

**WEATHER FORECAST**

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DHAKA	MYMENSINGH	CHITTAGONG	SYLHET	RAJSHAHI	RANGPUR	KHULNA	BARISAL	COX'S BAZAR
	H 29.3 L 25.8	H 31.6 L 26.2	H 32.4 L 24.8	H 34.3 L 24.8	H 28.0 L 25.7	H 30.5 L 25.5	H 25.8 L 25.0	H 30.6 L 24.8	H 31.5 L 24.3

Light to moderate rain is likely to occur at many places over Rajshahi, Khulna and Barisal divisions and at a few places over Rangpur, Dhaka, Mymensingh, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions with moderately heavy to very heavy falls at places over the country till 6:00pm today, reports UNB. The sun sets in the capital today at 5:37pm and rises tomorrow at 5:45am, Met office said.

## Comilla court issues arrest warrant for Khaleda

**OUR CORRESPONDENT, Comilla**

A Comilla court yesterday issued arrest warrants against 46 persons, including BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia, in a case filed over killing of eight bus passengers by torching the vehicle on February 3, 2015.

District and Sessions Judge Jesmin Ara Begum issued the arrest warrants after declaring them fugitives as they did not appear before it in the case.

On February 3, 2015, miscreants hurled petrol bombs at the bus on Dhaka-Chittagong Highway in Chaudagram of the district during the BNP-led 20-party alliance's countrywide blockade.

Later, police filed the case against 56 BNP and Jamaat activists.

Police submitted the charge sheet against 78 persons on March 6 this year. The law enforcers included Khaleda and other party men in the charge sheet.



**Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali yesterday conveys Bangladesh's position on the Rohingya repatriation proposal of Myanmar to foreign diplomats. State Minister for Foreign Affairs M Shahriar Alam and Foreign Secretary M Shahidul Haque were also present at the meeting held at state guesthouse Padma, reports UNB.**

## 23 BNP activists face arrest

**COURT CORRESPONDENT**

A Dhaka court yesterday issued arrest warrants against 23 BNP leaders and activists, including party chairperson Khaleda Zia's press secretary Maruf Kamal Khan and her personal assistant Shimul Biswas, in a case filed over torching vehicles in the capital's Mirpur area.

After accepting the charges against the accused, Judge Kamrul Hossain Mollah of the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court passed the order and set November 19 for submission of the report on execution of the arrest warrants.

BNP leaders Barrister Rafiqul Islam Miah, Amanullah Aman, Habibunnabi Khan Sohel and 15 other accused who are now on bail were present at the court yesterday.

BNP leaders Sultan Salauddin Tuku, Saiful Alam Nirob and Azizul Bari Helal are among the fugitive accused.

The case was filed with Mirpur Police Station against 41 individuals on March 10, 2015 during a non-stop movement enforced by the BNP-led-20-party alliance. Police pressed charges against the 41 on July 24, 2016.

Court sources said over 35 arrest warrants were earlier issued against Maruf, Nirob, Helal, Tuku and Shimul in different cases filed in January, February and March of 2015.

## Tofa, Tohura admitted to DMCH again

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Separated conjoined twins Tofa and Tohura from Gaibandha were admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital yesterday.

It is suspected that Tohura is suffering from blood infection, Prof Shahnoor Islam of DMCH told The Daily Star.

Her blood sample has been collected for diagnosis, she added.

"She [Tohura] is not out of danger yet," Prof Shahnoor said, adding that Tofa, however, is doing well.

A DMCH medical board, which supervised the surgery of the conjoined twins in August, will decide on the next course of her treatment after the blood test reports are available, she said.

Tohura had fever and nausea, lost weight, and could only be breast-fed.

"Her vomiting still persists and she still cannot take anything other than breast milk," the doctor also said.

## DU-affiliated college students postpone demo VC assures of publishing exam results by Nov 30

**DU CORRESPONDENT**

Students of seven colleges that are affiliated with Dhaka University yesterday postponed their demonstration till November 30 after the DU vice chancellor assured them of publishing their results of honours final-year examinations by that time.

The assurance came when a student team met VC Prof Akhtaruzzaman at his office around noon.

"We've already announced all the exam schedules and taken necessary measures to meet their other demands. We're taking time to publish results as the examinations were held under the National University," he told the students.

"With the technical help from the NU, we hope to publish it as early as possible," he said, adding that the process for creating separate websites and preparing academic calendars for all of the colleges is underway.

Faizur Mehedi, a fourth year student of Government Kabi Nazrul College, said They will take to the streets again if their demands are not met by that time.

On Sunday, several hundred students of the seven colleges demonstrated by blocking the Nilkhet intersection for nine hours to press home their five-point demand, including the publishing of the results, causing severe traffic congestion.

More than 1.67 lakh honours and masters students are enrolled in the colleges -- Dhaka College, Eden Mohila College, Shaheed Suhrawardy Government College, Kabi Nazrul Government College, Begum Badrunnesa Government Mohila College, Mirpur Government Bangla College and Titumir Government College.

The colleges were affiliated with the DU on February 16 this year. This affiliation came after the prime minister on August 31, 2014 directed the education ministry to affiliate the colleges under public or autonomous universities in order to reduce the pressure of the NU.

## Keraniganj Murder Mugger sentenced to death, 2 others to life term

**COURT CORRESPONDENT**

A Dhaka court yesterday sentenced a mugger to death and two of his accomplices to life in prison for killing Mohammad Nawab Ali, a small trader in Keraniganj in February 2012.

Condemn convict Bachchu is in jail while lifers -- Sajol and Sumon -- are still absconding.

According to the prosecution, when Nawab Ali was returning home from his shop at Keraniganj, the convicts waylaid him for his cash around 7:30pm on February 3, 2012.

After being denied, the muggers stabbed him to death and took away his money from his possession.

## All examinees fail in single course

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi**

Students of mechatronics department of three polytechnic institutes -- Rajshahi, Chapainawabganj and Magura -- demonstrated in front of Rajshahi Polytechnic Institute in Rajshahi city yesterday, demanding re-evaluation of their answer scripts.

In the programming language course examination of 4th semester under the Bangladesh Technical Education Board (BTEB), all 350 examinees from the three institutes failed as questions were given out of the syllabus, said the demonstrators.

Over a hundred of them took part in a human chain alongside a rally. They demanded removal of the controller of examinations of the board for his negligence in this regard.

The agitating students said they had appeared in the course examination on June 4. But to their surprise, they found that the questions were not from the syllabus.

Then the students decided to come out of the exam centres, but they backtracked on the decision as the institutions concerned, after consulting with the board authorities, assured them of evaluating their answer scripts liberally, said the agitators.

However, when the result came out on October 1, all of them discovered that they had failed in the course, they said.

One of the demonstrating students questioned: "Why should I pay the price for others' mistakes?"

He said some of the students would drop out of the institutes if they don't pass the course.

Farid Uddin Ahmed, principal of Rajshahi Polytechnic Institute, said

## Jihad's Death Compensate Tk 20 lakh

**HC asks govt; releases full verdict**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

The High Court has released the full verdict of a writ petition filed over the death of four-year-old Jihad asking the authorities concerned of the government to pay Tk 20 lakh as compensation to his parents.

As per the direction, Bangladesh Railway and Bangladesh Fire Service and Civil Defence will pay Tk 10 lakh each within 90 days.

In the judgment released on Sunday, the HC bench of Justice Farah Mahbub and Justice Kazi Md Ejarul Haque Akondo said, "This order of awarding compensation will not impede/affect other liabilities, if there be any, of the respondents concern or each officials resulting from the death of the said victim [Jihad]."

Following a writ petition moved by Supreme Court lawyer Abdul Halim on behalf of Children's Charity Bangladesh Foundation, the HC on February 18 last year had delivered its short judgment saying that the government would have to compensate the family of Jihad, but it had not specifically said any amount of the compensation.

Jihad fell into an unprotected well shaft while playing in the capital's Shahjahanpur Railway Colony on December 26, 2014. His body was pulled out by a group of volunteers the following day. On February 26 this year, a Dhaka court sentenced four people to 10 years' rigorous imprisonment in a case filed over the death of Jihad.

The convicts are Abdus Salam alias Shafiqul Islam, proprietor of SR House, a contractor firm that was implementing a railway project in the area, and Jahangir Alam, senior sub-assistant engineer; and Zafar Ahmed and Nasir Uddin, assistant engineers of Bangladesh Railway.

## CJ visits hospital for treatment

**SCBA continues to stage demo alleging CJ was sent on forced leave**

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha, who is on a one-month leave on health grounds, yesterday visited Johnson Place, a private dental clinic at Banani in Dhaka, for treatment of his dental complications.

He went to the clinic around 12:00 noon and returned to his official residence around 2:00pm after the treatment, a high official at the Supreme Court told The Daily Star asking not to be named.

Replying to a query, the official said the chief justice had planned to go to Australia to see his daughter and receive treatment there.

As of yesterday, he did not get his ticket, he added.

Meanwhile, yesterday, the pro-BNP faction of the Supreme Court Bar Association, led by its President Zainul Abedin and Secretary AM Mahbub Uddin Khokon, organised a human chain and staged demonstrations on the SCBA premises protesting what they said the confinement of the chief justice.



**A physically challenged photographer of an organisation takes photograph at a human chain formed by members of Protibondhi Nagorik Oikya (PNO) -- a platform of various organisations of people with disabilities. The PNO organised the human chain and rally yesterday in front of the Jatiya Press Club demanding the implementation of the "Persons with Disabilities Rights and Protection Act, 2013". The act was enacted on the same date in 2013.**



**Members of various anti-tobacco organisations form a human chain following a procession in front of the Jatiya Press Club, marking National Tobacco-free Day yesterday.**

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Convocation 2018

ASA University Bangladesh is going to hold its 2nd Convocation on 29 January 2018. Students who have completed their Bachelor and Master Degrees in different Programs of ASAUB from **Spring 2012 to Fall 2014** are advised to register for the Convocation. Registration Form is available in the office of the Registrar and ASAUB Website ([www.asaub.edu.bd](http://www.asaub.edu.bd)). Last date of Registration is **31 October 2017**.

- Registration Fee: BDT 6000/- only.
- 3 (three) copies of P.P. size photographs.
- Photocopy of SSC Certificate.

Note: Students failing to register by the deadline will not be allowed to attend the Convocation.

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