



What's more enjoyable than sharing tamarind chutney among friends? This photo was taken in Barishal Sadar recently.
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Business picks up

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many of them to switch their professions to survive.
“This year, workers are getting around Tk 50,000 to Tk 60,000 in three months from their ancestral profession and it is a satisfactory amount for them,” he added.
The number of mandaps has also increased from 784 to 814 this year in

Mymensingh, said Shankar Saha, organising secretary of the Zilla Puja Utjapon Parishad.
At a meeting on September 12, Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Enamul Haque and Police Superintendent Masum Ahmed Bhuiyan assured them of strict security measures for mandaps, said puja organisers.

Lalmonirhat

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“This year, I will not be earning any profit. Grave times await me and my family as we do not get work at other times of the year,” he said.
Gopinath Pal, president of Roypara Durga temple in Lalmonirhat, said the cost of Durga puja will increase a lot this year. However, the idols were bought at the same price.

Lalmonirhat District Puja Udjapan Parishad President Hiralal Roy also said idol makers are not receiving fair prices for their work.

Make the DAP

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Contacted, Md Ashraful Islam, project director of DAP, said they have determined FAR based on width of roads and characteristics of areas. There is a provision of revising the DAP every three years. Authorities can increase FAR of an area if civic facilities of the location improve, he said.

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The minister said one of the reasons why antibiotics use is so widespread, is that it's sold over the counter. He said the UN emphasised the need to invent safe and effective antibiotics.

Bail on mere ground

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On August 31, the apex court bench delivered a short verdict on this issue, following a petition filed by the Anti-Corruption Commission challenging the HC order.

Following a bail petition filed by Kutub Uddin, the HC bench of Justice Md Akhtaruzzaman on July 14 granted six months' ad-interim bail to him in the corruption case.

However, another HC bench on March 16 admitted his appeal against his conviction for hearing, ACC lawyer Khurshid Alam Khan told this correspondent.

A special court in Dhaka on February 14 convicted Kutub Uddin and sentenced him to five years imprisonment in the case of influencing the allocation of a 10-katha plot in Gulshan in the names of some of his relatives, including his father-in-law, using fake documents.

Lawyer Khurshid Alam Khan also said Kutub Uddin, who was arrested on September 8, 2018, by the ACC from Dhaka's Segunbagicha, cannot get released from jail following the Appellate Division's verdict.

Meanwhile, Kutub Uddin's lawyer Md Munsurul Hoque Chowdhury told this correspondent that the HC had granted his client bail

Take steps to

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ensure road safety.
The committee asked the ministry to coordinate with divisional commissioners, deputy inspector generals and additional inspector generals of police (highway) in this regard.

The meeting held an elaborate discussion on the latest activities and progress of the ongoing bus rapid transit (BRT) project, which will connect Gazipur with the capital.

Besides, according to information obtained from the meeting minutes, the number of vacant posts in four departments under the Ministry of Road Transport is 2,890.

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader and other committee members, including Enamul Hoque, Abu Zahir, Rezwan Ahmed Toufique, Salim Uddin and Sheikh Salahuddin, were present at the meeting.

A day of total chaos

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the building, but had to wait for around two hours for her to come back.

“My daughter told me that she could not stand in line because of the huge pressure of students lining up for the shots. They were all sweating and some of them were crying,” he said.

As the process of administering vaccines took a lot of time with so many students, the guardians became impatient. Some of the parents had heated arguments with the centre's volunteers and started breaking the rules.

“It was total chaos inside. I would have never taken my daughter there if I had the slightest idea of such mismanagement,” he said.

During a visit to a

centre yesterday, this correspondent got a first-hand experience of the mismanagement inside a Dhanmondi school. Anxious parents broke all the regulations despite repeated requests from the volunteers. Some of the children were seen crying after getting the jabs and seeing such a huge crowd of people who were loud, to say the least, regarding the mismanagement.

Another guardian of the same school said there were written instructions regarding where the children would exit from.

“At one stage, the microphone was not working properly. We were not sure who was stepping out amid the crowd of anxious parents already

gathered inside,” he said, requesting anonymity.

“I had to send my nursery-going kid alone inside the already crowded centre with no idea when to

receive him. When he came out of the centre around an hour later, he was extremely exhausted, mainly because of the crowd inside,” he further said.

1 killed, 3 hurt

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company sent eight drums of chemicals to transport those to Chattogram. While unloading the chemicals from the covered van, the blast occurred.

The OC said the company didn't inform the courier service provider what chemical they were transporting. On information, two units of fire service went to the spot and extinguished the blaze.

The injured were taken

to DMCH.

Halim suffered 20 percent burns and injury in his legs, said Dr Samanta Lal Sen, coordinator of Sheikh Hasina National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery. Besides, Marcel has injuries in his both hands and legs.

Dilip, who had his left leg severed in the explosion, was shifted to National Institute of Traumatology and Orthopaedic Rehabilitation.

Police, the rich, journos

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tests for those who are selected for jobs. We will also conduct dope tests to identify university students who abuse drugs,” he said.

There are around 80,000 to 1 lakh inmates in jails across the country, and 60 percent of them are either drug abusers or narcotics traders, said the minister.

“We do not get witnesses during trials. There is a backlog of narcotic cases. We have requested a special tribunal for narcotics cases,

but we did not get it yet,” he said.

He further said if punishments were more visible, then demand and supply of drugs would decrease.

“We are now giving priority to rehabilitating those who are addicted,” he said.

The minister further assured of providing government support for setting up private rehabilitation centres.

Speaking at the roundtable, Brig Gen

(retd) Md Azizul Islam, a psychiatrist, said, “Patients should be treated keeping humanitarian issues in mind. Many rehab centres are accused of providing inconsiderate treatment.”

Dr Arup Ratan Chowdhury said, “Ninety-eight percent of drug abusers are smokers. If smoking is brought under control, this percentage will drastically go down.”

“Drug abuse among children and women is increasing,” he said.

Khandaker Farzana

Rahman, chairperson of criminology department at Dhaka University, said that school, college and university textbooks should explain the various aspects of drugs.

Besides, all schools must have psychologists, as many youngsters do not understand the dire consequences of drugs, she observed.

Psychologists, businesspeople, journalists and political leaders also spoke in the roundtable among others.

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