

Abdul Jabbar Khan’s 37th death anniversary

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The 37th death anniversary of Justice Abdul Jabbar Khan, a former speaker of the then Pakistan national assembly, will be observed with special prayers today.

Also a former president of the East Pakistan Muslim League, Abdul Jabbar died on this day in 1984 at his Gulshan house in Dhaka.

He was born on January 1, 1901 at his village home in Baherchar, Babuganj in Barishal.

He also served as a High Court justice in the then East Pakistan.

After retirement, Abdul Jabbar joined politics and was elected president to the East Pakistan Muslim League in 1964.

He later became the speaker of Pakistan national assembly in June 1965. He held the position till promulgation of martial law in March 1969.

He quit politics in 1969 and engaged himself in promoting education by establishing educational institutions and social organisations.



26th death anniv of Syed Mozammel Haque

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Today marks the 26th death anniversary of eminent journalist Syed Mozammel Haque, special correspondent of the Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha.

Besides working for various local dailies, during his professional career Mozammel also worked for Time magazine and the Oil And Gas Journal of USA.

He is the lone Bangladeshi recipient of The prestigious Nieman fellowship in journalism, offered by the Nieman Foundation at Harvard university, said a press release.

On the occasion, doa mahfils will be held at family residences at Lalmatia and Old DOHS in the capital.

His family has requested relatives, friends, and well-wishers to keep him in their thoughts and pray for the salvation of the departed soul.



Cholera germs

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last few days, and they are also collecting patients’ information. According to the report, 71 percent of patients used water from rivers and canals for household work.

“The team already informed the civil surgeon office that they have found E coli in stool samples and in the water of rivers and canals,” said Dr Monwar.

IEDCR team member Dipankar

Das said they have taken samples from hospitals in different upazilas, including Barishal General Hospital, and the results will be revealed by IEDCR.

Barishal Divisional Commissioner Saiful Islam Badal said, “We have arranged for miking in remote area of every upazila to prevent diarrhoea cases.”

“People were asked to boil water before use,” he added.

Apart from this, saline has been urgently sought from Dhaka, so that there is no shortage. He said the saline crisis would be over, if 35,000 saline bags were made available in the next few days.

According to Barishal Divisional Health Office, 35,135 people suffered from diarrhoea from January till the report’s release.

In the last 24 hours, 1,542 got diarrhoea and nine died.



Gonoshasthaya Kendra founder Dr Zafrullah Choudhury speaks at the “symbolic” citizen's gathering by Bhashani Parishad and Rashttrachinta yesterday.

PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

Amiya Bhushan Poddar passes away

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Former district judge Amiya Bhushan Poddar has passed away of old-age complications on April 6 at his residence in Dhaka, said a press release.

Born in Habiganj in 1924, he joined the then East Pakistan EPCS (Department of Justice) in 1952. He was appointed as a district and session judge of the Noakhali district and later worked as the chairman of Chittagong Labour Court. Following retirement, he became famous as a labour-friendly lawyer, said the press release.



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The overall progress of the project is at 61.49 percent till March this year, he said.

The first phase -- from Uttara to Agargaon -- saw 83.52 percent progress, second phase -- from Agargaon to Motijheel -- witnessed 57.68 percent progress. The other part which is regarding installation of rail tracks and other equipment and procuring coaches saw 52.22 percent progress till this March, he added.

Mass Rapid Transit Line-6 or MRT-6, the country’s first ever metro rail, is being constructed from Dhaka’s Uttara third phase area to Motijheel at the cost of Tk 22,000 crore.

24,600 migrant

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Bangladeshi workers to their respective workplaces in the last five days.

Last year, the number of overseas employment dropped significantly to a little over 2.17 lakh from 7 lakh in the previous year, according to data from Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training (BMET).

On the other hand, about 1.44 lakh migrant workers found employment in the first three months this year, Expatriates’ Welfare Minister Imran Ahmad told a discussion on April 5.

Remittance sent by migrant workers is considered one of the main pillars of the country’s economy.

In 2019-2020 fiscal year, migrant workers sent home USD 18.2 billion (about Tk 1,54,352 crore) in remittance whereas it stood at about USD 18.6 billion (Tk 1,57,774 crore) as of March in the ongoing fiscal year, according to data from Bangladesh Bank.

At present, over one crore Bangladeshi migrant workers live in more than 160 countries.

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Allocate

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people buy with their share of the money? Maybe an onion or two, but no more than that.”

Mahmudur Rahman Manna, convener of Nagorik Oikya, said, “We demand that the government allocate Tk 35,000 crore within the next one week.”

He said if the government fails to do so, they will hold tougher programmes until their demands are met.

All but buses

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Meanwhile, many people yesterday complained they could not avail ‘movement pass’ despite several attempts through the website.

Some staff buses and minibuses were seen on the road yesterday, which were carrying the office-goers.

By dodging the law enforcement agencies, few were carrying passengers in staff bus. A BRTA mobile court caught two buses – a staff bus of a drug company and another BRTC bus in front of Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital. BRTA Executive Magistrate Taslima Akhter fined the two vehicles.

The situation in the city’s kitchen markets is also crowded. Many shops besides groceries and pharmacies are operating their business, often with shutters half-closed.

Talking to The Daily Star, Selim Hossain, a street vendor in Mohammadpur area, said, “If we stay home, we will die of starvation. We need to find some income.”

Iftekharul Islam, additional deputy

commissioner (media) of the Dhaka Metropolitan Police, told The Daily Star that there is no instruction for lax enforcement at the check posts.

“What happened is that the movement of people that are involved in emergency services is increasing. They are using various transportation. Also people are taking to the streets with movement passes for various reasons. Besides, food and goods-laden transports are also running on the road,” he said.

“It is not possible to check everyone when there are so many people on the road. This can end up causing further congestion on the road. As a result, we are doing randomised checks,” he added.

With Covid-19 cases continuing to rise alarmingly from mid-March, the government imposed a nationwide “lockdown” for one week from April 5.

Later, a week-long “stricter lockdown” was declared from April 14, which has been extended till April 28.

Writ petition


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prompt action is highly necessary for saving and protecting workers’ rights to life, property, livelihood and security.

ASK lawyer Syeda Nasrin told The Daily Star that the HC may hear the petition on April 26.

Five workers of the under-construction coal-fired power plant, were killed and at least 21 were injured during a clash with police in Banshkhal on April 17.

The workers of the SS Power I Plant, a joint venture involving S Alam Group, alleged that the law enforcers opened fire on their peaceful demonstration demanding arrears and pay hikes.



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Registrar



VIRTUAL HEARING Over 1,300 under-trial prisoners released on bail in a day

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A total of 1,349 under-trial prisoners got released from jail after they were granted bail by the subordinate courts and tribunals on Wednesday.


The courts and tribunals concerned granted them bail after virtually hearing and disposing of total 2,831 bail petitions in connection with criminal cases filed against the accused, Supreme Court Spokesman Md Saifur Rahman said in a statement yesterday.

With Wednesday’s orders and release, total of 13,607 under-trial prisoners have got released from jails after they secured bail from virtual courts across the country in the last seven working days, he said.

Saifur said a total of 23,784 bail petitions of the accused were disposed of during this period.

The regular activities of courts across the country including the Appellate and High Court Divisions of the Supreme Court are remaining suspended due to ongoing rapid surge of Covid-19 outbreak.

Earlier, Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain issued some directives for the courts about dealing with urgent cases through using information and communication technology during the ongoing closure.



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Tender Ref No.	30.34.0000.37.28.010.21
Tender name	Selection of Agency for Overhaul and Loan of DHC8-400 Aircraft Landing Gear and Associated Parts.
Revised tender closing date	02 May, 2021
Revised tender opening date	02 May, 2021

All other terms & conditions of the tender shall remain unchanged.

All prospective bidders are requested to note the revised closing date i.e. 02 May, 2021 for their bid submission. This corrigendum will be treated as a part of the tender and all other terms and conditions in the tender of the aforesaid reference number will remain unchanged.


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Amendment Notice of Invitation for Tender (National)

Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board
Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

For the convenience of the Tenderer a Corrigendum of the Tender Notice Published in the “Prothom Alo”, “The Daily Ittefaq”, “Bangladesh Pratidin” and “The Daily Star” on 28-03-2021 for the Procurement of “Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Hardware (1 phase and 3 phase Meter with HES, NIC, HHU, UCC, UVS, DCU, Repeater, DR, Data Centre accessories etc.) & Software for Implementation of AMI with SMDM and related service Under BREB for 5 lac smart meter that will be scalable up to 2 crore smart meter on Turnkey basis.” against Tender Package No. SPPM-MCS-01 Lot-1; Lot-2 of Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board is hereby described as follows:

SL No.	Subject	Present information published earlier	Amended Information
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5.	Procuring Entity Name & District	Project Coordinator, c/o: Senior System Analyst, ICT Directorate, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, Dhaka.	Project Coordinator, c/o: Additional Chief Engineer (P&D), Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, Dhaka.
6.	Name & Address of the office selling	ICT Directorate BREB, HQ Building (5th Floor), Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229.	Office of Additional Chief Engineer (P&D), BREB, HQ Building (5th Floor) Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229



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