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Air pollution kills 7m every year

Dhaka third most polluted among mega cities with at least 1.4m population

STAR REPORT

Seven million people suffer premature deaths due to household and outdoor air pollution every year around the globe, according to the World Health Organization. The South East Asian region accounts for 2.4 million of the seven million premature deaths, the WHO estimates after analysing data collected between 2011 and 2015. Nine out of 10 people breathe the air containing high levels of pollutants, the WHO said in a statement issued in Geneva yesterday. Among the cities of over 14 million residents, Dhaka has been ranked third

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Nine out of 10 people worldwide breathe polluted air
Under-5 children, women, street vendors, traffic police worst victims
Ambient air pollution alone caused some 4.2m deaths in 2016
Household air pollution from cooking caused about 3.8m deaths in 2016
Sustained, coordinated actions are needed for improving air quality



PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

Despite heavy showers in the last few days, a thick cloud of dust reduces visibility on Postogola Bridge in the capital. The picture was taken around 1:00pm, about a couple of hours before it started to rain yesterday.

MILITARY SPENDING Bangladesh's rose by 123% in a decade

Global expenditure highest since the end of Cold War

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh had the second largest relative increase in military spending between 2008 and 2017 according to the arms watchdog Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI).

In its new report, the Sweden based organisation said that the largest relative increases in military spending during the period were made by Cambodia (332 percent), Bangladesh (123 percent), Indonesia (122 percent) and China (110 percent).

On the other hand, world military expenditure rose to \$1,739 billion in 2017, the highest level since the end of the cold war. It was a marginal increase of 1.1 percent from 2016.

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PRAYER TIMING MAY 3

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha

AZAN 4-15 12-45 4-45 6-31 8-00

JAMAAT 4-50 1-15 5-00 6-35 8-30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

Heritage neglected

Call for preservation of Ananda Mohan Bose's ancestral home

MD AMINUL ISLAM with ANDREW EAGLE

Most visitors who want to see the boyhood home of eminent nineteenth-century social reformer, nationalist and Brahmo religious leader Ananda Mohan Bose in Jaysiddhi village in Kishoreganj's Itna upazila leave disappointed.

The property, said to have originally consisted of seven acres, is currently in the possession of a union-level Awami League leader and his brothers. The homestead isn't well-preserved.

Born in 1847, Bose's achievements can scarcely be over-estimated. He was the first Indian to achieve the distinction of "Wrangler" at Cambridge University by attaining first-class honours in mathematics. He was active in organising

Indian students to effectively agitate against the colonial regime. His lobbying efforts proved crucial in having Calcutta University recognised as a teaching institution and the university, in turn, nominated him for membership of the Bengal Legislative Council.

Closer to his village home, Bose founded the Ananda Mohan College and City Collegiate School in Mymensingh town. He was committed to the eradication of illiteracy and championed women's education.

"Jaysiddhi village is named after Bose's ancestors Jayram and Siddhiram Bose," says former parliamentarian Fazlur Rahman. "During the 1965 war the Bose family were driven out. That's when Amir Uddin took possession of the land."

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The ancestral home of Ananda Mohan Bose, social reformer of the 19th century, lies in sheer neglect in Itna upazila of Kishoreganj. A local ruling party leader and his brothers are currently occupying the property on seven acres of land.

PHOTO: COLLECTED

2 die inhaling 'poisonous' gas at Savar tannery

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar

Two persons died and another fell sick after "inhaling poisonous gas" at a rawhide processing plant in the Savar Tannery Industrial Estate in Hemayetpur yesterday evening.

The dead are Mahabub Hossen, 50, and Hasan Miah, 25. Moazzem Miah, 26, fell critically ill and is undergoing treatment at Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

Hasan and Moazzem were workers of Prince Leather Industries, while Mahabub, who had rented out a portion of the same factory, used to process rawhide there with his own workers.

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Project Trumpmore

Green group wants to carve Trump's face into glacier to prove climate change exists

INDEPENDENT.CO.UK

A climate change group is raising half a million dollars with the goal of carving President Donald Trump's face into an arctic iceberg.

The Finnish group Melting Ice is spearheading the initiative with the intention of carving a 115-foot ice sculpture of Trump's face, and have dubbed the effort "Project Trumpmore".

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Launching of Bangabandhu satellite once again deferred

42-member govt team off to US

STAR BUSINESS REPORT

The launch of Bangabandhu-1, the country's first commercial satellite, has been deferred once again on technical grounds, said officials related with the process.

The satellite was supposed to be launched in December of last year and the date was changed a number of times since then. The government had set the latest date on May 7, but this one has also been delayed.

However, a group of journalists from different media houses and some government officials have already left Dhaka for the

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