

## WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA MYMENSINGH CHITTAGONG SYLHET RAJSHAMI RANGPUR KHULNA BARISAL COX'S BAZAR

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Light to moderate rain accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely to occur at most places over Barisal, Dhaka, Mymensingh, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions and at many places over the country till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital tomorrow at 6:48 pm and rises on Monday at 05:12 am, says Met office.



Several vehicles brave a waterlogged road in Sylhet city to reach their destinations. Heavy downpour during early hours yesterday inundated a large area of the city that apparently lacks a proper storm sewer system. Pathantula area on Sunamganj Road was under knee-deep water at 2:00pm when this photo was taken.

Only Tk 2cr allocated for research in CU budget  
CU CORRESPONDENT

The Chittagong University authorities yesterday placed Tk 295.20 crore budget for 2017-18 fiscal year with only 0.68 percent allocation in research sectors.

CU Acting Registrar Prof Kamrul Huda placed the budget at the 29th annual senate meeting held at the university administrative building for final approval. CU Vice-Chancellor Prof Iftekhar Uddin Chowdhury chaired the meeting.

According to the budget, Tk 191.80 crore will be spent for salary and allowances of teachers and other university staff and Tk 2 crore for research which was Tk 60 lakh in 2016-17 fiscal year.

There is no deficit in the budget.

Tk 3.34 crore has also been allocated for repair, preservation and rehabilitation and Tk 17.51 crore for service and transport sector.

University Grants Commission approved Tk 274.70 crore against the expectation from the university over Tk 412.82 core.

Increasing the university's internal income, the administration is expecting to earn Tk 20.50 crore which was Tk 16.70 crore in 2016-17 fiscal year.

The revised budget of Tk 277.45 crore for 2016-2017 financial year was also approved at the meeting.

### Tommy Miah

FROM PAGE 3 and has presented his own television show in Bangladesh.

The Tommy Miah Institute of Hospitality Management, which he established in Bangladesh, trains Bangladeshi in the international hospitality industry.

## NEWS IN brief

### Eight DB impersonators arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rab arrested eight men, who used to mug people impersonating detectives and rob houses, from the capital's Dhanmondi area early yesterday.

The arrestees are Jewel Hossain, Hemayet Hossain, Sheikh Hafiz alias Shohor Ali, Faridul Islam Farid, Moshedul Islam Khan, Mohammad Ali, Iyub Khan and Swapna Sarker. A pistol, two bullets, six jackets inscribed with DB, a walkie-talkie, a pair of handcuff and a microbus was also seized from their possession.

On information that the criminals were preparing to rob a house in Sobhanbagh area, a team of Rab-2 raided the area and arrested them, said a press release.

### Man killed by mob at Barisal

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

A man died after he was beaten by a mob at Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital (SBMCH) as he allegedly tried to snatch a mobile phone from a patient yesterday.

The deceased is Md Nasiruddin, 30, of Padrisibpur village under Bakerganj upazila of the district.

Sub-inspector of Kotwali Model Police Station Swapna said they rescued critically injured Nasiruddin and took him to the hospital's emergency ward where he died.

### Meeting on human trafficking prevention law held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh National Woman Lawyers' Association (BNWLA) in association with Women Judges Association (WJA) yesterday held a views exchange meeting on "The Prevention and Suppression of Human Trafficking Act, 2012" at BNWLA office in the capital, says a press release.

Abdul Hannan, additional secretary of the home ministry, was present as the chief guest at the meeting, chaired by WJA president Tanzina Ismail, a district judge.

Terre des Hommes Netherlands Country Director in Bangladesh Mahmudul Kabir, BNWLA Executive Director Salma Ali, and other officials of the organisations spoke at the programme.

### Death anniversary

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Today is the 12th death anniversary of Gour Chandra Bala, an advocate and former provincial minister for ministry of food and forest of erstwhile Pakistan.

Born in 1923 in Ullabari village in Madaripur, he was the fourth child of Rajmohon Bala and Naraoni Bala. He died at the age of 82 in Faridpur.

On this occasion, recitation from the holy Geeta, puja and memorial programme will be held at Bala bhaban in Faridpur town and in Ullabari village at his tomb.

## DU slightly raises research budget

DU CORRESPONDENT

Dhaka University yesterday proposed a Tk 664.37 crore budget for the fiscal year 2017-18, keeping 2 percent for research.

Although the allocation was increased in the sector to Tk 14 crore from Tk 8.56 crore in the previous budget, it was seen as insufficient. Last year, the university allocated 1.83 percent in the proposed budget of Tk 664.11 crore.

Talking to The Daily Star, Director of Business Research Bureau at DU Prof Md Akkas Ali said the increase would surely improve research in terms of both quality and quantity but for international standard research, the university should allocate more.

According to the proposed budget, Tk 548.15 crore, or 78.59 percent, will be spent for salaries, allowances, and pensions of teachers and employees.

Treasurer Prof Kamal Uddin Ahmed placed the budget at Nabab Nawab Ali Chowdhury Senate Bhaban with Vice Chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique in the chair.

The deficit stands at Tk 11.72 crore.

Last year, the revised budget was Tk 667.19 crore.

Motorcyclist killed in Jhenidah road crash  
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

A motorcyclist was killed as a bus hit his vehicle on Jhenidah-Kaliganj road in Kharikhali village under Jhenidah Sadar yesterday noon.

The deceased is Wahab Mondol, 50, of Chevnia village under the upazila.

Wahab was going to his village home riding his motorcycle. He died on the spot, said police.

The body was sent to Jhenidah Sadar Hospital for an autopsy.

## Ensure child friendly atmosphere in courts SC orders officials concerned

BSS, Dhaka

The Supreme Court has ordered officials concerned to ensure children friendly atmosphere in the courts designated to deal with the child related cases.

The apex court in a notice dated June 15, asked the concerned officials, including all the district judge courts, to assist Unicef Bangladesh in turning the bench, dock and witness stand in the courts children friendly in line with the Children Act 2013.

The notice, signed by High Court Division Registrar Abu Syed Diljar Hussain, has already been posted on the website of the apex court.

According to the section 19 of the Children Act 2013, the interior and seating arrangements of the concerned court should be children friendly and the apex court for ensuring this, has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Unicef Bangladesh on February 14 this year.

As per the MoU, Unicef Bangladesh has already started its work to develop the interior of the designated courts.

## Crumbling road multiplies woes during monsoon

SUSHANTA GHOSH, Barisal

The 6km Lakutia Road in Barisal city has been in a dilapidated condition for five years due to a lack of repair.

The sufferings of users of the road stretching from Kawnia Mohashashan to Met Office area have multiplied during this monsoon.

No major initiative to fix the crumbling road under Ward No-29 in Barisal City Corporation (BCC) has been taken in the last five years, said Masuduzzaman, a local businessman.

The road became unusable as numerous potholes developed on it, said Enamul Haque, a resident of the area.

Anowar Hossain, a truck driver, said drivers often avoid the road because vehicles might flip over due to such craters.

Sometimes speeding rickshaws and battery-run auto-rickshaws get stuck in the potholes, said Edris Hossain, an auto-rickshaw driver.

Motaleb Hawlader, executive engineer of BCC, said they will start renovating the road soon. He hoped tenders would be offered within three months.

PHOTO: STAR

Potholes full of rainwater on 6km Lakutia Road in Barisal city.



A dilapidated Amtola Mor-Rupatoli Bus Stand road in Barisal city has been causing immense sufferings to people for a long time. Roads and Highways Department says it started repairing the road last week but presently suspended the work due to rough weather. It assured that the project will be finished before the upcoming Eid. The photo was taken recently.

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