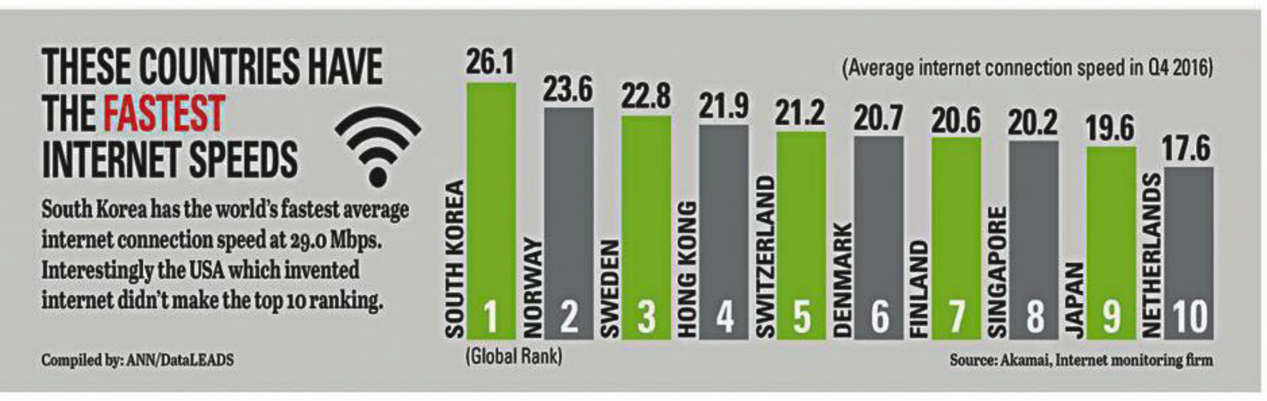
South Korea has world's fastest internet



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South Korea has the world's fastest average internet connection speed at 29.0 Mbps. Interestingly the USA which invented internet didn't make the top 10 ranking.

South Korea led the way with the highest average connection speed at 29.0 Mbps in Q4 2016, as per internet monitoring firm Akamai. South Korea beat Norway, Sweden and Hong Kong to claim the top spot, all of which have internet speeds up to23.6 Mbps, 22.8 Mbps and 21.9 Mbps respectively.

South Korea also boasts of internet speed that is around four times the world average of 7.0 Mbps.

The USA didn't make the top 10, ranking No. 16 with average connection speed of 15.3 Mbps, a 7.7% rise from the prior quarter.

Other countries that also have high internet speed are Switzerland (21.2 Mbps), Denmark (20.7 Mbps), Finland (20.6 Mbps) and Singapore (20.2 Mbps).Japan and Netherlands are also included in the list of top 10 countries with the highest internet speed in the world. Overall, four Asian countries are included in the top 10 countries with the quickest internet speeds.

However, the gap between South Korea and the slowest country in Asia Pacific is about 22 Mbps. India and the Philippines had the slowest average connection speed of just 5.6 Mbps and 4.5 Mbps respectively.

All 15 Asian countries that were surveyed by Akamai had average connection speeds above 4 Mbps, and eight of these exceeded 10 Mbps, as per the survey.

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Tigers overcome Kiwi challenge

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have been level on 12 points with New Zealand but for the washed-out opening game against the hosts.

Tamim Iqbal kicked off the chase by dancing down the wicket and hitting off-spinner Jeetan Patel for a six off the first ball of the innings. But a first-ball six quickly gave way to a first-ball duck as the other opener Soumya Sarkar sliced the third ball of the innings straight to point. An unhinged Sabbir Rahman joined Tamim and tried to belt the cover off the ball with little effect, but settled down into the first of two match-defining partnerships.

Tamim and Sabbir put on 136 in just 26.3 overs. Tamim batted responsibly, unleashing the odd trademark cover drive and pull as he reached his 22nd ODI fifty in the 19th over off his 54th delivery. Once he stopped trying to conjure shots, Sabbir was usual alive to every scoring opportunity the Kiwis presented him as he struck nine boundaries in his 83-ball 65.

However, in the 27th over, Tamim was caught for an 80-ball 65 from a slog-sweep off Mitchell Santner at deep midwicket, and that initiated a mini-collapse. Quite puzzlingly, Mosaddek Hossain, who bats lower down the order, was sent in at number four and was soon involved in a suicidal mix-up in the 29th over which saw Sabbir walking back. Mosaddek was pinned on the back foot was adjudged leg-before off Patel in the next over.

Shakib Al Hasan and Mushfiqur took Bangladesh to 199 for four in the 39th over when the former, on 19, could not resist the temptation to hook in the air off Hamish Bennett, thereby falling straight into the bouncer trap set for him at fine leg.

The two most level heads in the Bangladesh team then joined forces and Mahmudullah, after a slow start, started to hit boundaries along with Mushfiqur who was already in prime form, which he announced with a delectable down-the-wicket straight six off the 12th ball he faced. When he scored his 28th run in the 46th over, Mahmudullah became the fifth Bangladesh batsman to score 3,000 ODI runs. In the next over, which started with Bangladesh needing 22 runs off 24 balls, he hit Bennett for a four and a six, and soon sealed the win with a pulled boundary off the same bowler in the second ball of the 49th.

Mahmudullah finished unbeaten on a 36-ball 46 with six boundaries and a six, while Mushfiqur was not out on a run-a-ball 45 with the help of three boundaries and that six.

Earlier, for three-fifths of New Zealand's innings it looked like Bangladesh skipper Mashrafe Bin Mortaza had made the wrong decision by choosing to field first as New Zealand skipper Tom Latham seemed to be taking the Kiwis to a huge score, with some help from the Bangladesh fielders.

The returning Nasir Hossain dropped Latham on nought off the third ball of the innings at square leg off Mashrafe. He was again dropped on 50 when off-spinner Mosaddek, for some reason, chose to run behind the retreating non-striker and consequently dropped a return chance. Latham struck up a 133-run second-wicket stand with Neil Broom after Mustafizur Rahman had opener Luke Ronchi caught for two. Broom was also dropped on 56 off Nasir by Soumya, who reacted late at extra cover.

But Nasir made amends for his fielding error by having Broom caught at square leg for 63. It was double delight for Nasir when, in his following over, a straighter one went through Latham's bat and pad and disturbed the off bail to dismiss the left-hander for a 92-ball 84.

Thanks mainly to the death bowling of Rubel Hossain, Mustafizur and Shakib and a tightening up in the fielding, New Zealand's innings fizzled out. Corey Anderson holed out off Shakib in the 39th over and then New Zealand three wickets -- Jimmy Neesham and Colin Munro caught off Mashrafe and Santner bowled by Shakib -- for just two runs between the 42nd and 44th overs.

It was then Rubel's turn to show his expertise with fast, reverse-swinging yorkers, one of those bowling Matt Henry in the 48th over as Bangladesh conceded only 33 runs off the last five overs, most of the runs coming off Ross Taylor's bat. The veteran finished unbeaten on a 56-ball 60.

DU to drop

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made at a joint press conference organised by the DU and the Central Hospital at the hospital building yesterday.

Abdul Latif, officer-in-charge of Dhanmondi Police Station where the case was filed, said last night that they were yet to receive any application regarding the withdrawal of the case.

Afia, originally from Chapainawabganj, was admitted to the hospital on last Wednesday after doctors there diagnosed her with "acute myeloblastic leukaemia", a type of blood cancer, according to her medical file.

But just before she died around 5:30pm the next day, doctors confirmed that she had dengue fever, DU students claimed.

Her death triggered a violent protest. Around 200-300 DU students stormed the hospital and vandalised several rooms and other things on the first floor.

The DU authorities sued nine people, including the director and consultant of the hospital.

In protest against the case, doctors around the country refrained from treating patients at private healthcare facilities across the country on Tuesday, causing immense sufferings.

Gold under wig!

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when he walked through an archway scanner.

The bars were discovered when he was frisked again.

The estimated price of the gold is Tk 65 lakh, the official claimed.

Aminul was handed over to police.

Gold smuggling has seen a sharp rise in recent years due to outdated laws and high taxes. It also led the country's jewelry business to rely heavily on smuggled gold.

According to CIID, different agencies seized over 2,000kg of gold in the last three years.

However, the actual amount smuggled into the country remains unknown as different government agencies have different guesstimates.

According to officials, a small portion of the smuggled gold feeds local demand while the rest is smuggled to neighbouring India.

Britain hunts for terror

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Europe claimed by IS jihadists that have coincided with an offensive on the group's redoubts in Syria and Iraq carried out by US, British and other Western forces.

Officials said the 22-year-old Abedi had been on the radar of the intelligence community before the massacre at a concert by US pop star Ariana Grande, and warned another attack "may be imminent".

After arresting a 23-year-old man on Tuesday, police said they had taken three more men into custody on Wednesday in south Manchester, where Abedi lived.

An armed raid was also carried out in Manchester city centre yesterday, during which police said a nearby railway line had to be "briefly closed".

Hundreds of armed military personnel meanwhile fanned out to take up guard duties at the British parliament and Buckingham Palace -- a highly unusual sight on the streets of Britain since the end of the Northern Ireland conflict in the 1990s.

French Interior Minister Gerard Collomb said Abedi had "likely" been to Syria, citing information provided by British intelligence services to their counterparts in Paris.

Collomb told French television the suspect "grew up in Britain and then suddenly, after a trip to Libya and then likely to Syria, became radicalised and decided to carry out this attack".

"In any case, the links with Daesh are proven," he said, using a term for the Islamic State group.

In light of the Manchester attack, Nato chief Jens Stoltenberg said the military alliance had to "step up and agree to do more in the fight against terrorism" at summit talks set for today.

The summit is to be joined by US President Donald Trump, who has lambasted Nato for not doing more against Islamist extremism and who called those responsible for the Manchester bombing "evil losers".

British Prime Minister Theresa May placed the country on its highest level of terror alert -- "critical" -- for the first time since June 2007, when it was sparked by an attack on Glasgow airport.

The Changing of the Guard, a military ceremony in front of Buckingham Palace popular with tourists, was cancelled yesterday and the Houses of Parliament suspended all public events.

Chelsea football club said they were cancelling their Premier League victory parade on Sunday saying it would be "inappropriate".

Manchester United players will wear black armbands at yesterday evening's Europa League final against Amsterdam club Ajax in Stockholm, where a minute's silence will be held.

The attack was the deadliest in Britain since July 7, 2005 when four suicide bombers inspired by al-Qaeda attacked London's transport system during rush hour, killing 52 people.

A Polish couple living in Britain were confirmed among the Manchester victims, along with 15-year-old Olivia Campbell, whose mother had issued heartrending appeals for help when her daughter was still missing.

Next to a photograph of Olivia, Charlotte Campbell wrote on Facebook: "RIP my darling precious gorgeous girl Olivia Campbell taken far too soon. Go sing with the angels and keep smiling, mummy loves you so much."

A total of 64 people are being treated in hospital, including 20 in critical care, medical officials said.

Twelve of the injured are aged under 16.

One Nick Lewis said his daughter Freya had been through 10 and a half hours of surgery.

"Freya has been sewn, bolted, drilled and bandaged back together. It is going to be a long climb but we are on the first step," he said.

The plan for this type of troop deployment, codenamed Operation Temperer, was first revealed after the November 2015 Paris terror attacks and is believed to allow up to 5,000 troops to be deployed.

The last time troops were deployed on British streets was after a suspected airliner plot in 2003.

France has already grown used to the sight of rifle-toting soldiers in its major cities under a state of emergency imposed after the attacks on the Bataclan concert hall and elsewhere in Paris.

Earlier yesterday, French President Emmanuel Macron said he would seek an extension to the state of emergency until November.

Govt plans

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Muhith said he might say it while delivering his national budget speech in parliament on June 1.

Twenty-two people, including 17 foreigners, were killed in the café attack. Of the foreigners, nine were Italians, seven Japanese and the other was Indian.

A finance ministry official said the government might give $12,000 to $13,000 as compensation to the family of each victim when they would be honoured. For this, there would be an allocation in the next budget.

After a long time, the Jica boss came to visit Bangladesh to review the security situation in Bangladesh after the militant attack last year.

Jica President Kitaoka said he found the security situation good.

Muhith, however, said the Japanese people were concerned about the security in Bangladesh as still militants were being caught.

The Jica president told his country's people that militants were being caught and efforts were going on to root out militancy, the minister added, quoting the Jica boss.

Robber killed

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was declared dead after being rushed to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital, the police official said.

Police fired seven rounds of bullets and it is yet to be confirmed whether Ashraful was killed by shots fired by the police or the robbers, OC of Mymensingh DB said.

Ashraful was an accused in 14 criminal cases including for murder, robbery and theft filed with Gafargaon Police Station in Mymensingh.

Five of his associates -- Mofizul Islam, 32, Al Mamun, 25, Humayun Kabir, 26, Mithun Das, 23, Manik Miah, 28 -- were detained from the spot and taken to local DB office for questioning.

Ashraful's body was sent to MMC morgue for an autopsy. No case has been lodged as yet.

DNCC to put up

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South City Corporation (DSCC) on Tuesday.

DSCC mayor Mohammad Sayeed Khokon has fixed prices of beef, buffalo meat and mutton (goat and sheep) at Tk 475, Tk 440, Tk 725 and Tk 620 per kilogramme respectively for Ramadan. Depending on the sighting of the new moon Ramadan is likely to start at the end of this month.

At the meeting DNCC also decided to sell fruits free from chemicals at different points within the DNCC area during Ramadan.

DNCC Chief Executive Officer Mesbahul Islam chaired the meeting.

90pc people have faith

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that scrapped the 16th amendment of the constitution.

Yesterday was the sixth day of the hearing of the appeal. The apex court will resume the hearing at 11:30am today.

The 16th amendment empowered parliament to remove the SC judges for incapacity or misbehaviour.

Following a writ petition filed by nine SC lawyers, the High Court on May 5 last year declared the amendment illegal. The government on January 4 this year filed the appeal with the SC challenging the HC verdict.

The chief law officer of the state yesterday prayed to the SC to uphold the 16th amendment. He said the retention of the Supreme Judicial Council, which was a product of martial law, was a shame for the country's constitutional history.

The government brought the 16th amendment to the constitution in order to go back to the original constitution (of 1972), Alam added.

Writ petitioners' counsel advocate Manzill Murshid told the apex court that Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman "had taken away parliament's power of removing SC judges through the fourth amendment of the constitution".

HEARING CONTINUES

The attorney general said although the system of the Supreme Judicial Council was illegal, a vacuum might have been created had it been scrapped earlier.

Without naming former law minister Shafique Ahmed, he said a former minister included the provision of the Supreme Judicial Council in the 15th amendment to the constitution in order to give privileges to the SC judges.

"There may be a number of reasons for maintaining Article 96 [of the constitution] containing the Supreme Judicial Council such as firstly, the Appellate Division in its original judgment condoned it, secondly, there is urgency due to the void created by the order dated March 29, 2011, thirdly may be concerned technocrat minister at the time who is a senior advocate wanted to give a good turn to the learned judges of the Supreme Court, most of whom if not all of them, would not like the idea of facing the House of the Nation, if such a situation arises in future, even if at all," Alam said.

The CJ told the attorney general that Barrister Shafique is a gentleman and the judiciary and the executive had a very good relationship during his tenure as the law minister. The war crimes trial began when he was the law minister and there was no scope for discrediting him.

Justice Sinha also asked the attorney general not to undermine the apex court.

The attorney general said the issue of holding war crimes trial was in the "general election [2008] manifesto of the prime minister [Sheikh Hasina]".

The CJ said he wanted to appoint some efficient and qualified judges to this court [HC], but the appointments were not made in one and a half years.

The attorney general said, "The opinion of the learned [SC] judges is that the Supreme Judicial Council is the better opinion. But no reasons were given."

The chief justice told the attorney general that they [judges] would interpret the entire constitution when the questions of people's rights, independence of the judiciary and the basic structure of the charter would come before them.

Advocate Manzill said Bangabandhu had decided to bring the fourth amendment to the constitution.

Following the decision of the Father of the Nation, the provision of the Supreme Judicial Council was included in the constitution, he added.

The lawyer said it was not true that the constitution of 1972 could not be amended. "Only the fundamental structure of the constitution cannot be changed."

The issue of the removal of the SC judges was directly linked to the independence of judiciary. So, the power of removing the SC judges couldn't be given to parliament in order to keep the basic structure of the constitution intact, Manzill told the apex court.

He said the Appellate Division of the SC gave legitimacy to the Supreme Judicial Council in its judgment in the case related to the constitution's fifth-amendment and the apex court upheld the judgment in its review verdict.

He observed that people's opinions were not being reflected due to Article 70 of the constitution which prevents a lawmaker from voting against his/her party in parliament.

The SC may scrap any law if it is formulated with malafide intensions, the lawyer said.

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Invitation for Tender
Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board
Government of The People's Republic of Bangladesh

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/ Power Division.	
2	Agency	Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board.	
3	Name of Procuring Entity & District	Superintending Engineer (Grid & Sub-Station), Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, Dhaka.	
4	Invitation For Tender Name	TURNKEY CONTRACT FOR DESIGN, SUPPLY, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, TESTING & COMMISSIONING WORK FOR EXTENSION OF 33 KV NEW BAY AT 132/33KV PATUAKHALI GRID SUB-STATION FOR PATUAKHALI PBS UNDER BREB.	
5	Invitation Reference No. & Date	Memo No: 27.12.2637.125.31.162.17. 230 Date: 23 -05-2017	
KEY INFORMATION			
6	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM), NCT	
FUNDING INFORMATION			
7	Budget and source of Fund	Patuakhali PBS	
8	Development Partners (if applicable)	N/A	
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
09	Project / Programme Name	N/A	
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13	Tender Closing Date & Time.	20-06-2017	12:00 Noon (BST)
14	Tender opening Date & Time.	20-06-2017	12:30 Noon (BST)
15	Pre-Tender Meeting: Date & Time	01-06-2017	11:00 AM (BST)
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	- For Selling Tender Document - For Receiving Tender Document - For Opening Tender Document - For Pre-Tender Meeting	Office of the Superintending Engineer (Grid & Sub-Station) BREB, Training Academy Building (4th floor), Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229.	
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23	Special Instruction	Tender Document can be viewed in the BREB & Patuakhali PBS website. *www.reb.gov.bd* & *www.patuakhalipbs.org*
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25	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Superintending engineer
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