

Bangladesh, UK join hands on climate change

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Bangladesh and the UK have agreed to exchange expertise, share technology and facilitate partnerships to tackle the impacts of climate change.

In a joint statement yesterday following a meeting between Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen and COP26 President-Designate and UK MP Alok Sharma in Dhaka on June 2, they agreed to demonstrate sustained leadership to tackle the climate emergency bilaterally and globally.

Alok Sharma visited Bangladesh on June 2-4 after Vietnam and Indonesia aimed at drumming up climate ambitions ahead of the COP26 to be held in Glasgow in November.

Bangladesh and the UK expressed their resolve to work together to contribute to ensuring all countries meet their commitments under the Paris Agreement, and improve the resilience of those most vulnerable to climate change.

The progress is significant given that Bangladesh is one of the most climate vulnerable countries facing massive damages to crops, properties and even lives in flooding and cyclones almost every year.

Alok Sharma welcomed the prospect of Bangladesh transitioning away from coal to clean and renewable energy, which will create economic growth and sustainable jobs.

Foreign Minister Momen underscored the necessity of securing commitments from global leaders, to curb global emissions substantially, arrest global temperature at 1.5 degrees and secure maximal climate finance.

The two leaders hoped that a climate accord between the UK and Bangladesh would be signed before COP26, expressed optimism for a successful outcome of the COP26 and will consider a possible Climate Vulnerable Forum-COP26 event at Glasgow.

Mymensingh police launch bicycle patrols

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As part of its beat policing activities, Mymensingh police administration has initiated a bicycle patrol in the city.

Harun Ar Rashid, deputy inspector general (DIG) of Mymensingh range of police, inaugurated the initiative at the auditorium of his office on Thursday.

For starters, 10 bicycles were distributed for 10 wards under the city corporation. Gradually, all 33 wards and other police stations of the district will be covered under the bicycle patrol network, said police sources.

"We have taken up this initiative with the aim to make life safer for people," said Mohammad Ahmar Uzzaman,

Mymensingh police superintendent. "The bicycles will be able to reach the nooks and crannies of the city that other police vehicles cannot reach easily."

To bring criminals to book, the bicycle patrols will be better equipped to access their clandestine hideouts, as police personnel will find it easier to traverse the narrow lanes and by-lanes of the city, the SP hoped.

During his speech, the DIG said during the British period, bicycle police was popular in this region, although this practice got lost to time. But even today, bicycle patrols are a staple across many countries, which shows their effectiveness has not diminished.



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Beacon gives 5,000 masks to Shibganj people

CITY DESK

Beacon Pharmaceuticals Limited has handed over 5,000 masks and Hygienex Plus hand sanitizer to the people of Shibganj upazila in Chapainawabganj on June 3, according to a press release.

A week-long lockdown was underway in the bordering district as Covid-19 positive patients were being identified with the Indian variant of coronavirus.

The district administration has again declared a "special lockdown" in the entire district for a week from June 1 to June 6 as the Covid-19 situation has deteriorated.

Mohammad Ebadul Karim, managing director (MD) of Beacon Pharmaceuticals Limited and member of parliament from Brahmanbaria-5, and Syed Monirul Islam, mayor of Shibganj municipality, were present on the occasion, added the press release.

First National Tea Day observed

CITY DESK

National Tea Day was observed for the first time in the country yesterday.

This decision was taken at a cabinet meeting to commemorate the contribution of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman to the tea industry on the occasion of his birth centenary, said Commerce Minister Tipu Munshi at a virtual briefing from his office in secretariat on Wednesday.

On this day, Bangabandhu became the first Bengali chairman of the Tea Board and he served the board from June 4 in 1957 to October 23 in 1958, the minister said.

"So, the first National Tea Day is being celebrated on June 4," he added.

Yesterday morning, the commerce minister inaugurated the day at Osmani Memorial Auditorium in the capital, said a press release. Through observing the day, the role of the tea industry in the overall economic development of the country is also being recognised, said the minister.

Among others, Expatriates Welfare Minister Imran Ahmad was also present at the event. A discussion and tea exhibition were also held there. Marking the day, different organisations held such exhibitions across the country.

Eminent citizens demand

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"We are deeply concerned and outraged after seeing such cases being discriminatory towards minorities in Bangladesh as well as being unconstitutional," reads the statement.

"Hefajat-e-Islam is spreading communal poison and destroying social unity, while the victims are being deprived of justice, but the state is nonchalant in this regard," said the distinguished citizens.

Jhulon's Facebook post allegedly led to the mayhem in Noagaon village of Sunamganj's Shalla upazila on March 17, where Hefajat supporters vandalised and looted about 90 Hindu houses.

The signatories include Advocate Sultana Kamal, Pankaj Bhattacharya, Dr Sarwat Ali, Ramendu Majumder, Fazlul Moslem, Rana Dasgupta, Prof MM Akash, Advocate Aujidul Bari, Khushi Kabir, Rokeya Kabir and Robayet Ferdous.



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TIB raises concern over

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unnecessary expenditure and make realistic allocations to the emergency services sector.

"But in terms of the total allocation, public administration received the fourth highest allocation (7.6 percent) and when defence expenditure was added with that, the amount exceeded about 14 percent. Although the allocation increased every year, the lack of effective strategies to ensure transparency and accountability as well as increase the efficiency of public administration is disappointing," he said.

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SANOFI Bangladesh Limited, 6/2/A Segun Bagicha, Dhaka-1000 is inviting sealed bids for used motorcycles "as is where is" basis. Terms and conditions details of Motorcycles inspection will be available at the reception of Head Office (6/2/A Segun Bagicha, Dhaka- 1000). Inspection Time: 06 June 2021 to 10 June 2021, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM. Last day of submission: 10 June 2021 by 03:00 PM. N.B. 1. "No Mask No Service" and other COVID-19 guidelines will follow. 2. National Identification Number (NID) must be brought during Motorcycle Visit.

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