

United Healthcare celebrates 17th anniversary

STAR REPORT

Celebrating its 17th anniversary, United Healthcare held a ceremony on August 24 at all institutions of United Healthcare — United Medical College and Hospital of Satarkul, Medix of Dhanmondi, MA Rashid Hospital of Jamalpur and United Hospital Ltd, said a press release.

At the programme, chairman and managing director of United Group Moinuddin Hasan Rashid said in his speech, "United Hospital started its journey with the aim of providing international quality healthcare and JCI accreditation has recognised our quality of service. Today, I would like to announce again that we will continue our commitment of Zero Compromise in health care."

Managing Director and CEO of United Hospital Mohammad Faizur Rahman also delivered a speech on the occasion.

Chief advisor of United Group and chairman of United Hospital Hasan Mahmud Raza; chairman and managing director of United Group Moinuddin Hasan Rashid; board members, directors, doctors, nurses and other senior officials were also present at the ceremony.

CGPA criteria

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students of the arts and science faculty, of all academic years, must attain a minimum CGPA of 2.00 to be promoted to the next year. In the social sciences and business faculty, freshers must achieve a minimum CGPA of 2.00, sophomores 2.25, and third-year students 2.50, in order to get promoted to the next year.



Milon Rani dries grass plucked from small water bodies in Pirojpur's Brahmanakathi village. After soaking sunlight for a couple of days, the strands are sold for Tk 110 per kg, which is later used to make ropes. The photo was taken yesterday.

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Thousands marooned

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Matiar Rahman, 66, a farmer of the village.

"The situation will worsen further, if the entire dam is engulfed by the Teesta. Then, erosion will take a severe turn in our village," said Matiar Rahman, 65, a resident of the same village.

Dry foods have been distributed among 6,000 flood-hit families in Lalmonirhat during the last four days, according to Relief and Rehabilitation Office sources.

In Kurigram, low-lying areas of Rajarhat, Chilmari and Ulipur upazilas have been inundated, resulting in some 6,000 families marooned.

The Teesta was flowing 23cm above the danger level at Kaunia point, which is located at bordering area of Kurigram and Rangpur, yesterday morning, according to WDB.

Water level of Teesta River is fluctuating due to the onrush water from the

upstream, said Abdullah Al Mamun, executive engineer of WDB.

"The water slightly receded on Monday night. But it rose again this [Tuesday] morning. Almost all the roads in our area have gone under water," said Sabed Ali, a 65-year-old farmer of Khitabkhan village in Kurigram's Rajarhat upazila.

Dry foods have been distributed among four thousand flood-hit families in Kurigram last four days, according to Relief and Rehabilitation Office sources.

In Sirajganj, around one lakh people of 50 shoals and low-lying villages are marooned by flood water, said locals and peoples' representatives.

"Now, boats have become the only mode of communication in our area as roads are under water. We are now jobless as all the croplands are inundated," said Afsar Bhuiyan, a resident of Bonhir Char

area in Sirajganj Sadar upazila.

Contacted, Ranjit Kumar, sub-divisional engineer of WDB in Sirajganj, said the flood situation will start improving within next 2-3 days.

In Bogura, several hundred of people of Batirchar and its adjacent areas under Sariakandi upazila have remained waterlogged.

"Almost all the crops in our village have been inundated by flood water. If such situation continues, flood water will enter into our home tonight [Tuesday]," said Mamunur Rashid, a resident of Batirchar.

In Gaibandha, some low-lying areas have been submerged as the Brahmaputra is swelling. Its water may cross danger level by tonight [Tuesday], said WDB officials.

[Our correspondents from Lalmonirhat, Pabna and Bogura contributed to this report]

'Bangladesh has independent judicial process'

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verdict," he said, adding, "I do not think those who are joining in this call in favour of Prof Yunus are doing proper justice to their own reputation."

The state minister also said that the government wouldn't make any comment on an issue related to court proceedings.

Meanwhile, Advocate Khurshid Alam Khan, a senior Supreme Court lawyer, yesterday said, "They are making unsolicited

interference in the judiciary without knowing the laws and judicial system of Bangladesh. I don't understand why they are so vociferous about the judicial proceedings against Prof Muhammad Yunus."

"Please come to Bangladesh and see how transparently the trial proceedings against him are going on. Please do not harbour any adverse thoughts about Bangladesh's judiciary regarding Dr Yunus,"

he said while talking to reporters at the Supreme Court premises.

Khurshid is the lawyer for the Department of Inspection for Factories and Establishments, which filed the case against Yunus and three others of Grameen Telecom on September 9, 2021, on charges of labour law violation.

Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal also released a statement yesterday, dubbing the letter to the PM unwanted and insulting to the principles of independence,

sovereignty, and the judicial system of the country.

They emphasised that no Nobel laureate is exempt from the prevailing laws or the justice system of the country, and Dr Yunus, like any other citizen of the country, is not above the constitution, laws, courts, or trials.

Earlier, in the open letter sent to the PM on Monday, 104 Nobel laureates and 79 other global figures expressed their deep concern about the safety and freedom of Prof Yunus.

Stop enforced Jatrabari worst affected

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activists, became victims of enforced disappearances.

Among the victims, 15 later resurfaced alive while whereabouts of one could not be traced, the statement read, adding that most of the victims took part in political rallies in the lead up to the national election due in January next year.

The statement urged the government to ratify the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance and give recognition to the competence of the UN Committee on Enforced Disappearance.

It also suggested to allow access to UN human rights experts to assess situation of enforced disappearances in the country.

co-infections of dengue and typhoid. Most of these patients are from Jatrabari, which is the worst affected area in Dhaka in terms of dengue cases.

According to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), as of August 26, Jatrabari was the worst affected area, with 17.08 percent dengue cases, followed by Sabujbag and Kadamtali, with 12.87 percent and 8.29 percent dengue cases, respectively.

Other areas include Mohammadpur (4.03 percent), Khilgaon (3.72 percent), Keraniganj (3.71 percent), Cantonment (3.54 percent), Uttara (2.92 percent), Dhanmondi (2.67 percent), and Pallabi (2.60

percent).

According to DGHS, 13 dengue patients died while 2,291 others were hospitalised in the last 24 hours till yesterday morning.

With new deaths and cases, the total number of deaths rose to 569 while total cases increased to 1,19,133.

Mugda hospital alone has treated 8,745 patients so far, and they are now seeing 330 patients.

Meanwhile, among the deaths, many patients died of dengue due to co-infection.

HM Nazmul Ahsan, associate professor at Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital, said around 5 to 10 percent of patients in the hospital

are infected with dengue and other diseases like pneumonia, typhoid or urinary tract infection.

These patients need immediate hospitalisation, he said.

Coinfection is suspected when a dengue patient does not recover within a week, he added.

Meanwhile, Aedes larvae were found in 150 houses out of 1,050 inspected in Gazipur and 95 out of 705 in Narayanganj during a recent DGHS survey.

Experts fear that the mosquito-borne disease may spread further if the authorities do not immediately destroy the breeding grounds to control Aedes population, the carrier of the dengue virus.

Settle

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Earlier on June 12, the bench had asked both parties to reach an amicable settlement in this regard and issued a rule why they should not be directed to receive their possessions and shares under the relevant agreement following a writ petition, said Abu Taleb, lawyer representing the real estate company.

On June 11, Supreme Court lawyer Syed Sayedul Haque Suman submitted the writ petition as a public interest litigation to the HC, seeking its directive to conduct an enquiry into reported corruption in signing a contract between the two parties for constructing the multi-storey building.

The lawyer made the move after a report was published in Bangla daily Prothom Alo on June 1 headlined, "Sorkari Jamite Panch Taroka Hotel" (Five-star hotel on government land).

Senior lawyer ABM Altaf Hossain appeared for Borak, while Barrister Imtiaz Moinul Islam stood for DNCC and Deputy Attorney General Saifuddin Khaled represented the state during the hearing yesterday.

CID asked

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granted bail on January 8, was absent yesterday by submitting a petition through her lawyer.

Fardin, a third-year student of civil engineering, was found dead in the Shitalakkhya river in Narayanganj on November 7 last year, three days after he went missing.

Detective Branch Inspector Yasin Shikder, also the investigation officer of the case, on February 6 submitted the final report to the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court of Dhaka.

In the report, the IO said Fardin died by suicide, which Fardin's father said was impossible.

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