



Most Urgent
For: Bangladoot, All Missions
MSG: 30/2019-20
Date: Saturday, 3 August 2019

PRESS INFORMATION DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF BANGLADESH
DHAKA



From: PIO, PID, Dhaka
Fax: 9540553/9540026
E-mail: piddhaka@gmail.com
Web: www.pressinform.gov.bd

News Brief

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader while taking part in a dengue awareness campaign conducted by Bangladesh Awami League in the capital yesterday urged for concerted efforts to prevent dengue and destroy the breeding grounds of Aedes mosquitoes following the call of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in this regard. Information Minister Dr. Hasan Mahmud while inaugurating similar drive on the premises of BFDC yesterday urged physicians to stand by dengue patients on humanitarian ground. Information Secretary Abdul Malek, among others, took part in the campaign. Bangladesh Scouts yesterday observed awareness program to prevent dengue by destroying the sources of Aedes mosquito larva in 66 wards under Dhaka South City Corporation and 54 wards under Dhaka North City Corporation. DNCC Mayor Md. Atiqul Islam inaugurating the Scouts' drive said, samples of insecticides to exterminate Aedes mosquitoes will arrive from abroad in a day or two. Planning Minister M A Mannan took part in a Dengue awareness programme at Shantiganj in Sunamganj Upazila yesterday. DGHS has informed that at present a total of 6,582 dengue patients are getting treatment at country's different private and government hospitals, 14,639 patients went back to home after taking treatment since January and 14 died.

The overall flood situation of the country has continued to improve as all the rivers are in falling trend that will continue for the next 72 hours as reported by National Disaster Response Co-ordination Centre. Till yesterday, the government allocated Taka 4.91 crore, 28,350 metric tonnes of rice, Taka 16.35 crore as house repair grants to the flood victims. State Minister for Disaster Management and Relief Dr. Md. Enamur Rahman while speaking at a function at Ashulia in Savar yesterday said, the government is distributing adequate amount of rice and financial assistance among flood-affected people under the VGF programme. The government has sent relief to 28 flood-affected districts and further arrangements would be taken, he said.

Foreign Minister Dr. A K Abdul Momen while addressing the 26th ASEAN Regional Forum in Bangkok yesterday sought support and cooperation from ARF partners so that Rohingyas can return to their homeland in safety and security. Japanese Foreign Minister Taro Kono during his recent meeting with Myanmar State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi in Nay Pyi Taw urged the Myanmar government to take more strenuous efforts to take Rohingyas back from Bangladesh to their homeland Rakhine State.

Eid-ul-Adha will be celebrated across the country on August 12 as the new moon of the Arabic month of Zilhaj was sighted yesterday. State Minister for Religious Affairs Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah made the announcement after a meeting of the National Moon Sighting Committee in the city after Maghrib prayers. Meanwhile, BRTA has opened a central control room round the clock at its headquarters in the capital's Banani from August 6 to 17 with the phone numbers- 55040737, 01550051606 to ensure hassle-free journey for Eid-ul-Adha holidaymakers

Railways Minister Nurul Islam Sujon while visiting to Rangpur Rail Station yesterday said, two more intercity trains will begin plying on the Rangpur-Dhaka route from September. Liberation War Affairs Minister A K M Mozammel Huq while speaking at a meeting in Meherpur yesterday said, a list of Razakars as well as Freedom Fighters will be published and displayed in every municipality by December. US Ambassador in Dhaka Earl R Miller paid tributes to Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman by placing wreaths at the mausoleum of the great leader in Gopalganj on Thursday. The Envoy also visited Bangabandhu's childhood home and museum.

The Chattogram Port has advanced six notches in container handling on the 2019 edition of Lloyd's List by securing the 64th position among top 100 ports across the world.

Surath Kumar Sarker
Principal Information Officer
Phone -9546091