

WEATHER FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES, DHAKA, MYMENSINGH, CHITTAGONG, SYLHET, RAJSHAHI, RANGPUR, KHULNA, BARISAL, COX'S BAZAR. Includes temperature ranges and sunrise/sunset times.

Light to moderate rain likely by night or in two places over Dhaka, Dhaka, Mymensingh, Barisal, Chittagong, Sylhet, Rajshahi and Rangpur divisions with moderately heavy falls at places over the country till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:42pm and rises tomorrow 5:32am. MET office said.

Prabarana Purnima today
The Buddhist community will celebrate their second largest festival Prabarana Purnima today with due solemnity.
The festival, also known as Ashvini Purnima, marks conclusion of the three-month seclusion of the monks inside their monasteries for self-education and atonement.
The Purnima follows a month-long preaching of sermons by the Buddhist monks for the welfare of humankind.
However, leaders of the community this year cancelled releasing paper lanterns in the sky protesting the persecution of Rohingyas in Myanmar. The Buddhists in Bangladesh will also donate for the Rohingyas refugees.
Special prayers will be held at monasteries throughout the country seeking prosperity of the nation as well as global peace.



Prime Minister's International Affairs Adviser Dr Gowher Rizvi speaks at a discussion titled "Reimagining education for a rapidly changing world" at Bishwo Shahitto Kendro (BSK) office in the capital yesterday. Bangladesh Youth Leadership Center (BYLC) in association with the education ministry organised the event marking World Teachers' Day to be observed today. PHOTO: STAR

Life skills education stressed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BYLC ROUNDTABLE

Alongside the textbook-based education, students should be taught life skills, ethics and norms to make them well-educated and at the same time competent to face the challenges of the modern world, said educationists yesterday.
Result-oriented education can help students obtain GPA-5, but it cannot make them well-educated or a good person, they said.
The remarks were made at a roundtable discussion organised by Bangladesh Youth Leadership Center (BYLC) in association with the education ministry at Bishwo Shahitto Kendro (BSK) office in the capital.
The discussion titled "Reimagining education for a rapidly changing world" was organised marking World Teachers' Day to be observed today. A total of 39 principals and vice-principals of different Bangla and English medium schools and colleges, and madrasas in the capital were present.
They recommended that the government reduce load of curriculum by decreasing number of textbooks, focus on scientific education and English for the madrasas, and emphasise knowledge-based education instead of rote-oriented one.
Dr Tahmina Jamali, vice-principal of Shaheed Bir Uttam Ii Anwar Girls' College, said every body focuses on achieving good result instead of learning.
"Many students might become successful in ... obtaining A+ grade [GPA 5], but how many of them could be well-educated?" she asked.
Acquiring knowledge should be given priority over achieving good result, she added.
Sabrina Shaheed, principal of Sir John Wilson School, said life skills should be included in the curriculum.
Brig Gen Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan, principal of Dhaka Residential Model College, said alongside imparting modern education, students should be taught ethics and norms. Otherwise, education will remain incomplete.
Maunala Abdur Razzak, principal of Madinatul Ulum Model Boys Kamil Madrasa, said the government should put emphasis on English, mathematics and computer science for madrasa students as they are lagging behind in these areas.
Eminent educationist Prof Abdullah Haq Sayeed said the country has progressed a lot in terms of infrastructural development of education. Now it is time to develop the quality of education, he said.
If proper education is ensured, other sectors will automatically move ahead, said Prof Sayeed, also the founder of BSK.

Speaking as the chief guest, prime minister's International Affairs Adviser Dr Gowher Rizvi urged the teachers to train up students in a way that the young minds can absorb and analyse information.
He also said the teachers themselves can solve the issues addressed in the discussion if they work in a coordinated manner.
Md Alamgir, secretary of Technical and Madrasa Education Division at the ministry, said he agreed with the points made by the teachers, but the change will come gradually.
Ejaz Ahmad, founder and president of BYLC, said the next generation needs to grow up as global citizens with the values of inclusiveness and tolerance amid the increasingly interconnected and interdependent world.
Educational institutions have a significant role to play in fostering these values among the young generation, he said.
Brig Gen MM Salehin, principal of Rajik Uttara Model College; Yasmeen Habib, vice-principal of Sunnydale School; Mufit Abu Yusuf, acting principal of Tamrill Millat Kamil Madrasa; Roksanah Zatin, acting principal of International Turkish Hope School; Muhammad Abdur Rashid, vice-principal of Government Madrasa-Aliya; and Tazul Islam, assistant headteacher of Monipur High School and College; spoke among others.



Mintu Bose passes away

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Mintu Bose, a freedom fighter and journalist, died in his libananda road residence in Barisal city on Tuesday night. He was 71.
He left behind his wife, daughter and a brother.
He served as the Barisal correspondent of Ekushey TV. He was one of the organisers of "Chader Haat" and "Kheyali Group Theatre".
Members of different organisations paid their last tributes to him on Barisal Central Shaheed Minn premises. He was cremated with state honour at Barisal Maha Shashan Chak yesterday.



Sri Lankan President Maithripala Sirisena and Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe with speakers of parliaments of Saarc countries including Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury from Bangladesh, and President of Inter-Parliamentary Union Sabar Hossain Chowdhury from the Sri Lankan parliament yesterday for a special session to commemorate the 70th anniversary of parliamentary democracy in Sri Lanka. PHOTO: COLLECTED

Ctg cop closed over assault on 2 journo

Death threat to Sylhet journo protested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A constable of Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP) was closed yesterday for assaulting two photojournalists on Chittagong court premises.
Md Iftekar was closed and attached to CMP police lines, said Mirnaldenu Bilash Chawakbaraty, additional deputy commissioner (prosecution) of CMP.
Iftekar is the driver of Kazi Shahabuddin, assistant commissioner (prosecution), according to court sources.
Jewel Shill of Bangla daily Prothom Alo's Chittagong bureau and Aminul Islam Munna of local daily Danik Azad were assaulted by the constable after an altercation ensued around noon over parking a motorbike.
"I went to the court to cover a verdict. As soon as I parked my bike, he [Iftekar] locked into an altercation with me," said Jewel. "At one point, he started hitting me."
Munna, who was wounded with him, was also assaulted as he tried to save him, Jewel said.
Later, journalists and police officials brought the situation under control, said witnesses.
"Departmental action will be taken against Iftekar after probing the incident," said ADC Mirnaldenu.
Contacted, AC Shahabuddin said, "It was just a misunderstanding. The incident, however, was resolved later."
Meanwhile, demanding a prompt action by police against those who threatened journalist Shakir Hossain of Maasranga Television in Sylhet with life, journalists and locals yesterday afternoon formed a human chain in front of Sylhet Central Shaheed Minn, reports our Sylhet correspondent.
Earlier on Tuesday, Shakir received the threat through a letter. The same evening, around 25 unknown persons went to his house looking for him, he said.
He said he might have been threatened following his reports on illegal stone extraction.
A general diary has been filed with Kotwali Police Station.
Meanwhile, journalists in Sunamganj formed another human chain yesterday in this regard.

Reparation

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Tuesday. Ambassador Bessler, also deputy director general of Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, however, said the solution (return) is only possible when all political actors agree on it and the countries (Bangladesh and Myanmar) have to come together agreeing on it.

JS body

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congestion intensified by vehicles plying the wrong side of roads.
An Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) Chairman Iqbal Mahmood, who was on the road at the time, stopped near the police check post and encouraged the policemen to enforce traffic rules, sources said.
A state minister, a lawmaker and several top bureaucrats were in some of the vehicles.
The JS body urged police to continue such drives, and praised the ACC chief for his presence, saying it would inspire police to take action against the VIPs who often take the wrong side.

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SNAPS & snippets

New Nepalese envoy meets FM

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali has stressed the need for sustained and sincere efforts to further strengthening the existing friendly and cordial relations between Bangladesh and Nepal.
He said this when the newly appointed Nepalese Ambassador to Bangladesh Dr Chop Lal Bhushal paid courtesy call on him at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday.
The ambassador briefed the minister about the recent political developments in Nepal, while Mahmood Ali assured him of full cooperation during his tenure in Bangladesh.

Prime accused ex-BCL leader sent to jail in Tappoz murder case

CU CORRESPONDENT

A Chittagong court yesterday sent the prime charge-sheeted accused in Chittagong University (CU) student Tappoz Sarkar murder case to jail after rejecting his bail prayer.
The order came after Ashrafuzzaman Asha, former cultural secretary of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) CU unit, was produced before the court.

Tappoz Sarkar, 19, a first-year Sanskrit student and also an activist of BCL CU unit, was shot dead by his rivals at Shah Amanat dormitory during a clash between two factions of BCL over establishing supremacy on the campus on December 14, 2014.

Ctg medical student 'kills herself'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A student of Chittagong Medical College allegedly killed herself by hanging in her house in Boalkhali upazila of Chittagong on Tuesday night.
Shirin Akter Rekha, a third-year student, went to her village home during the puja vacation and allegedly hanged herself when her mother and brother went out of home, said Boalkhali police.
On information, police sent the body to the hospital morgue for an autopsy.



A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was signed yesterday between Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC) and National Healthcare Network (NHN) of Bangladesh Diabetic Society (BADAS) to run an outdoor Heart Complex on the first floor of newly-constructed Mayor Mohammad Saifur Rahman Community Centre in the capital's Gandaria. Dr MA Samad, chief executive officer of NHN, and Brig Gen Dr Sheikh Salahuddin, chief medical officer of DSCC, signed the deal on behalf of their respective sides. Golam Kibria, Khan Mohammad Bilal and AKM Mamunur Rashid were present. PHOTO: COLLECTED

Request for Proposal

In this notification JSC ASE informs about invitation to tender for the right to enter into agreement for "Delivery of potable bottled water for the needs of JSC "Atomstroyexport" Branch Office in the People's Republic of Bangladesh"(724P/3zc-017). The documentation is available at the official web site of Rosatom State Corporation at the link http://zakupki.rosatom.ru, procurement No 170928/0536/1991.

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Request for Application (RFA)
Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) is hereby requesting for applications from competent national individual consultants for short term consulting services for the sub-sector study on 'Comparative cost analysis between crab fattening by collecting small crabs from natural source and crab fattening by purchasing crabs from crab hatchery in the coastal region of Bangladesh' under a project titled "Promoting Agricultural Commercialization and Enterprises (PACE) Project", jointly financed by PKSF and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).
Interested consultants are requested to visit the website: http://www.pksf-bd.org/portal/e_recruitment for detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) and instructions regarding application procedures. The consultants who are able to fulfill the requirements of the ToR are encouraged to apply. The works undertaken by the consultant that can best illustrate his/her capability to undertake the assignment should be mentioned in the online application form (in the field "others" under step-3). Interested consultants are requested to submit online application by 22 October, 2017.
Only short-listed consultant will be contacted. PKSF is an equal opportunity employer. Any kind of persuasions will be treated as disqualification of the consultant. PKSF reserves the right to cancel this advertisement without assigning any reasons whatsoever.
General Manager (Administration)

Request for Proposal (RFP)

Ex-post evaluation
JICA Bangladesh Office seeks proposals from interested Firms/ companies for "The Development of NSDI Prototype System". All interested agencies for the complete details of Reference and proposal related documents from bd_oso_rep@jica.go.jp by a formal request between 5th to 8th October 2017 (4.00 pm).
Interested agencies are requested to submit their bids in sealed envelopes marked with "Proposal for the Development of NSDI Prototype System" to JICA Bangladesh Office, Bay's Galleria, 3rd Floor, 57 Gulshan Avenue (CWS-A19), Gulshan Circle-1, Dhaka-1212, by 12th October 2017 (4:30 PM).

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An Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of Cadet College Club Limited will be held as per the following schedule:
Date: 28th October, 2017 (Saturday)
Time: 4:00 PM
Venue: Club Premises
Agenda: Amendment of Articles of Association and By-Laws of the Club as per Article 52.
Primary members are requested to attend the meeting on time.
Sd/-
(T/M Shaidul Islam)
Secretary General, Cadet College Club Limited
3rd October, 2017