



Five more die
of dengue,
636 get
hospitalised

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

At least five dengue patients died while 636 others were hospitalised in the 24 hours till 8:00am yesterday.

According to the DGHS, among the deaths, three were reported from DSCC while one each from Chattogram and Khulna.

The total number of deaths this year now stands at 382, while total cases rose to 94,402.

Currently, 1,995 dengue patients are undergoing treatment at hospitals.



PHOTO: TITU DAS

A farmer rows a small boat along the Arial Kha River on a chilly morning, carrying his harvested Aman paddy to its destination. The photo was taken in the Shayestabadom area of Sadar upazila in Barishal recently.

SAINT MARTIN'S ISLAND

Tourist season with
overnight stays begins



STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

Tourist season on Saint Martin's Island begins today and will continue for two months until the end of January next year.

During this period, visitors will be allowed to stay overnight on the island.

Passenger vessels will start operating on the Cox's Bazar Saint Martin route from today. Ship operators said up to 2,000 tourists will be able to travel daily.

Hossainul Islam Bahadur, general secretary of the Sea Cruise Operator Owners' Association of Bangladesh, said, "Only three cruise ships will leave for Saint Martin's at 6:00pm on Monday morning. The daily quota of 2,000 passengers had not yet been filled."

Although the island opened to tourists on November 1, ship operations remained suspended as visitors showed little interest due to restrictions on overnight stays.

Shibli Azim Kashemi, president of the Saint Martin's Hotel and Resort Owners' Association, said tourist numbers are expected to rise after December 15, when

annual examinations end at schools.

Sujon Ghosh, a tourist, said they arrived in Cox's Bazar yesterday and were checking ticket availability for the island. "The staff told us tickets are still available, so we are happy we can go tomorrow," he said.

Md Sohel, a tourism businessman, said, "News of tourist season finally beginning has lifted our spirits."

Jamir Uddin, director of the Department of Environment's Cox's Bazar office, said ships will be closely monitored during passenger movement and no more than 2,000 tourists will be allowed each day.

The district administration will strictly enforce the government's 12-point instruction to protect the island's biodiversity, including regulation of tourist schedules and numbers, a bar on lighting, loud noise and barbeque parties on the beach at night, restriction on entry to key forest and collection and sale of key fruits, and a bar on activities harmful to marine turtles, birds, corals, mud crabs, shells or other biodiversity.

Health assistants
to continue demo

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Health assistants will continue their indefinite work stoppage after a meeting with the health authorities ended without any progress yesterday.

Several thousand health assistants, under the banner of the Bangladesh Health Assistant Association, began a sit-in on Saturday morning and stayed overnight at the Central Shaheed Minar in Dhaka to press home their six-point demand, including upgrading their posts to the 14th grade from 16th.

Fazlul Haque Chowdhury, member secretary of the Bangladesh Health Assistant Association Central Coordination Council, said, "We will also spend the night here tonight. The health adviser had called us for a meeting, but he did not meet us. Rather, an additional and joint secretary heard our points but could not give any solutions. We will continue our work stoppage."

Health assistants serve as frontline public health workers, particularly in rural and hard-to-reach areas, conducting routine vaccination sessions among other responsibilities.

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**Request for Expression of Interest (REOI)
For
Enforcement & Monitoring (Consultant)**

Ministry of Railways (MoR) is implementing a Tobacco Control Program with the financial assistance of "Vital Strategies" MoR is seeking qualified candidate for the position of Enforcement & Monitoring (Consultant) to develop and implement its tobacco control initiative. He/She will monitor the tobacco control enforcement mechanism and project strategies in collaboration with the project team of MoR and the relevant government department for successful implementation of this initiative.

2. "Initiative to Make Bangladesh Railways Tobacco Free-3rd Phase" project now invites eligible individuals for the post of **Enforcement & Monitoring (Consultant)** to submit their application for the post mention below:

S.L.	Post Name & Position	Educational qualification & experiences	Job responsibilities
1.	Enforcement & Monitoring (Consultant) Position-1	- Post Graduate degree in any discipline; - MBA degree will be considered as an additional qualification; - Minimum 10 years of relevant work experiences; - Age Minimum 45 years to maximum 65 years; - Salary-Negotiable; - Project Period: 1st September 2025 to February 2027. Note: Smokers do not need to apply.	- Monitor the implementation of the "Smoking & Tobacco Products Usage (Control) law" at railway stations and trains; - Facilitate station managers in planning and implementing the related provisions of the Tobacco Control (TC) law; - Prepare and submit monthly, quarterly and yearly technical and financial report to donor; - Develop monitoring checklists, conduct, surveys and compliance checks to track progress and effectiveness of law implementation; - Design data collection instruments and conduct field visits to ensure data quality; - Provide technical support to ensure programs meet objectives and stakeholders informed; - Perform other related duties as providing by the supervisor or competent authority.

3. The Project Director invites eligible applicants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested applicants are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified and competent to perform the services with a complete CV having one copy of recent Passport size photograph (with relevant documents) and by this REOI.

4. Expression of interest must be submitted by 3:00pm on 15 December, 2025 in sealed envelope to the office of the undersigned and be clearly marked as "Expression of Interest for the position" on the top of the envelope.

5. Working with the experience of coordination in the field of Tobacco Control will be an added qualification.

6. The Procuring Entity (PE) reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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COUNTRY

Teachers start work
abstention, boycott
classes, exams

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Government schools across the country may face disruptions from today, with secondary school teachers beginning a full-day work abstention and primary teachers planning to boycott annual examinations, demanding changes to their pay scale and service benefits.

Secondary teachers under the banner of the Bangladesh Government Secondary Teachers' Association had earlier announced the suspension of all academic activities, including the ongoing annual examinations.

Association leaders said if their demands are met, they will hold the remaining exams on weekly holidays on Friday and Saturday and publish results within December. Otherwise, the abstention will continue.

Their four-point demand includes bringing the entry-level assistant teacher post under the BCS (General Education) cadre, issuing a gazette to establish a Directorate of Secondary Education, prompt appointments to vacant posts, completion of stalled promotions and postings, approval of due time-scale and selection grade benefits in line with a Supreme Court verdict, and restoration of the pre-2015 system under which assistant teachers received two to three increments in advance.

Currently, they receive salaries under the 10th grade of the national pay scale, with a basic salary starting at around Tk 16,000.

Earlier yesterday, secondary teachers observed a sit-in in front of the Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education for the second consecutive day. In a statement, the association said since their demands remained unmet, they declared continuous work abstention from today.

Meanwhile, a section of primary teachers under the banner of Prathomik Shikhhok Dabi Bastabayan Parishad yesterday announced that they would boycott the annual exams scheduled for today in continuation of their indefinite work abstention. If their three-point demand remains unmet till tonight, the boycott will continue.

Also yesterday, a letter signed by AK Mohammad Shamsul Ahsan, director (policy and operation) of the Directorate of Primary Education, instructed all divisional deputy directors and district primary education officers to ensure that annual exams at government primary schools are conducted as planned and warned that any irregularity or negligence would lead to action.

Primary teachers are demanding elevation to the 10th grade, resolution of complications over higher-grade benefits after 10 and 16 years of service, and 100 percent departmental promotion from assistant teacher to head teacher.

Government primary school assistant teachers are currently placed in Grade 13 with a basic salary of about Tk 11,000.



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**Request for Quotation:
Procurement of CRM Machines**

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A Request for Quotation (RFQ) for the submission of Technical Offers is hereby issued for this purpose. The RFQ, along with details of the bidding process, can be found on the bank's website: <https://www.bracbank.com/en/page/e-tender>

Interested and eligible bidders are requested to submit their Technical Offers as per the mentioned bidding process.

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বাংলাদেশ রেড ক্রিসেন্ট সোসাইটি
জাতীয় সদর দপ্তর
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বাংলাদেশ রেড ক্রিসেন্ট সোসাইটির ২০২৫ সনের জন্য নিম্নলিখিত কার্যালয়সমূহে Physical Inventory সহ হিসাব সমূহ অডিটের জন্য আগ্রহী চার্টার্ড প্রাকটাইজিং অফিস থেকে আগামী ০৯ ডিসেম্বর ২০২৫ তারিখের মধ্যে অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে সোসাইটির মহাসচিব দপ্তরে সীলদালা সহ আবেদনপত্র জমা দেয়ার জন্য অনুরোধ করা যাচ্ছে।

ক) জাতীয় সদর দপ্তর।
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৪) সোসাইটির ৬৮টি জেলা / সিটি ইউনিট।
৫) সোসাইটির ৬৮টি ইউনিটের Consolidate Report.
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গ) ১) হলি ফ্যামিলি রেড ক্রিসেন্ট মেডিকেল কলেজ, ১নং ইফটান গার্ডেন রোড (সাধারণ গুদাম ও অন্যান্য) ঢাকা।
২) হলি ফ্যামিলি রেড ক্রিসেন্ট মেডিকেল কলেজ এর টাক গ্রুপিং ফান্ড।
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