

**WEATHER FORECAST**

**YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES**

<b>DHAKA</b> H 32.2 L 21.4	<b>MYMENSINGH</b> H 23.1 L 20.0	<b>CHITTAGONG</b> H 31.2 L 19.5	<b>SYLHET</b> H 22.7 L 17.5	<b>RAJSHAH</b> H 30.4 L 21.5	<b>RANGPUR</b> H 24.0 L 19.6	<b>KHULNA</b> H 32.2 L 26.3	<b>BARISAL</b> H 31.1 L 26.5	<b>COX'S BAZAR</b> H 30.6 L 23.0
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Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely to occur at most places over Sylhet and Mymensingh divisions and at a few places over Rangpur and Chittagong divisions and at one or two places over Rajshahi, Khulna, Barisal and Dhaka divisions till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. Day and night temperatures may remain nearly unchanged over the country, says Met Office. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:16pm and rises tomorrow at 5:46am.



Clockwise from left, An HSC examinee with her parents caught in a traffic jam near an exam venue in the capital yesterday. The city sees a huge congestion during the beginning and ending of the exams, but some lucky examinees were able to hitch a ride on a police vehicle in the Bakshi Bazar area. Family members wait patiently for the test takers.

PHOTOS: RASHED SHUMON

**CTG WOMAN'S DEATH: Suicide or murder?**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg**

Police are investigating the death of a woman in Chittagong following conflicting claims about the reasons.

The family of her parents alleged that it was a murder while her husband called it a suicide, said police.

Sheik Hamida Farhat, 30, wife of a navy officer and a mother of a two-year-old daughter, was taken to Navy Hospital at Isa Khan Base on Sunday.

Her younger sister Sheik Hamida Raonak said, "My sister cannot commit suicide. Around 3:30pm she talked to me over the phone and was very happy after she learnt that I did well in the HSC exam."

"At about 4:30pm, the wife of my brother-in-law's (the navy officer) course mate asked me over the phone to go to the navy hospital as my sister was sick. On arrival, we found her dead with three injury marks on the face and throat," said Sheik Hamida Tahrat, another sister of the deceased.

It was a murder, she added.

Lt Commander Shahid Al Ahasan of Bangladesh Navy, however, claimed that his wife hanged herself from a ceiling fan over a family dispute in their officers' quarters house at Isa Khan Base, said police.

EPZ Police Station Officer-in-Charge Abul Bashar said the body bore three marks in the face. The autopsy report will reveal whether it was a murder or suicide, he added.

Sub-inspector Zaher Mollah, investigation officer of the unnatural death case told The Daily Star yesterday that a mark was also found on the throat.

Shahid Al Ahasan could not be contacted as he did not respond to the repeated calls made by this correspondent over the cellphone.

**NEWS IN brief**

**Ctg road crash kills one, hurts four**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg**

A person was killed and four others were injured as a car carrying them crashed into a footpath near Patenga Police Station of Chittagong city early yesterday.

The deceased, Mamun, 32, of Teknaf was driver of the car. Sub-inspector of the station Thowi Marma said the accident occurred after the driver lost control over the vehicle. Mamun died on way to Chittagong Medical College Hospital while others are undergoing treatment at the hospital, he added.

**ULAB hosts discussion on journey of an entrepreneur**

**CITY DESK**

A discussion titled "The Journey of an Entrepreneur" featuring Sylvana Quader Sinha, founder and managing director of Praava Health, was held at University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB) yesterday.

Center for Enterprise and Society (CES) of the university organised the event where Sylvana Quader spoke about her journey as a lawyer in the US and how she founded Praava, said a press release.

Prof Imran Rahman, vice-chancellor (acting) of ULAB; Sajid Amit, director of CES; Sabrina Imam, IT director of Praava; Sanjeev Pubbichetty, chief operating officer of Praava; and Saleh Anand, IT analyst of Praava; were present at the event among others.

**BCL unit president**

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The BCL men who testified to the committee said they were compelled to create the situation as Rasel and Nayan ordered them to do so.

Seven BCL men, who beat up UNB campus reporter Imran Hossain with sticks, when he went there to collect news, are: Md Shipon Mia of Islamic history and culture department, Dewan Sabab of disaster management, Md Mosharaff Hossain of Islamic studies, Saidur Rahman Sharif of Urdu, Zihad of philosophy, Imran of political science, and Shamim of sociology department.

Two BCL activists -- Md George of philosophy and Md Mobashshir Hossain Khan of Islamic Studies -- vandalised the windowpanes of provost room with the help of four others, said the report.

Contacted, Rasel denied his involvement, but said he failed to control his followers.

However, Nayan said BCL activists did not take part in vandalism; rather they tried to convince the general students to accommodate them to the hall.

DU Vice Chancellor AAMs Siddique told The Daily Star, "The university administration will take steps against the culprits as per the university law."

**Formation of 9th wage board for journalists demanded**

**BSS, Dhaka**

A faction of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) yesterday demanded formation of the ninth wage board for journalists as well as press employees and workers.

The BFUJ made the demand at an extended meeting at Jatiya Press Club with its president Golam Mohiuddin Khan in the chair. They called for maintaining professional journalistic excellence imbued with the spirit of the Liberation War.

Former general secretary of JPC Quamrul Islam Chowdhury, journalist leaders Zahurul Alam, and Abdul Baset Mia also spoke.

**Voluntary humanitarian work deterrent to radicalisation**

**Says Kailash Satyarthi**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Youths today are being radicalised as they do not get any scope to engage themselves in voluntary work through which they could showcase their potential.

Nobel Laureate Kailash Satyarthi made this observation yesterday at a press briefing organised in the capital's Jatiya Press Club to introduce a campaign titled "100 Million for 100 Million".

The world has never seen these problems that the children are facing today and many children have never faced so much violence as they are facing at present, said Satyarthi. The 100 Million for 100 Million campaign, organised by the Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation, aims to bring an end to child labour, child slavery and violence against children. It also works to provide education for children.

The campaign will engage 100 million youths to help 100 million disadvantaged children and youths in the society.

The youths can bring changes in the society by involving themselves in humanitarian cause, Kailash said.

"The young people are not only full of energy and enthusi-



asm, but [they] also have an element of ideology, dreams and aspirations. However, we do not see any global platform where youths can find a better purpose in life, where they can showcase their enthusiasm. So, their ideology is being misled."

The growing trend of suicidal bombings and cyber crimes are affecting the youths in our society. "These emerging minds can be the champions, change makers and leaders of tomorrow by engaging themselves in positive work such as contributing in the deprived society... However, we notice youths being frustrated, intolerant and violent, which is very alarming," he said.

Meanwhile, Kailash Satyarthi said there are 170 million child labourers as opposed to 210 million jobless adults in the world and this scenario has to be reversed to end child labour.

The winner of Nobel Peace Prize 2014 was delivering a speech at Dhaka University. Development Studies department of DU and "100 Million for 100 Million" Bangladesh, organised the programme. Former adviser of a caretaker government Rasheda K Chowdhury and Chairman of the department Abu Eusuf also spoke.

**Child drowns in Gazipur open reservoir**

**OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur**

A six-and-half-year-old child drowned in an open reservoir tank in Tengra village of Sreepur in Gazipur yesterday.

The deceased Parvez, son of Asadul Islam of the area, was a third-grader of Tengra Nasor Uddin Government Primary School.

Victim's father claimed that his son fell into the tank, which was unprotected, while playing nearby their house.

National Denim Factory in the area owns the tank that was made for the supply of water needed for the construction work of some buildings, he said.

Asadul alleged that contractors and workers of the buildings fled seeing his son drowning. Later, locals rescued his son and sent him to Tengra Public Health Hospital where doctors declared him dead.

Factory Manager (administration) Mizanur Rahman said the accident occurred as the factory has no boundary.

He, however, claimed that factory workers rescued the child and sent him to hospital.



President Abdul Hamid, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Inter-Parliamentary Union President Saber Hossain Chowdhury exchange pleasantries with the guests of the 136th IPU Assembly, in the capital's Bangabhaban yesterday.



People waded through a waterlogged road on rickshaws and rickshaw vans at Gate No 2 in Chittagong city's Sholoshahar area after a sudden rain yesterday afternoon.

PHOTO: ANURUP KANTI DAS

**Court asks DB JU BCL man injured by fellows**

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Detectives have so far arrested three members of banned Ansarullah Bangla Team -- Moinul Hasan Shamim alias Sifat alias Samir alias Imran, Abdus Samad alias Abdus Sabur and Khairul Islam.

They confessed to the killing on different dates.

**HC grants bail**

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Station on October 4 that year against Fakhru, his assistant Mehedi Hasan, the then office assistant of the tribunal Faruk Hossain and peon Nayan Ali and several unnamed people under the Information and Communication Technology Act, 2006.

The Cyber Tribunal, however, acquitted Salauddin's wife Farhat Quader Chowdhury and son Hummam Quader Chowdhury.

**JU CORRESPONDENT**

A Bangladesh Chhatra League activist was critically injured in an attack allegedly by his fellows at Jahangirnagar University yesterday.

Imran Khan Sohan, activist of Al Beruni (Extension) Hall unit, was hit with an iron rod on the head, said his classmates, who took him to Enam Medical College Hospital in Savar.

The bone of his right forearm was also broken, they quoted the doctors as saying.

Witnesses said around seven Shaheed Rafiq Jebbar Hall unit's BCL activists, who are loyal to BCL leaders Mazed Simanta and Nahid Hossen, attacked Sohan with iron rods and sticks in front of JU medical centre.

Earlier on Monday night, the attackers misbehaved with another senior BCL activist Razu Mahmud of Al Beruni Hall over a trifling matter, the witnesses said.

Later, some BCL men, including Sohan, protested the incident and slapped three of the group, they said.

Simanta admitted that his supporters attacked Sohan and misbehaved with Razu. He, however, denied his involvement in the incidents.

Acknowledging the facts, JU BCL President Jewel Rana said organisational actions would be taken against them after an inquiry.

Proctor Prof Tapan Kumar Saha said he would take actions after getting complaints.