

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA H 32.8 L 26.6	MYMENSINGH H 33.6 L 27.2	CHITTAGONG H 32.3 L 26.7	SYLHET H 34.6 L 24.0	RAJSHAHI H 35.0 L 27.1	RANGPUR H 35.0 L 27.5	KHULNA H 32.0 L 27.5	BARISAL H 30.4 L 30.4	COX'S BAZAR H 29.6 L 25.3
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Rain is likely to occur at most places over Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong, Mymensingh, Dhaka and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Rangpur and Rajshahi divisions with moderately heavy to very heavy falls at places over Barisal, Khulna, Mymensingh, Dhaka, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:47pm and rises tomorrow at 5:10am, Met Office said.

35pc tanneries shifted to Savar
Industries Minister Amu tells parliament
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Industries Minister Amir Hossain Amu yesterday told parliament that 35 per cent of tanneries have so far been shifted to Savar Tannery Estate from the capital's Hazaribagh area. "Out of 154 tanneries that got plots in Savar Tannery Estate, 55 tanneries started the production of wet blue leather in Savar till May 31, 2017. More tannery factories will begin their production soon," he said replying to lawmakers' queries.

"Though the relocation process causes temporary interruption in the country's leather production, it would help boost both production and export of leather and leather products finally," he said in a scripted answer.

In reply to another question, Amu said there are over 8.68 lakh industries across the country as per the Economic Survey Report.

Of these, the number of cottage industries is 727,233, while that of micro industries is 104,007, medium industries 2,991 and big industries 3,123, he said.

Meanwhile State Minister for Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Nasrul Hamid yesterday told parliament that nine under-construction power plants with capacity of some 2,000 megawatt will come into production within 2017.

The nine power plants are now being implemented in both government and private sectors, he said replying to lawmakers' queries.

The state minister said now average 8,500-9,500 megawatt of electricity is being generated a day to meet the country's demand of power.

In reply to another question, he said the capacity of renewable power generation is some 450 megawatt a day in the country.

Of the 450 megawatt, solar power is 212 megawatt, wind power is 2.9 megawatt, biogas 5 megawatt and hydropower 230 megawatt, he added.



Vehicles stuck in traffic jam amid rain on the capital's Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue yesterday. The rain brought some much needed relief to the city dwellers. It also contributed to long tailbacks in many of the major streets, which were already witnessing gridlocks ahead of Eid.

PHOTO: FIROZ AHMED

NEWS IN brief

Man jailed for possessing Yaba pills
STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A Chittagong court yesterday sentenced a fugitive to six-year imprisonment in a case filed for carrying Yaba pills in 2016.

Md Rafique, 30, of Cox's Bazar's Teknaf, was also fined Tk 10,000, in default, to serve one more month in jail. On June 5, 2016, a team of the Department of Narcotics Control held Rafique with 800 Yaba pills at Basiruzzaman Chhatter near Shah Amanat Bridge in Chittagong city.

APUB gets executive committee
CITY DESK

Sheikh Kabir Hossain was reelected chairman of Association of Private Universities of Bangladesh (APUB) for 2017-2019 term.

A new executive committee of the association was formed on Saturday at the Annual General Meeting at its Banani office in the capital, said a press release.

Other members of the committee include: vice chairmen Prof Abdul Mannan Choudhury, World Universities of Bangladesh; and Prof Shafiq Ahmed Siddique, Bangladesh University of Business Technology (BUBT); Secretary General Benzir Ahmed, North South University; Treasurer KBM Moin Uddin Chishti, Victoria University of Bangladesh; and Joint Secretary General Dr Kazi Anis Ahmed, University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh.

Man held with Yaba tablets in Ctg
STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The Detective Branch of Chittagong Metropolitan Police arrested a person with 10,000 Yaba pills in Bakalia area of Chittagong city yesterday afternoon.

Abbas Uddin, 37, of Anwara upazila of Chittagong, was carrying the contraband pills in a bag when detectives arrested him near the Karnaphuli bridge.

During primary interrogation, he admitted that he used to buy Yaba tablets from Teknaf and sell those in Chittagong. A case was filed.

Body found in Savar drain
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Police recovered the decomposed body of a speech impaired man, who was traceless for two days, from a drain in Savar yesterday.

Manik Mia, 55, -- an employee of an animal feed factory under the Department of Livestock -- was traceless since Friday, said Firoz Ahamed Khan, additional animal resources officer of the department.

A general diary was filed with Ashulia Police Station in this regard.

Firoz said yesterday locals first spotted Manik's body in the drain of the factory and inform them.

Ruhul Amin, sub-inspector of Ashulia Police Station, said the body was sent to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for an autopsy.

Death anniversary
CITY DESK

Today is the sixth death anniversary of Abul Khayer Majumder, an Awami League leader and a Liberation War organiser in Feni.

A doa and iftar mahfil has been arranged after the Asar prayers at his residence in Uttar Saliya of Parshuram upazila in Feni.

Relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend the programme and pray for his departed soul.



Road crashes kill 6
CITY DESK

Three persons of a family were killed as a private car plunged into a roadside ditch in Halishahar area of Chittagong city yesterday evening, reports UNB.

Chandan Majumdar, sub-inspector of Halishahar Police Station, said the speedy car fell into the ditch around 6:45pm as its driver lost his control over the steering.

The two brothers -- Akhtar Bin Jaman, 28, and Jawat Bin Jaman, 26 -- died on the spot while their maternal cousin Sadman Alam, 10, was declared dead at a local clinic.

The two siblings used to live with their family at Matharbari area of the city.

In Bandarban, two people were killed and another was injured as a truck turned turtle after the driver lost his control over the steering in Munnuampara area of Ruma upazila in Bandarban yesterday.

The dead are Pola Aung Marma, 50, and truck driver Shambu, 32, of Bandarban Sadar.

In Thakurgaon, a school boy was killed as a bus hit him while he was standing near a shop beside Ranishankoil-Haripur road in Brigarh village of Haripur upazila on Saturday night.

Monwar Hossain, 12, son of Abu Raihan of the village, was a class-V student, was rushed to Haripur Upaizla Health Complex where he died later.

In Savar, a motorbike rider was killed as a microbus ran him over after his motorbike slid sideways on Dhaka-Aricha highway in Joynabar area yesterday.

The victim, Golam Sarowar Bhuiyan, 30, of Chandpur, used to live in the capital's Mohammadpur.

Locals said the motorcycle slipped on the highway as the road became slippery due to garbage dumped beside it.

Shahjalal airport to get third terminal
Th 13,600cr capacity building project undertaken amid growing traffic
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government will build a third terminal and other infrastructure at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport at a cost of Tk 13,600 crore to increase the airport's capacity to handle the growing air traffic.

The Civil Aviation Authority of Bangladesh (CAAB) signed an agreement with four consultancy companies at its Kurmitola headquarters in this regard yesterday.

CAAB Chairman Air Vice Marshal Ehsanul Ghoni Chowdhury, Vice Chairman of Japan-based Nippon Co Ltd Haruhiko Kanai, Vice Chairman of Japan's Oriental Consultants Ltd Jun Yamauchi, Executive Vice President of Singaporean CPG Consultant Ltd Rohani Binte Baharin and Bangladesh Development Design Consultant's AKM Rafiquddin inked the agreement on behalf of their respective sides.

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Rashed Khan Menon witnessed the signing ceremony.

After construction of the third terminal, passenger handling capacity of the country's major airport will increase to 20 million from 8 million and cargo handling capacity to 5 lakh tonnes from 2 lakh tonnes annually, Sudhendu Bikash Goswami, chief engineer of CAAB, told The Daily Star after the ceremony.

The passenger handling capacity of the two terminals will be exceeded by 2018, said CAAB sources, while the volume of cargo has already outstripped the airport's capacity.

Apart from the terminal, there will be a new cargo village, VIP complex, and rapid exit and connecting taxiways under the mega project, said the CAAB chairman.

The construction of the terminal will start in April next year and is scheduled to be completed by April 2021, with financial assistance of Japan International Cooperation Agency.

Of the total cost, Tk 570 crore will be spent for consultancy.



Children working at a factory in Joina Bazar area at Sreepur upazila of Gazipur yesterday. The World Day Against Child Labour is being observed today. But neither these kids nor their employers have any knowledge of the significance of the day, which aims to foster the worldwide movement against child labour in any of its forms. In the absence of enforcement of law, children are unduly exposed to hazards at work. Moreover, many face torture and abuse in the workplace.

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Court wants to know
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Earlier in the day, Mohiuddin appeared before the court and informed about the progress of the investigation.

He also told the court that he would inform about the progress to a monitoring cell of the home ministry during a meeting scheduled to be held next month.

He further said he had earlier got reports of DNA test, of which two reports had been matched with two perpetrators.

The court then asked the IO to inform details of the meeting later.

Three agencies, including Rab, failed to submit the probe report despite taking 50 dates.

On February 11 in 2012, Runi, senior reporter of private TV channel ATN Bangla, and her husband Sagar, news editor of another TV station, Maasranga, were murdered. Their only son, Megh, was inside their Pashchim Rajabazar house at the time of the murder.

After investigation by Sher-e-Bangla Nagar police and the detectives, Rab started probing the murders on April 18, 2012.

At least eight people including their "family friend" Tanveer Rahman had been arrested in connection with the killings. He was released on bail later but the others are still in jail.

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