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shout at us and even threatened to beat us up,” Khushboo informed.  
When this correspondent spoke to some neighbours, they said the cats do not disturb the neighbourhood’s peace at all.  
“Sometimes they will come out and roam around, but they go back home as soon as their owners call for them,” said one neighbour.  
However, not all have the same sentiment. Some are demanding that the family either let the cats go or leave the area.  
A few months back, their water supply was cut off. The family took this to the leaders of the Bihari camp, but to no avail. They simply did not care enough to intervene.  
Khushboo said they then complained to the local police station at Pallabi and filed a GD. They also sought help from police, but were instead advised to take this up with the local leaders.  
Contacted, community leader Sadakat Khan Fakku said, “We have heard of the incident and we are trying to make sure that the family is safe.”  
This correspondent also tried to contact Shahana, one of the persons named in the GD, but she said she will speak later and avoided talking.  
The situation only got worse with the coronavirus pandemic. As news began to spread that the virus can be spread by pets, another set of locals started pressurising the family to release the cats.  
The situation took a turn for the worst when two of the cats were beaten to death. All of this prompted some neighbours to release their pets, some of which found their way to Arshad’s home.  
Despite the pressure, the family held on.  
“We do this out of our love for cats, and we intend to keep taking care of them in spite of any obstacle thrown at us,” Khushboo said.

Ustad Sunil Dhar no more

OUR CORRESPONDENT, M’singh  
Ustad Sunil Kumar Dhar, one of the most prominent classical music maestros of the country died of a heart attack at a city hospital Thursday. He was 87.  
He left behind his wife, two sons, two daughters, a host of followers, admirers and relatives to mourn him.  
Sunil Dhar had been suffering from different old-age complications including heart disease, diabetes and high blood pressure for long. He was admitted at a city hospital on Thursday morning, where he died around 9pm.  
He was cremated at Balashpur Cremation Ground in Mymensingh city, said family sources.  
Born in Muktagacha in 1933, he received tutelage of the legendary Ustad Allauddin Khan.  
He also took lessons from Jagadananda Barua on Dhrupad and Dhamar.



This city

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Underneath the tarpaulin shed on the wall where the murals were being drawn, Richi and Neeti – two architecture students at a private university – sat waiting for the drawing to be completed, so they could start the paintjob.  
“I have been an animal lover since childhood. When the lockdown began in Dhaka, me and some other animal lovers divided Bashundhara Residential Area – where I live – into zones and fed all the dogs there because they did not have food. When I saw that PAW Foundation was looking for volunteers for the event, I knew I had to join. I also brought my friend along to paint,” Richi told The Daily Star.  
“According to clause 7 of the Animal Welfare Act 2019, killing or removal of any animal without an owner is illegal,” Rakibul Haq Emil, founder of PAW Foundation, told this newspaper.  
“The [DSCC] mayor is currently not in the country. When he comes back, animal rights advocates and other authorities will sit with him to come up with an alternative to this decision, but we thought we could raise some awareness about the importance of street dogs through this event,” he added.  
The event will come to a close today, with a ceremony scheduled at 4pm.

Two killed in road crashes

OUR CORRESPONDENT, M’singh  
Two people were killed and two others injured in separate road accidents in Mymensingh yesterday morning. The accidents took place in Bhaluka and Muktagachha upazilas.  
In Bhaluka, factory worker Helal Khan (35) was killed after being crushed by a truck on Dhaka-Mymensingh highway in Baghra area.  
He died on the spot, said Md Taimur Ali,

inspector of Bhoraduba Highway Police.  
In Muktagachha, a TV mechanic was killed and two others were injured on Mymensingh-Jamalpur road in Satrashia.  
The accident took place after a motorbike collided head-on with a private car. Deceased Ranjit Mitra (50) was travelling on the bike along with Mahmudul Hasan (35) and Tanvir Hasan (15). All of them were injured critically, said Biplob Kumar Biswas, officer-in-charge of Muktagachha Police Station.



Police seized the car after the accident at Muktagachha, but its driver managed to flee the scene.

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Besides, the city’s drainage system is poor, he added.  
Barishal city was once blessed with numerous ponds that could contain additional water, said Suvangker Chakrabary, secretary of Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon, Barishal unit. Most of them do not exist now due to a lack of maintenance and encroachment, he said.  
Talking to this newspaper, Tariqul Haque, former chief engineer of Barishal City Corporation, suggested re-excitation of those water bodies including the canals to improve drainage system.  
Contacted, BCC Executive Engineer Md Anisuzzaman said adequate fund is needed to improve the overall situation.  
“Last year, we sent a proposal of a development project costing Tk 2,615 crore to the LGRD ministry to restore all 43 canals and their beautification, but the authorities did not approve it,” he said.  
“Now, we will try to clean those water bodies with our own fund so that the city’s waterlogging problem is resolved to some extent,” said the BCC official.  
CONDITION OF CITY STREETS WORSENS  
Waterlogging has rendered most city roads unusable, as bitumen has broken down from the surface of the roads, causing numerous potholes. The situation is easily noticeable whenever the waters clear to make the roads visible.  
Kawnia Road, Amanatganj Road, Taltoli Road, Bandh Road, Lakutia Road and Port Road were found in dilapidated condition.  
According to BCC authorities, the city has 593km roads in 30 wards; of them, only 267km is bitumen-surfaced and the rest is brick-surfaced.  
Executive Engineer Anisuzzaman

admitted that only 30-40km roads are now in good condition, which include Sadar Road, Hospital Road, Swa Road and Bazar Road.  
According to locals, Taltali Road, Rupatoli Road, BSCIC Road and Lakutia Road are bearing the brunt of the situation.  
Khijir Ali, an auto-rickshaw driver from Palashpur, said he has to avoid many roads and eventually can’t earn enough money. “In the last one week, my income has halved from the usual Tk 500,” he said.  
Echoing him, rickshaw-puller Kanchan Mia from the city’s Amanatganj said passengers are mostly reluctant to commute on the damaged roads.  
Martuza Abedin, councillor of ward-2, said the city roads got damaged previously and the tidal water made the condition worse.  
Dilip Roy (60) from Bhatikhana

area said he is unwilling to go outside amid the situation.  
Ganesh Dutta, a vegetable trader from Bazar Road area, said the waste floating with the water has made the streets dirty and muddy.  
Shah Sajeda, convener of Sachetan Nagorik Committee, said if the BCC had taken care of the roads since their construction, city dwellers would not have to suffer this way.  
Executive Engineer Anisuzzaman said the LGRD ministry sent back another proposal of a Tk 1,100 crore road development project at the beginning of this year. “Although we corrected it and reduced cost to Tk 683 crore, it is yet to be approved,” he said.  
BCC Chief Engineer Nurul Islam said, “We will start repairing some roads, after the rainy weather ends.” This year’s incessant rain halted the work for a long time, he added.

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**Rasel Bhuiyan’s death anniv**

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Today is the 20th death anniversary of Rasel Bhuiyan, an industrialist and founder of Russel Park, says a press release.  
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