



YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA	MYMENSINGH	CHITTAGONG	SYLHET	RAJSHAHI	RANGPUR	KHULNA	BARISAL	COX'S BAZAR
H 33.4 L 23.5	H 33.7 L 24.9	H 33.5 L 26.0	H 35.0 L 23.5	H 34.3 L 25.9	H 34.0 L 25.6	H 35.8 L 27.2	H 33.3 L 26.5	H 32.3 L 25.8

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely to occur at many places over Chittagong division and at a few places over Rajshahi, Dhaka, Khulna, Barisal, Sylhet, Rangpur and Mymensingh divisions with hails at isolated places till 6:00pm, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:35pm and rises tomorrow at 5:14am, says Met Office.

Indian cabinet okays defence college faculty exchange deal

OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

Indian cabinet yesterday approved the faculty exchange agreement signed between the National Defence College, New Delhi, and National Defence College, Dhaka, for enhanced cooperation between the armed forces to counter common threats like terrorism.

The approval came at a meeting of the cabinet presided by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The objective of the agreement is to institutionalise regular exchange programmes and establish sustainable mechanisms between the two defence colleges with an aim to enhancing mutual cooperation in the field of national security, development and strategic studies, said an official statement.



Bikes, cars and buses create a bottleneck near the Bijoy Sarani intersection in the capital while trying to enter the right lane. A barrier is set up on the road to ensure that the vehicles stay in respective lanes but to no avail. Vehicles are often seen changing lanes at will, disrupting traffic flow and adding to congestion. The photo was taken around 3:00pm on Monday.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

NEWS IN brief

Woman held over 'killing' husband

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A woman allegedly killed her husband in their Poshchim Vatshala residence at Bakerganj upazila in Barisal yesterday following a quarrel.

Police detained the wife Tuli Begum, 18, after recovering the body of Imran Haoladar, 23, son of Selim Haoladar, from their bedroom, with his hands and legs tied. They sent the body to Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital morgue for an autopsy.

The couple had a fight the previous night and yesterday morning, said locals. Tuli informed her mother-in-law that somebody killed her husband at night, said police.

Three-day sports commentary training starts on May 25

CITY DESK

A three-day training on sports commentary and presentation will start at Daffodil International Academy in the capital's Panthapath on May 25, said a press release.

Koda Baksh Mridha Foundation arranged the training where country's renowned commentators including Shamim Araf Choudhury, Alfaz Uddin Ahmed, Dr Anupam Hossain and others will be present as resource persons.

For details, all are requested to contact course coordinator Shamsul Islam at 01716455293.

Jessore man shown arrested over war crimes

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes Tribunal-1 yesterday showed a Jessore man arrested in a case filed in connection with war crimes committed during the Liberation War, 1971.

The accused Amjad Hossain Mollah, 77, of Premchara village under Bagharpara upazila, has been in Jessore Jail since his arrest on May 15 in a case file under explosive substances act.

Prosecutor Zead Al Malum told the tribunal that the investigation started on April 25 found his involvement in at least two killing incidents.

The tribunal asked the jail authorities to produce him before it on May 22.

Two cousins' bodies found floating

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Bodies of two missing young cousins, one third-grader and the other fourth-grader, were found floating in a pond near their grandfather's house in Deola area of Tangail town yesterday.

The two boys had gone missing since Tuesday morning around 11:00am.

Nahin-al-Noor, 10, used to stay in his maternal grandfather's house where his maternal cousin, Amanullah Saikat, 11, came to visit a few days back, Tangail Model Police Station's Nazmul Haque Bhuiyan, officer-in-charge, said quoting locals.

Their grandfather Nurul Islam Talukder had filed a general diary with the police station on Tuesday night after failing to trace the boys all day, said locals.

Locals informed relatives of finding bodies of the two boys floating in a nearby pond around 1:00pm yesterday.

A team of police later recovered the bodies and sent those to Tangail General Hospital morgue for autopsy, said OC Nazmul.

"The boys might have been drowned, but it [the cause of death] will be confirmed after getting the autopsy report," he added.

Nahin's father is Shahinur Rahman from Madhupur upazila and Saikat's father is Mohammad Ataullah from Sakhipur upazila.



Nahin

Saikat

Toddler twins, cousin drown

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Three toddlers, two twin sisters and their cousin, drowned in a pond adjacent to their house at Shripur village of Boalkhali upazila in Chittagong yesterday afternoon.

The three-year-old twins, Sanam and Seher, were daughters of expatriate worker Mohammad Harun.

The third victim, Anju, six months older, was daughter of Harun's brother Mohammad Faruk. Faruk was away for work when the incident took place.

Mothers and relatives of the children started looking for them around 2:30pm as they were not in or around the house.

After a frantic search, the bodies of the children were found floating in a pond nearby and rushed to Boalkhali Upazila Health Complex in the vicinity.

The young children had already gone beyond the reach of the doctors and they had to declare them dead, said Dr Animesh Mitra, medical officer at the hospital.

Salahuddin Chowdhury, officer-in-charge of Boalkhali Police Station, confirmed the incident.

AL trying to mislead people on 'Vision 2030'

Alleges Fakhru

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP General Secretary Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir at a discussion in the capital yesterday alleged that Awami League is trying to mislead people about BNP's "Vision 2030".

He said Khaleda Zia has presented a dream before the nation -- "Vision 2030". "But the Awami League leaders are not going through the contents. They are not responding to our queries, rather they are rejecting those outright saying we are following them."

"We have clearly said that the 'Vision 2030' is a proposal. We have outlined what we will do if we are voted to power. Discussions can take place on it, some things might be added or dropped."

Meanwhile, at another programme, BNP Vice Chairman Abdullah Al-Noman said his party will participate in the next general election and compel the government to hold it under an election-time "supportive government".

"The ruling party has made many sarcastic comments on election-time government. I want to say that BNP will participate in the election, it will not boycott the polls," he said.

He was addressing a human chain organised by Jatiya Gonotantrik Andolan yesterday demanding withdrawal of "false cases filed against Khaleda Zia and Tarique Rahman" at Jatiya Press Club.

One lakh Yaba pills seized, two held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Police yesterday seized one lakh pieces of Yaba tablets, worth around Tk 2 crore, from a Pajero jeep and arrested two persons from Moizzarteck area of Chittagong in this connection.

The detainees are Mohammad Ibrahim, 24, and driver of the vehicle Mohammad Kamal, 30.

On information, Karnaphuli Thana police along with Chittagong Metropolitan Police intercepted the vehicle around 9:00pm and found the pills after searching it. Police later seized the vehicle.

Ibrahim, hailing from Teknaf of Cox's Bazar, is a listed drug smuggler, said Additional Deputy Commissioner of CMP Arafin Jewel.



A wailing family member of Nahin, 10, and Saikat, 11.

PHOTO: STAR

HC asks transfer of Khaleda's corruption case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday transferred the Zia Charitable Trust corruption case against BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia from Special Judge Court-3 to Special Judge Court-5.

Now, Judge Md Akhtaruzzaman of Special Judge Court-5 of Dhaka will conduct the proceeding of the case.

The HC bench of Justice M Enayetur Rahim and Justice Shahidul Karim passed the order after hearing a petition filed by Khaleda Zia for transferring the case from the court of Judge Abu Ahmed Jamadar.

The HC has earlier transferred Zia Orphanage Trust corruption case from the Special Judge Court-3 led by Judge Abu Ahmed Jamadar to another court.

In 2011, the Anti-Corruption Commission filed the Zia Charitable Trust case.



A fertiliser-laden truck skidded off the Rajshahi-Darusha road and fell into a pond at Poba upazila in Rajshahi yesterday. According to witnesses, the incident occurred around 11:00am when a locally made three-wheeler was trying to overtake the truck, loaded with 18 tonnes of triple superphosphate (TSP) in 360 sacks. No one was injured in the incident, reports our staff correspondent in Rajshahi.

PHOTO: COLLECTED

Confusion over KSA \$ 1b

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Saudi government on providing financial assistance to Bangladesh for construction of mosques, Religious Affairs Minister Motiur Rahman told The Daily Star that his ministry had no knowledge about this. "The Sheikh Hasina's government is hopeful that the project would go ahead," he said. He said the religious affairs ministry was preparing the project for construction of 560 mosques cum Islamic cultural centres with grants from Saudi Arabia.

Asked, Bangladesh Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Golam Mosih told The Daily Star on Monday that during Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's last visit to Saudi Arabia, she had sought financial support for the construction of the mosques.

"...the Saudi King assured our honourable prime minister that he will look into the matter," he added.

It was 'an accident'

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officer of US-Bangla Airlines. He said a firearm had to be unloaded and packed in a checked bag for transportation. The two "unidentified" passengers travelled on the same flight that Moin, his brother Ashik Abdullah, and their mother Sahanar Begum took. Hanif Gazi, manager of Barisal Airport, said he was not present at that time, but heard two passengers suffered minor injuries from the accidental firing. An investigation committee will be formed today, he added. Nurul Islam, officer-in-charge of Barisal Airport Police Station, confirmed a GD was filed.

NO END TO BLOODSPILL ON ROADS

Six killed, 12 injured

CITY DESK

Six people were killed and 12 others injured in road accidents in three districts yesterday and on Tuesday.

In Panchagarh, two truck drivers were killed as their vehicles collided head-on on Panchagarh-Dhaka highway in Bhashainagar village under Boda upazila yesterday.

The deceased were Alam Mia, 40, of Alchandrapur village in Bogra, and Musa, 50, of Shoilakupa in Jhenidah.

Police said the accident occurred when a Thakurgaon-bound truck collided with another truck coming from the opposite direction leaving the two drivers dead on the spot. Two people were also injured in the accident.

Vehicular movement on highway was disrupted for an hour due to the accident, said police.

In Chittagong city, a Jatiyatabadi

Chhatra Dal (JCD) leader was killed as a truck ran him over while he was standing beside the Badsha Mia road yesterday evening.

The dead is Jalal Uddin Sohel, Chittagong city joint secretary of the party.

In Gopalganj, two men were killed and 10 others injured when a paddy-carrying truck fell into a roadside ditch as the driver lost his control over the vehicle in Komlapur area of Muksudpur upazila on Tuesday night.

The dead are Abadul Sorder, 30, and Hasan Sorder, 23, of Beytua in Satkhira.

Of the injured, four seriously wounded were sent to Faridpur Medical College Hospital while another was to Muksudpur Upazila Health Complex.

Meanwhile in Gopalganj Sadar, a man was killed as he fell off a three-wheeler in Majigati area on Tuesday night.

Mostofa Howlader, 50, of Kharaybari village in Bagerhat, died on the spot.

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