

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 30.4 L 22.4	MYMENSINGH H 24.6 L 20.0	CHITTAGONG H 31.0 L 21.4	SYLHET H 25.4 L 19.8	RAJSHAHI H 28.6 L 20.5	RANGPUR H 28.6 L 15.5	KHULNA H 30.5 L 21.0	BARISAL H 31.4 L 21.4	COX'S BAZAR H 31.5 L 19.6
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Light rain or thunder showers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at one or two places over Mymensingh, Rajshahi, Dhaka, Barisal, Khulna, Sylhet and Chittagong divisions, reports UNB. Day temperature may fall slightly and night temperature may rise slightly over the country, says Met Office. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:03pm and rises tomorrow at 6:17am.



Anti-clock wise from right, family members and guests, including US Ambassador Marcia Bernicat, observe one minute's silence in memory of Abinta Kabir, who was killed along with other hostages in last year's Gulshan café attack, in a Dhaka hotel yesterday. Abinta's mother speaks at the programme where Abinta Kabir Foundation was launched aiming to help the underprivileged children get education. Apart from the charity's founding, a book titled "An intimate portrait of Abinta Kabir" was unveiled to give readers a deep insight into the world of Abinta. The event also features an exhibition on her life.



PHOTOS: RASHED SUMON

NEWS IN brief

UK expects to see inclusive election: Fakhru

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The UK always wants to see a free, fair and inclusive general election in Bangladesh, said BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir yesterday. He was briefing reporters after visiting UK Foreign Office Minister for Asia and the Pacific Alok Sharma met BNP Chairperson Khaleida Zia at her Gulshan office in Dhaka. Fakhru said the minister told them that the UK always wants to see an impartial and inclusive general election in the country. Fakhru and Khaleida's adviser Reaz Rahman were also present at the meeting.

BMP cop suspended for taking selfies

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal
A police constable of Barisal Metropolitan Police (BMP) was suspended for violating protection rules and discipline yesterday. Rabiul Awal was included in a team providing security to a minister who was at a programme of Barisal Women's College, said Kotwali police. Abul Kalam Azad, additional police commissioner of BMP, said Rabiul was taking selfies with the minister after the programme while he was on duty.

Two held with Yaba in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg
Police arrested two people with 2,000 Yaba tablets in Baluchhara area of Chittagong city yesterday. The arrestees are Abul Kalam, 36, of Teknaf, and Abdul Hamid, 28, of Ramu in Cox's Bazar, said police.

Five-day art workshop starts at DU

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Galleri Kaya and the department of printmaking of Fine Arts Faculty at Dhaka University organised a five-day art workshop "Black and White" on the DU campus yesterday. Artist Ratan Mojumder conducted the workshop attended by students and teachers of different universities in Khulna, Chittagong, Rajshahi and Mymensingh, said a press release.

Rally demands arrest of Adel's killers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg
Over 500 school and college students yesterday demonstrated at Chittagong Press Club for immediate arrest and exemplary punishment for the killers of SSC examinee Wasiun Nur Adel. Representatives of different socio-cultural organisations also joined the rally. Adel, student of Ideal School and College, was stabbed to death over building tin-shed houses at Master Colony, owned by his father, in Bakalia on February 24.

Transport worker killed in firing by fellows

Say cops
STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The bus helper, who died from pellet injuries during the Wednesday's clash between cops and transport workers, was allegedly shot by fellow workers, according to the statement of a case filed over the death. "The victim was killed in gunshots fired by transport workers, not by police," Farukul Alam, officer-in-charge (investigation) of Darussalam Police Station, told The Daily Star, yesterday quoting the case statement. He said they are in search of the accused. Earlier, a violent clash ensued between police and transport workers at Gabtoli inter-district bus terminal amid a countrywide transport strike. Shahinur Rahman, 37, a bus helper of SI Travels, sustained pellet injuries during the clash there on Wednesday. He died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital later in the day. Elis Mahmud, sub-inspector of the police station, filed the murder case accusing 700-800 unnamed persons the same day. No one was arrested in this connection yet, the police official said.

Little is spent on migrants

From Wage Earners' Welfare Fund, says nat'l consultation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The government should bring transparency and accountability in its spending on the welfare of Bangladeshi migrant workers, said speakers at a programme yesterday. Expatriates' welfare and overseas employment ministry collects a huge amount of money from the migrants through Wage Earners' Welfare Fund but spends very little on them, they observed. Some 4,000 to 5,000 Bangladeshis die abroad every year but the ministry finishes its responsibility by bearing the expenses for bringing bodies only - though in a few cases, they said. The representatives of Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), an organisation working on migration issue, made the remarks at a national consultation on "Civil society's shadow report for UN committee of migrant workers", organised by the Welfare Association of Returned Bangladeshi Expatriates (Warbe) in the capital's Cirdap auditorium. Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit Founder Chair Prof Tasneem Siddiqui said majority of the workers die at a young age in the destination countries. However, the government can reduce or prevent these premature deaths if it plays a proactive role in this regard, she added. "There is a huge amount at Wage Earners' Welfare Fund but the government spends very little money for the migrants' welfare... So, we need to question the transparency of this fund," said Prof Tasneem, who chaired the programme. Speaking as the chief guest Justice Dr Syed Refaat Ahmed of the Supreme Court said there is no scope of ignoring the rights and welfare issues of the migrants and their families, as there are many international conventions for their protection. The justice, however, hailed the government for the formulation of the Human Trafficking Deterrence and Suppression Act-2012 and the Overseas Employment and Migrant Welfare Act-2013, and observed that these laws had sensitised the judiciary to take actions against the perpetrators. Earlier, Nayela Akter, programme officer of Helvetas Swiss Inter-Cooperation, placed recommendations which will be included in a shadow report prepared by the CSOs. The report will be submitted to UN Committee of Migrant Workers on March 13. Warbe Director Jasiya Khatoun; Meghna Guhathakurta, a member of national human rights commission; Zahid Hossain, human rights officer of UN resident coordinator in Bangladesh, and Warbe Chairman Syed Saiful Haque, among others, spoke.

Bakhrabad Gas Distribution Company Limited
(A Company of Petrobangla)
Head Office: Chapapur, Comilla

“জ্বালানি নিরাপত্তা সর্বোচ্চ অগ্রাধিকার” শিল্পে প্রাকৃতিক গ্যাস ও গৃহস্থালীতে বিকল্প জ্বালানি

Tender Notice

01. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Energy & Mineral Resources Division.	
02. Agency	Bangladesh Oil, Gas & Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla).	
03. Procuring entity name	Bakhrabad Gas Distribution Company Limited (BGDCL).	
04. Procuring entity district	Comilla.	
05. Invitation for	The appointment of contractor for supplying of manpower the post of driver through outsourcing system.	
06. Tender Ref. No.	28.02.1900.011.12.020.17/144	
07. Dated	28.02.2017.	
KEY INFORMATION		
08. Procurement method	Open tendering method (OTM).	
09. Budget and source of funds	BGDCL's own fund.	
10. Time limit to selling tender	From 13.03.2017 to 27.03.2017 during office hours (working day).	
11. Tender last selling date	Date	Time
	28.03.2017	12:00 noon
12. Date & time for receiving of tender	28.03.2017 3:00pm	
13. Date & time for opening of tender	28.03.2017 3:00pm	
14. Name & address of the office(s) Selling tender document	a) Accounts Department, Head Office, Chapapur, Comilla. b) Dhaka Liaison Office, 2/A, Baitur Rahmat, Plot No. 150, Road No. 4, New DOHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1206. c) Accounts Department, Petrobangla, Petrocentre, 3, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215.	
15. Name & address of the office(s) Receiving tender document	a) Accounts Department, Petrobangla, Petrocentre, 3, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215. b) Dhaka Liaison Office, 2/A, Baitur Rahmat, Plot No. 150, Road No. 4, New DOHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1206.	
16. Name & address of the office Opening tender document	Petrobangla, Petrocentre, 3, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215.	
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
17. Eligibility of tenderer	i) Desired contractors must have 2 (two) years experience in supplying manpower in government/semi-government/autonomous organization/gas sector/multinational company/reowned private company. ii) Only valid and up-to-date trade licence holders having all other qualifications said in the tender document are eligible to participate in this tender for supplying manpower.	
18. Price of tender document	Tk 5,000.00 (five thousand) non-refundable.	
19. Tender security	Tk 3,50,000.00 (three lakh fifty thousand).	
20. Validity of contract	2 (two) years from signing date of the contract.	
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
21. Name, designation & address of official inviting tender	Afroza Begum Deputy General Manager (Establishment), Bakhrabad Gas Distribution Company Limited, Head Office, Chapapur, Comilla.	
22. Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: 081-68873, Mobile: 01770-791403 Fax: 880-81-77199.	
23. Special Instructions:	a) If it is not possible to receive/open the tender on the schedule date for any unavoidable circumstances, the same will be received/opened on the next working day in presence of tenderer/representative (if anybody present). No separate notice will be circulated regarding this matter. b) The tender should be submitted properly following all information and instructions described in detail in the tender schedule. c) The contract should be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the PPR-2008. d) The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.	

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Rajshahi Superintendent of Police Moazzem Hossain Bhuiyan greets drug peddlers with sweets after the latter surrendered at a programme at Horipur village on the outskirts of Rajshahi city yesterday. A total of 121 dug peddlers surrendered to police and submitted written statements to the SP. They also took an oath that they would not return to their previous life if given a chance to lead a normal life. The SP assured them of arranging their rehabilitation. PHOTO: STAR

7 lives lost in two days

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highway at Krishnapor of Sherpur upazila yesterday. Police said the youth might have fallen from the roof of a bus while he was sleeping on it. In another accident in the district, 10 people were injured as a bus and a covered van collided head-on on Bogra-Dhaka highway near Shajahanpur Police Station yesterday. The injured were rushed to Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Medical College Hospital. In Chittagong city, a rickshaw puller was killed as a covered van rammied his vehicle in Pashchim Madarbari area yesterday. The deceased was Md Rafique, 50, hailed from Bhola, said police. In another incident in Raozan upazila of Chittagong, Md Sujon, 35, was killed as an unidentified vehicle ran him over in Noapara area yesterday.

A blend of joy

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work," said Marzia Rahman. She received Dilnasheen Khanam Memorial Gold Medal. Prof Amit Chakma, Bangladesh-born academician and vice chancellor of Western University, Canada, was the convocation speaker. The noted academician was honoured with "Doctor of Science (ScD)" degree for his outstanding leadership role in education and research. "I am proud to be your classmate," he said. Citing Tagore's song "Jodi tor dak shune keu na ashe tobe ekla cholo re" (If no one responds to your call, then go your own way alone), he told the students, "You alone can make a difference". DU Vice Chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique urged the graduates to uphold the dignity of the university.

Obituary
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar
Abul Kalam Azad, president of Sylhet District Hotel Sramik Union and central joint secretary of Bangladesh Hotel Restaurant Sweetmeet Sramik Fedaretion, died of cancer at his residence in Chamelibagh (Islampur) area of Sylhet city on Friday, aged 50. He left behind his mother, wife, two sons and two daughters. He was buried in Manik Peer Mazar graveyard yesterday.

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