

PM offers separate economic zone for British investors

STAFF REPORTER

Offering the British investors a special economic zone in Bangladesh, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday sought large-scale investments from them for mutual benefits. "We have been attaching the highest priority to the foreign direct investment (FDI) in Bangladesh. For that, we have been establishing 100 economic zones, high-tech parks and incubation centres across the country," she said. If the British investors want, Bangladesh will allocate a separate economic zone for them as "we have given land for establishing separate economic zones for some other countries", she said. She said this when a British cross party parliamentary delegation led by Vice Chair of All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on

Bangladesh and Chair of APPG on Indo-British, Virendra Sharma, MP, paid a courtesy call on her at her official Ganabhaban residence here. PM's Speechwriter M Nazrul Islam briefed newsmen after the meeting. Sheikh Hasina said Bangladesh is well connected to South East Asia and South Asia that have a market of 300 crore people due to its geographical location. "So, the investor will face no trouble to find out markets of their produced goods," she said. She continued that her government has been putting everything online to cut the procedural time to invest in Bangladesh. "The government has already put some 110 items online out of 170. Rest of the 60 items will be put online very soon," she said. The British MPs pledged to work closely to take forward the

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Yesterday Sunday Delegation led by Virendra Sharma, Vice-Chair, All Party Parliamentary Group on Bangladesh, UK House of Commons meeting with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at Gana Bhaban —PID

Activists throw soup at Mona Lisa in Paris

INTERNATIONAL DESK

Protesters threw soup at the glass-protected "Mona Lisa" in the Louvre Museum in Paris on Sunday. In a video of the stunt, two women can be seen splashing orange-colored soup on the artwork while one of them shouts: "What's more important — art or the right to healthy, sustainable food? Our agricultural system is sick. Our farmers are dying at work." A spokesperson from the Louvre confirmed to DW that the painting, which is encased

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Beijing engaged with Myanmar on cease fire in Rakhine

STAFF REPORTER

Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh Yao Wen on Sunday said that Beijing has been engaged with Myanmar to have a cease fire in the Rakhine state to pave the way for Rohingya repatriation. "You must be aware that under Chinese mediation, we wish to have a cease fire in the Rakhine State," he told reporters after a courtesy call with foreign minister Dr Hasan Mahmud at the foreign ministry here. He said that cease fire was taken place in the past in Rakhine State under the mediation of China. "Myanmar government already have three cease fire

Govt working to bring down prices of essentials: Quader

STAFF REPORTER

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader on Sunday said the government is working to bring down prices of essential commodities to make those affordable for common people, terming it one of the challenges for the present government. "Soaring the prices of essentials is a reality. . . Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, in her first cabinet meeting, directed to take effective measures in this regard and we have already started working on it," Quader, also Awami League general secretary, told journalists after the meeting with Indian High Commissioner in Dhaka Pranay Kumar Verma at Bangladesh Secretariat office here. Referring to many challenges regarding contemporary issues, he

added: "Implementation of election manifesto is very challenging. It is tough to create job facilities for one crore youths in five years, arrest the price spiral of essentials, and overcome the crises of dollar, reserve and energy as well." Stating that India has behaved like a good neighbour in view of our elections, the senior minister said this friendly behavior of the neighbouring state was necessary as some foreign friends remained active to destabilize the country. Country's some oppositions in collusion with some foreign countries tried to destabilize the country in many ways, and he admitted that Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi

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Ukraine says corrupt officials stole \$40 million meant to buy arms for the war with Russia

AP NEWS

Employees from a Ukrainian arms firm conspired with defense ministry officials to embezzle almost \$40 million earmarked to buy 100,000 mortar shells for the war with Russia, Ukraine's security service reported. The SBU said late Saturday that five people have been charged, with one person detained while trying to cross the Ukrainian border. If found guilty, they face up to 12 years in prison. The investigation comes as Kyiv attempts to clamp down on corruption in a bid to speed up its membership in the European Union and NATO. Officials from

both blocs have demanded anti-graft reforms before Kyiv can join them. Ukrainian President notably that of Ivan



Volodymyr Zelenskyy was elected on an anti-corruption platform in 2019, long before Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine in

February 2022. Both the president and his aides have portrayed the recent firings of top officials, notably that of Ivan Bakanov, former head of the State Security Service, in July 2022, as proof of their efforts to crack down on graft. Security officials say that the current investigation dates back to August 2022, when officials signed a contract for artillery shells worth 1.5 billion hryvnias (\$39.6 million) with arms firm Lviv Arsenal. After receiving payment, company employees were supposed to transfer the funds to a business registered abroad, which would then deliver the ammunition to Ukraine. However, the goods were never delivered and the money was instead sent to various accounts in Ukraine and the Balkans, investigators said. Ukraine's prosecutor general says that the funds have since been seized and will be returned to the country's defense budget.

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Abu Zafar Raju was reappointed as Prime Minister's Protocol Officer-2

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT:

Md. Abu Zafar Raju re-appointed as Prime Minister's Protocol Officer-2. He has been working in this position since 2019 with great integrity, efficiency and reputation. Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman loved and loved his father Abdul Jabbar. Language soldier, liberation war organizer and valiant freedom fighter Abdul Jabbar was arrested and imprisoned on 21st February 1962 for holding a Prabhatferi, displaying placards and marching. He played a significant role in the education movement of 1962, the historic 6-point movement of '66, the Agartala machine case of '68, the mass uprising of '69, the elections of '70, and the anti-dictatorship movement of the '90s. After the brutal killing of the father



of the nation on August 15, 1975 by his family members, Abdul Jabbar organized a protest rally, protest march and funeral procession in Kulara city on August 17. For this

he had to be imprisoned several times and subjected to inhuman torture. Major Noor, one of Bangabandhu's killers, brutally tortured him in jail overnight and when he dared to open brush fire in the morning, he survived by the infinite mercy of Almighty God. When he resumed his political activities after his release, he was again arrested and subjected to imprisonment and torture. Mohammad Abu Zafar Raju has played a major role in the development of Kulara parliamentary constituency during his tenure as Prime Minister's Protocol Officer-2. He has developed nearly a thousand crore rupees in the last four/five years. Besides, it has sent several proposals for the development of another thousand crore rupees. Construction

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1st phase of Biswa Ijtema to begin on Feb 2

STAFF REPORTER

The first phase of Biswa Ijtema, the large congregation of the world Muslims, will begin on the bank of the Turag River at Tongi, on the outskirts of the city, on February 2. Ijtema Chief Coordinator Md Mahfuzur Rahman said the followers of Maulana Zubairul Hasan Kandhlavi will join the first phase of Biswa Ijtema to be held from February 2 to 4. With the participation of the supporters of Maulana Saad Kandhalvi, the second phase of the Ijtema will be held at the same venue from February 9 to February 11.



Bangabandhu Parishad distributed blanket among the winter distressed people. S M Lutfur Rahman, organizing Secretary of Bangabandhu Parishad Central Committee, D. Shakhawat Hossain, Secretary of Relief, MD Aziz, representative of central committee, DGM Bikash Chandra Das of Sonali Bank PLC and others representatives of Sonali Bank Bangabandhu Parishad were present there.

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UN urges countries to reverse funding pause for Palestinian agency

REUTERS
U.N. officials and aid groups called for countries to reconsider their decision to pause funding for the U.N. refugee agency for Palestinians on Sunday, warning that its life-saving aid for some two



million people in Gaza was in jeopardy. At least nine countries, including top donors the United States and Germany, have paused funding for the U.N. refugee agency for Palestinians (UNRWA) following allegations by Israel that some of its staff were involved in

the deadly Oct. 7 Hamas attacks on Israel that killed 1,200 people. "While I understand their concerns - I was myself horrified by these accusations - I strongly appeal to the governments that have suspended their contributions to, at least, guarantee the continuity of UNRWA's operations," U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said on Sunday, vowing to hold to account "any U.N. employee involved in acts of terror". Philippe Lazzarini, UNRWA commissioner-general, also urged countries to "reconsider

their decisions before UNRWA is forced to suspend its humanitarian response." More than 26,000 people have been killed in Israel's military campaign against Hamas in Gaza, the enclave's health ministry said. With flows of aid like food and medicine into the territory just a trickle of pre-conflict levels, deaths from preventable diseases as well as the risk of famine are growing, aid officials say. Since the Oct. 7 conflict began, most of Gaza's 2.3 million people have become reliant on the aid UNRWA provides, including about one million who have fled Israeli bombardments sheltering in its facilities. Palestinians expressed anger at the funding cuts. "We used to say Israel was launching a war of famine against us in parallel to its war of destruction, now those countries who suspended the aid to UNRWA declared themselves partners in this war, and collective punishment," said Yamen Hamad, who lives at an UNRWA-run school in Deir Al-Balah in central Gaza Strip, after fleeing northern Gaza. A U.N. appointed expert on the right to food Michael Fakhri, opens new tab warned on social media platform X that the funding cuts meant

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Iran Launches 3 Satellites into Space as Tensions Rise

INTERNATIONAL DESK

Iran said Sunday it successfully launched three satellites into space, the latest for a program that the West says improves Tehran's ballistic missiles. The state-run IRNA news agency said the launch also saw the successful use of Iran's Simorgh rocket, which has had multiple failures in the past. Footage released by Iranian state television showed a nighttime launch for the Simorgh rocket. An Associated Press analysis of the footage's details showed that it took place at the Imam Khomeini Spaceport in Iran's rural Semnan province. State TV named the launched satellites Mahda, Kayhan-2 and Hatef-1. It described the Mahda as a research satellite, while the Kayhan and the Hatef were nanosatellites focused on global positioning and communication respectively. There have been five failed launches in a row for the Simorgh program, another satellite-carrying rocket. The

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Illegal hoarders must face jail if not mend: Sadhan Chandra



NEWS DESK

Food Minister Sadhan Chandra Majumder on Sunday warned against illegal hoarding and said if they [the hoarders] do not rectify themselves, they will have to go jail. "Illegal hoarders would not spare only to realize penalty...they have to go jail if they do not correct themselves," he said. The food minister made this statement while he was exchanging views with peoples representatives and district officials of Naogaon district administrator's conference room here Yesterday Sunday morning. To bring the rice price at tolerable limit, he said the traders must have to change their attitude of making extra profit, adding: "Millers, wholesalers, retailers' corporate houses are equally responsible behind the rice price hike." Talking about public food distribution, Majumder said: "Food distribution remains underway under the Open Market Sale (OMS) particularly for the common people. Digital card has been prepared and the OMS will be distributed soon through the cards which will

ultimately stop repetition of rice taking by a particular person." After approval of the new act, the government could be able to take strict action against the illegal hoarders, the food minister noted. The "Production, Storage, Transfer, Transportation, Supply, Distribution and Marketing of Food Products (Prevention of Prejudicial Activity) Bill, 2023" with a provision of maximum life imprisonment for illegal hoarding of foodstuff already has been passed in the parliament, he said. Now the enactment of rules is going on. The food minister also asked the Director General of the Department of Food to issue an order of cancelling leave and weekly holiday of the food department employees during the anti-hoarding drive. Chaired by Deputy Commissioner of Naogaon Mohammad Golam Mawla, the view-exchange meeting also attended, among others, by different district-level officials, Civil Surgeon of the district Abu Hena Md Raihanuzzaman Sarker, Upzila Parishad Chairmen, Upzila Nirbahi officer (UNO) and media representatives.



Farmer training was organized by Lal Tir Seeds Limited in Faridpur

Faridpur Correspondent:

Farmer training on Onion Field Management and Crop Protection was held in Faridpur by Netherlands Enterprise Agency under Dutch Bangla Onion Support in overall management of Onion Impact Cluster Project and organized by Lal Tir Seed Limited. This farmer training was held on Wednesday, January 24, at 11 a.m. in the third floor hall room of White House, residential hotel in the city, organized by Lal Tir Seeds Limited. Md. Shafiqur Rahman, Divisional Manager of Lal Tir Seed Limited, was the chief guest in the program. Dr. Farrukh Ahmed, Principal Plant Breeder, spoke as the chief guest. Faridpur Sadar Upazila Agricultural Officer, agriculturist Md. Anwar Hossain was

present as the main speaker in the farmer training program. Md. Iqbal Hossain, Territory Manager, Rajbari, Iqbal Hossain, Manager PDS of Lal Tier Seed Limited, spoke. The best 16 selected farmers participated in the farmer training. The speakers emphasized on proper application of fertilizers and medicines in onion cultivation. The speakers emphasized on the importance of building seedbeds in a new way in keeping with the modern world of farmers and sowing the right onion seeds at the right time. Apart from this, farmers from different areas presented their views. The event was conducted by Lal Tir Seeds Limited, Regional Manager, Faridpur, Md. Harun-Or-Rashid.

Mustard cultivation is increasing in Chuadanga to meet the demand for edible oil

MOFIZ JOARDDAR

The mustard fields of Chuadanga village are decorated in green and yellow mithali. Where there is a ceremony of immense beauty of yellow across the vision. The mist hovering over these mustard fields makes the morning scenery mesmerizing. Chuadanga is now known as the region of rice, corn, fruits and vegetables. Although the district is small, depending on the season, 35,000 to 45,000 hectares of land is cultivated for rice, maize and vegetables. At one time sugarcane, jute, lentil and wheat were grown here. With the evolution of time, their cultivation has decreased. All these crops have been replaced by other crops. Mustard cultivation is increasing in Chuadanga to meet the demand for edible oil. As there is no natural problem in the current season, the farmers of this district have grown mustard as a cash crop. The land is generally fallow at this time after harvesting. Farmers have

used the land by planting mustard instead of leaving it. After cutting the mustard, the farmers will plant Boro rice again on this land. According to the sources of Chuadanga Agricultural Extension Directorate, in the current season mustard has been planted on 3 thousand 515 hectares of land in this district. Out of this, 310 hectares in Sadar Upazila, 2,485 hectares in Alamdanga Upazila, 310 hectares in Damurhuda Upazila and 410 hectares in Jibannagar Upazila have been cultivated. In 2022-23 season mustard was cultivated on 3 thousand 135 hectares of land. And in 2018-19 season mustard was cultivated in 2 thousand 836 hectares of land. Sources of the Agriculture Office also informed that, in the last 5 years, Motivate was conducted at



special level to meet the demand of edible oil. As a result, mustard cultivation has increased in about 700 hectares of land in the last 5 years. Abdur Razzak, a farmer of Jairampur village of Damurhuda upazila, said that after cutting the saplings, he planted Bari-14 mustard on 50 acres of land. About 8 thousand rupees have been spent by preparing the land for labour, fertilizer and irrigation. Mustard has grown well in that land. He expects to get about six to six and a half tons of mustard this year. Currently, mustard is being sold for 3 thousand to 3 thousand 200 rupees per head. He also hopes to be able to sell mustard for 18 to 19 thousand rupees. It is possible to earn ten thousand and eleven thousand rupees by selling mustard during extra time. Boro can be planted on that land after cutting the mustard. Ansar Ali and Sahdar Ilyas Hossain, farmers of Digri village under Chuadanga municipality, said that they together cultivate 14 varieties of mustard on 4 bigha land. Chuadanga

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Standing in front of the DC office demanding the removal of the head teacher of Narsingdi Government Girls' School

HALDHAR DAS

In Narsingdi, a protest march was held demanding the removal of Shiuli Akhtar, headmistress of Narsingdi Government Girls High School. At the end of the procession, a sit-in program was held for three hours from 11 am at the main gate of the Deputy Commissioner's office. Meanwhile, the students filed a written complaint with the District Commissioner demanding her immediate removal, calling the headmistress corrupt, cruel, disrespectful, money-grubbing. In view of the complaint, the Deputy Commissioner said. Badiul Alam called some representatives of the students to his room. Md. Lutfar Kabir, the senior teacher assigned by the headmaster of the school, was also present at the time. He said, "The Deputy

Commissioner has told the students that he has ordered the formation of an inquiry committee in view of the complaint. The

batch on January 25, 2024. Some of the students of SSC-2024 were made to stand outside the main gate for an hour and closed the



inquiry committee will submit the report within a day or two. After that, it will be sent to the higher authorities as soon as possible." Later, around two o'clock, the students left the position and marched around the city again with various slogans. According to the complaint, a notice was given to the school group to attend the farewell ceremony of SSC-2024

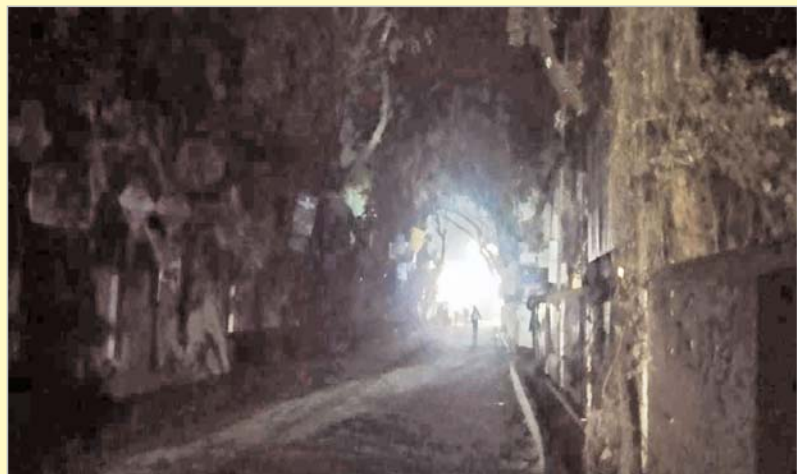
gave from inside if they were a little late to attend the school. On the request of students and parents, the school gate was opened after 1 hour and they were made to stand in a line and abused in unspeakable language. The headmistress said, "Is the school bought with your father's money? It is a school bought with my money." Although a

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Jaipurhat Municipality is first class on paper In the evening, the atmosphere is haunted

JAIPURHAT CORRESPONDENT:

It is known that after the independence of the country, when the importance of urbanization and business center increased, Jaipurhat municipality was established as a municipality on January 8, 1975. According to its importance, it was recognized as the first class on June 19, 1991. Even after 29 years of obtaining the first class recognition, the municipal authorities could not meet the needs of the residents of the street lights. The entire area of the municipality covering an area of about 20.72 km has been found to have insufficient electric lights as compared to the requirement. Some roads have none at all. And the lights on the roads are very



low. From 7 pm to 9 pm, the street lights in front of the government offices were seen to be damaged.

From the main gate of the Jaipurhat Modern District Hospital, the heart of the

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development initiatives of the government for the socioeconomic advancement of Bangladesh and its people. The five-member parliamentary delegation includes Paul Scully, MP, former Conservative Minister for Tech and Digital Economy, Neil Coyle, MP, Member of UK House of Commons Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, Andrew Western, MP, Opposition Whip at the House of Commons and Dominic Moffitt, Senior Parliamentary Assistant at House of Commons. The delegation which arrived in Dhaka on January 27 is scheduled to depart for London on 31 January. PM's Private Industry and Investment Adviser Salman Fazlur Rahman, Ambassador-at-Large M Ziauddin and Prime Minister's Office Secretary M Salauddin, were present.

Activists throw

in bullet-proof glass, had not been damaged. They added that the room housing the "Mona Lisa" had been reopened and everything at the museum had returned to normal. The activists were from the French organization "Riposte Alimentaire" (Food Response), which issued a statement saying the protest aimed to highlight the need to protect the environment and sources of food. The group called for a system to be put in place that gives people better access to healthy food while providing farmers with a decent income. It comes as French farmers stage protests demanding better pay, simplified regulations, and protection against cheap imports. For days, angry farmers have been blocking roads with their tractors across the country, and some have pledged to converge on Paris on Monday. New Prime Minister Gabriel Attal promised "decisions" would be made in the coming weeks to address farmers' concerns.

Govt working

have broken the wall of doubt and mistrust in the friendly relations between the two countries. "I see no reason to crack the ties with India in the days to come," the AL minister added. Replying to a query that politics is being heated up, Obaidul Quader said, "If there comes any obstacle in any work of the new government, we have to overcome it and if BNP launch any violent program here with any general program, then we have to deal with it strictly because we are in power, we must provide security of people's life and property."

Mitsubishi keen to

factory in Bhola as like Ghorashal-Polash Urea Fertilizer factory. The annual production capacity of the factory is likely to be 5 lakh metric tons," he added.

Beijing engaged with

to Myanmar as soon as possible. Responding to a question on Teesta project, the ambassador said China is committed to help Bangladesh in this regard but it requires proposal from the Bangladesh side first. "We continue to engage with the Bangladesh side (in this regards)," he said. The Chinese Ambassador said they expect better future and deep cooperation with Bangladesh.

UN urges

that famine was now "inevitable" in Gaza. Israel's Foreign Minister Israel Katz on Saturday called for agency to be replaced and urged for more countries to cut funding. Israel has not yet publicly given details of UNRWA staff members' alleged involvement in the attack on Israel.

Deputy U.N. spokesperson Farhan Haq declined to respond directly to Katz's remarks but said UNRWA overall had a strong record. Guterres said 12 staff members had been implicated and that nine had been terminated, one was dead and the identities of the other two were being clarified.

There was no immediate sign of countries' heeding the U.N. call to reinstate aid. However, Norway and Ireland said they would continue funding the agency. UNRWA was set up to help refugees of the 1948 war at Israel's founding and provides education, health and aid services to Palestinians in Gaza, the West Bank, Jordan, Syria, and Lebanon.

Iran Launches 3

United States has previously said Iran's satellite launches defy a UN Security Council resolution and called on Tehran to undertake no activity involving ballistic missiles capable of delivering nuclear weapons. UN sanctions related to Iran's ballistic missile program expired last October. The US intelligence community's 2023 worldwide threat assessment said the development of satellite launch vehicles "shortens the timeline" for Iran to develop an intercontinental ballistic missile because it uses similar technology. The US government did not immediately acknowledge the launch.

Abu Zafar Raju was

of 22 buildings/classrooms from Ministry of Education Department of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education. 21 Schools/Colleges for Repair and Renovation Total Rs.3 Crore 35 Lakhs. 3 crore 29 lakh 19 thousand rupees in total for manufacturing and supply of furniture in 24 companies. Construction of 6 buildings in Madrasa from Technical and Madrasa Education Department Total Rs 7 crore 59 lakhs for construction of 6 buildings. 1 crore for repair

and renovation of 5 institutions, besides establishment of Kulaura Technical School and College is in process.

List of MPO admissions- Total 8 schools and colleges have been admitted to MPO. 277 roads have been sanctioned by the Local Government Department, the work of which is in progress. 1034 deep tube wells and community tube wells are under implementation in the upazila at a cost of Tk 23.47 crore under the project of safe water supply and sanitation system. Solar electrification in Kulaura upazila to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. A proposal for payment of Rs. 4 crore is under process for the implementation of the road lighting project. Paving of 73.50 kilometers of roads at a cost of Tk 55 crores. 78 mosques, graveyards, Eidgahs, temples with a total payment of 2 crores 10 lakhs of 3 lakh rupees. In addition, he has given financial donations to about 100 institutions. A bridge over Fanai river is under construction at a cost of Tk 11.50 crore from the bridge department. Road Transport and Highways Department has taken up the project for upgradation to four lanes at a cost of Tk 41 crore to decongest Kulaura city. Paving of 17 unpaved roads and construction of 2 bridges at a cost of 1 crore 68 lakh from disaster and relief management. 1. Construction of bridge over Gopalichara at the junction of Mithupur and Abutalipur villages 85 lakhs, 24,000 Taka 2. Construction of bridge over river Thameswar on Tilasijura Hingajiya Haor Mukhi road. 83 lakhs 70, thousand rupees. From the health service department, a proposal to build a 10-storey building in the Upazila Health Complex and to upgrade it to 250 beds is in progress and construction of 33 community clinics and 4 health sub-centres is underway. ICT department has sent proposals for construction of 'Sheikh Kamal IT Training and Incubation Centre', setting up Sheikh Russell Digital Lab in 21 schools, sending proposals for setting up 28 more labs and work is in progress.

Proposal and work in progress for establishment of Fisheries Research Institute in Kulaura Upazila from Department of Fisheries and Animal Resources and proposal for establishment of Haor Development Institute has been sent. 8 lakh 20 thousand rupees has been given as a financial grant from the Ministry of Religious Affairs to 17 mosques, cemeteries, Eidgahs, temples and Swashman Ghat. Provision of books and almirahs for setting up 16 mosque libraries from Islamic Foundation. Names of 268 people have been proposed for providing education scholarships to students from Hindu Dharma Kalyan Trust. Sending proposals for renovation and reconstruction of 21 institutions including temples, mathas, ashrams, akras, crematoriums and financial grants. Apart from this, nominations and work are under process for financial donation to 77 Sanatan Dharmalambi poor people of the upazila. Sending proposal for construction of textile engineering college in upazila from textile and education ministry. Proposals and work on setting up Technical Centers (TTC) in upazilas from Expatriate Welfare Ministry are under process. From the Ministry of Water Resources, the excavation of canal from Dhulipara to Fanai river is under implementation, the excavation of 6 more rivers and canals, including the excavation of Mora Gugalichara canal, is in process. Ministry of Youth and Sports has sent a proposal for 'Construction of Sheikh Russell Mini Stadium' in Kulaura Upazila on priority basis, proposal for "Construction of Upazila Youth Training and Recreation Center" in Kulaura Upazila on priority basis and work is in progress and 50 thousand taka to 10 schools/colleges and social institutions. 5 lakhs. Also distribution of financial donations to clubs and social organizations, distribution of sports materials to schools, colleges, madrasas, distribution of sports materials through 75 clubs and social organizations. The Ministry of Women and Child Affairs sent a proposal for the construction of a mother and child hospital, distributed 50 sewing machines to poor women, and gave 188 women a total of 18,80,000 taka financial grants of 10,000 taka. Also distribution of 150 sewing machines and financial assistance to 264 people is in process.

From the Prime Minister's Relief Fund, about 2 crore 69 lakh rupees have been paid to the needy, poor, women, children, disabled, freedom fighters, special children and Awami League, Jubo League Chhatra League, deceased family members. Sending proposal for establishment of Diabetic Hospital from Ministry of Social Welfare. Proposals for construction of schools for special children and under process and among 763 patients with cancer, liver, kidney, stroke and paralyzed: about Rs.3 crore 81 lakhs disbursed, 265 more applications under consideration. A total of 16 lakh 60 thousand rupees has been paid from Samaj Kalyan Parishad to 332 people at 5 thousand rupees, and the applications of 163 more people are under consideration. And a total of 9 crore 95 lakh 50 thousand rupees has been paid among 19,880 tea workers in the last 5 years.

Neuroscience Foundation has paid a total of 34 lakh 50 thousand taka 34 lakh 50 thousand taka 10 thousand to 345 patients with intellectual disability, autism, cerebral palsy, 117 more applications are under consideration. In addition, during the corona epidemic, he distributed food to the needy poor people of the area, distributed winter clothes to the needy people every year and gave financial grants for the education of the poor students of the area. Ministry of Primary and Mass Education construction of total 41 buildings/extra classrooms, minor/major repairs in 134 government primary schools 2 crore 60 lakhs, construction of boundary walls in 26 government primary schools about 84 lakhs taka. From the electricity department, each union of Kulaura upazila cooperated in establishing electricity connection according to their needs. Father of two sons named Ahmed Adian and Ahmed Arshman. His wife Naima Yasmin used to teach in an English medium school and college. He performed the Holy Umrah in 2018 and 2021 and the Holy Hajj in 2023 and performed the Holy Umrah as a traveling companion of the Hon'ble Prime Minister. Besides, he has visited various countries including the United States, United Kingdom, Japan, Italy, Spain, Azerbaijan, Maldives, India, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland as a travel companion of the Honorable Prime Minister.

Mustard cultivation

Sadar office provided us fertilizer, seeds along with demonstration plot for 50th century, 50th century to 100th century. Our mustard field has done very well. Last year 14 Man mustard was produced. This year

will be more. Even though it is mustard harvest time, they have not received the benefits they are supposed to get from the Directorate of Agricultural Extension under the Oil Crops Production Enhancement Scheme. They expressed their anger for not getting the benefits. Jalal Uddin, Deputy Assistant Agriculture Officer of Chuadanga Damurhuda Upazila, said that the soil of Chuadanga is very suitable for mustard cultivation. We are motivating farmers for mustard cultivation. Mustard has been cultivated in 50 to 60 hectares of land in the current season in Natudah Union of the upazila. He said, during the last irrigation before harvesting the Aman paddy, it is suggested to plant mustard in the relay system between the paddy. This method reduces the cost of mustard cultivation to the farmers. Later, with an irrigation and a little fertilizer, the farmers are earning eight to ten thousand extra in exchange for spending one and a half thousand and two thousand rupees. Tahmina Akhtar, Assistant Agriculture Officer of Sadar Upazila, said that 23 tons of local variety Bigha, 3-4 tons of Tori-7 Vighat, 14-14 Bari, and 45 tons of Bina-9 Vighat are produced. He also said that 25 percent of local variety, Bina-14 mustard, 30 percent of Tori-7 mustard and 1314 kg of oil can be found in 1 mana of Bari-14 mustard. Mustard takes 60 days to 120 days to mature. Rafiqul Islam, Deputy Assistant Agricultural Officer of Maju Boke of Alamdanga district, said that mustard has been planted on 250 hectares of land in this boke this season. Farmers have planted mustard on 30 hectares more than last year. Last year mustard was cultivated on 220 hectares of land.

Alamdanga Upazila Agriculture Officer Rehena Parveen said that mustard was cultivated on 2 thousand 150 hectares of land last year in Alamdanga Upazila. Mustard cultivation has been done on 2 thousand 485 hectares of land this year. He said that mustard cultivation is increasing due to the overall cooperation with various incentives from the agriculture department. 71 percent of the district has cultivated mustard in this upazila. Bari-14 has cultivated the most. In the current season, the farmers have cultivated Bari-9,14,15 mustard. He also said that there is no other plantation between Aman and Boro in this field. Among the mustard varieties, Bari-14 mustard is the most cultivated by the farmers. After this, Bari-9 and Bari-15 were planted with mustard. Bivas Chandra Saha, Deputy Director of Chuadanga Agricultural Extension Department, said that there is extensive maize cultivation in Chuadanga district. Mustard cultivation has been close to the target in the current season. The target was 3 thousand 700 hectares planted on 3 thousand 515 hectares of land. Mustard has done well as the weather has been favourable. Production will also be good. Among mustard varieties Bari-14-17 without 4,9 even Tori (local) varieties are cultivated. Mustard cultivation is increasing especially in relay system. Mustard seeds are sprinkled in the paddy field 10-15 days before the harvesting of Aman paddy. By doing this, the farmer gets the yield of Aman and from there the farmer also gets mustard. Later, the farmer planted boro rice on that land. He said, I arranged the plan from the previous label. Accordingly, mustard cultivation is increasing. It will be possible to meet the demand of edible oil. He also said that if the average production of mustard per hectare is 1.5 metric tons, the production of mustard on 3 thousand 515 hectares of land will be 5 thousand 272.5 metric tons. 2 thousand 109 metric tons of oil will be produced from mustard and the rest will be oil.

Standing in front of the

certain amount of money was taken from all the students of the school along with the salary for the farewell ceremony of the school, there was no stage or any decoration to hold the farewell ceremony in the school. Apart from only 6 teachers, there were no teachers in the school, and no standard classes. With poor quality food, flowers and files, 6 teachers completed the farewell ceremony of three hundred students in 5 minutes. Even the headmistress didn't go there. When I went to fetch the headmistress, she informed me that she would not come. When the students went to the headmistress's room to ask for prayers and asked about other teachers, she became angry and misbehaved with the students. He threatened not to give the admit card or admit card to the students of the SSC exam and to watch the students while performing the duties of the hall secretary in the said

exam. He abused the students and threw them out of the room. He asked the janitor to beat the students and throw them out of the school. If the students protested, the students, He took out the school and closed the gate. Among the 17 types of corruption of the headmistress, some of the notable ones are:


1. through a preferred contractor Providing unhealthy food.
2. Keeping the library room and computer room locked and not allowing students to use them.
3. Don't do it with money for magazines.
4. Not giving ID card to everyone with ID card money.
5. Taking a picnic at the head teacher's husband's spot and serving poor quality food.
6. Misbehaving with parents.
7. Rearing baby rabbits by breaking the partition of the classroom.

Jaipurhat Municipality

Jaipurhat municipal area, the road adjacent to the Jaipurhat Civil Surgeon's office, which entered the main road, did not have any electric lights. However, this road is crowded with relatives of patients who come for treatment at Joypurhat Sadar Hospital throughout the night. Moreover, there are lights on another main road of the municipality, Magistrate Colony to Newhat connecting road, but it is not enough. The lights of Chitrapara and Dewanpara roads are very dim. Besides Professorpara, Sahebpara, Jarnia Bagan Sabuj Nagar, Dhanmondi Shaplanagar, Arafat Nagar, bus stand area, Biswas Para, BC Road of Aramnagar Masterpara etc., many lamps were seen broken. And the moving-lamps don't have enough light. Abdull Quddus, a toy vendor on Hospital Road, said, "I leave only in the evening because this road is very dark." On the other hand, Rubina, a relative of a patient who came from Kshetlal Upazila to get treatment at Joypurhat Sadar Hospital said that when I go to the pharmacy in the evening to buy medicine because the road is dark, I feel very scared. He also said that more lights are needed on this road. On the other hand, Suma Irene, a permanent resident of Professor Para, said, "I sometimes go to Nawanhat to take the market in the evening. Chitra Road is very dark. It is better if there is enough light here. He also said that many lights are not lit here. Daily Inkilab asked Deputy Assistant Engineer of Municipality Mohammad Mizanur Rahman about this, he said, we have more than 7000 lights and 115 kilometers of lines. Two or four may be lost. We repair them by ongoing investigation. He also said that the respective councilors of 9 wards have responsibility. Whoever has a problem in the area will notify us quickly and we will fix it overnight. Also, when talking to Papia Barik, the female councilor of Ward 4, 5 and 6, she told Daily Inkilab that she heard about these two places, Dakshin Dewanpara and Sheikhpara, that the lights are not on. I have already given notice to our electrical branch. Hope to take action soon.

I will turn

ceremony as special guests, Narsingdi Superintendent of Police Mohammad Mostafizur Rahman PPM and Narsingdi District Awami League President GM Taleb Hossain. Additional District Commissioner (General) Md. Mostafa Manwar along with other district administration officials were present. In the speech of the chief guest, the Minister of Industry said that Narsingdi district is near Dhaka. I will turn Narsingdi district into a sports zone within the next five years. Starting from swimming pool, there will be all kinds of games in this project. I will take Narsingdi district to national level in all sports. He drew the attention of all concerned including the president of sports organization Narsingdi District Commissioner and said, you should continue sports. If you need a big budget, tell me, I will talk to the sports minister and arrange everything. General Secretary of the District Sports Association Md. Shahinul Islam Bhuiyan delivered the welcome speech at the beginning of the discussion meeting. Narsingdi Municipality Mayor Alhaj Amjad Hossain Bachchu, District Sports Association Vice President Md. Mostafa Mia, Delwar Hossain Bhuya, Anisur Rahman Bhuya, Hero Freedom Fighter Habibur Rahman Habib and others were present. Narsingdi District Administration and District Sports Association jointly organized this tournament.



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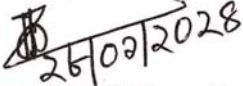
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2	939409, BSMMU/Engg/Civil/D-block/2023-24	Works, Repair and Painting of Stair and Lift Lobby from ground floor to 16th floor of D-block at BSMMU, Shahbag, Dhaka.	NCT, OTM	25-Jan-2024 14:00:00, 19-Feb-2024 14:00:00
3	940503, BSMMU/Engg/Civil/Cabin/2023-24	Works, Construction, repair and renovation of 4th floor of Cabin Block at BSMMU, Shahbag, Dhaka.	NCT, OTM	25-Jan-2024 14:00:00, 19-Feb-2024 13:30:00

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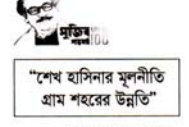
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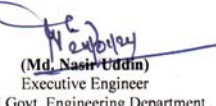
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Hartley hurts India after Pope's masterclass

SPORTS DESK

Debutant Tom Hartley landed three blows as India, chasing 231 to win the opening test against England, slumped to 95-3 at tea on day four of the see-saw contest at Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium. A lead of 190 had put the home side in charge but Ollie Pope's epic 196 revived England, who posted 420 all out in their second innings to roar back into the contest. Left-arm spinner Hartley,

who went at 5.24 per over in the first innings, wiped out India's top order. KL Rahul (21) and Axar Patel (17) led the charge for India, who need 136 to go 1-0 up in the five-match series. Earlier, England vice-captain Pope dug his heels in to produce one of the finest knocks by a touring batter in India. He got strong support from the England tail with Rehan Ahmed (28) and Hartley (34) producing useful cameos under pressure. Jasprit Bumrah

(4-41) dismissed Ahmed but Hartley continued to frustrate the home side while Pope continued accumulating runs at the other end. Pope got a life on 186 when (KL) Rahul dropped him in the slip off Mohammed Siraj. Ravichandran Ashwin (3-126) eventually dismissed Hartley and Bumrah ended Pope's vigil when he uprooted the off-stump after the batter had attempted a reverse-scoop. India began their pursuit for victory rather

cautiously before Hartley jolted them. Opener Yashasvi Jaiswal (15) flicked the spinner to short leg and, two balls later, Shubman Gill perished at silly point with Pope taking both catches. Rohit Sharma (39) looked more assured than them but Hartley trapped the rival captain LBW to reduce India to 62-3. Rahul and Patel steadied the innings but the match remained in the balance. Source: Reuters

Nine-man Monaco draw in battle at Marseille

SPORTS DESK

Monaco had two men sent off but dug in for a 2-2 draw at Marseille in a

centre-forward Wissam Ben Yedder gave the visitors the lead on seven minutes. But Ben Yedder's left foot strike

range tap in was overruled by VAR. Shortly before half-time though Monaco went 2-1 up when Ben Yedder put

Denis Zakaria got his marching orders for a second yellow for a clumsy tackle, but Adi Huetter's outfit held the



pulsating Ligue 1 scrap in front of over 63,000 fans at the Stade Velodrome on Saturday. The result leaves Monaco third and Gennaro Gattuso's gritty Marseille fifth, after a pulsating game between the south coast rivals. Marseille remain unbeaten at home this season but Monaco

from the edge of the box was followed swiftly with a straight red for Guillermo Maripan for holding Vitinha on ten minutes. Roving Marseille striker Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang levelled 1-1 on 39 minutes on a noisy night at the Velodrome after an off-side decision on his close

the elegant Maghnes Aklouché through on a counter-attack with a fine cross shot. Marseille came out fighting in the second half and their Argentine central defender Leonardo Balerdi made it 2-2 after rampaging forward as his low drive flew in from 25-yards. Monaco went down to nine men when

line well to play out for a hard earned point. Earlier, French Riviera outfit Nice edged 1-0 past visitors Metz to climb second while on Sunday leaders Paris Saint-Germain host Brittany high-flyers Brest who started the weekend third after a run of six wins in seven games.

NBA Twitter reacts to Warriors' loss in double OT battle vs. Lakers

SPORTS DESK

For the second straight game, the Golden State Warriors are ending the night with a one-point loss. Despite multiple clutch shots from Steph Curry and Klay Thompson in crunch time, the Warriors' struggles with closing teams out took centerstage again against LeBron James and the Los Angeles Lakers on Saturday in primetime. Although the Warriors stretched a lead to 15 points in regulation, a cold scoreless stretch in the final minutes of the game opened the door for the Lakers. While the Lakers not only tied the game, but took the lead,

Curry came to the rescue with a game-tying bucket to force overtime after evading Anthony Davis with crafty handles. In the first overtime period, Thompson knocked down a clutch 3-pointer to tie the game with seven seconds remaining to push the game into a second overtime. While it looked like the Warriors were close to securing a win over the Lakers behind a ridiculous go-ahead 3-pointer from Curry to give his team a one-point lead, there was still enough time on the clock for James and the Lakers. With just a second left on the clock, James was fouled driving to the bucket and sent to the line with an attempt to win the game.

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Jurgen Klopp's shock Liverpool exit is the ultimate cost of his full-throttle football

SPORTS DESK

Eight years and three months earlier, at his unveiling at Anfield, Jurgen Klopp had pronounced himself as "the normal one". It proved one of the most deceptive things he ever said, but after a distinctly abnormal reign, he will leave Liverpool on a quest for a little normality. "I arrived here like a normal guy and I never lived that," he said. "I don't know how normal life is so I have to find out." His achievements are such that he will not be granted anonymity, but he is savouring the thought of time off from football. "No club, no country for the next year, no English club ever, I can promise that, even if I have nothing to eat - that will not happen, by the way, thanks to Liverpool," he said. Chief executive Billy Hogan smiled as he recounted how his son had said he thought Klopp would manage Liverpool forever. Now, to his disappointment, they are counting down the days to

in the summer: perhaps with a quadruple, perhaps empty-handed but either way, he insisted, he will not do what Sir Alex Ferguson did in the 2001-02 season and revoke his decision to leave. Klopp is confident he remains at the peak of his powers, worried that if he continued exhaustion would render him a passenger. If it is right for him to go, he argued, it becomes right for Liverpool. "The club needs a manager on his top game," he explained. "I cannot do the job in the future but I can do it very well right now. You have to be the best version of yourself, especially for a club like Liverpool. I cannot do it on three wheels, it is not allowed, and I have never wanted to be a passenger." And it remains Klopp at the wheel, him who has reached for the brake. If he is alone in thinking he could have crashed out last season, now he could end with a victory lap. "We had last year's situation and I think a lot of managers would have got the sack

somehow." The trauma of 2022-23 - albeit alleviated a little by its uplifting end - took a toll on the master motivator. "Last season and three years ago, you can count them as dog years," Klopp said. Liverpool's subsequent resurgence is a sign his powers are not waning. Perhaps his stamina is. "My energy level was endless and now it is not," he explained. Which is not surprising, and not merely because he is a 56-year-old grandfather. "We are not young rabbits any more," he said, with a characteristically colourful turn of phrase. In the Premier League era, only Ferguson and Arsene Wenger have had longer spells in charge of one of the superclubs, with the attendant attention on them, with the crowded fixture lists, with the annual pressure to excel. "It is intense," he said. "My fault, not the job's." In the last 23 years, Klopp only had a four-month sabbatical between posts, after leaving Borussia Dortmund and before answering Liverpool's

reins at Mainz in a relegation battle propelled himself to Anfield. If some are born great and some have greatness thrust upon them, Klopp achieved it. But his teams played full-throttle football and his is a full-throttle brand of management. He explained: "My managerial skills are based on energy and emotion. That takes all of you and needs all of you and I am who I am and where I am because of how I am, with all the good and bad things, and if I cannot do it any more, stop it." The realisation came in pre-season, even as he was then galvanised by his side's progress. "In this moment, I love each minute," he said. "This team is set up for the future. When I said Liverpool 2.0, that didn't include me obviously for the next 10 years but the team is there, the basis is there." Rewind to his unveiling and Klopp said: "It is not allowed you take the history in your backpack." He will leave Anfield in search of some rest and



his departure. A resignation that sent shockwaves through football left Klopp with a sense of relief. The responsibility of managing Liverpool has weighed heavy on him. He has the chance to go out on a high

and there was never any intention to do that and my responsibility grows and grows so when it is not right any more, I have to tell," he said. "The owners knew I would take the decision. I don't want to hang around and do the job

call. "When you have the career I have, it is pretty much impossible to start where I did and arrive at Liverpool but if it becomes possible it is because you invest everything you have," he said: the lower-league defender given the

recovery having made history, aided by his innate ability to engender positivity. He has a little over four more months, perhaps four more trophies. He said: "In my world, the best memories are still to come."

South Africa level series with stunning first-ever win over listless Australia

SPORTS DESK

South Africa captain Laura Wolvaardt hopes Australia's domination of her side is over after they beat the reigning world champions for the first time ever. In their T20 clash in Canberra, quality bowling helped the Proteas hold the hosts to a below-par 6-142, a total they tracked down with six balls to spare thanks to captain Wolvaardt's unbeaten half century. Australia made scoring look tough at Manuka Oval, but South Africa's openers quickly built the platform they needed to claim the historic victory. Wolvaardt (58 not out) and Tazmin Brits (41) added 75 for the first wicket, the former still there to negotiate a potentially tricky final stanza after the tourists lost 3-22.

special and something that hopefully can change our mindset. Hopefully the voodoo is a bit broken now and we can win on a more regular basis." Wolvaardt witnessed a mini-collapse when her side fell from 1-109 to 3-110 in the space of three balls, but steadied things and brought up her half-century to steer them to victory. Brits, who carried her bat through Saturday's innings

Pace bowler Masabata Klaas was particularly dangerous, taking 2-16 from three overs, while spin duo Nonkululeko Mlaba and Chloe Tryon tied things down in the middle overs. Harris hit three fours and a six in her unbeaten 31, with the Australians taking 18 runs off the final over of the innings. Four of the reigning world champions' last five losses have come when batting first, a statistic

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It was the 24th time the nations have met in women's cricket - across ODIs and T20s - and the first time the Proteas have been victorious. A tied ODI in 2016 was the closest they had come previously. Sunday's result also squared the multi-format series after Australia won Saturday's opening contest. Wolvaardt acknowledged what a stepping-stone the result could be for her team as they look towards October's T20 World Cup. "It's very special, obviously having never beaten them before in any format or game is something we were looking to change and to do it in their own back yard is incredibly special," she said. "Especially just with a lot of senior players retiring in the past few years ... to have this new dynamic young team ... beating the world champions is something very

in making 59 not out, continued to sizzle, cracking eight fours in another brilliant knock. After winning the toss and batting, expectations were high for Australia after they had chased down 6-147 in game one without getting out of second gear. But they struggled to find gaps or land big blows in a stuttering display, with captain Alyssa Healy (29 off 24 balls) and Grace Harris (31 not out off 18) the only players who looked comfortable at the crease.

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