

WEATHER FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES

DHAKA 27.0°C | 24.0°C MYMENSINGH 28.7°C | 24.2°C CHITTAGONG 32.5°C | 25.5°C SYLHET 31.4°C | 23.9°C RAJSHAHI 33.1°C | 25.8°C RANGPUR 30.5°C | 25.0°C KHULNA 32.4°C | 27.5°C BARISAL 31.6°C | 26.8°C COX'S BAZAR 32.0°C | 24.0°C

Rain accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to occur at most places over Rangpur, Rajshahi, Mymensingh, Dhaka, Khulna, Sylhet, Barisal and Chittagong divisions with moderately heavy to very heavy rainfall at places over the country till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged and night temperature may fall by 1-2 degree Celsius, says Met office. The sun sets in the capital today at 6:06pm and rises tomorrow at 5:44am.



A CITY IN A SHAMBLES

Heavy monsoon rain over several hours yesterday plunged the capital city once again, but failed to stop the defiant residents from going about their usual business. Clockwise from top, vehicles on Kalshi Road in Mirpur slowly pass an inundated portion on the fast lane as the water is deeper on the sides. A rickshaw carrying a school going child and his mother topples over in a large pothole hidden under water at Hajipara on Rampura DIT Road. A rickshaw puller pulls his rickshaw in above knee-deep water on Mirpur Road near Road 27 in Dhanmondi while the passenger tries to stay dry sitting on the back rest of the vehicle.

PHOTOS: ANISUR RAHMAN, RASHED SHUMON, PALASH KHAN

'LEGAL BATTLE' OVER 16TH AMENDMENT VERDICT

Govt confident of win: Anisul

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government will be "successful" in the end over the case of the 16th amendment to the constitution, said Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Anisul Huq at parliament yesterday.

"I still believe we will be successful inshallah in the legal steps," he said replying to a supplementary question from Jatiya Party MP Fakhruddin Imam.

Fakhruddin, during the session said when the High Court delivered the judgement on the amendment, "the minister then confidently told parlia-

ment that the government will definitely win at the Supreme Court challenging the High Court verdict."

Referring to Fakhruddin's comment, Anisul said, "I had said that we'll definitely win the legal battle. But it is up to the Appellate Division what judgement it will deliver."

The JP lawmaker said the SC in its verdict termed parliament "dysfunctional".

The MP also wanted to know what the law minister was thinking after the judgement of the Appellate Division of the apex court.

Anisul said he is still hopeful about the matter.

The SC on July 3 upheld the HC verdict that had declared the 16th amendment to the constitution illegal.

In 2014, the government amended the constitution to restore parliament's authority to impeach judges on grounds of misconduct or incapacity.

Meanwhile, Attorney General Mahbubey Alam on Sunday said his office was yet to get any instruction from the government to file a petition with the SC seeking a review of its judgment.

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Tolaram College student 'strangled'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

The student of Government Tolaram College of Narayanganj, whose body was recovered from Bhuiygarh area in Fatullah Saturday, was strangled, according to a post-mortem.

Dr Asaduzzaman, resident medical officer of Narayanganj 100-bed General Hospital, said there were injury marks and evidence of strangulation on the body.

He said the autopsy report would be submitted in a few days. Shahriar Mahmud Shuvro was a primary member of Bangladesh Chhatra Federation of Fatullah thana unit.

His classmates and activists of Bangladesh Chhatra Federation yesterday held two separate programmes at the town's Chasara Shaheed Minar demanding immediate arrest and trial of his killers.

NEWS IN brief

Minorities seek 60 reserved seats in parliament

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Hindu-Buddha-Christian Oikya Parishad yesterday placed an eight-point proposal to the Election Commission including reserving 60 seats in parliament for minorities.

Parishad leaders, led by its general secretary Rana Dasgupta, placed the proposal to the chief election commissioner at the EC office in Dhaka ahead of the 11th parliamentary election expected to be held next year.

They also proposed to amend representation of the people's order to stipulate that each political party must have 20 percent religious and ethnic minorities at all levels, says a press release.

The minority leaders also suggested reintroduction of "no-vote" in electoral system, declaring minority-dominated areas as vulnerable and ensuring due security there and deployment of army as a striking force.

The parishad leaders including Subrata Chowdhury, Nirmol Rozario, Jayanta Kumar Deb, Tapash Kumar Paul, Nirmol Kumar Chatterjee were present on the occasion.

Foreign ministry, NSU sign MoU

CITY DESK

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and North South University (NSU) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on Sunday to cooperate in developing collaborative educational programmes on a not-for-profit basis.

Foreign Secretary Shahidul Haque and Vice Chancellor Prof Atiquil Islam signed the understanding on behalf of the respective sides at the ministry in the capital.

As per the MoU, the parties will cooperate with each other and undertake different activities to enhance the promotion of knowledge and skills necessary for sustainable development as well as international politics, business and relations.

Chairman of the university's Board of Trustees Md Shahjahan and Director General (West Europe and European Union) of the foreign ministry Mohammad Khorshed Alam Khaastagir were present, among others, at the ceremony, said a press release.

Bangladesh-China Youth Camp begins today in Yunnan

UNB, China

An 83-member Bangladeshi youth delegation reached Yunnan in China yesterday to attend Bangladesh-China Youth Camp that is beginning today as part of the ongoing efforts to strengthen people to people contact and cultural ties between the two countries.

Another group comprising around 70 participants will be departing today to join others.

"Together it's a 150-member delegation," a Chinese embassy official accompanying the first group told the news agency.

Bangladesh and China have dedicated 2017 as the Year of Friendship and Exchanges between the two countries when Chinese President Xi Jinping paid a state visit to Bangladesh on October 14-15, 2016.

Intishar Karim, a member of Bangladeshi youth delegation, upon his arrival in Yunnan, said, "I am excited to be here. We will be able to share our experience with our Chinese friends. We will explore ways to strengthen friendship with China through building bridges between Bangladesh and Chinese youths."

Earlier, an orientation programme for the participating students was held at the Chinese embassy in the city.

LUXURY SUV/CAR SALE

1. Land Cruiser Cygnus LX 470	2. Mercedes Benz E200
Model: 2006	Model: 2006
Color: Pearl white	Color: Golden Beige
Mileage: 62K	Mileage: 32K, Fully Loaded

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President Abdul Hamid visits National Museum of Kazakhstan yesterday. The day before, he attended the opening ceremony of the First Summit on Science and Technology of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) in Astana.

What the

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yesterday, Mayor Nasir said the taskforce would organise at least one meeting every month and send the meeting decisions to the Ministry of Water Resources and Local Government Division.

The mayor said if the chief of any organisation did not attend the meeting or dilly-dallied in implementing the decisions of the meeting, there were instructions to inform this to the administrative authority/ministry of the respective organisation.

The chiefs of the government offices under the jurisdiction of CCC will attend the meeting on invitation of CCC and implement the decisions to be taken at the meeting, he said, citing the government gazette notification.

Nasir said different government agencies initiated their development works on CCC infrastructures like roads, drains, and culverts without informing CCC, causing a lack of coordination and resulting in public sufferings.

It is necessary to inform the development works of any organisation to CCC and take its clearance before starting the project to prevent public sufferings and waterlogging in the city, the mayor said.

Replying to journalists, Nasir said it was not possible to set any timeframe to evict illegal occupiers from all 57 canals of the city. "We will initially start with Chakdai and Mahesh Khals, two most vital canals of the city."

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