

**WEATHER FORECAST**

**YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES**

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Weather may remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. Night temperature may fall by 1-3 degree Celsius and day temperature may remain nearly unchanged, says Met Office. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:43pm and rises tomorrow at 6:41am. Country's highest temperature 30.2 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday in Teknaf and lowest 12.2 in Sreemangal.



This beautiful creature is being kept in a cage for selling at a shop in the port city's Nupur Market. Around 30 shops in the market, inset, are thriving although according to wildlife (conservation and security) act 2012 collecting, acquiring, purchasing, selling or transporting wildlife without government permission is a punishable offence. The photos were taken recently.

PHOTOS: ANURUP KANTI DAS



**Humayun Ahmed popularised book reading habit**

Publication ceremony of book on his contributions told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Eminent novelist Humayun Ahmed was the pioneer writer who popularised book reading habit among people, speakers told a book launching ceremony yesterday.

The late writer not only enchanted people's mind through his writing, but also could understand publishers' expectation, they added.

The publication ceremony of "Farid Ahmader Prokashoknama O Humayun Ahmed", written by publisher-cum-writer Farid Ahmed of Somoy Prakashan, was held at the capital's Bangla Academy, ahead of month-long Amar Ekushey Granthamela.

Farid wrote the book on his experience in the country's publication industry and Humayun Ahmed's contributions to the sector.

Writer Dr Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, Prothom Alo Associate Editor Anisul Hoque, novelist Imdadul Haque Milon, national museum Director General Faizul Latif Chowdhury and poet Hasan Hafiz, among others, spoke.

**WILD BIRD SALE IN CTG Illegal, yet thriving**

ARUN BIKASH DEY, Ctg

Upon entering Bandar Bitan Pakhir Goli of Nupur Market in the port city, a constant chirping of birds greets the passersby.

Many varieties of the feathered friends could be seen busy flapping their wings much to an onlooker's delight.

But these wildlife are kept in cages for selling.

Although according to wildlife (conservation and security) act 2012, collecting, acquiring, purchasing, selling or transporting wildlife without government permission is a punishable offence, around 30 shops in the market are selling those in broad daylight.

While visiting the market last week, this correspondent found different types of wild birds including parrot, myna, myna and quail were being sold along with rabbits.

Shopkeepers said a parrot is sold between Tk 500 to Tk 700, pair of munias Tk 200 to Tk 300, mynas Tk 300 to Tk 400 and quails Tk 100 to Tk 150. A pair of rabbits is sold between Tk 1,200 to Tk 1,600.

Imran Ali, a shopkeeper of Ali Store, claimed the birds were supplied by the wholesalers from Bagura, Natore, Mymensingh and Jessore.

Md Momin, another shopkeeper, said he could make a profit of around Tk 600 by selling a pair of rabbits, Tk 200 by selling a parrot and Tk 100 by selling other birds. The demand for parrots and rabbits is high, he added.

When told that according to the law collecting and selling wildlife is a punishable offence, the shopkeepers said those "were not wildlife", rather "raised" in farms.

Sinthia Binte Rashid, an HSC student, came to the market to buy a parrot. She did not know petting any wild animal or bird required the wildlife management department's permission, according to the wildlife act.

"I didn't know about the act. One of my friends told me that parrots are sold here, so I came to buy one," she said.

Fakhrul Abein, a BBA student of a private university, was seen bargaining with a seller for a pair of mynas. He also said he did not know about such act.

Prof Gazi Asmat of Chittagong University's zoology department said he has visited the spot many times and the shopkeepers' claim that the birds were raised in farms was not true.

Wildlife Crime Control unit should enforce drives to resist these sorts of illegal activities, he said, adding, the

government should aware and involve people in this regard with media's help.

Most of the birds are captured and brought to the major cities to be sold in pet shops and on the streets, he added.

Some domestic and foreign birds like pigeons and lovebirds are permitted to be raised in farms, said Dr Manzoorul Kibria, associate professor of the zoology department. No wildlife can be collected or sold without the authorities' permission, he said.

SM Golam Maola, divisional forest officer, wildlife division, Chittagong, said the shopkeepers did not get permission from them to sell birds or animals.

According to the wildlife act, six months' imprisonment and Tk 30,000 fine will be given for collecting, acquiring, purchasing or selling wild birds for the first time and upon repetition -- one-year imprisonment and a fine of Tk 50,000, said Omar Faruk, forester of Chittagong south zone.

Faruk said they conducted drives several times in the market and fined many shopkeepers. "When we conduct drives, selling of wildlife stops temporarily for a few days," he said, adding, they cannot conduct drives regularly due to a manpower shortage.

**Poor navigability in 7 Barisal rivers Launch operation being hampered**

SUSHANTO GHOSH, Barisal

Launch services on three routes has been hampered for one month due to poor navigability in around seven major rivers in Barisal region.

Operations of vessels on the three routes -- Barisal-Dhaka, Barisal-Bhola and Barisal-Mehendiganj -- out of 10 became risky, said Azizul Haque Akkas, president of Launch Owners Association.

In the last one month, launches could not reach their respective destination on time in every trip, he said, "They were late for one or two hours."

Around 10,000 passengers travel in 15 vessels through the routes on a daily basis, he added.

The rivers losing their navigability are the Arial Khan, Meghna, Kirtonkhola, Andharmanik, Maskata, Joyonti, and Sandhya.

Saidur Rahaman Rintu, owner of a launch plying Dhaka-Barisal route, said sometimes the launch gets stuck at Miar Char, Bhasan Char and Sreepur points in the Meghna.

Belayet Hossain, a helmsman of a launch on Barisal-Bhola route, said vessels have to move slowly through the Sreepur point to avoid accident.

Nazrul Hossain Akash, a college teacher, said once it took around three hours to reach his Patarhat College in Mehendiganj from Barisal but now it takes four to five hours.

Ajmol Huda Mithu, deputy director of Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority (River Safety and Traffic) said some helmsmen informed them of poor navigability at different points including Miar Char, Bhasan Char and Sreepur.

The Miarchar channel of the Meghna is being dredged for a week, he said, adding that dredging would start at the other points gradually.

**Textbooks should teach**

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The proposed Road Transport Act should be passed immediately, he said.

Kanchan also urged the authorities to suspend vehicular movement amid fog to avoid accident.

Several government officials, among others, spoke at the event joined by several hundred leaders and activists of Nirapad Sarak Chai from across the country.

Earlier on January 1, the organisation, at a press conference, said at least 6,055 people were killed and 15,918 injured in road crashes in 2016.



**Help save CU student**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Shamsul Islam, a fourth year student of the dramatics department of Chittagong University (CU), has been suffering from blood cancer for over one year.

For collecting fund for his treatment, the department will stage Rabindranath Tagore's play "Tasher Desh" in Theatre Institute, Chittagong (TIC) auditorium today.

The first show of the drama directed by the department's Chairperson Ashim Das would be held at 5:00pm while the second one at 7:00pm.

CU VC Iftekhar Uddin Chowdhury and City Mayor AJM Nasir Uddin will inaugurate the shows, said a press release sent by the department.

As the family is not able to continue Shamsul's treatment which will cost around Tk 40 lakh, the department requested all to come forward to save a life.

Financial assistance can be sent to the chairperson, Dramatics Department of CU, current A/C No-0200002042486, Agrani Bank, Chittagong University Branch; or to bKash A/C No-01771849917, 01879521212.

**Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
National Oceanographic Research Institute Project  
Office of the Project Director  
BCSIR Campus, Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205

Memo No. 39.00.0000.NORIP(Prch).2017.109(2).589 Date: 26/01/2017

**Invitation for Re-Tender (For Scientific Instruments & Equipments Supply)**

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Science & Technology.			
2.	Agency	National Oceanographic Research Institute (1st Phase) (2nd Revised) Project.			
3.	Procuring entity name	Project Director, National Oceanographic Research Institute Establishment (1st Phase) Project, Engineering Building (2nd Floor at the top of Pubali Bank), BCSIR, Dhaka-1205.			
4.	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.			
5.	Invitation for	National tender.			
6.	Invitation Ref. No.	39.00.0000.NORIP(Prch).2017.109(2).589.			
7.	Date	26th January, 2017.			
8.	Procuring method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).			
9.	Budget and source of fund	GoB.			
10.	Project code	5-2601-5190.			
11.	Project name	National Oceanographic Research Institute (1st Phase) (2nd Revised) Project.			
12.	Tender package name	Scientific Instruments & Equipments and Camera.			
13.	Tender last selling date	9th February, 2017 at 5:00pm.			
14.	Tender closing date and time	12th February, 2017 at 2:00pm.			
15.	Tender opening date and time	12th February, 2017 at 3:00pm.			
16.	Name and address of the office(s)				
	- Selling tender document	Office of the Project Director, National Oceanographic Research Institute Establishment (1st Phase) Project, Room No. 310-312, Engineering Building (2nd Floor at the top of Pubali Bank), BCSIR, Dhaka-1205.			
	- Receiving tender document	1) Office of the Project Director, National Oceanographic Research Institute Establishment (1st Phase) Project, Room No. 310-312, Engineering Building (2nd Floor at the top of Pubali Bank), BCSIR, Dhaka-1205. 2) Room No. 901/1, Section 16, Ministry of Science & Technology, Building No. 06, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.			
17.	- Opening tender document	Office of the Project Director, National Oceanographic Research Institute Establishment (1st Phase) Project, Room No. 310-312, Engineering Building (2nd Floor at the top of Pubali Bank), BCSIR, Dhaka-1205.			
18.	Eligibility of tenderer	Must have minimum 5 years' experience as a supplier of Laboratory & Scientific Equipments along with valid trade licence, TIN and enlistment in any govt., semi-govt., autonomous body, corporate private body. Other terms & conditions should be followed according to the tender documents.			
19.	Brief description of goods	As per specification of the tender schedule.			
20.	Brief description of related services	As per specification of the tender schedule.			
21.	Price of tender document (Tk)	Tk 1000 (one thousand) per lot only in the shape of Pay Order from any schedule bank/Cash in favour of Project Director, National Oceanographic Research Institute (1st Phase) Project (non-refundable).			
22.	Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk)	Completion time in months (from the date of LOA issue)
23.	Lot 1	Marine Measuring Meters & Sensor Equipments	BORI, Ramu, Cox's Bazar	1,10,000/-	01 month
24.	Lot 2	Marine Measuring Equipments and Corer	BORI, Ramu, Cox's Bazar	2,00,000/-	01 month
25.	Lot 3	Unforeseen items (such as Autoclave, PCR Laboratory, Microtome & Air Geiger-Muller Counter Kit Set)	BORI, Ramu, Cox's Bazar	1,00,000/-	01 month
26.	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Aman Ullah.			
27.	Designation of official inviting tender	Project Director (Addl. Secretary).			
28.	Address of official inviting tender	Room No. 310-312, Engineering Building (2nd Floor at the top of Pubali Bank), BCSIR, Dhaka-1205.			
29.	Contact details of official inviting tender	9614678	9614676	pd.norip@gmail.com	
30.	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceedings.				

Note: BORI: Bangladesh Oceanographic Research Institute  
LOA: Letter of Agreement  
GoB: Government of Bangladesh

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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Director, Stores & Supplies  
Department of Health Services, Ministry of Health  
and Family Welfare, Dhaka

**Tender for Goods (Single Lot)**

Ref. No. CMSD/GR-1602/Lot-4/NCT/16-17/D-2/08 Dated: 26/01/2017

<b>KEY INFORMATION</b>	
1	Procurement method/document NCT Open.
<b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>	
2	Source of funds Revenue Budget (Government).
3	Development partner N/A
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>	
4	Project/programme code N/A
5	Project/programme name GOB
6	Tender package No. GR-1602(Lot-4).
7	Tender package name Procurement of "Pharmaceuticals (Injectable form)".
8	Tender publication date 30/01/2017
9	Tender last selling date 26/02/2017
10	Tender closing date and time 27/02/2017, 11:00am.
11	Tender opening date and time 27/02/2017, 11:30am.
12	Name and address of the office(s)
	Selling tender document Central Medical Stores Depot, 30, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sharani, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1208.
	Selling tender document (others) CMSD
	Receiving tender document Do
	Opening tender document Do
13	Place/date/time for pre-tender meeting Conference Room, Room No.-115, Central Medical Stores Depot (CMSD), 30, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sharani, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1208, 07/02/2017 11:30am.
<b>INFORMATION FOR TENDERER</b>	
14	Eligibility of tenderer Tenderer will be conducted through the National Competitive Tender (NCT) procedures specified in the PPA-2006 & PPR-2008 & is open to tenderers from all enlisted manufacturers of CMSD. The tenderer shall have manufactured and marketed the specific goods under this contract for at least two (2) years and similar goods for at least five (5) years. The tenderer must provide evidence of experience of supplying specific & similar goods. The annual installed production capacity must be at least quintuple the required items with quantity to be delivered as per schedule of requirement. The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit facility is Tk 80% of the offered value of items. Evaluation will be done: Item-wise.
15	Brief description of goods or works Procurement of "Pharmaceuticals (Injectable form)"
16	Brief description of related services Procurement of "Pharmaceuticals (Injectable form)"
17	Tender document price BDT 4,000/- (Bangladesh Taka four thousand) only. The method of payment will be in Pay Order from any schedule bank in Bangladesh.
17	Lot No. Identification Location Tender security amount in Taka Completion time in weeks/months
	Lot-4 Procurement of "Pharmaceuticals (Injectable form)" Central Medical Store Depot, 30, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sharani, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1208 N/A To be delivered within 10 weeks from the date of issuing of NOA.
<b>PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS</b>	
18	Name of official inviting tender Brigadier General Md. Parvez Kabir.
19	Designation of official inviting tender Director, Stores & Supplies and Line Director (Procurement, Logistics & Supplies Management).
20	Address of official inviting tender CMSD, 30, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sharani, Tejgaon, Dhaka.
21	Contact details of official inviting tender Tel No: 9129231 Fax: 88-2-9126547 E-mail: cmsdstore@dhaka.net
The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	
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**Bullets found in woman's body**

Cops earlier suspected road accident

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The killing of a woman which police suspected a road accident took a mysterious turn as a Dhaka Medical College Hospital forensic doctor recovered two bullets from her body.

Police recovered the body of Rani, aged around 35, a resident of Kuril, from road 43 of Gulshan-2 around 2:00am yesterday, said Rafiqul Islam, assistant commissioner (Gulshan zone) of Dhaka Metropolitan Police.

Rani, of Jamalpur, a single mother was doing night shifts at her job these days, according to Shahnaz, her sister.

Police are analysing nearby CCTV camera footages for clues.

**Careers fair begins in Ctg**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A two-day careers fair, organised by chakri.com, began on the GEC campus of Premier University in Chittagong city yesterday.

Syed Jashim Uddin, a teacher of the English department of the university, inaugurated the fair yesterday where Prothom Alo Joint Editor Biswajit Chowdhury and the university official Kamrul Hasan were, among others, present.

Seventeen organisations -- including Transcom Electronics, Eskayef Bangladesh, Pepsi, Green Delta Insurance Company, Pran, City Bank, Rangs Motors, Sajeib Group, and RSP Water Pump -- are taking part in the fair to recruit staff.

Over 5,000 CVs of students from different colleges and universities were submitted yesterday, said Md Redwan-ul-Huq, head of business of the careers portal.

A seminar was also held where chakri.com officials showed the jobseekers how to face job interview and write a resume.

**Teenage rivalry**

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In last November, Sayem's group teased a clerk of Hridoy's school about his attire. As Hridoy protested, the rival group attacked him later, said police.

Hridoy's father filed a murder case with Kotwali Police Station. Dr Gazi Md Saifuzzaman, deputy commissioner of Barisal, visited the hospital with Barisal education board Chairman M Ziaul Haque.