

Ansar Ali's death anniversary today

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Today is the 27th death anniversary of Justice Muhammad Ansar Ali.



Ali passed away while he was on duty at the Supreme Court on this day in 1995.

Qurankhwani and doa mahfil will be held at his home in Naogaon and at Banani graveyard in Dhaka to mark the occasion.

Save Neelam

FROM PAGE 3 is not one of the 2,200 buildings named in the 2018 HC directive.

Arun Krishna Pal, senior assistant commissioner of Dhaka DC office, on Monday said, "Our magistrate stopped the demolition work as per law."

Montu, however, claimed that they took permission from the Dhaka district administration to renovate the building a month ago.

30 days, 467

FROM PAGE 3 and 86 drivers and their helpers died in accidents during this period. At least nine people died and three remained missing in eight waterway accidents.

It's time to rebuild

FROM PAGE 3 "Although the casualty is comparatively low, there has been a tremendous economic loss. Not a single road remained out of the flood's clutches," he added.

The minister, however, said due to the country's overall economic progress, people could extend their support to the flood victims by providing relief materials.

A lawmaker from Sylhet-4 constituency, Expatriates' Welfare Minister Imran Ahmad said there was a lack of government preparation to tackle the flood situation as nobody could realise its magnitude beforehand.

He stressed for adequate disaster preparedness to tackle flood situations in the future and said an immediate focus is required on rehabilitation.

He also emphasised the importance of creating funds under a coordinated platform to utilise it for rehabilitation of the victims, alongside ongoing relief support and stressed enhancing the capacity of Bangladesh Haor and Wetland Development Board.

Environment Minister and Maulvibazar-1 lawmaker Shahab Uddin said loss and damage

from the recent flood will be placed as a case study during the upcoming UN Climate Change Conference-2022 (COP-27) in Egypt.

He said dredging is required in different canals and rivers of the haor areas. Besides, different water bodies have to be freed from grabbers.

The government has taken various initiatives to lessen the suffering of flood victims, said Deputy Minister for Water Resources AKM Enamul Haque Shamim.

At present, different projects under the ministry worth about Tk 2,000 crore are ongoing in the Sylhet region, he said. Prof M Feroze Ahmed, a member of the experts' panel for the Padma Bridge project, said water management is a key issue in tackling the flood situation.

Before constructing roads in the floodplain, a proper study has to be conducted to ensure uninterrupted flow of water, he said.

There has to be preparedness since extreme events such as heavy rainfall may increase in future due to global climate change, said Prof

Kazi Matin Uddin Ahmed of the geological sciences department at Dhaka University.

To ensure a permanent solution to the flood problems of haor areas, the issue needs to be addressed regionally and internationally alongside internal initiatives, said Syeda Rizwana Hasan, chief executive of Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association.

Sharif Jamil, general secretary of Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon, and Mustafiz Shaifi, editor of Protidin Bangladesh, spoke at the event, among others.

Tk 28cr in 31

FROM PAGE 5 money earned from illegal means, sources said.

The ACC appointed its Deputy Director Monayem Hossain to investigate the graft allegations against the police officer.

Sohel Rana opened the multilevel marketing (MLM) company e-Orange through hiding his identity and amassed about Tk 28,46,72,913 through fraudulence, sources said. Contacted, Monayem said he will soon file the case against Sohail Rana.

Fake visas

FROM PAGE 3 said ADC Rezaul Hoque. The arrestees are now in jail.

Juwel was accused in a previously filed human trafficking case. Detectives said they have got names of some syndicate members from the arrestees' statement, and a drive is underway to arrest them.

But they did not disclose them, as it may alert the suspects, said Mashur Rahman, deputy commissioner (Gulshan division) of DB.

"We may disclose more details following their arrest," he said.

All hajj

FROM PAGE 3 reached Saudi Arabia as of yesterday. Biman Managing Director and CEO Dr Abu Saleh Mostafa Kamal told The Daily Star that the airline has safely taken 29,992 pilgrims to Saudi Arabia this year.

Hajj flights of this year started on June 5. Post-hajj flights from Saudi Arabia will start from July 14. This year, hajj will be held on July 8.

In 2019, around 1.27 lakh Bangladeshis were allowed to perform hajj. However, due to the pandemic, the annual congregation was held on a limited scale in the last two years.

12 PILGRIMS DIED SO FAR Three more Bangladeshi pilgrims, two men and a woman, have died in Saudi Arabia.

The deceased are Khaybar Hossain (55), Layla Akter (52) and Tapan Khandoker (62), according to the hajj management portal. Including the three, 12 pilgrims have died this year.

Khaybar died on Sunday, while Layla and Tapan passed away on July 1.

How effective

FROM PAGE 5 Sherpur forcing the animals to raid human settlements in search of food.

Eminent wildlife researcher Monirul H Khan, professor of zoology at Jahangirnagar University, said if the solar fences are maintained, it will be effective in reducing human-elephant conflicts.

Mahbub Alam, a resident of Kaptai upazila said, "At least 10 people died so far in elephant attacks this year. Since their habitat's slimming, they always prey upon local markets, taking away rice sacks from grocery shops. Maybe the fences will solve that."



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A 50-hour

FROM PAGE 3 Rafiqul filed a general diary with Uttara West Police Station in this regard.

On May 5, the Anti Corruption Commission filed the case against six people, including five members of the NSU trustee board members and Hilaly on charges of laundering about Tk 304 crore.

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