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# 4 city areas at risk of dengue

Says DGHS survey in 69 wards of Dhaka north, south city corporations

#### HELEMUL ALAM

Four areas of the capital are at risk of dengue infection due to the presence of Aedes mosquitoes, which are carriers of the disease.

The areas are: Lalmatia and Iqbal Road under Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) and Sayedabad and North Jatrabari of Dhaka South City Corporation (DSCC), revealed a survey of the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) published on Thursday.

National Malaria Elimination and Aedes Transmitted Disease Control Programme of the Communicable Disease Control unit of the DGHS conducted the survey from March 29 to April 7 at 70 sites of 69 wards of the two city corporations.

Among the containers with Aedes larvae,

the survey found the highest percentage --20.22 percent -- in flooded floors of underconstruction buildings, 19.10 percent in plastic drums, 11.24 percent in buckets, 7.87 percent in water tanks, 6.74 percent in the holes of water meters, 2.25 percent in flower pots and trays, 4.49 percent in plastic bottles and 3.37 percent at the bottom of elevator shafts.

The survey also found that the highest number of containers with the larvae -- 43.82 percent -- were found in high rise buildings, 34.83 percent at underconstruction buildings, 15.73 at singe houses and 5.62 percent in slum areas.

Manzur Chowdhury, entomologist and former president of Zoological Society of Bangladesh, said April and the first week of May has seen rainfall on five or six SEE PAGE 4 COL 1



New bank notes on display for sale in the capital's Gulistan area yesterday. Ahead of Eid every year, such fresh notes remain in high demand as these are gifted to children by the elders as Eidi. PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

## 5 doctors sued

Gauze found in patient's abdomen after C-section

#### OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Five doctors of Tangail General Hospital's gynecology department were sued on Thursday for leaving a piece of gauze inside a woman's abdomen during her C-section.

Her father SM Mahbub Hossain filed the case with Senior Judicial Magistrate's Court in Tangail against Dr Nisfun Nahar, Dr Apu Saha, Dr Abida Sultana, anesthetist Fazlul Haque and intern Dr Jakir.

Judge Shamsul Haque took the case into cognisance and ordered Police Bureau SEE PAGE 4 COL 4

## **ROAD TO FREEDOM** THIS DAY IN BANGLADESH LIBERATION WAR HISTORY

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#### PAKISTAN ORDERS DEMOLITION OF SHAHEED MINAR Pakistan Martial Law authorities

ordered the domolition of the Shaheed Minar in Dhaka, reported Associated Press of Pakistan (APP). They decided to construct a mosque on that site. By another order, the Martial Law administrator of East Pakistan asked owners

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### CURBING COVID Malaysia bans entry from Bangladesh

#### STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Malaysia has imposed an entry ban on foreign nationals, including Bangladeshis, to curb further spread of coronavirus in the country.

into effect from today, said the High Commission of Malaysia, Dhaka, in a notice issued on Thursday.

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Unb, Dhaka

Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen has said the United States may consider accepting a good number of forciblydisplaced Rohingyas in Bangladesh for filling up a large portion of its new refugee admission quota set for 2021 and 2022.

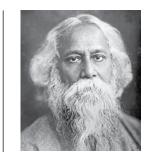
The minister appreciated US President Joe Biden's recent announcement that his country would enhance the admission of refugees to 62,500 in 2021 and 125,000 in 2022. SEE PAGE 4 COL 1

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### Rabindranath's 160th birth anniv today

Bss, Dhaka

The 160th birth anniversarv of Biswakabi Rabindranath Tagore is being observed in the country today. In the wake of the coronavirus pandemic, the SEE PAGE 4 COL 1



#### **PRAYER TIMING MAY 8** Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha

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