

9TH WAGE BOARD
SC to hear Noab's arguments on April 21

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The Supreme Court will hear the arguments from the Newspapers Owners Association of Bangladesh (Noab) about awarding the ninth wage board on April 21.
The Appellate Division yesterday asked the president and general secretary of Noab to appear the court through lawyers for assisting it by placing statements on this issue.
A five-member bench of the Appellate Division headed by Chief Justice Obaidul Hassan passed the order during hearing on two petitions filed by the government challenging the High Court verdict that declared illegal the cabinet committee's recommendations in the ninth wage board award.

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POSTGOLA BRIDGE REPAIR
DMP suggests alternative routes

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Postogola Bridge repair works will be carried out from February 22 to March 8. Two girders of Postogola Bridge (Buriganga Bridge-I) will be repaired and retrofitted during this period.
Motorists traveling through the area have been urged to find alternative routes to avoid traffic congestion.
Officials concerned fear severe gridlocks as the bridge connects Dhaka to 21 other districts.
To address the issue, representatives from seven organisations, including the traffic division of DMP, held a meeting at the DMP headquarters yesterday.
Munibur Rahman, additional police commissioner of DMP's Traffic Department, said, "We have collaborated with relevant stakeholders to plan routes

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Farmers sow watermelon seeds in a field of Paschim Bajua area in Khulna's Dakop upazila yesterday. Following Aman harvest, they get busy with watermelon farming, a crop that promises both good yield and return. PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

'Resist extortionists at every sector'

JP MP Anisul calls upon lawmakers in JS
STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Deputy Leader of the Opposition Anisul Islam Mahmud yesterday in parliament criticised the government for the ongoing culture of extortion in different sectors.
"Extortion has now become a culture in society. It has become a terrible disease," he said while speaking on a point of order.
The Jatiyo Party MP called upon all lawmakers to unite and take a pledge not to support extortionists and to resist them.
"My appeal to fellow MPs - let us unite in this issue; we will pledge not to support them (extortionists), but to resist them," Anisul said.
Highlighting the news published in the media, Anisul, also senior co-chairman of Jatiyo Party, said extortion has to be paid while transporting goods, which causes an increase in prices.
"If you want to build a house,

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12 CITY CORPORATIONS
17,000-tonne waste generated daily
LGRD minister tells JS

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
LGRD Minister Tazul Islam yesterday told parliament that the government has taken various measures to recycle the 17,000 tonnes of waste produced in the country's 12 city corporations every day.
Through recycling, the waste will be turned into wealth while also preventing pollution, he said in reply to a query.
The minister also said work is going on to verify proposals on producing power from waste from all city corporations except Barishal and Rajshahi.
Dhaka South City Corporation produces around

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Teen stabbed to death in M'singh

OUR CORRESPONDENT, M'singh
A teenage boy was stabbed to death allegedly by a youth in Mymensingh's Gafargaon upazila on Saturday.
The victim is Mustakim Mia, 17, son of Surjat Ali. Md Khairul Bashar, officer in-charge of Pagla Police Station in Gafargaon, said Mustakim went to a local village fair in the evening, where he had an altercation with Sajal Mia, 20, over a trifling matter. At one stage, Sajal stabbed him with a knife.
No case was lodged and no one was arrested as of filing this report yesterday evening.

POLLS CODE BREACH
MP Bachchu gets bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg
A Chattogram court yesterday granted bail to Chattogram-10 lawmaker Mohiuddin Bachchu in a case filed by the Election Commission over breaching electoral code of conduct.
The court of 4th Metropolitan Magistrate Md Salauddin passed the bail order after the MP surrendered before the court, seeking bail.
On Thursday, the same court issued an arrest warrant against Bachchu as he did not appear before it despite a summon order.

Fateh Ali Chowdhury

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Development Corporation. He was also a director of CSL, which provided logistic support as an associate to foreign companies doing business in Bangladesh. He was engaged in several activities of Nirmul Committee, advocating for trial of war criminals.
Fateh was part of almost all the operations carried out by the Crack Platoon in Dhaka. His house on Hatkhola Road during 1971 was used by freedom fighters.
After independence, Fateh became a teacher. He also worked with Bangladesh Industrial

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'Save us from Kaliganga erosion'
Locals form human chain for 2nd day



OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj
A section of residents of Andharmanik, Jaynagar and Kanda Pouli areas under Manikganj Municipality continued their human chain programme yesterday for the second day.
Around 100 people joined the event in front of Manikganj DC Office around 10:30am demanding the authorities' prompt steps to protect their homesteads and croplands from Kaliganga river's erosion.
Speakers at the human chain urged authorities not to lease out the balumahal in Beutha-Pouli mouja of Manikganj to prevent erosion of the river. They said bridge, croplands, graveyards, mosques and hundreds of homesteads are at risk of getting devoured by the river.
Manikganj Mayor Md Ramzan Ali was present.
Later, they submitted a memorandum to Rehana Akhter, deputy commissioner of Manikganj.
"I received a memorandum from the locals. We will visit the place and take decision regarding lease of the balumahal keeping their demand in mind," said the DC.

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Open Tender Method (OTM)
This is to notify for all concerned that the e-Tender Notice No: 03/2023-24 from the office of the undersigned vide Memo No: 41.08.02.001.070.00.2024.09, Dated: 09.01.2024, the following change have been made due to unavoidable circumstances.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
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The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the World Bank toward the cost of the Accelerating and Strengthening Skills for Economic Transformation (ASSET) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments for consulting services to be procured under the project.