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# Hasina issues 31 directives to DCs

*Asks them to eradicate terrorism, drug abuse, corruption*

UNB, Dhaka

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday stressed the importance of good governance for the country's development.

"For the overall development, good governance is urgently needed. Law and order and everything else are related to this," she said while inaugurating the deputy commissioners' conference at the Prime Minister's Office.

She asked the DCs to work for eradicating terrorism, drugs, corruption and other menaces.

Those who offer bribe and those who take it are equally guilty, she said. "If we work keeping this in mind, then it'll be possible for us to get rid of this [bribery]."

The government is working tirelessly to develop the grassroots. "Our development is not for a handful of people... We've proven that it's possible to develop the country if anyone wants to do so."

Sometimes, people think that population is a burden, she said. "But I don't consider it as burden. I think that if we can transform this population into a skilled workforce, then this population will become our main power."

The PM then said the government was establishing some 100 economic zones across the country.

"All industrialisation will be done in these economic zones. There'll be no scope for setting up industries

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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and her South Korean counterpart Lee Nak-yeon at the Prime Minister's Office yesterday. Bangladesh and South Korea signed three instruments on cooperation in the fields of trade and investment, diplomacy, and culture.

PHOTO: PID



# Djokovic wins fifth Wimbledon

*Beats Federer in longest final*

AFP, London

Defending champion Novak Djokovic claimed his fifth Wimbledon title on Sunday beating eight-time champion Roger Federer 7-6 (7/5), 1-6, 7-6 (7/4), 4-6, 13-12 (7/3) in the longest ever final and settled by an historic tie-break.

The 32-year-old Serbian saved two match points as he took his Grand Slam tally to 16, four off Federer's overall record.

Djokovic's victory extends to 11 successive Grand Slams won by the

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# Take steps to eradicate Aedes in 24 hours

*HC tells authorities to end dengue spread in capital*

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the authorities to take effective steps within 24 hours to eradicate Aedes mosquitoes from the capital.

It also ordered them to take preventive measures to stop the spread of dengue, chikungunya, and other similar diseases in the city.

Issuing a suo moto rule, the court also ordered the respondents to submit a report about the steps taken by them to prevent dengue and chikungunya and to destroy the breeding grounds of the Aedes mosquitoes by July 22.

Mayors of Dhaka north and south city corporations and their chief executive officers, secretaries to the ministries of health, and local government and rural development and cooperatives, and director general of Directorate General of Health Services have been made respondents to the rule.

In the rule, the HC asked the respondents to explain within four weeks

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# Test pasteurised milk at four labs

*HC tells BSTI as test reports stir controversy*

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Amid a controversy over laboratory test reports on milk, the High Court yesterday directed Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution to test pasteurised milk, produced by 14 companies, at four laboratories within a week.

All these companies are registered with the BSTI. The four institutions where the tests will be conducted are -- Institute of Public Health, Bangladesh; International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (icddr); Bangladesh Livestock Research Institute and Bangladesh Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.

There has been a controversy since a team of Dhaka University researchers and the BSTI gave conflicting test reports on milk last month. In its test, the DU team found detergent and antibiotics in samples of packaged milk available in kitchen markets. But the BSTI said it didn't find any harmful substances in the milk samples it tested.

While hearing a writ petition yesterday, the HC gave an order for testing samples of pasteurised milk to determine whether it contains hazardous substances such as antibiotics, detergent, coliform, staphylococcus and formalin.

The BSTI will collect the samples of the 14 companies' pasteurised milk from market in presence of representatives from the four institutions, it said.

The court directed the BSTI and the institutions to give it separate reports within a week after complying with the directives.

The BSTI has also been asked to submit, within the same period, its action plan for developing its standard and parameters to detect detergent and antibiotics in pasteurised milk.

The bench of Justice Syed Refaat Ahmed and Justice Md Iqbal Kabir

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# AL leader killed in 'gunfight'

*OUR CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar*

A leader of the ruling Awami League was killed in a "gunfight" with police at Teknaf upazila in Cox's Bazar early yesterday.

The dead Mufid Alam, 39, of Nayapara area in the upazila, was the vice-president of Whykang ward AL and had at least six cases related to arms and drugs against him.

Pradip Kumar Das, officer-in-charge of Teknaf Police Station, said they arrested Mufid around 8:30pm on Saturday.

Gleaning information from him, a police team conducted a raid around 1:30am in Nayapara area along with Mufid. Sensing their presence, Mufid's cohorts opened fire, forcing the law enforcers to retaliate, he claimed.

Mufid sustained bullet injuries during the "gunfight". Later, he was

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# Russia launches Spektr-RG telescope



AFP, Moscow

Russia launched a space telescope Saturday from the cosmodrome in Baikonur, Kazakhstan, in a joint mission with Germany intended to map X-rays across the sky and replace a project lost in January.

Video posted on the website of the Roskosmos, the Russian space agency, showed a Proton-M rocket carrying the Spektr-RG taking off from the launch pad at Baikonur at 12:30 GMT.

The launch of the scope, weighing more than 2.7 tonnes, was originally scheduled for June 21 but was postponed twice because of a battery problem.

The Spektr-RG, developed with Germany, is a space observatory intended to replace the Spektr-R, known as the "Russian Hubble", which Roskosmos said it lost control of in January.

It is expected the telescope will uncover around

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# They had fake certificates for everything

*CID busts couple for defrauding job seekers*

MUNTAKIM SAAD

A man and his wife have embezzled over Tk 7.31 crore from job aspirants with their 12 fraud educational institutions in Bogura and Rangpur.

With the slogan "Get Admitted and Pass Exams", their institutions offer medical courses, engineering courses, fine arts courses, library and information science

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## PRAYER TIMING JULY 15

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha  
AZAN 4-15 12-45 5-00 6-54 8-15  
JAMAAT 4-50 1-15 5-15 6-58 8-45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

# Five cases of rape surface

STAR REPORT

An intellectually-challenged woman was allegedly kept hostage for a day and raped by her neighbour at Chotto Changuir village in Bogura's Nandigram upazila.

She was rescued by locals on Saturday and the accused has been on the run since, said Shawkat Kabir, officer-in-charge of Nandigram Police Station.

Besides, a case was filed over the rape of a six-year old in Bogura yesterday. The victim's mother filed the case with Shajahanpur Police Station, accusing a friend of the victim's father of raping the child on June 8.

The accused Duala Miah, 40, is a resident of Bihigram Purbopara area in Shajahanpur upazila.

In a separate incident in the district's Gabtali upazila, a 25-year old man was arrested for raping a seven-year boy last Friday. Police arrested the accused, Md Shahin, a day after a case was filed by the victim's father over the rape.

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People take their cattle to higher ground to save them from the flood in Sarikandi upazila's Chaluabari union yesterday. The floods have inundated Bogura's two upazilas, affecting almost 57,000 people.

PHOTO: MOSTAFA SHABUJ

# Deluge forces many to live on boats, roads

STAR REPORT

Along with his four family members and some cattle, 75-year-old Kazim Uddin had to spend the past two days on a small boat as their home was flooded.

"We have no food left. We are worried about how we will survive the coming days," Kazim Uddin told The Daily Star, on his boat at Vangorgacha Char area in Bogura's Sariakandi upazila yesterday.

"We need food and other essentials. We need to go to a safe place. We urge the government to help us survive," he said. Like Kazim, thousands of flood-affected people are desperately looking for safe shelters and food for their survival.

Some 11 lakh people of eight districts are still marooned due to the flood, reports our correspondents.

In Bogura, some 57,000 people of around 100 villages in Sariakandi and Sonatola upazilas are marooned.

The correspondent yesterday visited three Char areas in Chaluabari, Karnibari and Kazla of Sariakandi upazilas and found thousands of flood-affected people trapped due to the water. People were seen living on boats.

"We are going towards the Jamuna dyke. It is not possible for us to survive anymore on boats," said Md Habizar, a resident on the Chakratinath Char area in Sariakandi upazila.

Water from the Jamuna river was flowing 41 cm above the danger level, according to the district's Water Development Board (WDB).

see page 5 col 5 Many educational institutions in Bogura have already been closed.

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