



Bir Protik Kakon Bibi hospitalised

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Kakon Bibi Bir Protik, an indigenous freedom fighter, has been hospitalised for three days due to old age complications.

She is undergoing treatment in Cabin No-8 of Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital. The hospital's doctors said she needs better eye treatment.

Kakon Bibi worked as a war spy and directly fought the Pakistani occupation army during the 1971 Liberation War. During the war, she was arrested and brutally tortured by the army.

She was born in a Khasi family in early 60s. Later, she got married and changed her name to Nurjahan Begum from Kakon Hennyata.

However, she is currently known as Kakon Bibi.

Hailing from Khasi hills at Sunamganj border, Kakon Bibi is now living with her family in Sunamganj's Doarabazar upazila where the government built a house for her.



It's jubilation all around with students screaming and jumping in sheer joy after the results of this year's HSC examinations were published yesterday. Clockwise from top, Students of Viharunnisa Noon School and College celebrating. Jubilant students of Barisal Government Women's College. A group of elated students of Chittagong College.

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In celebratory mood

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The journey has not been easy for Sumiya Kazi Nipa.

The student of business studies of Motijheel Ideal School and College had to face many hurdles to pursue her education.

There were times she even feared that she might not be able to continue her study due to a financial crisis.

But all her struggles, hard work and determination paid off after she received her HSC result yesterday. Nipa obtained GPA-5 in this year's examination.

"I had to travel on buses every day to attend school from Jatrabari. I spent a lot of times on the road due to traffic jams, and I used to get late in classes and exams. That's why, I gave an extra effort for achieving such result in the exams," she said smilingly.

Her proud mother, standing beside her, was all smiles. "My daughter worked really hard to do well in the exam. No matter how much we struggled, she never lost sight of her goal," said Rumi Kazi, her mother.

"Her father is a small businessman. It used to get hard for him to bear Nipa's educational expenses," she said. "Even I had to start tutoring to pay for her college fees."

Meanwhile, an elated Nipa said, "I feel like I'm one step closer to fulfilling my dream."

When asked, she said she wanted to become a government officer. "My family kept on supporting me to pursue my goal."

Although Nipa was happy with her result, she was also saddened that some of her friends did not get A+ [GPA-5].

This year, a total of 37,969 students got GPA-5 which is 20,307 less than those of the previous year.

Meanwhile in Viharunnisa Noon School and College, students along with their guardians started gathering on the campus from 12:45pm amid drizzle. As soon as the results were displayed on the boards, they thronged the campus field.

There were screams of joy, hugs and cheers all around. The drizzle and dark clouds had no chance at all.

Still, there were some who did not get the expected results. Most of the students blamed the new system of checking the exam papers under the direction of the education ministry.

Taslima Nasrin Nisat, a student of science group, said, "I obtained Golden GPA-5 in SSC, but in HSC I got 4.92, which is unexpected. I will apply for a review of my exam papers."

Same scenarios were seen in Holy Cross College.

Sadia Ibnat, who secured A+ from commerce group, said, "I was scared as the number of GPA-5 went down this year. But after seeing my result, I feel very happy."

Expressing satisfaction over the result, Sister Shikha Gomez, principal of the college, said, "We are trying to provide quality education. What the students are learning is more important than their results."

PM asks civil servants to be innovative

BSS, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday urged civil servants to work with innovation in resolving problems of their respective areas and implementing development programmes keeping in mind local perspectives.

She said this while distributing Public Administration Award in the capital coinciding with Public Service Day.

Trainings for civil servants at home and abroad should not be taken as a routine thing, the trainings should be used for the welfare of the people, she told the function organised by public administration ministry.

Laying importance on proper evaluation of the merit, experience and performance of

the civil servants to move the country forward, she said, "The government is giving promotion in the civil administration and taking other incentive programmes keeping this issue in mind."

The prime minister said the government could take highest budgetary plan for next fiscal year due to the support of the government employees.

The government has floated the plan, but it's the responsibility of the government employees to execute the plan, she said.

This year 14 government officials were given the Public Administration Award in two categories.

Public Administration Minister Syed Ashrafur Islam presided over the function.



Serajum Munira, director of Green University Centres, and Weidong Xue (Benny), managing director of Solarland Bangladesh Co Ltd, exchange documents after signing a memorandum of understanding at Green University of Bangladesh (GUB) in the capital on July 19. Prof Dr Muhammad Fayyaz Khan, pro-vice chancellor of GUB; Prof Dr Fayzur Rahman, dean, faculty of science and engineering of GUB; and Md Akhtar Hamid Khan, chief engineer, Solarland Bangladesh, were present among others. The agreement will cover important areas like joint product development, problem solving, testing, job placement, and internship.

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Country heading towards danger due to AL, BNP conflict: Ershad

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jatiya Party Chairman HM Ershad yesterday said the country is heading towards danger due to a conflicting behaviour of Awami League and BNP.

He said this while talking to reporters at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport. After a five-day personal visit to India, Ershad, also a special envoy to the prime minister, returned home yesterday.

He claimed that the Indian political leaders would stand beside Jatiya Party in the next election. Ershad also claimed that he would present a peaceful and conflict-free Bangladesh if voted to power.

JP gathered a huge number of people at the airport to receive its chief. As a result, commuters faced sufferings since huge tailbacks were created on both sides of the roads surrounding airport, Uttara, Banani and Gulshan areas.

Torrential rain also added to their sufferings.

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Inauguration of Fresh Paper Export to Nepal

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An export inauguration ceremony was held on 11 July 2017 at Meghna Pulp & Paper Mills Ltd. premises which was inaugurated by Director of Meghna Group of Industries Mr. Tanveer Ahmed Mostafa (5th from left). Executive Director (OGV & IT), Meghna Group of Industries Mr. Taif Bin Yousuf (4th from left), Head of Marketing and Sales (Paper, Tissue & Hygiene Products) Mr. Mozibur Rahman (3rd from right), GM (Sales, Paper) Mr. Yousuf Ali Sarker (2nd from left), DGM (Plant) Mr. Nurul Islam (4th from left), Factory Production In-charge Mr. Sizer Parpan (2nd from right), AGM, Export & International Marketing Mr. Sukanta Kumar Saha (3rd from left) and other officials were present in the ceremony.

It is worth to mention here that it was the first consignment of export to Nepal from Meghna Pulp & Paper Mills Ltd. located at Meghna Economic Zone. It is expected that the volume will be increased day by day and it will contribute significantly in country's export basket.

REMEMBRANCE

With great love and respect, we remember today our beloved mother, Syeda Farida Ahmed. She left us 4 years ago, on 24th July, 2013 for her eternal abode.

May Allah Grant her Blessings and Eternal Peace, and ease our hearts from the pain of her absence.

A Milad Mehfil will be held on this occasion at her village home of Maizbhandar Darbar Sharif, 24th July, 2017 after Asr prayers. Family, friends and colleagues are cordially invited to attend.

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