

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Higher degree, lesser scope

Unemployment rate highest among those having higher degrees, says latest BBS survey

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The more degrees you obtain, the more you run the risk of remaining unemployed.

It may sound odd, but it's true if we go by a latest government survey.

Conducted by Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics between December 2013 and June 2015, the survey shows that unemployment rate was the highest among people having tertiary education.

The rate among them rose to 9 percent in June 2015 from 6.7 percent in December 2013. It, however, was higher among women than men, says the Quarterly Labour Force Survey Bangladesh 2015-16 released yesterday.

Interestingly, the unemployment rate among people without any schooling was the lowest, as only 2.2 percent of them were unemployed during the survey period.

The rate, however, was 6.2 percent among those having secondary or post-secondary level education.

The number of students pursuing higher degrees has increased over the years, so has unemployment rate among people having higher education.

One such unemployed person is Hasibur Rahman.

Completing his master's degree from a reputed college

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AVERAGE PRICES OF VARIOUS ESSENTIALS IN CITY MARKETS



● AVERAGE PRICES LAST WEEK (TK PER KILOGRAM)

● AVERAGE PRICES THIS WEEK (TK PER KILOGRAM)

DATA: COLLECTED FROM BUYERS & SELLERS IN FIVE KITCHEN MARKETS IN CITY

IAEA MEET

PM flies to Vienna today

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina leaves Dhaka for Vienna this morning



to attend a conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) tomorrow.

In the two-day conference on May 29-30, in her speech, she will highlight the IAEA's technical cooperation that helps Bangladesh achieve sustainable development.

The conference, organised to mark the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the nuclear watchdog of the United Nations, IAEA, will discuss how the nuclear technologies can contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030.

At a press briefing at the foreign ministry yesterday, Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali said besides taking part in the conference, the PM would also hold bilateral talks with

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Ramadan essentials get pricier

Mismatch between prices mentioned in city corporations' charts and actual prices; meat traders do not follow prices fixed by authorities

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Like always, the prices of some essential commodities shot up on the first day of Ramadan yesterday.

The authorities took steps to control the price hike, but traders could not care less. They do not even follow the price list of the commodities issued by the city corporations for Ramadan.

A survey in Hatirpool Kitchen Market, Jurain Bazar, Banalata Kitchen Market in New Market area, Mohammadpur Town Hall Market and West Kazipara Kitchen Market in the capital found that essential items, including rice, pulses, chickpea, meat and fish were sold at a higher price compared to what it was a week or a month ago.

Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) fixed the price of chickpea at Tk 82-84 per kilograms

(kg), but shopkeepers of the Hatirpool market were selling it for Tk 90-92, while imported garlic was sold at Tk 300-350 a kg instead of the fixed rate of Tk 275-286 per kg.

Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB) expanded the Open Market Sale (OMS) programme in the middle of May, and the government assured people of adequate stocks of essential commodities at a time the prices of essentials showed an upward trend.

TCB expanded the OMS programme to sell subsidised food items from 187 mobile trucks, including 35 in the capital. As many as 2,811 dealers have been assigned to continue OMS operations across the country.

Despite repeated assurance from the government of fair food prices, consumers are likely to feel the pinch of high prices throughout this Ramadan.

For example, beef of local and foreign cattle

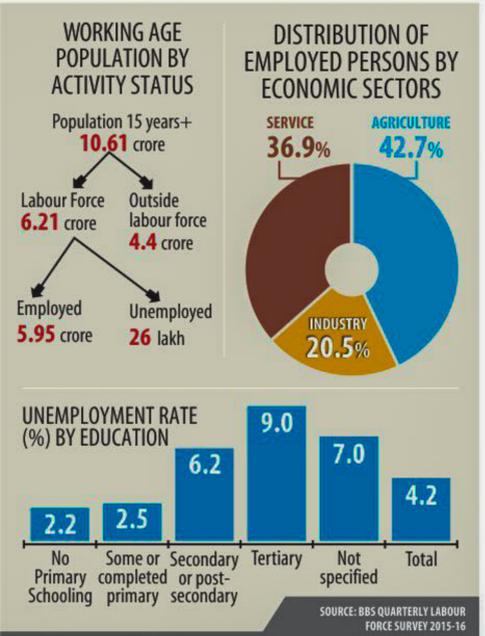
were selling for Tk 500 and Tk 480 a kg, up from the officially fixed prices of Tk 475 and Tk 440.

According to the market-monitoring findings of the TCB, the price of edible oil went up by Tk 2 a litre from what it was last week and a month ago while the price of moong beans was up by Tk 15-20 per kg and sugar by Tk 6-10.

The prices of almost all kinds of fish have increased by Tk 50 to 100 a kg on average, and the price of eggplant is Tk 60 a kg, up from Tk 40-50 last week. Price of green chillies is Tk 80 a kg, which increased from Tk 60 a kg from last week. Four pieces of lemons were selling for Tk 10-12 last week but now they are Tk 15-20.

Rejika, a resident of Jurain, said the price hike affected them badly as they were forced to limit the food items they bought. She purchased only rice, pulses and pointed gourd for yesterday's meal of her family.

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"Until the police and the armed forces say, this martial law will continue. I will not listen to others. The Supreme Court, congress, they are not here."
PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT
RODRIGO DUTERTE
TELLS SOLDIERS FIGHTING ISLAMIST MILITANTS



An injured Nazmul Hossain, a student of Jahangirnagar University, under treatment with his hand cuffed to hospital bed.

PHOTO: COLLECTED

Handcuffed to hospital bed

Police did not even take the cuffs off sick JU student to let him eat; 42 students get bail

JU CORRESPONDENT

Jahangirnagar University student Nazmul Hossain became sick on Saturday while protesting the deaths of two JU students in a road crash the day before.

His friends took him to the university medical centre. But police allegedly forced him to get admitted to Enam Medical College Hospital in Savar so that they could arrest him there.

Things did not end there. Nazmul was

treated at the hospital with one of his hands cuffed to the hospital bed. When he requested removal of the cuffs so he could eat, police refused to do so, witnesses and his fellows alleged.

Two photos of a handcuffed Nazmul, a master's student of government and politics department and general secretary of Jahangirnagar Cultural Alliance (JCA), went viral, triggering a firestorm of protests on Facebook.

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