

WEATHER FORECAST

| YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES | DHAKA | MYMENSINGH | CHITTAGONG | SYLHET | RAJSHAHI | RANGPUR | KHULNA | BARISAL | COX'S BAZAR |
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Rain/thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty/squally wind is likely to occur at one or two places over Chattogram and Sylhet divisions in next 24 hours till 6:00pm tomorrow, said the Met office. Weather may remain mainly dry with temporary partly cloudy sky elsewhere over the country. The sunsets in the capital today at 6:15pm and rises tomorrow at 5:46am.

Head teacher arrested for 'molesting' three girls

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Cig

Police yesterday arrested the head teacher of a primary school in Chattogram for allegedly molesting three female students of the school during private tuition.

Abul Hashem, 52, headmaster of Paschim Charpatharghata Government Primary School, was arrested in Dhaka's Mirpur area yesterday.

"With the help of Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP), we arrested Abul Hashem from capital's Mirpur area for allegedly molesting three female students of class five," told Assistant Commissioner (AC) Jahedul Islam of Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP).

Earlier on Monday, a case was filed with Karnaphuli Police Station, accusing the head teacher of molesting the three girls during private tuition last month, said police.



Dr Sanjida Khatun receives a bouquet from Prof Emeritus Dr Rafiqul Islam, Prof Emeritus Anisuzzaman, Bangla Academy Director General Prof Shamsuzzaman Khan and Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor at a reception accorded to her on the occasion of her 85th birthday at the capital's Bangla Academy yesterday.

She enlightens people with music

Cultural personalities say about Dr Sanjida Khatun on her 85th birthday

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Eminent personalities yesterday celebrated prominent Tagore exponent and researcher Dr Sanjida Khatun's 85th birth anniversary at a programme in the capital's Bangla Academy.

They also expressed their deep appreciation and felicitation for her immense contribution to the country through her lifelong endeavour in upholding the spirit of liberal thinking.

Shedding light on the life and contributions of the musicologist, Prof Emeritus Anisuzzaman said Dr Sanjida has been vocal against repression through her music during the Liberation War while training a choir group.

Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor said, "She did not merely practice music. She enlightened people with it."

Luminaries like her, who are dedicated to uphold liberal ideals, are invaluable to any society, he also said.

Prof Emeritus Rafiqul Islam said her persevering spirit is a source of strength for the society to fight any communal ideology.

Dr Sanjida made enormous contribution through Chhayanaut to promote music and ideology of Rabindranath Tagore in the society, he added.

Acknowledging her role in the countrywide celebration of Pahela Baishakh, Bangla Academy Director General Shamsuzzaman Khan said, "She is still keeping herself involved in social and cultural movements."

Cultural personality Ramendu Majumdar said, "A very

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Five days on, no trace of Rathish yet

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

With no trace of special public prosecutor of Rangpur Rathish Chandra Bhowmik even in five days, different organisations yesterday continued to demonstrate in the district demanding the rescue of the "missing" lawyer.

To press home their demand, Bangladesh Puja Udjapan Parishad observed a hunger strike in front of Rangpur Press Club.

Rangpur district and city unit of Puja Udjapan Parishad organised the event that started at 10:00am and continued till 5:00pm. Rathish is the president of Rangpur district unit of Puja Udjapan Parishad.

Ruling Awami League (AL) activists were also present there.

The speakers at the programme expressed grave concern for the missing lawyer as what they said police had failed to find him in the last five days.

Referring to the examples of disappearances in the recent past, the speakers urged the government to

take a stronger initiative to rescue him unhurt as early as possible.

The organisers also threatened to go for 72-hour hunger strike if the missing lawyer is not rescued in the next 24 hours.

Rangpur district AL President Rezaul Karim, its city unit General Secretary Tushar Kanti Mondal, Bangladesh Hindu, Buddhist, Christian Oikya Parishad's central Organising Secretary Swapna Rani Das, Rangpur district President Bonomali Pal and General Secretary Swapn Kumar Roy, its city unit President Advocate Komol Majumdar, and Puja Udjapan Parishad's district General Secretary Dhriman Chattapadaya, spoke.

Meanwhile, the lawyers of Rangpur also continued their work absentia yesterday. They held a human chain at the court compound demanding the rescue of their missing colleague.

Members of Jatiya Shromik Jote and Sammilito Sangskritik Jote of Rangpur unit, and the Association of

Lawyers' Assistants of Rangpur also staged demonstrations in the city demanding immediate rescue of Rathish.

Rathish was the PP of the cases filed over the murder of Japanese national Hoshi Kunio and Khadem Rahmat Ali on October 3 and November 10 in 2015 respectively.

The special judge court of Rangpur sentenced five members of militant Islamist outfit Jama'atul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB) to death in Japanese national Hoshi Kunio murder case on February 28 last year. The same court convicted seven JMB militants to death for killing Khadem Rahmat Ali on March 18 this year.

After the judgments, Rathish received death threats several times.

No headway: Police

Though five days have elapsed, police are still in the dark.

On condition of anonymity, some police officials said they are not narrowing down their focus on militant

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People observe a hunger strike in front of Rangpur Press Club yesterday, demanding immediate rescue of special Public Prosecutor of Rangpur Rathish Chandra Bhowmik. Rangpur district and city unit of Bangladesh Puja Udjapan Parishad organised the event.

PHOTO: STAR

Sexual Harassment Rights Orgs propose draft for formulating new law

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Nine rights organisations yesterday unveiled a draft copy of a law that they are proposing the government to formulate in order to prevent sexual harassment at workplaces and educational institutions.

Some of the punishments under the draft proposal include termination or expulsion of an offender from his or her employment or educational institution, forced retirement, compelling the offender to pay compensation to the victim and taking legal action under existing criminal laws.

Fair Wear Foundation (FWF), Mondial FNV, Bangladesh Institute of Labour Studies (BILS) and Karmojibi Nari are among the nine organisations that prepared the draft of the

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Do not leave country

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Executive officer Zakir Hossain and Assistant Executive Officer Mahbub Ahmed. Bangladesh Bank has recently unearthed a string of scams at the Farmers Bank involving loans of around Tk 500 crore that were sanctioned to 11 companies in violation of banking norms and procedures.

After that, the commission began inquiry.

ACC unearthed that about Tk 150 crore has been transferred to Chisty and his family members' accounts recently.

"The money was embezzled in collaboration with the bank officials," ACC source said.

ACC SUMMONS AL LAWMAKER HAROON

Meanwhile, almost four years after finding elements of corruption against Awami League lawmaker from Jhalakathi BH Haroon, ACC yesterday summoned him for recording his statement.

He was asked to appear before ACC on April 11 at around 10:00am.

Haroon, also the then vice chairman of Premier Bank, stole Tk 134 crore from the account of a client, Khalilur Rahman, in 2008 in collusion with some bank officials.

ACC in its inquiry found evidence but no steps were taken. "The inquiry was stalled," said an ACC official wishing to be unnamed.

Replying to a question, he said, "... the inquiry officer will have to start from the

beginning."

ACC appointed its Assistant Director Gulshan Anwar Pradhan to inquire about the matter.

Khalilur, also joint secretary general of Jatiya Party (Manju), had partnership in construction business with Haroon.

Documents show that construction firm Rumi Enterprise, owned by Khalilur, got a Tk 203 crore work order for building 15,000 houses in Sidr affected areas in southern Bangladesh in June 2008. The project was funded by the Saudi government.

In July, Khalilur opened an account with Bangshal branch of Premier Bank to make transactions for the project. He received Tk 203.06 crore from the Saudi government through seven cheques.

Khalilur withdrew Tk 69.11 crore from the account, and kept the remaining Tk 133.95 crore deposited in his account.

The bank's then vice chairman Haroon, additional managing director Abu Hanif Khan and one Shamsuddin along with several others faked his signature and withdrew the money between October and November 2008.

Khalilur then approached Bangladesh Bank, finance ministry and the ACC.

The BB finally launched an investigation into Khalilur's allegations in 2013. It found that the Premier Bank disbursed the money though the signature of the account holder and those on the cheques didn't match.

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| SL No. | Tender ID No. | Name of Supply | Tender Publishing Date & Time at e-GP portal | Tender Closing Date & Time |
|--------|-------------------|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1. | Tender ID: 181326 | Construction of Boundary wall beside Dhaka-Sylhet Highway adjacent to Ashuganj 450MW CCPP-North Plant area of APSC. | 01-April-2018 19:40 BST | 23-April-2018 15:00 BST |
| 2. | Tender ID: 182210 | Procurement of Castable Refractory (Fire Cement) for Boiler Maintenance Division of APSC. | 01-April-2018 20:40 BST | 23-April-2018 15:15 BST |

This is online tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in e-GP portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>)

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Rostom Ali's anniversary of death today

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Today is the 21st death anniversary of Rostom Ali, a former government health officer and father of Awami League Central Working Committee member ABM Reazul Kabir Kawsar.

On the occasion, a milad and doa mahfil will be held at Reazul's Goran residence in the capital, said a press release.

Relatives and well-wishers of Rostom are requested to join at the programme to pray for salvation of the departed soul.



উন্নয়নের অক্সিজেন রাজস্ব

জনকল্যাণে রাজস্ব

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার
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জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড
সেগুনবাগিচা, ঢাকা।

বাংলাদেশে কর্মরত বিদেশী নাগরিকদের আয়কর প্রদান যাচাইয়ের জন্য সংশ্লিষ্ট প্রতিষ্ঠান পরিদর্শনের জরুরী বিজ্ঞপ্তি

মাননীয় প্রধানমন্ত্রীর রূপকল্প ২০২১ এবং রূপকল্প ২০৪১ বাস্তবায়নের জন্য জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড দেশে একটি ব্যবসা বান্ধব, শিল্প বান্ধব ও বিনিয়োগ বান্ধব পরিবেশ প্রতিষ্ঠায় অব্যাহত প্রয়াস চালাচ্ছে। স্বনির্ভর ও ডিজিটাল বাংলাদেশ বিনির্মাণে জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড সকলের সহযোগিতায় রাজস্ব আহরণে সর্বাঙ্গিক প্রচেষ্টা চালিয়ে যাচ্ছে।

কোন ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠান BOI/BIDA এর প্রাক অনুমোদন ব্যতিত অবৈধভাবে বিদেশী নাগরিকদের কর্মে নিয়োজিত করলে আয়কর আইনে উক্ত ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠানকে ৫ লক্ষ টাকা বা প্রদেয় আয়করের ৫০% (যেটা বেশী) অতিরিক্ত আয়কর আরোপ ও কর অবকাশ সুবিধা প্রত্যাহারের বিধান রয়েছে। এছাড়াও ৩ বৎসর পর্যন্ত জেল এবং ৫ লক্ষ টাকা পর্যন্ত জরিমানা ধার্য করাও বিধান রয়েছে।

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জাতীয় রাজস্ব বোর্ড, ঢাকা।

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