YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA

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COX'S BAZAR

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at many places over Sylhet and Mymensingh divisions and at a few places over Dhaka, Barisal and Chittagong divisions and at one or two places over Rangpur, Rajshahi and Khulna divisions with hails at isolated places till 6:00pm today. Day and night temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country, Met Office said, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 06:17pm and rises tomorrow at 05:45am.

Two robbers jailed in Khulna

BSS, Khulna

A Khulna court yesterday sentenced two robbers to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment for committing

robbery in 2013. Judge of Khulna Additional and Session Court (Fourth Court) Nurul Ameen Biplob also fined them Tk 10,000 each, in default, to suffer six

months more in jail. Convict Nasir Sheikh was in absentia while Nadimuzzaman Nadim was present in the dock during the verdict.

According to the prosecution, the robbers wearing mask committed the robbery at the residence of late freedom fighter Shafi Uddin Sheikh of Nachunia village in Terokhada upazila on the night of October 22, 2013.

They looted valuables, including gold ornaments and cash worth around Tk 1.44 lakh, at gunpoint. Later, a case was filed

with Terokhada Police Station in this connection.



Vice President of two holy mosques Dr Mohammad Bin Nasser Bin Mohammad Al Khuzaim calls on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her office in the capital yesterday.

РНОТО:

DU exhibition features poet Octavio Paz



Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique speaks at the inaugural session.

DU CORRESPONDENT

A two-day photo exhibition titled "Octavio Paz: Photo-Poetry Dialogues" ended at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban of Dhaka University yesterday.

The Honorary Consulate of Mexico in Bangladesh in cooperation with DU organised the exhibition of the masterpieces of Octavio Paz, a Mexican poet, writer and

diplomat who won the Nobel Prize for literature in 1990. DU Vice-Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique and Mexican Ambassador Melba Pria jointly inaugurated the programme on Tuesday.

Faisal Khan, consul general of Mexico in Bangladesh, and visiting Professor Maria Amparo Porta Rivas were also present on the occasion.

Earlier, Melba Pria and Prof Arefin at VC office discussed the possibilities of undertaking collaborative academic and research programmes by DU and higher educational

Move to build mosque-Islamic cultural centres in all upazilas

Vice president of two holy mosques assures prime minister of assisting the initiative

BSS, Dhaka

Vice President of two holy mosques in Mecca and Madina Dr Mohammad Bin Nasser Bin Mohammad Al Khuzaim yesterday lauded the role of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina for further deepening the ties between Bangladesh and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, saying his country would continue to work with Bangladesh for promotion and spread of Islam.

The mosques are -- Al-Masjid al-Haram (the Sacred Mosque) in Mecca and Al-Masjid an-Nabawi (the

Prophet's Mosque) in Madina. Dr Mohammad said this when he along with Imam and Preacher of the Prophet's Mosque Abdulmehsin bin Mohammad Bin Abdul Rahman Al-Qasim called on the prime minister at is going on to fix the schedule.

her office. Briefing reporters after the meeting, PM's Press Secretary Ihsanul Karim said in the meeting the vice president of the two holy mosques reiterated Saudi commitment to provide assistance for building mosque-Islamic cultural centres in all upazilas of the country.

Praising the development initiatives of Bangladesh over the last eight years, Dr Mohammad said, "Our perception regarding Bangladesh has now totally changed and it is now very good."

Welcoming the duo, Hasina said, "We're very much delighted as you've come here. Mecca and Madina are the two holy places and they've special place in our heart."

Highlighting her government's initiative to preach and spread Islam, Hasina said the government is going to construct mosque-cum-Islamic cultural centres in every upazilas.

The premier said Bangladesh is eagerly waiting to receive Saudi King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud. In reply Dr Mohammad said the Saudi king accepted the invitation and discussion

The vice president of the holy mosques also appreciated the present government's steps for the promotion and spread of Islam. Hasina has done a lot for the Muslims and the people of

Bangladesh, he said.

militant activities across the world, Dr Mohammad said Saudi Arabia is also fighting against terrorism.

Sheikh Hasina hoped that all the Muslims of the world would live in peace and she wants that the people of all faiths in Bangladesh would live in peace with fulfillment of their basic needs.

Regarding the vast number of expatriate Bangladeshi workers employed in Saudi Arabia, the premier said the workers are contributing to the economies of the both countries.

Hasina noted that Bangladesh has a historic relationship with Saudi Arabia. The relationship would be further broadened and strengthened in the days to come, she hoped.

Terming Islam the religion of peace, humanity and solidarity, Hasina said terrorists are maligning the reputation of this religion through their various subversive activities.

The two imams are scheduled to attend a gathering of Bangladeshi Islamic scholars and clerics in Suhrawardy Udyan today marking As the premier expressed her grave 42nd founding anniversary of the concern over the terrorism and Bangladesh Islamic Foundation.

NEWS IN brief

Ashulia HSC examinee found dead

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Police recovered the hanging body of an HSC examinee from a tree beside his house in Baidgaon area of Ashulia early yesterday.

Delower Hossen, 19, is an HSC examinee from Kaliakoir Degree College in Gazipur.

Quoting victim's family, Officer-in-Charge of Ashulia Police Station Mohsinul Kadir said Delower after taking dinner went to his room. The next morning, family members found his hanging body.

He might have committed suicide out of depression, said the OC, adding, the body was sent to Dhaka Medical Collage Hospital for an autopsy.

Man jailed for smuggling gold

STAFF CORRESPOINDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday sentenced a man to five-year imprisonment in connection with the recovery of 25 gold bars from his possession in 2015.

The convict -- Absar Mia, 31, of Raozan upazila in the district -- was also fined Tk 10,000 and in default of which he will have to serve two more months in prison. He is now in jail. According to the prosecution, the gold bars,

worth Tk 1.25 crore, were recovered from his travel bag after he arrived at Shah Amanat International Airport from Mascot on August 15, 2015.

Following the incident, Customs officials filed a case with Patenga Police Station.

Shofiqul president, Sarwar secretary general of Audit and Accounts Assoc

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Kazi Shofiqul Azam, secretary of the Economic Relation Division, and Mohammad Golam Sarwar Bhuiyan, director general of the Performance Audit Directorate, were elected president and secretary general respectively of Audit and Accounts Association.

A 31-member executive committee was formed through the election which was held on March 30, said a press release.

Woman killed by relatives in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

An elderly woman was hacked to death while her three sons were injured in an attack by their relatives at Goalia village in Anwara upazila of Chittagong yesterday.

Sakina Begum, wife of Mafzal Ahmed, was hacked when she along with her two sons Md Rafiq and Mahe Alam went to rescue her another son Nurul Alam from the sudden attack made by five people including Md Ansar, nephew of Abu Ahmed, said police.

Mafzal and his brother Abu had a dispute as the former's roof runoff water was directed to the latter's tin-shed house. The attack was made to take revenge, said Barshot Union Parishad Chairman Md Kayyum Shah.

The injured brothers and Ansar, who received minor injury, were taken to Chittagong Medical College Hospital. Police detained Ansar at the hospital.

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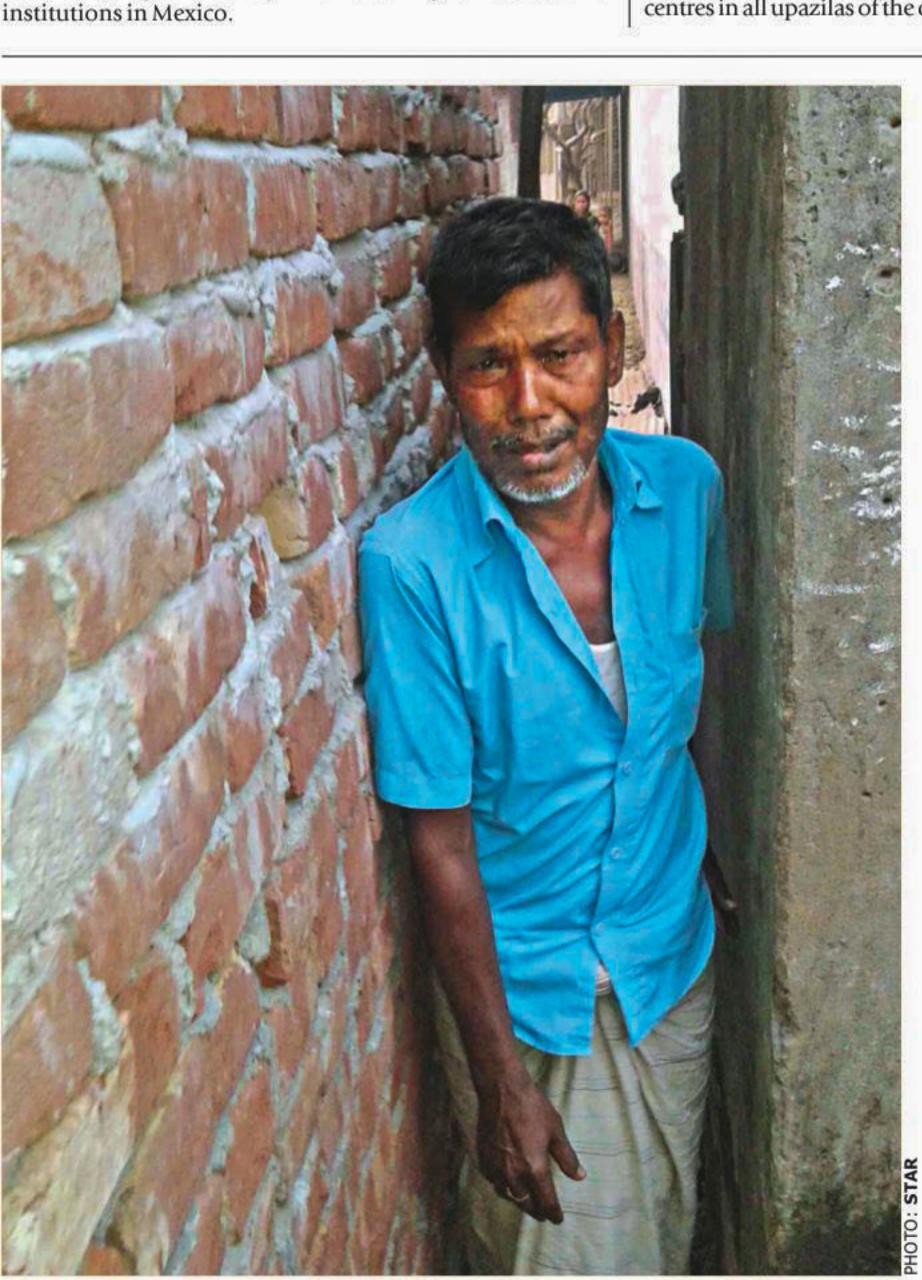
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A grief-stricken Abdul Aziz barely manages to walk out of his house through a narrow path due to a boundary wall erected by a neighbouring factory owner almost blocking the entrance to his house at Maona in Sreepur of Gazipur. Locals yesterday formed a human chain, not in picture, protesting the act. Aziz, 65, a former dried fish trader, said he had been living there for the last 22 years and using the road, and the wall was built two months ago. However, Khurshed Alam, son of the owner, Haji Nurul Huda, who moved to the area seven years ago, said Aziz was using the road "illegally". Aziz said the factory owner wanted to buy the 5.25 decimals of land where he lived, but refused to sell. Talking to The Daily Star, local union parishad member Mubarak Hossain said the family had been confined due to the wall, and he tried to

settle the issue but failed. Locals' support is needed to help Aziz, he added.

Road crashes kill six

CITY DESK

Six people were killed and 14 others injured in road accidents in four districts yesterday and Tuesday.

In Chittagong, two people were killed and three others critically injured as a bus rammed a CNG-run auto-rickshaw carrying them in Chariya Board area of Hathazari upazila yesterday.

The dead are Piyarul Islam, 60, and Naryan Nath, 26, both hailing from Bhujpur of Fatikchhari upazila in the district, said police.

Police detained bus driver Alamgir.

In Bogra, a truck driver was killed as his vehicle collided head-on with a bus in Khamarkandi area yesterday.

Ten people were also injured in the accident.

The dead is Abdul Hai, 40, of Akahstara village under Bogra Sadar.

In Dinajpur, a microbus driver was killed and his helper injured as their vehicle carrying newspapers collided head-on with a bus in Sujalpur area of Birganj upazila yesterday.

The dead is Salim Mia, 38, of Bogra Sadar.

In Brahmanbaria, two people, including a UP chairman, were killed as a truck hit their motorcycle on Dhaka-Sylhet highway at Bertala of Ashuganj upazila on Tuesday night, reports UNB.

The dead are Baki Billah Jewel, 45, chairman of Bholakut union parishad in Nasirnagar upazila and Rony Bhuiyan, 32, jointsecretary of the district unit of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal.



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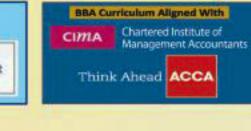
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