

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 28.4 L 17.0

CHITTAGONG H 30.4 L 18.0

SYLHET H 28.5 L 15.7

RAJSHAHI H 23.8 L 13.8

KHULNA H 27.0 L 16.0

BARISAL H 28.7 L 15.3

RANGPUR H 28.0 L 14.4

COX'S BAZAR H 30.2 L 17.0

Weather will remain dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country in next 24 hours, reports UNB. Moderate to thick fog may occur at places over the river basins and light to moderate fog at places elsewhere over the country during late night. The sun sets in the capital today at 05:12pm and rises tomorrow at 06:31am.

Bir Shreshtho Ruhul Amin's anniversary of death today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali



Today is the 45th death anniversary of Bir Shreshtho Ruhul Amin.

Bir Shreshtho Shaheed Md Ruhul Amin Memorial Library and Memorial Museum arranged a discussion and a milad mahfil.

Born on February 1, 1934 in Baghpanchra of Sonaimuri upazila in Noakhali, Ruhul is one of the seven Liberation War heroes who got the highest gallantry award.

Ruhul joined the then Pakistan Navy as a sailor in 1951. In 1968, he was posted to BNS Baktiar in Chittagong and had been serving there till the 1971 Liberation War.

On December 10, 1971, a convoy of three ships, including The Palash of which Ruhul Amin was a sailor, reached near Khulna, four enemy aircraft bombed on the convoy that caught fire. Ruhul did not leave the ship, tried to extinguish the fire and continued the attack. Meantime, he became injured and fell into the river. He reached the shore but unfortunately got caught by Razakars who killed him later.

Serajuddin Hossain
STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the 45th anniversary of martyrdom of journalist Serajuddin Hossain, a former executive and news editor of the daily Ittefaq.

On this day in 1971, Pakistani occupation army and their collaborators abducted him from his Chamelibagh residence in Dhaka and he never returned.

A milad mahfil will be held at his Mohammadpur residence. Programmes will also be held at his Sharushuna village in Magura and Shaheed Serajuddin Hossain College in Jessore, says a press release.



A bamboo pole jutting out of the lidless manhole on the Katabon road near the capital's New Market Police Station as a warning to approaching vehicles, with none bothering to take care of it. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

RAJSHAHI AUTISTIC GIRL KILLED AFTER GANG RAPE

Family suspects local miscreants, one held

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

Gol-e-Noor wailed as she visited the place again yesterday.

In a densely populated Chondipur Adarshapara area of Rajshahi city, it is hardly a 1,000 square feet of vacant land. Its three corners are surrounded by a five-foot boundary wall while a two-storied building covered the fourth.

The body of Anny Khatun, Noor's 11-year-old granddaughter, was found lying upside down there on Thursday noon. The autistic girl had been missing since Tuesday evening.

A forensic lecturer of Rajshahi Medical College Hospital who performed her autopsy confirmed that she was gang-raped and tortured before murder.

Noor was raising Anny for the last two years after her son and Anny's father Golam Mostafa Ratan died and Ratan's wife left their son and Anny with her. "Often, Anny used to go missing as she couldn't remember the address but people always brought her back. She never went missing for long," she said. Around 8:00pm on Tuesday, Noor found Anny was missing. Once the news spread, a woman who lived on the two-storied building beside the land informed

about the body. When this correspondent went to talk to her and other residents, none were willing. The land belonged to the owner of the building, one Raihan Ali, they said but were reluctant to share his contact information. "We found burn and bite marks and bruises all over her body. Her scarf was tied around her neck," said Anjuara Khatun, Anny's aunt. The family suspected that the miscreants must be from the locality.

"No outsiders would have dared to commit such a heinous crime," said Anny's uncle Joynal Abedin Swapan, who filed a gang-rape and murder case with Rajpara Police Station accusing unnamed people. Often, local miscreants and drug addicts gather near that place. "Dwellers are afraid of them as some carry arms," he alleged.

Police detained a local youth Momin, 21, Thursday night, who was placed on a seven-day remand by a court, said OC Amanullah of the station. "We have also collected DNA samples."

Meanwhile, demanding punishment, Bangladesh Mahila Parishad at a press conference in the city said they recorded 437 incidents of rape and torture on women and children in the district from January to November this year.

Pregnant woman dies after being burnt 'by husband'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali

An eight month pregnant woman succumbed to her injuries at Dhaka Medical College Hospital early yesterday after she had been set on fire allegedly by her husband over dowry in Noakhali three days ago.

Giasuddin, father of the victim, Kamrunnahan Nipu, 19, filed a case with Sudharam Model Police Station in Noakhali against her husband Mohsin, who is on the run, said Officer-in-Charge Anwar Hossain.

Her family alleged that Mohsin used to torture Nipu over dowry at their Dharmapur house in Noakhali Sadar upazila and on Wednesday he set her on fire by pouring kerosene on her.

They said Mohsin even threatened to kill her for dowry and several arbitrations were arranged on the issue earlier.

Nipu was first taken to Noakhali General Hospital and later was shifted to the burn unit at the DMCH.

Her relatives said they will take the body to Noakhali after an autopsy.

They are trying to arrest Mohsin, said the OC.

Obituary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail



Joyapati, younger daughter of philanthropist Ranada Prasad Saha, passed away

while undergoing treatment at Barnet General Hospital in London yesterday, aged 84.

Born in Mirzapur of Tangail in 1932, Joyapati left behind her husband, a daughter and a son. She was former managing director of the Kumudini Welfare Trust and principal of Bharateswari Homes in Mirzapur.

She took responsibility of the Kumudini Welfare Trust after the Pakistani occupation army abducted Ranada Prasad Saha and his son Bhabani Prasad Saha from their Narayananj residence on May 7, 1971.

Quamrun Nahar Alam
CITY DESK

Quamrun Nahar Alam, wife of late Khondoker Rafiqul Alam, joint commissioner of Taxes, died of old age ailments at United Hospital on Wednesday, says a press release.

She left behind Kh Quamrul, currently working at the Legal Department for the City of New York; and Kh Rashedul Ahsan, a businessman dealing with textile machineries.

The family sought prayers for the departed soul.

Death anniversary
CITY DESK



Today is the 10th death anniversary of advocate ABM Fazle Rashid Chowdhury

Hiru, a politician, businessman, and social worker, says a press release.

A Qurankhwani and doa mahfil will be held and food will be distributed among the destitute at his residences in Dhaka, Chittagong, Cox's Bazar and ancestral village home at Gohira in Raozan.

His family requested all to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

Fazle Rashid was the eldest son of AKM Fazul Kabir Chowdhury, former leader of the opposition, East Pakistan Assembly.

SNAPS & snippets

UN Women official meets Speaker

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

UN Women Deputy Executive Director Lakshmi Puri met Speaker of the Parliament Dr Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury to discuss efforts and collaborations to achieve the gender equality targets of the Sustainable Development Goals.

This high-level visit is part of UN Women's leadership globally to mark the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-based Violence under the "Orange the World" umbrella that calls for robust funding to end violence against women and girls. Puri also met State Minister for Women and Children Affairs Meher Afroze Chumki, said a press release yesterday.



People in a procession before the Jatiya Press Club brought out by Anti-Corruption Commission marking International Anti-Corruption Day yesterday. PHOTO: STAR

Iajuddin's death anniversary today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj



Today is the fourth death anniversary of former president Iajuddin Ahmed.

A milad mahfil has been arranged at President Professor Dr Iajuddin Ahmed Residential Model School and College in Munshiganj. Iajuddin was a professor of soil science department of Dhaka University. He also assumed the office of chief adviser of the caretaker government at the end of 2006.



A colourful procession brought out by the National Board of Revenue (NBR) in the capital yesterday, marking the VAT Week. PHOTO: STAR

Training on 'transfer pricing' held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Listeners and Speakers Forum (LSF) organised a training programme on "Transfer Pricing" at the capital's The Daily Star Centre yesterday.

Forty-five executives of 10 business houses of the country participated in the training.

Among others, Masud Khan, chief financial officer of Lafarge Surma Cement Ltd, Ranjan Kumar Bhowmik, head of the transfer pricing department at KPMG in Bangladesh, and HM Mainuddin Ahammed, founder and chief executive of LSF, talked at the event.



A training programme on "Transfer Pricing" organised by Listeners and Speakers Forum at the capital's The Daily Star Centre yesterday. PHOTO: STAR



Marcia Bernicat, US ambassador to Bangladesh, inaugurates the flagship outlet of Burger King in the capital's Banani yesterday. Md Aminul Haque, chairman of Bangla Trac Group, and Tarique E Haque, managing director of Tiffin Box Limited, were also present.

PHOTO: COLLECTED

CLASH OVER ESTABLISHING SUPREMACY 30 BCL men held at CU

CU CORRESPONDENT

Police detained at least 30 activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) yesterday when raiding Shahjalal Hall and Shah Amanat Hall of Chittagong University (CU).

They also recovered 30 machetes and two sacks of bricks and iron rods from the dormitories, said Rezaul Masud, additional superintendent of police of Chittagong.

Police detained the BCL men following a chase and counter-chase between followers of BCL CU unit president Mohammad Alamgir Tipu and those of general secretary Fazly Rabby Sujon over establishing supremacy on the campus, said campus sources.

Witnesses said the chase and counter-chase occurred around 11:30am when BCL activist Fahim Hasan, loyal to Tipu, was "beaten by Sujon's followers" over an altercation.

Later, police brought the situation under control with permission from the university authorities and deployed additional policemen.

Sujon alleged, "Police attacked our activists during the raid."

"We will go for a tough movement if actions are not taken against the policemen responsible," he added.

On Thursday, at least 19 BCL activists were injured in a clash between the two factions.

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