# Five more die from measles, symptoms

## Death toll now 885

**UNB,** *Dhaka*

Five more patients died with measles and measles-like symptoms in the 24 hours till 8:00am yesterday, bringing the country's combined tally of confirmed and suspected measles-related deaths to 885 this year.

According to the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), one was a confirmed measles death, while the remaining four were classified as suspected deaths.

With this, the total number of confirmed deaths from measles has risen to 99 and suspected deaths to 786.

A total of 941 new suspected measles cases were reported during the 24-hour period, bringing the cumulative number of suspected cases nationwide to 1,39,125.



**Farmers swim through the shallow water of a canal while transporting split betel nut tree trunks on a banana-tree raft in the Pansha area of Barishal's Babuganj upazila yesterday. The trunks are used as pillars for rural houses, roof frames, window bars, and walkways over ditches and ponds.** PHOTO: TITU DAS

PROLONGED ABSENCE

# Six senior police officials suspended

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

The government yesterday suspended six senior police officials, ranging from additional deputy inspector general to assistant police commissioner, for remaining absent from duty for an extended period without leave or permission.

They are Additional DIGs Biplob Kumar Sarkar and Sudip Kumar Chakrabarty (both attached to Barishal Range DIG Office); Superintendent of Police Iqbal Hossain (attached to Khulna Range DIG Office); ASP Rajan Kumar Das of the 8th APBn in Cox's Bazar; SP Kazi Ashraful Azim (attached to Chattogram Range DIG Office); and DMP Assistant Commissioner Golam Ruhani.

According to notifications, the officers remained absent from their respective workplaces for a prolonged period without obtaining leave or prior permission.

The home ministry said the officials were served notices asking them to explain their unauthorised absence, but none of them replied.

# Youth key to advancing civilisation in AI era

## Says info minister

**BSS,** *Dhaka*



Information Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon yesterday said the youth are the main driving force of new civilisation in the era of rapidly changing technology.

"With the knowledge and experience of the old days, it is difficult to deal with the new challenges that are being created every day in the ongoing new ecosystem, including the emergence of artificial intelligence (AI). So, it is the duty of every country to impart the right knowledge and skills to the youths," he said.

He stressed the need for enhancing the skills of the youth, saying new technology-based crises are being added to old problems such as employment, food security, natural disasters and climate change.

The minister was addressing an event as chief guest at the Foreign Service Academy marking 'International Youth Day 2026'. Youth and sports and foreign affairs ministries jointly organised the meeting, which was presided over by State Minister for Youth and Sports Aminul Haque.

# 200 trawlers stranded

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Khan Fish in Alipur, said the price of ice had doubled, while supplies still could not meet demand.

"We are being forced to bring ice by truck from Khulna, Bagerhat and Barishal. This is pushing up our costs and wasting time," he said.

He warned that if ice supplies do not normalise soon, fish harvesting and marketing would be directly affected, with fishermen, trawler owners and traders all bearing the losses.

Abul Kashem, general manager of Patuakhali Palli Bidyut Samity, said the district was experiencing load-shedding due to a fuel shortage at power plants.

Only 85 megawatts of electricity were being received from the national grid against a daily demand of around 130 megawatts, he said.

He said the situation would ease once the fuel shortage was resolved and power plants currently shut for maintenance resumed operation.

# Restore media access to SC courtrooms

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discussion with journalists' leaders," he said, urging the SC authorities not to push journalists towards a broader movement.

Nurul Kabir said expectations for democracy, rights and justice had grown following the mass uprising, making it more important for the media to inform people about judicial proceedings.

He also said the Editors' Council had sought a meeting with the chief justice on the issue but had not been granted one yet.

Former LRF president and Ittefaq Executive Editor Saleh Uddin said the constitution envisages trials being held in open court, yet journalists were being kept outside.

Dhaka Journalists Union President Shahidul Islam, Dhaka Reporters Unity President Abu Saleh Akon and LRF President Muhammad Yasin also spoke.

Over 200 journalists took part in the sit-in.

Among others, former LRF presidents Badiuzzaman, Ashutosh Sarkar and Shamima Akhter; DRU former president and RTV Head of News Elias Hossain; Bangladesh Crime Reporters Association General Secretary MM Badshah; Reporters Against Corruption President Shafi Uddin Ahmed; and Reporters Forum for Election and Democracy President Kazi Jebel were present.

**Notification**

Dhaka Third Division Qualifying Cricket Tournament (2025-2026)

Bangladesh Cricket Board

No.-BCB/CCDM/2025-26/1022 Date: 13th August, 2026

Dhaka Third Division Qualifying Cricket Tournament (2025-2026) will be held in September 2026. According to the decision of the Bangladesh Cricket Board, the teams/clubs located within the Dhaka Metropolitan area only (excluding corporate, office, and cricket academy teams) will be eligible to collect the prescribed application form and terms & conditions from the office of CCDM, BCB, by paying Taka 1,000/- (One Thousand Only) Cash from **13th August to 20th August 2026 (between 10 am to 5 pm).**

The interested clubs/teams are required to submit the prescribed application form and necessary documents on the official letterhead of the club, along with the Pay Order of Taka 1,00,000/- (One Lac Only) Entry Fee, Non-refundable in favor of **"Bangladesh Cricket Board"** from **21st August to 26th August 2026** (between 10 am to 5 pm) at the Office of CCDM, BCB (Sher-E- Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1216).

Please note that no application will be accepted after the stipulated deadline.

It must be mentioned that no team/club outside the Dhaka Metropolitan area will be eligible to participate in this tournament. All interested clubs/teams must comply with the terms & conditions prescribed by the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB).

**Chairman**
Cricket Committee of Dhaka Metropolis (CCDM)
Bangladesh Cricket Board, Dhaka

Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission
Plot#E-5/A, Agargaon Administrative Area
Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
www.btrc.gov.bd

**Invitation for Tender (IFT)**

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| 1. | Ministry/Division | | Posts and Telecommunications Division | | |
| 2. | Procuring Entity Name | | Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) | | |
| 3. | Invitation for | | For Procurement of Mobile Handset Testing Lab | | |
| 4. | Invitation Ref No. & Date | | 14.32.0000.400.07.007.26.1141; 12-08-2026 | | |
| 5. | Procurement Method | | Open Tendering Method (International) | | |
| 6. | Budget and Source | | GoB | | |
| 7. | Tender Publication Date | | 12-08-2026 | | |
| 8. | Tender Last Selling Date | | 29-09-2026 | | |
| 9. | Tender Submission Date | | 30-09-2026 | | |
| 10. | Tender Opening Date & Time | | Date: 30-09-2026, Time: 02.30 PM | | |
| 11. | Address of the Office(s) for selling and receiving tender document | | Director, Administration Division, BTRC | | |
| 12. | Place and Date & Time of Pre-Tender meeting | | BTRC, Time: 11.30 AM, Date: 30-08-2026 | | |
| 13. | Eligibility of Tenderer | | 1. The Tenderer shall have minimum 05 years of experience in the supply of Goods and related services.<br>2. The minimum specific experience as Supplier in supply of related telecom product of at least 1 contract successfully completed within the last 5 years.<br>3. The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit line(s) or specific credit commitment or in any combination of them, of the Tenderers shall be for:<br>a. Lot-1: 2,00,00,000 BDT (Two crore) or equivalent currency.<br>b. Lot-2: 50,00,000 BDT (Fifty lacs) or equivalent currency. | | |
| 14. | Brief Description of Goods | | As detailed in tender schedule. | | |
| 15. | Brief Description of related service | | As detailed in tender schedule. | | |
| 16. | Tender Document price | | BDT 5000/- (Five Thousand) Pay Order in favour of BTRC. | | |
| 17. | Lot No. | Identification of Lot | Location | Tender Security Amount (Tk.) | Completion time in days |
| | Lot-01 | As detailed in tender schedule. | BTRC, Dhaka | BDT 8 (eight) Lacs or USD 6,500 (Six thousand and five hundred) | 180 days from contract signing |
| | Lot-02 | As detailed in tender schedule. | BTRC, Dhaka | BDT 8 (eight) Lacs or USD 6,500 (Six thousand and five hundred) | 180 days from contract signing |
| 18. | Name, Designation, Address & Contact details of Official Inviting Tender | | Mohammad Anowar Hossain, Director (Admin), BTRC. Plot#E-5/A, Agargaon Administrative Area, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh. Telephone No.: +8802222217120; Mobile No.: +8801552202705; e-mail address: diradmin@btrc.gov.bd. | | |
| 19. | The Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all the Tenders or annul the Tender proceedings | | | | |

12.08.2026
Mohammad Anowar Hossain
Director (Admin), BTRC.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH
Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation

**Open Tender (International) for Petroleum Products**

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| 1 | Ministry/Division | Energy and Mineral Resources Division. |
| 2 | Agency | Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC). |
| 3 | Procuring Entity Name | General Manager (Com. & Ops.), Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC). |
| 4 | Procuring Entity District | Chattogram, Bangladesh. |
| 5 | Invitation for | Invitation for Open Tender (International) for import of Gasoil 0.005% 'S' (50 PPM) and Jet A-1 during "September 1st to December 31st, 2026". |
| 6 | Invitation Ref. No | 28.03.0000.000.045.01.0006.26 |
| 7 | Date | 13th August, 2026 |
| KEY INFORMATION | | |
| 8 | Procurement Method | Open Tendering Method (OTM) |
| FUNDING INFORMATION | | |
| 9 | Source of Funds | Own Fund |
| PARTICULAR INFORMATION | | |
| 10 | Tender Package No. | PG-01 and PG-02 |
| 11 | Tender Package Name | Invitation for Open Tender (International) for import of Gasoil 0.005% 'S' (50 PPM) and Jet A-1. |
| 12 | Tender Publication Date | 13/08/2026 |
| 13 | Tender Last Selling Date and time | 02/09/2026; 4.00 PM (BST) (GMT+6) |
| 14 | Tender Closing Date and time | 03/09/2026; 12:00 PM (BST) (GMT+6) |
| 15 | Tender Opening Date and time | Date: 03/09/2026;<br>**PG-01:** 12:15 PM (BST) (GMT+6)<br>**PG-02:** 12:45 PM (BST) (GMT+6) |
| 16 | Name and Address of the Office(s) | |
| 17 | Selling Tender Document (Principal) | Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation, Joy Pahar Estate, Sarson Road, Chawkbazar, Chattogram-4203. |
| | Selling Tender Document (Others) | Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation, BTMC Bhaban, Level-10, 7-9 Karwan Bazar, Dhaka-1215, Bangladesh. |
| | Receiving Tender Document | Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation, Joy Pahar Estate, Sarson Road, Chawkbazar, Chattogram-4203. |
| | Opening Tender Document | |
| 18 | Place/Date/Time for Pre-Tender Meeting | Virtual Meeting (Zoom Platform).<br>20/08/2026: 11:00 AM (GMT+6) |
| 19 | Tender Validity/ Offer Validity Period | The Offer must be valid till 25/10/2026. |
| INFORMATION FOR TENDERER | | |
| 20 | Brief Eligibility and Qualification of Tenderer | (i) A maximum of three (03) litigation history against the tenderer(s) over a period of the last three (03) years.<br>(ii) The tenderer(s) must have minimum 3 (Three) years' general experience in the export of petroleum products.<br>(iii) The Tenderer(s) must have specific experience of executing at least 02 (two) contracts with a minimum value of USD 150 Million each in last three years in the supply of goods similar to the proposed goods.<br>(iv) The Tenderer(s) must own refinery(ies) or more than 50% equity of a refinery. The processing capacity of the refinery(ies) must be at least 2.25 million metric tons per year. Or,<br>The Tenderer(s) must satisfactorily complete the export of at least 3.75 million Metric tons of petroleum products annually for the last three years.<br>(v) Annual turnover of the Tenderers during last 3(three) years must be equivalent to minimum US$ 2.00 billion.<br>(vi) The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital facility must be US$ 1.00 billion.<br>(vii) The Tenderer(s) must be free from any interdictory/embargo/sanction from international organization like UNO, OPEC, WTO etc.<br>(viii) The Tenderer(s) must comply with international safety standard and environment compliances. |
| 21 | Brief Description of Goods | PG-01: The total quantity to be supplied is 1.641-1.865 Million Barrels (220,000-250,000 Metric Tons) of Gasoil 0.005% 'S' and 0.400 Million Barrels (50,000 Metric Tons) of Jet A-1 (+/-10% for each grade at Buyer's Option).<br>PG-02: The total quantity to be supplied is 1.492-1.715 Million Barrels (200,000-230,000 Metric Tons) of Gasoil 0.005% 'S' and 0.320 Million Barrels (40,000 Metric Tons) of Jet A-1 (+/-10% for each grade at Buyer's Option). |
| | Minimum and Maximum range of importable quantity for each package is at Buyer's option. | |
| 22 | Tender Document Price | Tender Document Price: BDT 12,000.00 / US$ 100.00 for each package, Non-Refundable by Cash / Pay Order / Bank Draft drawn in favor of "Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation". |

| 23 | Package No. | Identification | Tender Security Amount | Completion Time |
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| | PG-01 | PG-01 | USD 1.00 Million | 01st September – 31st December 2026 |
| | PG-02 | PG-02 | USD 1.00 Million | |

| PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS | | |
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| 24 | Name of Official Inviting Tender | Mohammad Zahid Hossain |
| 25 | Designation of Official Inviting Tender | General Manager (Commercial & Operations), BPC. |
| 26 | Address of Official Inviting Tender | Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation, Joy Pahar Estate, Sarson Road, Chawkbazar, Chattogram-4203. |
| 27 | Contact details of Official Inviting Tender | Tel. No: +88-02-3333-16121<br>Mobile: +88 01713755377/+880 01829-589366<br>Fax No: +88 2333320147<br>Email: gm_commercial@bpc.gov.bd |

***The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.***

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