

Two more die of dengue

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two more dengue patients died while 38 others were hospitalised in the last 24 hours till yesterday morning.

The total number of deaths and cases this year rose to seven and 670 respectively, according to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).

A total of 239 dengue patients are still undergoing treatment at different hospitals across the country, with 121 of them in Dhaka.

Among the total cases, 424 dengue patients have already been released.

Last year, the country witnessed 1,705 denguerelated deaths and a total of 3,21,179 reported cases.

ICCB calls for ceasefire in Gaza

UNB, Dhaka

International Chamber of Commerce-Bangladesh (ICCB) has said an immediate ceasefire must be enforced in Gaza, as well as immediate and unhindered access to basic humanitarian such as food, water, shelter, medication, fuel, and electricity.

"The physical safety of civilian population guaranteed. occupation needs to end, and there must restitution reconstruction towards infrastructures full justice for Palestinians having their own state," said ICCB in its editorial of the current news bulletin released yesterday.

Tea workers go on strike over arrears

UNB, Sylhet

Tea Garden Tarapur workers in Sylhet have been on a strike since yesterday.

Their demands include the non-payment of the last two weeks' wages, urgent repairs to living quarters, permanent medical staff appointments, access to safe drinking water, provident fund, and a transport truck provision.

Mamata Roy, a worker, said, "I haven't been paid for two weeks, leading to severe food shortages at home."

Sunil Modi, Panchayet Committee's general secretary, criticised failures, management emphasising the need for an immediate resolution.

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Gliding past dense fog on a dinghy amid the cold, fishers cast their nets in the Kirtonkhola. The photo was taken in Barishal Sadar's Char Baria area yesterday morning.

Arafat vows to tackle propaganda

Says new framework needed

AGENCIES

State Minister Information Broadcasting Mohammad Arafat yesterday said he wants to set up a framework to tackle propaganda and rumours.



He said this while talking to reporters at the Secretariat on his first day in office, reports UNB. "We can set up a framework on how we can hold

such acts accountable," said the state minister. He said many are spreading propaganda using social media. They are even using logos of the mainstream media for that. "The problem is that the freedom of expression should not be hampered and freedom of the media should not be hampered in order to check this kind of propaganda. So we have to take a new strategy."

"We said free flow of information and freedom of expression are part of the spirit of our Liberation War. We are fully committed to this end. Freedom of the media is crucial for the sake of democracy, for the sake of country's progress, free flow of information and freedom of expression," he said.

Earlier, newly-appointed foreign minister and outgoing information minister Hasan Mahmud $introduced \, Arafat\, to\, heads\, of\, different\, departments$ and officials of the ministry, reports BSS.

ILLEGAL SAND LIFTING FROM MANU

Cross-border trade at stake

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Rampant sand extraction from the Manu river in Moulvibazar's Kulaura upazila has significantly compromised the structural stability of Chatla Manu

The bridge, stretching 60 metres across the river on Chatlapur Checkpost-Shamshernagar road in Sharifpur union, was constructed by Roads and Highways

dredger machines within one kilometre of the bridge, violating rules.

Contacted, Jewel Mia, an associate of the lessee, said they are extracting sand following rules.

"A total of 37 acres of sand has been permitted by the DC office to be extracted from Chatlaghat. The bridge also falls within this area. We are protecting the bridge and lifting sand from a distance of 500 metres," he said.



Department to serve as a key connectivity link for cross-border trade between Bangladesh and India.

However, due to continuous sand extraction close to the bridge, it has become susceptible to damage, which would in turn adversely affect the trade activity on the route.

The Deputy Commissioner's office in Moulvibazar leases the "balu mahal" (a designated place for lifting sand) in present, a contractor named Platinum Business Consortium has the contract for the balu mahal's lease for Tk 1,08,00,000 for one year

Locals complained that the lessee has been extracting sand with four or more

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However, as per rules, no sand can be extracted within one kilometre of the river on either side of a bridge.

Visiting the area recently, this correspondent saw the lessee company has been lifting sand with dredgers and storing it in the wharf near the bridge before transporting sand to different places with overloaded trucks.

With sand being extracted from the vicinity of the bridge, its structures are Chatlaghat of Manu river every year. At at risk of significant damage, while the overloaded trucks are causing damage to roads and embankments.

> On July 22 last year, locals formed a human chain demanding the authorities protect the bridge and embankment.

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Alesha Mart chairman sent to jail

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E-commerce platform Alesha Mart Chairman Manjurul Alam Sikdar was sent to jail yesterday, a day after he was arrested from Banani in Dhaka on the charges of cheque fraud.

Dhaka Metropolitan Police's Gulshan Division Deputy Commissioner Rifat Rahman Shamim said Manjurul is a warranted accused in more than 100 cases.

Police produced him before a Dhaka court yesterday as a warranted accused in nine cases over cheque fraud. There is also a money laundering case against him.

According to investigation of the Criminal Investigation Department, Mart chairman Manjurul and three others have laundered Tk 421 crore.

After the primary investigation, a CID assistant police superintendent from financial crime unit lodged money a laundering case against one Abul Kashem, Manjurul and his wife Sadia Chowdhury, and the owner of SK Traders Al Mamun with Banani Police Station on May 31, 2023, over the money laundering allegation.

Metropolitan Sessions Judge Court in last June imposed a bar on Manjurul from travelling abroad in the money laundering case.

PRAYER



HC bans earth-filling in Savar canal

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The High Court vesterday imposed a ban on earth-filling in Bamni Khal (canal) at Savar in Dhaka by housing companies Zam Zam Noor City, SA Housing and Sugandha Housing for their unapproved housing projects.

In response to a petition, the court ordered the authorities concerned to submit a report on how much land of the canal, which is flowing through Chandunia, Konda and Kandiboliarpur Mouzas in Savar, has been filled. Chairman of Rajdhani Unnayan

Kartripakkha (Rajuk), director generals of the Department of Environment (DoE) and Water Development Board and deputy commissioner of Dhaka have been asked to prepare the report.

The HC also issued a rule asking the officials concerned of the government to explain why their failure to protect Bamni Khal and its adjacent waterbodies and farmlands from the earth-filling by Zam Zam Noor City, SA Housing and Sugandha Housing for unapproved housing projects should not be declared illegal and detrimental to public interest.

The bench of Justice Mustafa Zaman Islam and Justice Md Atabullah issued the directive and rule following a petition filed by six rights organisations and an urban planner Prof Adil Muhammad Khan seeking necessary directives to protect Bamni Khal. Other five organisations are -- Nijrea

Kori; Association for Land Reform and Development (ALRD); Manobadhikar Sangskriti Foundation (MSF); Ain o Salish Kendra (ASK); and Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST).

The DoE had fined Tk 23 lakh to Zam Zam Noor City on October 21, 2021 and Rajuk had fined it Tk 5 lakh on September 20 last year, but the company has continued its activities, the petitioners said in the petition.

Advocate Syeda Rizwana Hasan assisted by lawyer Shamima Nasrin appeared for the petitioners while Deputy Attorney General Tushar Kanti Roy represented the state during the hearing of the petition.

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