### 190 more hospitalised with dengue

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least 190 patients were hospitalised in the last 24 hours till 8am yesterday, according to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).

Of them, 41 were from outside Dhaka

With the new cases, a total of 18,197 people were infected with dengue, of whom 7,841 were diagnosed

So far 67 people have died of dengue this year. Twelve people died in July while 34 have died in August and 21 in

Though most of the patients who were hospitalised have so far been released, 960 are still undergoing treatment at hospitals in Dhaka, and 208 outside the capital, the DGHS

#### Two killed in M'singh road crash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Two persons were killed and six others injured as a human haulier fell into a roadside ditch at Itakhola in Haluaghat, Mymensingh yesterday.

Labourers Hobi Mia (35) and Harun Mia (65) were declared dead at Haluaghat Upazila Health Complex, said

Haluaghat Police Station OC Md Shahinuzzaman said the vehicle skidded off a road while it was carrying some 25 labourers to Gubrakura Land Port.

### **Charges pressed against Falu**

COURT CORRESPONDENT

ACC yesterday pressed charges against former BNP lawmaker Mosaddek Ali Falu and two others in a case filed in 2019 for siphoning off Tk 183.92 crore to Dubai.

The others are SAK Ikramuzzaman, managing director of RAK Ceramics and Rakhen Development Company Ltd, and Syed AK Anwaruzzaman, director of Star Ceramics Private Ltd.

Falu -- a former advisory council member of BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia -- was shown "fugitive" in the charge sheet as he did not obtain bail from any court like

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The first regent board meeting, known as the prime policy making body of Rangamati Science & Technology University (RSTU), was held yesterday.

Chaired by vice-chancellor Dr Pradanendu Bikash Chakma, the meeting was held at a motel in the town.

At the meeting, the authorities made several decisions, including policies on teacher-official recruitment, job stabilisation, and upgrading. The committee also approved a proposal to adjust salaries of teachers and staff.

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# MORE NEWS NGOs lag behind govt orgs in disclosing information

Speakers tell webinar on occasion of RTI Day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Although non-government organisations played important role in enacting the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2009, they themselves are lagging behind government organisations when it comes to proactive disclosure of information, said speakers at a webinar vesterday.

The recent Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) study collected information from 153 government organisations and 39 NGOs between August 2020 and January 2021 and found the information disclosure

practice of NGOs "alarming",

The webinar was organised by RTI Forum Bangladesh.

Presenting the keynote paper, Hasibur Rahman, executive director of Management and Resources Development Initiative (MRDI) and a member of the forum, said an overwhelming majority of information officers concerned of these organisations are not aware of the information disclosure policy, while there is a lack of guidance in this regard from higher authorities.

TIB Director SM Manzur-E-Alam highlighted the importance of NGOs ensuring proactive disclosure of information and focused on infrastructural and privacy policy challenges facing

the organisations. Dr Golam Rahman, former chief information commissioner of Information Commission, said, "People in our country by and large do not know that the RTI act can be used for their welfare. This is why we need massive awareness about the law."

Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul, editor in chief and CEO of TV Today, said the culture of secrecy is not only prevalent in

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### 347 incidents of violence against women, children in September: report

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least 347 incidents of violence against woman and children took place across the country in September, said a monthly report of Manabadhikar Shongskriti Foundation (MSF), a organisation.

There were 71 rapes, 19 gang rapes, and eight incidents of rape of children and teenage girls with disabilities. Four died after rape. In the 71 rape incidents, 45 of the victims were children and teenage

The report is based on news reports of at least 10 national dailies in September.

According to the report, at least 3 women died by suicide. Of them, 23 were children and teenagers.

It further said there were incidents of extra-judicial killing, custodial death, border killing, and misuse of the Digital Security Act (DSA).

The organisation recorded eight incidents of gunfights in which four people were killed. Two died in law enforcers' custody and five died in

MSF observed that cases under DSA were filed against 11 lawyers and four journalists. Besides, two journalists were attacked.

There were also several incidents of vandalising idols of Hindu

deities, said the report.

#### Charge-sheet accepted against 5 cops, journo

Custodial Death of Rayhan

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

A Sylhet court yesterday accepted charge-sheet against five police officers and a journalist over the custodial death of Rayhan Ahmed.

Sylhet's Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Abul Momen accepted the charge-sheet, said Khokon Chandra Sarkar, assistant commissioner (prosecution) of Sylhet city police.

The court also issued arrest warrant against fugitive Abdullah Al Noman, a local journalist, he said. All other accused were present in the court.

Rayhan Ahmed of Sylhet city, was tortured at Bandarbazar Police Outpost on October 11 last year. He died the same day, an hour after he was admitted to Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical Hospital by police.

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### Gallery Q showcases female artistes

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Gallery Q is hosting the seventh exhibition of the female artistes' collective "Colours" at the capital's Banani, featuring 86 pieces from nine artistes.

Most of the pieces at the exhibition are conceptual, borne out of years of practise and creativity of the participating artistes, said a press release.

Each artiste has transformed tales from everyday life into their work, each expressing their ideas in a myriad of ways -- some through abstract art, some with surrealist conceptions, while others played around with threedimensional spaces and sculpting.

The exhibition was inaugurated by Shilpakala Academy director of arts Mini Karim and Gulshan Society general secretary Barrister Shukla Sarwat Siraj.

Participating artistes are Farhana Afroz, Farzana Islam, Monidipa Dasgupta, Morzia Begum, Mst Shaila Akhter, Mukti Bhowmik, Rebeka Sultana, Rehana Yesmin, and Rifat Jahan Kanta.

This is the first time Gallery Q is organising an art exhibition. The exhibition ends today.



FORMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### High Court seeks papers on Evaly

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday sought documents to examine whether a board of directors can be formed to run Evaly The court ordered the registrar of the joint stock

companies and firms to produce all the relevant documents before it on October 12. The bench of Justice Muhammad Khurshid Alam Sarkar

passed the order during a hearing on an application filed by an Evaly customer, Md Farhad Hossen, seeking the necessary directives for winding up the company and settling the issue.

The bench also fixed October 12 for passing further orders on the issue.

## Aviation sector to grow threefold in 15yrs: state minister

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh's aviation sector will grow almost threefold over the next 15 years, State Minister for Civil Aviation Md Mahbub Ali said yesterday. The junior minister said this while addressing an event

organised at Jashore airport on the occasion of starting US-Bangla Airlines' direct flights on Jashore-Chattogram and Jashore-Cox's Bazar routes. Meanwhile, US-Bangla also added three flights to the

business capital Chattogram from Saidpur airport.

US-Bangla Managing Director (MD) Mohammad Abdullah Al Mamun said Biman Bangladesh and US-Bangla hold only 18 to 20 percent share of the aviation market in Bangladesh. Foreign airlines hold the remaining 80 percent share. We are planning to raise local market share by 50 percent

by increasing flights on international routes," he said.

## 'Read book widen your horizon'

UIU, The Daily Star launch yearlong book reading campaign



Prof Chowdhury Mofizur Rahman, vice-chancellor of UIU, and Mahfuz Anam, editor and publisher of The Daily Star, launched the yearlong book reading campaign at an event at the capital's The Daily Star Centre yesterday.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To develop reading habit among teenage students, United International University (UIU) and The Daily Star have jointly launched a yearlong book reading campaign.

Titled "Read Book Widen Your Horizon", the campaign will run across the country, reaching out students aged between 15 and 19 years.

Following a month of reading a book, a quiz contest will be held each month, where top scorers will get certificates as well as attractive prizes.

A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between UIU and The Daily Star at the capital's The Daily Star Centre yesterday.

Dental Unit for the session 2020-2021.

Mahfuz Anam, editor and publisher of The Daily Star and Prof Chowdhury Mofizur Rahman, vice-chancellor of UIU, signed the agreement. The UIU VC said the younger

on social media. "They lack reading habits and cannot retain their concentration and enthusiasm for longer periods while reading a book,

generations have become too dependent

he remarked. "This is why we're launching the campaign, aiming to develop reading habits among them," he said. "We want them to discover the hidden treasure that is books," he added.

Mahfuz Anam said one of the main goals of the campaign is to grow keenness for attaining knowledge among students.

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