IMAGES THROUGH A THEODOLITE

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Caution!

The traffic light goes from green, yellow, red; and yellow again at the dead end of the night, as it does on a bright summer noon.

At times when the roads seem empty, we feel a rush of adrenaline and tempt to over speed, or override all that was taught in driving school. The green — yellow — red; all seem to lose their importance, and driving on the streets seem like a green channel, no questions asked.

It is quite easy to understand the significance of red — a big no; to the mild green that allows safe passage; it's the muddled yellow that seems difficult to comprehend, and muddles everything around — not just road safety.

Yellow is associated with vigour and

energy; it represents the zeal of life, and possibly, that is why we associate it with spring, the season when life blossoms. Without any doubt, yellow stands out against almost any hues, and perhaps that is why it also indicates caution —hard to miss, even from a distance; giving us time to avoid the hazard.

Life is not much different from the roads that cars ply on — day in; day out. As we age, we gradually learn to drive on the streets of life. We may well deny our responsibilities and simply blame it on immaturity till a certain time, but as we mature — not necessarily associated with adulthood — we are expected to take responsibilities for our actions. That is possibly the worst part of growing up — as we cross the watershed moment of crossing 18, we are expected to take decisions, and accept the consequences — positive, or otherwise.

We are taught to differentiate colours from infancy; but the colour codes remain untouched. It is expected that we learn them ourselves, as we start taking baby steps, to start walking and then running.

But how long does one run, is an important question everyone needs to answer to.

As long as our running does not become a rat race, where we are willing to sacrifice everything we hold dear at the later, in hopes of momentary glory, remember — the cautionary colours change from green to allow, and not a red!

When life seems smooth, continue to progress, but do know that unlike the traffic lights, the hues of warning in life cannot be seen; only felt.

As human nature, we will transgress — just like any other night when the road seems empty, we tend to over speed. The more we control that urge to cross the speed limit the better. Yet, even after being in a red zone, life takes us back to yellow...to green.

This is the paramount lesson.

In a speech given by Abdullah Abu Sayeed at the convocation of a university, he urged students to go for everything, give their all-out effort at everything they wish to pursue...simple because they can! Yet, in all his sagacity he said, "tomra dourao...kintu thamte shekho'.

And that is where yellow comes in, because it tells us not to, but pause.

Remember, the colour to follow is green — the go ahead!

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Valentine's Day with Le Méridien

Le Méridien Dhaka is running a unique campaign called 'Unplan Your Valentines' on Facebook, and it end on 12 February, 2019. To participate, people need to like their Facebook page and post a public video on their plans for the day with specific hashtags.

More details on the contest are available here https://www.facebook.com/LMDha ka/videos/1772981969472462/

The lucky winning couple will be treated with the special Valentine's Day dinner at Latest Recipe, followed by a one-night stay at their majestic room with a hearty breakfast at Le Méridien Dhaka.

Latest Recipe will also prepare a wonderful buffet dinner on 14 February, 2019 at Tk 4,900++ per person. In addition, the hotel will also offer attractive room packages from 14 to 16 February, 2019, with prices starting from Tk 11,500++ per night.

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HungryNaki now in Cox's Bazar

HungryNaki, the country's first, and leading premium online food ordering and delivery service, has started its journey in Cox's Bazar, one of the most popular tourist destinations in the country, with the world's longest sea beach. The soft launch has been

kicked off prior to the official mega launch, planned in March 2019. Primarily, the HungryNaki food delivery service will be given from 8AM to 1AM, within the area of Cox's Bazar and Ukhia Upazila. To avail the service, consumers may log onto

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