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**European Commission to help flood-hit people in north-west**

Unb, Dhaka

The European Commission has decided to provide an additional one million Euro (over Tk 9.5 crore) for the most vulnerable families affected by floods in north-western Bangladesh. The funds will help the flood-hit people in Kurigram, Gaibandha, Bogra, Sirajganj and Jamalpur districts, said a press release. The funds will be distributed among the people through mobile transfer technology, it said.

SC upholds bail to Tanvir in Sagar-Runi murder case

Staff Correspondent

The Supreme Court yesterday upheld a High Court order that on December 2 granted bail to Tanvir Rahman, an accused in Sagar Sarowar and Meherun Runi murder case. The SC upheld the HC order after hearing a petition moved by Attorney General Mahbubey Alam seeking stay on it. Sagar, news editor of Maasranga TV, and his wife Runi, senior reporter of ATN Bangla, were killed at their rented flat in the capital on February 11, 2012.

Hult Prize 2015 quarterfinal held at Brac University

City Desk

The quarterfinal of Hult Prize 2015, one of the world's largest student competitions for generating social business ideas, was held at Brac University on Saturday. This year's theme of the competition, hosted by the Hult Foundation in partnership with Clinton Global Initiative, was Early Childhood Education in urban slums. Held in Brac Center auditorium, the quarterfinal round was organised with support from The Daily Star and sponsored by Nitol Motors Limited and powered by Radio Foorti.

Preservation of Barisal mass killing ground demanded

Our Correspondent, Barisal



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Marking “Barisal Emancipation Day” today, freedom fighters and cultural activists yesterday demanded that the mass killing ground and torture cell of the Pakistani occupation army beside the city's WAPDA office during the 1971 Liberation War be preserved.

Md Moklesur Rahman, commander of the city unit of Bangladesh Muktijoddha Sangsad; and Shanti Das, president of Sangskritik Sangathan Samannaya Parishad, told The Daily Star that a memorial and a complex had to be built there.

HC summons Sirajdikhan UNO

Staff Correspondent

The High Court yesterday summoned Sirajdikhan upazila nirbahi officer (UNO) of Munshiganj to appear before it on January 5 next year for not complying with its order to stop construction of structures in the tributary of Ichhamoti and Dhaleshwari rivers there.

Following a writ petition filed by Human Rights and Peace for Bangladesh on October 21, the HC had ordered the UNO to do so and to submit a compliance report before it in two weeks.

Five robbers held with arms in Ctg

Staff Correspondent, Ctg

Police arrested five robbers with two light guns three bullets, four knives, eight flashing signals and a diver's dress in Beriband area of Chittagong city yesterday.

They are Belal Uddin, 30, of Noakhali, Manju, 25, of Bhola, Robiul, 20, of Bagerhat, Md Simon, 28, of Chittagong and Md Ruhul, 20, of Naogaon.

3 get Dr Nurun Nahar award at RU

RU Correspondent

Two researchers and a teacher of Physics department at Rajshahi University had been given “Dr Sultana Nurun Nahar award-2014” yesterday.

M Aminul Islam was awarded for best teaching, Saleh Hasan Nakib for good research while M Alfaz Uddin for his assessment in Physics research.

CUDS wins debate competition

Staff Correspondent, Ctg

Chittagong University Debating Society (CUDS) won the 1st inter-club business debate competition by beating Jahangirnagar University Institute of Business Administration in the final round in Chittagong city on Saturday.

A total of 18 teams from different universities participated in the two-day competition titled “The Daily Star-Biz Dialectic 2014.”

Accounting communication club (ACC) and Chittagong Debate Academy jointly with CUDS organised the competition.