahbagh intersection to garner the people's supports for the "Cholo, Cholo, Dhaka Cholo" (Lets march towards Dhaka) campaign that will be started from the country's seven different points on Thursday. It will hold a rally at Central Shaheed Minar on November 26.

"We will inform the people once again of what we have told the government in the last five years about the plant," he mentioned, urging all to join the rally. Prof Anu added that they would announce a programme with the Indian people to save the world's largest mangrove forest that protects around 4 crore people from natural disasters.

Alleging that a section of businessmen are plotting to grab the forest through setting up bill boards and factories, he slammed the individuals and institutions advocating the construction of the power plant.

After the rally, the people present there brought out a procession that marched from Shahbagh to Azimpur.

# Ctg road ravaged by development work

**PRANABESH CHAKRABORTY, Ctg**

After renovation, following repeated protests by local residents, it had been the best road in Chittagong city. But only for one year. The road started taking on its old look—full of potholes and barely any sign of tarmac on the surface, here and there.

One major reason is Chittagong Water and Sewerage Authority (C'Wasa) started digging Arakan Road just one year into its renovation, carried out by Chittagong Development Authority (CDA). Invariably the ultimate sufferers are the commuters.

Three years ago, locals took to the street with the demand to renovate the portion from Kalurghat to Bahaddarhat of Arakan Road. Locals at that time protested through planting seedlings of paddy and releasing fish in the water-filled potholes. After the symbolic protest, CDA started the expansion and renovation work.

Apart from the city dwellers, thousands of commuters of Rauzan, Rangunia, and Kaptai upazilas travel this portion, around 5km from Bahaddarhat to Kaptai Rastar Matha. Vehicles from Boalkhali and Patiya upazilas of south Chittagong also enter and exit the city using this road.

Because of its terrible condition, the area is facing increasing traffic congestion, said locals.

In a recent visit, this correspondent found numerous potholes and cracks on the road. Making the situation worse are piles of sands and mud occupying major portions of the road at different spots like Moulabhi Pukur Par, Bahir Signal and Balur Tal areas.

Besides, from Old Chandgaon area to Moulabhi Pukur Par area, there is barely any existence of tarmac.

"We are now facing traffic congestions. We also feel annoyed while riding vehicles due to the cloud of dust produced by excavation work of C'wasa," said Md Mohiuddin, a local of Bahir Signal area.

"Now it takes two to three times more than the usual time to pass this

section," said Md Khairuzzaman, a CNG-run auto-rickshaw driver, adding that different parts of their vehicles got badly damaged for the potholes.

Md Arman Hossain, another local, said, "We thought we will get rid from the dust and misery after renovation of the road. But our expectation faded out."

Spending Tk 24 crore, CDA completed the expansion and development work of the road on December

C'Wasa Managing Director AKM Fazlullah said for supplying water from their Maduna Ghat Project to the city dwellers, they were doing the excavation. He, however, said taking people's sufferings in mind, they were digging at night and filling it up again.

"We are bound to supply water to the city dwellers. After concluding the project, people's misery would be lessened," he said.

The installation work is likely to be



**A tunnel dug by Chittagong Water and Sewerage Authority (C'Wasa) on Arakan Road in the port city for installation of water supply lines. The Bahaddarhat to Kalurghat section of the road, which was renovated at the end of 2013, has been again in a shabby condition, with the development work of Wasa adding to the woes. The photo was taken recently.**

PHOTO: STAR

13, 2013. CDA handed over the road to Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) at the end of 2014.

Mahfuzur Rahman, the project director, also executive engineer of CDA, said it was the best road in Chittagong in 2013. But now CCC has given permission to Wasa to excavate the road causing its dilapidated condition, he added.

CCC also took Tk 5 crore from Wasa as compensation for renovating the road, he said.

# KCC mayor reinstated as per HC order

**STAR REPORT**

Khulna City Corporation (KCC) Mayor Moniruzzaman Moni, also the city unit BNP general secretary, yesterday was received with flowers on his return to office following a government order reinstating him as per the High Court's (HC) directive.

Additional Secretary of Local Government Division (LGD) Jyotirmoy Datta informed of the government order, reports UNB.

LGD suspended him on November 2, 2015 as chargesheets were submitted against him in two criminal cases over arson and attacks on law enforcers, reports a Khulna correspondent.

A local court on June 11 accepted chargesheets against 56 people, including Moniruzzaman. The HC stayed the suspension on June 7 for six months following a plea.

Moniruzzaman filed a writ challenging the government order and the local government, rural development and co-operatives ministry appealed against the HC stay. The Supreme Court's Appellate Division upheld the HC stay on November 14.

Moni was elected mayor defeating ruling Awami League-backed candidate Talukdar Abdul Khaleque in June 2013. Moniruzzaman had handed over the charge to KCC panel mayor-1, Md Anisur Rahman Biswas.

# SNAPS & snippets

## 19 DU students get stipend

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Dhaka University gave stipend to 19 insolvent and meritorious students of the history department yesterday.

Fourteen students got General Osmani Britti and five others Anjumane Mafidul Islam Britti. Apart from them, seven other students got certificates for completing Basic ICT and Office Management course from the department's IT centre.

DU Vice-Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique handed over the stipend and certificates to the students at a programme at Sirajul Islam Lecture Hall of DU.

Department Chairperson Prof Sonia Nishat Amin presided over the programme where former election commissioner Dr ATM Shamsul Huda gave a memorial lecture on Bangabir General MAG Osmani.

## Medical test schedule for 35th BCS cadres published

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) yesterday published the schedule for medical test for the recommended candidates of 35th Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) examination.

The candidates have been requested to be present in front of the medical board according to the scheduled time and place specified in the DGHS attached notice.

Details at [www.dghs.gov.bd/images/docs/Notice/Notice\\_21\\_11\\_2016.pdf](http://www.dghs.gov.bd/images/docs/Notice/Notice_21_11_2016.pdf)

## Seminar on tech advances at IUB

**CITY DESK**

The School of Business of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) organised a seminar titled "Technology and the New Frontier" on the university's Bashundhara campus yesterday.

Sonia Bashir Kabir, managing director of Microsoft Bangladesh, was the key speaker of the seminar.

Rashed Chowdhury, chairman of IUB Board of Trustees, and Prof M Omar Rahman, IUB vice-chancellor, also spoke on the occasion.

Dr Sarwar Uddin Ahmed, dean, School of Business; and Dr Samiul Parvez Ahmed, head of finance, were present.



Sonia Bashir

## Savar road accident kills man

**A CORRESPONDENT, SAVAR**

An unidentified man, aged around 30, was killed in road accident in Savar, outside the capital, yesterday.

The incident occurred as a speedy bus run him over while he was crossing the Dhaka-Aricha highway in Boliapur area.

On information, police recovered the body and sent it to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for autopsy.

## Universal Children's Day observed

**CITY DESK**

Independent School has celebrated Universal Children's Day in a unique and effective manner.

Children and their parents donated toys, clothes, story books and biscuits which were distributed among some underprivileged kids invited in the school.

Students also took out a rally shouting slogans on the rights of children. The rally ended at a charitable school run by Sector-5 Kalyan Samity.



**Singers perform at a cultural programme in Sylhet city yesterday, organised by Udichi, Jubo Union, Chhatra Union and members of Progoti Lekhak Sangha, protesting the countrywide recent attacks on the minority communities.**

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR



**Setting fire in front the administrative building yesterday, students of BM College in Barisal protesting a "delay" in the construction of a new building of the college's Jibanananda Das Hostel.**

PHOTO: ARIFUR RAHMAN

# Nepalese medical student 'missing'

**OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet**

A Nepali youth studying at North East Medical College in Sylhet has been missing since November 10, states a general diary the college authorities filed with South Surma Police Station on November 15.

Assistant Commissioner Mostafizur Rahman claims that Saugat Gyawali first took a flight from MAG Osmani International Airport to Dhaka and boarded another from there to Kolkata on November 9 around 7:30am.

They found this tracking the passport and cellphone of the 26-year-old, son of Ram Prasad Gyawali, he added.

Superintendent of the college's hostel, Dr Md Nazmul Islam, said neither the family nor the Nepalese embassy could say anything about the fifth-year student.

Permission from him and the principal is needed if students want to go anywhere, he added.



# Boy killed 'by uncle' in Ctg

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After arrest, Jewel confessed to the crime, said Hasan Iqbal, assistant commissioner of Double Mooring Zone of Chittagong Metropolitan Police.

Jewel's mother filed a murder case against him, he said, adding that Jewel, a drug addict, is an accused in another murder case.