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The country's lowest temperature this season, 5.6 degrees celsius, was recorded in Sreemangal yesterday. Severe cold, icy winds, and dense fog have been the constant companions of low-income people, who had no other option but to continue their daily grind despite the hardship.

AUW's tenth

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for unity, said an AUV press release.

Around 486 students hailing from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, People's Republic of China, Indonesia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestine, Senegal, Sri Lanka, Syria, and Vietnam will be conferred their undergraduate degrees.

Vice Chancellor of AUV Rubana Huq will lead the

conferrals.

According to the press release, the ceremony will be presided over by AUV Chancellor Cherie Blair, international human rights lawyer and wife of former British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Besides, Kat Fotovat, senior official to the US Secretary of State in the Office of Global Women's Issues, is scheduled to participate in the event as well.

Dhaka's air 'hazardous'

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India's Kolkata and Mumbai occupied the second and third spots in the list.

Their AQI scores are 196 and 189, respectively, as per the index.

In Bangladesh, the AQI is based on five criteria pollutants - Particulate Matter (PM10 and PM2.5), NO2, CO, SO2 and Ozone.

Dhaka has long been grappling with air pollution issues. Its air quality usually

turns unhealthy in winter and improves during the monsoon.

Air pollution consistently ranks among the top risk factors for death and disability worldwide.

Breathing polluted air has long been recognised as increasing a person's chances of developing heart disease, chronic respiratory diseases, lung infections and cancer, according to several studies.

As per the World Health Organization (WHO), air pollution kills an estimated seven million people worldwide every year.

This is largely as a result of increased mortality from stroke, heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, lung cancer and acute respiratory infections, according to the WHO.

Celebrating floral

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the festival grounds.

Ismail Hossain, a farmer said, "Our flower fields have been newly arranged in light of the flower festival."

Nearly 11 types of flowers

are cultivated commercially on 1,200 hectares of land in Gadkhali region of Jhikargacha. One and a half lakh people of 600 families in this area are involved in flower cultivation.

Arable land ravaged

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Gazipur," said Nayan Mia, deputy director of the Department of Environment (DoE) in Gazipur.

"There are 542 dyeing and washing factories in the district and almost all of them have effluent treatment plants. The pollution happens when many of them discharge effluents without treating

it." "Monitoring and identifying those factories polluting the environment is tough since there are only six of us from DoE working in the district," he added.

"However, we are conducting raids and placing fines for factories polluting the environment," said the DoE official.

Second phase

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sons and son-in-law of Knadhali is taking part in the Ijtema.

Meanwhile, vehicular movement on the Dhaka-Mymensingh highway and other adjoining link roads came to a halt for a few hours during the Juma prayers.

Many people offered their Juma prayers on the roof of vehicles while a number of devotees were seen offering prayers from rooftops of nearby buildings.

The Juma prayers was led by Maulana Saad's son Yusuf bin Saad Kandhalvi.

Deputy Commissioner of Gazipur Anisur Rahman said around 4,000 devotees from 54 countries are participating in the second phase of the Ijtema.

He also said they are conducting 18 mobile courts to ensure food safety

for the devotees. A 75-year-old devotee from Barguna, Mofizul Islam, 60, died at the Ijtema venue early yesterday due to cardiac arrest.

The second phase of Biswa Ijtema will end with "Akheri Munajat" on January 22.

The first phase of the Ijtema was held from January 13 to January 15.

Meanwhile, the metro rail service will run from 8:00am to 5:00pm on January 22 for the smooth movement of the devotees, attending the second phase of the congregation.

Tablighi Jamaat has been organising Biswa Ijtema, every year since 1946. In 2011, the organisers had split the congregation into two phases to deal with overcrowding, ensure better management and security.

Sramik League office inside

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Fifth grader Tasfia Begum said, "We cannot play on the school playground as it is too narrow. We have to sit idly during leisure hours."

Fourth grader Rabbi Islam said they often feel uncomfortable as outsiders roam around on their campus most of the time.

Headmistress Fatema Parvin said, "Our school was established long ago. Though it was the railway's property, it was dedicated only to the school following all legal procedures.

"We cannot arrange games and sports inside the

campus because of space constraints. We go to the nearby Fida Ali Institute ground for this purpose," she added.

She also claimed that some influential people did not let them construct a boundary wall and gate even though the school is situated beside the busy Saidpur-Nilphamari road.

Secretary of Railway Sramik League Rafiqul Islam claimed that the land was donated for both the educational purposes of railway employees' children and the labour union office with consent from all stakeholders.

"We never attend party

offices during the day time, as we remain busy with government jobs. We conduct our activities in the evening when the school remains closed," he added.

Ziaul Huque Zia, ex-local councillor of Saidpur municipality, said, "The presence of a trade union office inside the school campus looks odd. During my tenure, I offered the labour organisation to shift their office elsewhere, but they did not agree."

Md Shahjahan Mondol, upazila primary education officer, said, "I will discuss the issue with the higher authority."

Foreigners' directive No Covid

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victim to this brand of politics time and again," he said.

Claiming that there is no democracy in BNP, Quader said, "How will BNP teach democracy to Awami League? A record of fake voters was made during BNP's era. They

enlisted about 1.23 crore fake voters, which was one of the reasons behind the 1/11 changeover."

Chaired by AL's relief and Social Welfare Secretary Aminul Islam, the meeting was addressed by AL's Health and Population Affairs Secretary Rokeya Sultana, among others.

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A total of 1,948 samples were tested across the country during this time.

At least 171 patients recovered from Covid-19 during the period. The total number of recoveries now stands at 19,90,567 and the recovery rate 97.70 percent.



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Today January 21, 2023, we remember again our beloved mother Ismat Ara Sadique, who departed this world on January 21, 2020. Her love, respect and dedication for her family, friends and her country shall be missed dearly. Though she is gone forever, she will always be in our hearts, our thoughts and in our prayers. May Allah grant her Eternal Peace.

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