**ASIAN MARKETS** 

**0.27%** 

**TOKYO** 

2.11%



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\$61.89

## Online cattle market lukewarm for dengue fears, floods

MUHAMMAD ZAHIDUL ISLAM

**STOCKS** 

**0.74%** 

CSCX

**0.55%** 

DSEX

Online sales of sacrificial cows have been met with a setback this year for floods in northern parts of the country and the dengue epidemic.

COMMODITIES

Gold A

\$1,441.50

"We got a bit of a shock this year," said Rezawan Ullah Khan, head of brand and category development at Bengal Meat Processing Industries, the pioneer in this

Meat's cattle were sold. But this year, only 250 cows were sold since sales opened on July 13. Bengal Meat has targeted to sell about 800 cows this

Last year, two weeks before Eid-ul-Azha, most of Bengal

year for Eid-ul-Azha, due to be held on August 12. In order to drive up the sales, Bengal has called all its buyers from last year but a good number of them are yet to make their decision, Khan said, adding that they will take orders for live cattle until August 8.

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**CURRENCIES** 

**BUY TK** 83.50

Friday closings

SHANGHAI

**1.41%** 

SINGAPORE

**V** 0.93%

### Accord's new conditions taking toll on apparel

Says BGMEA president

UNB, Dhaka

New fire safety related conditions being imposed by Accord are harming the apparel industry, BGMEA President Rubana Huq said yesterday.

"Accord takes many decisions without discussing with us. The new conditions are slowing down our pace," the chief of Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BGMEA) said at the 'Workshop on fire safety issues and technical guideline' at a hotel in the capital.

She also accused Accord of violating conditions of the memorandum of understanding.

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# 200 graduates to be trained on Al, IoT

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12 district ICT and hi-tech parks.

The government will send 200 fresh graduates of computer science and software, electrical and electronic engineering to Japan and India to train them on future trends of information technology.

Another 100 will be sent later for training on artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning, internet of things (IoT), robotics, blockchain, data science and cyber security.

All the expenses will be borne from the government portion of a Tk 1,796.40 crore fund created in association with an Indian line of credit for a project on establishing

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#### Haors need specialised bank, says CPD

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The Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD) has suggested setting up a specialised "Haor Bank" and adequate budgetary allocations to improve livelihoods in the wetland areas.

The government should focus on improving the quality of public services for the development of haors, according to a statement of CPD.

The observations were shared at a dialogue on "Sustainable livelihood in haor areas: the role of public service delivery" in Sunamganj yesterday.

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Debapriya Bhattacharya, distinguished fellow of the CPD, speaks at a dialogue in Sunamganj yesterday. Mustafizur Rahman, another distinguished fellow, is also seen.







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