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Newspapers Monitoring Report at a glance

Media reality in Bangladesh

During Covid-19 pandemic, newspapers have been now facing online reality. Experts have been talking about the development of online media for several years. Now that is a reality. The circulation and revenue of printed newspapers have decreased; On the other hand, online readers and income are increasing. The country's newspapers need to learn from this experience. The advancement of digital technology has created challenges for newspapers in two ways—sales of paper and advertisement revenue have declined, but production and distribution costs have increased. Due to this crisis in Bangladesh, journalists are losing their jobs and the size of newspapers in Bangladesh has been reduced. Many media houses have closed down. Instead of providing policy support to media organizations, a one-time grant of Rs 10,000 has been given to each of a listed journalist by the government, which is negligible compared to the need. Information Minister recently also assured the NOAB (Newspapers Owners' Association of Bangladesh) leaders of solving problems related advertisement dues in government departments.

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Newspapers Monitoring

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Findings

All published items in six newspapers have been divided into two broad categories, A) issues related to Coronavirus and B) other health issues. We have identified 47 broad issues with 164 sub issues within issues related to Coronavirus and 30 issues within other health issues category with 38 sub issues. Published items have compelled us to redesign the list of issues in this month.

Prothom Alo has been publishing different health tips and guidelines regularly under sections as *Shasto*, *Bhalo Thakun*, *Coronavirus* and *Special report*. It has been maintaining more coverage on Coronavirus compare to others. Health issues were covered by Most of virtual discussions of *Prothom Alo*. *Kalerkantho* and *Samkal* also published roundtables on health issues in this month.

Newspaper Coverage Scenario of Health Issues

The health sector in 2020 has been criticized for corruption during Covid pandemic on various charges including corruption in the purchase of masks and PPE; and fraud in the name of Covid-19 test. Dr. Iftekharuzzaman, Executive Director of Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) said that 2020 could have been a year of tolerance, but it has become a year of corruption. The crisis of Covid-19 has ranged from petty corruption in grassroots relief distribution to large-scale corruption in high-level shopping and distribution.

On the other hand, Health Minister Zahid Maleque said, 'Bangladesh is 20th in Bloomberg's recognition of pandemic management. But it is no less a matter. This achievement is not to be underestimated'.

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All Newspapers Six newspapers presented compilation of Key issues related to health sector in Bangladesh, which were mostly Covid infection and Management based. Covid Vaccine was the centre point of major newspaper coverage in December 2020. Newspapers tried to draw due attention by disclosing information related to more chances of infection and need for proper actions during winter. Still there are inadequate testing facilities. Though Antigen testing started but found less interest about that testing. In that situation, Bangladesh is not well equipped in ICU facilities, each government hospital has very categorized problem and private hospitals have very limited capacity to accommodate those patients. Only a Physician's family received compensation who lost life for Covid 19 but others similar families didn't receive that yet. Earlier government declared that compensation or incentive for health professionals as encouragement for serving the people during Covid. Violation of health guidelines was a Newspaper coverage issue with scattered actions against those violations by government agencies in different parts of Bangladesh including Dhaka.

Mental Health has become a discussion issue and call for taking necessary measures in this regard and arranging proper treatment. During pandemic, people in this country habituated with Telemedicine. Due to new strain of Covid export oriented RMG industry in Bangladesh has faced another challenge so they demanded more stimulus packages for addressing that situation but TIB found that earlier announced stimulus packages were not properly utilised and major workers of stimulus recipient companies didn't get benefit of those packages.

Along with non Covid other health issues, Information on Dengue prevalence, less malaria in hill districts and status of HIV AIDS were presented in this month. Health services facilities for burn patients are limited in big cities only but it is a country wide issue, so now there is a demand for increasing facilities in this regard. Need health related knowledgeable lawyer for handling cases in courts. According to newspapers reports, Economy has started to recover from pandemic situation and Govt. also took different budgetary masseurs by reorganising expenditure schedule.

Summary Observations

a. Vaccine Procurement and Vaccination Management

Vaccination is a health right, there is a need to implement a realistic vaccination policy considering vaccine for all by ensuring transparency from procurement to vaccination of people. Still uncertainty regarding trial of vaccine prevails.

b. Covid Situation and Health Services

Infection of Covid 19 is going but testing facilities are not enough for addressing needs. Infected patients are going to hospital for treatment but required ICU facilities are not available both in public and private hospitals. Only one health professional's family received compensation in the country. Individuals or institutions including airlines don't follow full health safety guidelines.

c. Other health Issues

Learning of Covid management in 2020 can be utilised in designing plan for better public health service delivery. Nowadays Health tips and expert's opinions are regular newspapers coverage issue for addressing readers increasing interest on those issues. Fixation of fees for services of private health service providers has raised by the Health Minister. Scattered actions of authorities for stopping unauthorized hospital, clinics and fake doctors were available in newspapers in this month. Health issues of burnt patients need to address properly and also need to increase health service facilities for burnt patients. In December, Migrant workers got more labs for Covid testing with lesser fees.

d. Business and Economy

Demand for more stimulus package by BMGEA for addressing challenges due to new strain in Europe. Pharmaceutical industry has given good business news in that abnormal economic situation. According to newspapers reports, Economy has started to recover from pandemic situation and Govt. also took different budgetary measures by reorganising expenditure schedule.

Introduction: Media Reality in Bangladesh

The crises from which journalism must be saved

Senior Journalist Kamal Ahmed said, ‘Bangladeshi journalists have had a good experience of how difficult it is to get and publish information. More than 50 journalists have been sued under the Preventive Digital Security Act for collecting and publishing news of irregularities and corruption in the distribution of government relief during the pandemic, and a list of them have been jailed.’

He also said, ‘Explaining the impact of the economic crisis on journalism, the Reporters Without Borders (RSF) says the advancement of digital technology has created challenges for newspapers in two ways — sales of paper and advertisement revenue have declined, but production and distribution costs have increased. As a result, journalists are losing their jobs. Due to this crisis, the size of newspapers in Bangladesh has been reduced. Many institutions have closed down due to non-survival and the salaries and allowances of journalists and staffs are outstanding. Instead of providing policy support to media organisations, a one-time grant of Rs 10,000 has been given to each of a listed journalist by the government, which is negligible compared to the need.’

Kamal Ahmed said, ‘However, Tk 50 lakh such grants have also been given to the National Press Club from Government. These are not only helpful for journalism, but also ensure much more effective loyalty. Newspapers and news-based organizations must therefore focus on meeting the challenges of journalism for their survival and prosperity. 2021 should be the beginning of that turn.’

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/column/%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AC-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%9F-%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%81%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87>

Stop the abuse of digital law

After a report on the activities of Saleh Ahmed, a councilor of Sylhet City Corporation, was published in a printed and online edition of a daily newspaper from Sylhet called Ekattar Kotha, he filed a case under Section 25 of the Digital Security Act against 16 people including the publisher, editor and reporter of the newspaper. Prothom Alo said, ‘We think the case is clearly harassing and that is why it should be dismissed. At the same time, we demand to amend the relevant sections of the Digital Security Act to ensure the protection of journalism and media in the country’.

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/editorial/%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A7-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A8>

Information minister assures NOAB of realising dues

A delegation of the Newspaper Owners’ Association of Bangladesh (NOAB) on 23 December paid a call on information minister Hasan Mahmud. NOAB leaders sought the information minister’s suggestion over realising the due payment of advertisement from different government and non-government institutions. Minister said, ‘the Cabinet Division has already issued letters to all ministries and departments over paying the due for the advertisement’. The minister also assured the NOAB leaders of issuing letters from the information ministry in this regard. They also discussed different aspects of the newspapers industry in overcoming the created situation due to coronavirus. They also discussed about the quality and number of newspapers across the country and the various aspects for making the media industry sustainable.

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125131/info-minister-assures-noab-of-realising-due-ad-payments>

40 journalists, media staffs die of COVID-19, symptoms in Bangladesh

At least 40 media workers, including journalists, have died of COVID-19 and with its symptoms across the country since April. According to the media houses and journalists' organisations, 1,068 journalists and media workers contracted COVID-19. Of them, 760 were from Dhaka and 308 from other districts. All the media professionals were from 122 newspapers, 32 television channels, 38 internet news portals, five radios and two news agencies.

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123483/40-journalists-media-staff-die-of-covid-19-symptoms-in-bangladesh>

Anti-media trend

Huma Yusuf, a freelance journalist for Dawn.com said, 'It has been a bleak year in most respects. So it's not surprising to learn that 2020 has also been a dire year for press freedom globally. Recent reports from the Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) underscore the threat to free media, and highlight the worsening situation, even in ostensible democracies. CPJ found that the number of journalists murdered in retaliation for their work more than doubled from last year's tally in 2020, increasing from 10 to 21'.

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125587/anti-media-trend>

Expectation for accurate information based, independent and non-partisan media

Prothom Alo Editor Matiur Rahman said, 'During Covid-19 pandemic, newspapers are now facing online reality. Experts have been talking about the development of online media for several years. Now that is a reality. The circulation and revenue of printed newspapers decreased; On the other hand, online readers and income are increasing. The country's newspapers need to learn from this experience'. Freedom of debate and expression should be the main feature of an independent newspaper. The goal of a newspaper should be accurate information based, independent and non-partisan position. However, without democracy in the country, it becomes difficult to ensure the freedom of the media.

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF>

HC stays trial proceedings against Prothom Alo Editor

The High Court on 13 December stayed for six months the trial proceedings of a case filed against Prothom Alo Editor and Publisher Matiur Rahman over the death of Dhaka Residential Model College student Naimul Abrar Rahat. The court also issued a rule asking the state to explain in four weeks why the case proceedings against Matiur Rahman should not be scrapped. The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court on 23 December 2020 uphold a High Court order that stayed the trial proceedings of that case.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/hc-stays-trial-proceedings-against-matiur-rahman-2010833>

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Methodology

- We read each report, feature, editorial, post editorial and article, interview and expert's opinion related to health issues published during this month in stated newspapers, and have compiled selected write-ups in a daily basis. Each news organization is active to update their portal real time basis. So, we monitor those updates also but our focus was on daily printed version only for this study.
- We have divided all published health related items in six newspapers into two categories- issues related to Coronavirus and other health issues. We have indentified broad issue/s or message/s of each published item and have developed issue based storage of those published items. Later we identified sub issues of those board issues. Compilation of the 6 newspapers are available here as per board issues with sub issues.
- Later we have developed overall newspaper coverage scenario on health issues for December 2020 on the basis of selected items which has representative value of that category. Links of published items are available here also, so anyone can get detail of that published item as ready reference during reading this report. So, it is now a monitoring report for disclosing issues for further work side by side a comprehensive publication on Health issues for December 2020.

Findings

Newspaper Coverage Scenario of Health Issues

A. 2020: THE YEAR OF PANDEMIC

Healthcare during Outbreak: Vulnerability EXPOSED



Exhausted, Muhammad Ali resting his face on his palms after waiting for over three hours to get tested for coronavirus at Mugda Medical College and Hospital. The 55-year-old has been suffering from a cold and fever for a month and travelled to the capital from his village in Rajshahi for treatment.

Photo: Daily Star/Anisur Rahman

Prof Ridwanur Rahman, a medicine and infectious disease specialist said, 'Uncertainty, lax coordination, disparity in providing health services, corruption and a dearth of logistics and manpower spoke volumes of a weak health sector and its weaker institutions in tackling an unprecedented health emergency that marked the year 2020. The main feature of the Covid-19 emergency is that it has exposed the faulty healthcare system of the country.'

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/healthcare-during-outbreak-vulnerability-exposed-2019873>

Health Minister satisfied with Corona management in Bangladesh

Health Minister Zahid Maleque said, 'Bangladesh is 20th in Bloomberg's recognition of pandemic management. But it is no less a matter. This achievement is not to be underestimated. While the United States ranks 40th, most European countries are at that level. India and Pakistan are also far behind. There is the 20th position of Bangladesh, where there is a shortage of everything. Also Bangladesh ranked first in South Asia. I think the private sector has done the same thing as the government has done behind this achievement'.

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/659791/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F>

Corona Situation in 2020 at a glance

As of 25 December 2020, 5,07,265 people have been identified as infected by corona in the country and 7,398 people died. 4,48,803 people have recovered. The detection rate is 16.11 percent. In the list of Johns Hopkins University, Bangladesh is in the 27th position in the world in terms of detection. According to the World Survey, Bangladesh has ranked 33rd in the list of deaths in Corona and the third in South Asia.

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/659359/%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0>

Health Sector: Looking back 2020

The health sector has been criticized for corruption during Covid pandemic on various charges including corruption in the purchase of masks and PPE; and fraudulence in the name of Covid-19 test.

Corruption with masks

The Department of Health supplied masks for doctors and health workers in different parts of the country. But N-95 masks were supplied by a company named JMI. On April 26, the news of the supply of low quality masks was published in Prothom Alo. An investigation by the Ministry of Health later found the allegations to be true.

Fraudulence in Covid testing

The Department of Health allowed a number of government as well as private organizations to test for the detection of Covid-19. One such organization is JKG Healthcare. But this institution was coming with test results and certificates without testing the samples. Similar fraudulence was done by Regent Hospital.

Driver of a Health Department in the discussion

Another popular name during the Covid pandemic was Abdul Malek alias Badal. He was a driver of the Department of Health. Although he was a driver by profession, he owns a lot of wealth. While investigating some specific allegations, law enforcement agencies found two of his seven-storey buildings, a ten-storey building under construction, land and a cattle farm in Dhaka.

Health work to the car dealer

For the supply of personal protective equipment (PPE), a job worth Tk 32 crore was given to a automobile company. Jadid Automobiles had no experience in supplying such goods. Even after paying Taka 9.50 crore in advance, that company did not deliver any goods on time. Jadid Automobiles supplied some masks and gloves. But 24,000 of them were unsuitable for use. Officials, including the project director, were involved in the irregularities.

Dr. Iftekharuzzaman, Executive Director of Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB), told Prothom Alo that 2020 could have been a year of tolerance, but it has become a year of corruption. The crisis of Covid-19 has ranged from petty corruption in grassroots relief distribution to large-scale corruption in high-level shopping and distribution. It also came out. At the local level, there have been allegations of government officials and employees being involved in corruption.

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4>

Education must be taken from the crisis

Professor Be-Nazir Ahmed, Public Health Expert and former Director, Department of Disease Control, Department of Health said, 'Life has changed during Corona. Conscious people have now made it a habit to take with them safety equipment when leaving the house. Eating out, attending social events, traveling unnecessarily have decreased. But big education for individuals and families was to save money for emergencies. During the Corona period, many families have focused on saving by reducing unnecessary expenses'.

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/coronavirus/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%9F-%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%BE>

ICDDR,B: Sixty years of saving lives

ICDDR,B, better known locally as the '*Cholera Hospital*', has made many innovations including its landmark innovation of ORS that has saved an estimated 50 million lives globally since its inception in 1960. This centre of excellence of the Global South is celebrating 60 years of its service to mankind throughout 2020. The Daily Star (DS) had an exclusive interview with icddr,b Executive Director (ED) Professor John D. Clemens recently where he was asked critical questions to understand the international organisation's history, successes, challenges, major innovations, future directions and commitment to humanity in the days ahead.

<https://www.thedailystar.net/health/news/sixty-years-saving-lives-2010201>

B. Prime issue of December

Vaccine Procurement and Distribution

করোনার টিকার তোড়জোড় শুরু

The Ministry of Health and the Department of Health have started activities for procuring and distributing vaccines. Fund disbursement has started for procuring vaccines from India. Besides, work has also started to procure needle-syringes and other materials for vaccination.

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8B%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%8B%E0%A7%9C-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81>

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Health issues at a glance

a. List of issues related to Coronavirus

1. Vaccine

Deal signed with India's Serum Institute for COVID-19 vaccine	Vaccine Management টিকা ব্যবস্থাপনা দেশে করোনার টিকা দিতে জেলা- উপজেলায় কমিটি	Budget for Vaccine Project করোনার সংক্রমণ টিকা কিনতে ৭ হাজার কোটি টাকার প্রকল্প
Vaccine arrival schedule Covid-19 Vaccine: The first batch to be here in early January <i>Says health minister</i>	Place for storage করোনা মহামারি টিকা রাখার জায়গা খুঁজছে সরকার	Joint move অক্সফোর্ডের টিকা একসঙ্গে টিকা পাবে বাংলাদেশ ও ভারত
Loan for vaccine টিকা কেনায় ঋণ দিতে রাজি বিশ্বব্যাংক-এডিবি আলোচনা চলছে অন্যদের সঙ্গে	National Plan করোনার টিকা নিয়ে জাতীয় পরিকল্পনা শুরুতে টিকা পাবে ৫২ লাখ মানুষ	Waste of money বেসরকারি মাধ্যমে টিকা আনলে অপব্যয় হবে: জাফরুল্লাহ
BNP Version Covid Vaccine: BNP demands army's role in its purchase, distribution	Bancovid Trials Globe Biotech cancels deal with icddr,b over delays	How to distribute free vaccine Free Covid-19 vaccines for first three crore recipients <i>Ensure strict monitoring in allocation and distribution</i>
Vaccine procurement policy Cabinet okays direct vaccine purchase: <i>DGHS starts antigen testing from Saturday</i>	Wait for Covid vaccine to get a bit longer	Chances of disparity Covid-19 Vaccine: The poor may face disparity
Deprivation Treatment for All a far Cry	Enlistment টিকার তালিকায় নাম তুলতে হড়াহড়ি	Fast-track vaccine distribution Bangladesh, 10 Other Asian Nations: Fast-track vaccine distribution

WHO's vaccine scheme must not fail	Need realistic plan Covid-19 Vaccination: Plan it realistically to avoid chaos	Total vaccines 6cr Covid shots expected by June
Target audience for vaccination No Covid vaccine for under 18s	Ensure transparency in procurement, distribution of Covid-19 vaccine	Covid Vaccination: Stay alert to anomalies
Ministry seeks govt nod for COVID-19 vaccine single sourcing	COVID-19: vaccine apartheid	Entertainment and travel expenses excluded ভ্যাকসিনের বরাদ্দে বাদ পড়লো আপ্যায়ন ও ভ্রমণ
Side effects of Vaccine করোনা ভ্যাকসিনের পার্শ্বপ্রতিক্রিয়া এখনও অনুমাননির্ভর	Private initiative বেসরকারি উদ্যোগে আসতে পারে চীন-রাশিয়ার টিকা	Vaccine and Stock market Vaccine optimism lifts stocks to 1.5yr high
Ready immunisation systems to deliver safe and effective Covid-19 vaccines	Vaccination is health right not a privilege	

2. Prime Minister's version

Equitable access to vaccines Let's fight Covid-19 together, save lives	Mitigating Covid Impact: PM for stronger cooperation
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3. Health Update

Patients' long queue করোনা উপসর্গ নিয়ে রোগীর লম্বা লাইন	Information through phone ফোনে জানা যাবে করোনা ডেডিকেটেড হাসপাতালের তথ্য	Treatment at home করোনা সংক্রমণে বাসায় চিকিৎসা নেওয়া উচিত নয় যাদের
Govt spends Tk 4 lakh for each COVID-19 patient at ICU: minister	Patients with common cold surge in Bangladesh	Corona and winter কোভিড-১৯ সংক্রমণ শীতের সঙ্গে করোনাভাইরাসের কী সম্পর্ক

4. Private Health Services

Fix charges for medical services বেসরকারি হাসপাতালে সেবার চার্জ নির্দিষ্ট করার তাগিদ স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রীর	Display fees for tests, oxygen in 7 days: HC
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5. ICU

Scarcity of ICU bed ঢাকায় আইসিইউ শয্যা শীতের শুরুতেই হাসপাতালে ভিড়	Has ICU capacity in government hospitals increased?	ICUs beds are in godown গোড়াউনে বাক্সবন্দি আইসিইউ শয্যা হাসপাতালে সংকট
Status of ICU beds		
Magura আইসিইউ নেই মাগুরা সদর হাসপাতালে, তবে করোনা পরিস্থিতি এখনও নিয়ন্ত্রণে	Tangail আইসিইউ ওয়ার্ড আছে, নেই বেড!	
Sunamganj নামে আছে আইসিইউ-সিসিইউ, কাজে নেই	Jhalakati আইসিইউ বেড স্থাপনে প্রস্তুত নয় ঝালকাঠি সদর হাসপাতাল	

6. Oxygen supply

Interruption in oxygen supply averted in public hospitals

7. Antigen Test

Antigen test begins in 10 dists today
24 more die, 2,252 infected in 24 hrs

Antigen assays falter because of government unwillingness

8. Testing facilities

Fresh crisis over Covid testing
A few PCR machines out of order; experts stress the need for more tests

'TESTS SHOULD BE FREE'

Covid-19 Diagnosis: Capacity up, yet testing on decline

9. Violation of health guidelines

No interest in wearing a mask
৯ মাসেও পরানো গেলো না মাস্ক!

Challenges for Field Administration
বিপাকে মাঠ প্রশাসন
শাস্তি দিয়ে মাস্ক পরানো কঠিন

Why are we still not following Covid-19 health guidelines?

Penalty

Individuals and Institutions
মাস্কবিহীন ৩৮ ব্যক্তি ও ৪ প্রতিষ্ঠানকে জরিমানা

High Price of Masks
মাস্কের দাম বেশি রাখায় ৪ ফার্মেসিকে এক লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

Airlines

Biman Bangladesh

Burak Air

Maldivian Airlines

AirAsia

Salam Air, Kuwait Airways, Saudi Arabian Airlines, Emirates, Air Arabia, Gulf Air and Turkish Airlines

10. Drug for mild Covid 19

Ivermectin effective in treating mild Covid-19
Finds icddr,b study

11. Health Guidelines

PM's instruction
স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মানা নিশ্চিত করতে প্রধানমন্ত্রীর নতুন নির্দেশ

Train Passengers
স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মেনে ট্রেনে যাত্রী পরিবহনের সুপারিশ

12. Second Wave

Forecast to be the highest
করোনা মহামারি: জানুয়ারির শেষে সংক্রমণ সর্বোচ্চ হওয়ার পূর্বাভাস

Poor preparedness in Bangladesh for second coronavirus wave

13. New strain

No need to panic over new strain

14. Health Professionals

Deprived from incentive
করোনা সংক্রমণ
ক্ষতিপূরণ পাচ্ছেন না সম্মুখযোদ্ধারা

Death Status
চিকিৎসকের মৃত্যু আবার বেড়েছে

15. Law and order forces

করোনাভাইরাস
৮২ পুলিশ সদস্যের মৃত্যু, সুস্থ সাড়ে ১৮ হাজার

16. Humanity

মানবতা: করোনাকালে ভালোবেসে হাত বাড়ালেন তাঁরা

17. Covid free certificate for air travellers

All air travellers must be Covid free

18. Migrant workers

Women migrant workers and the Covid-19 crisis	Reduced Covid Test Fee বিদেশগামী কর্মীদের করোনা পরীক্ষার ফি কমলো	Test labs for travelers
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19. Education

Edn Institutions: Govt extends closure till January 16	Covid-time Education: New approach, old disparity	Reinventing the university in a post-pandemic world
COVID-19 school closure affects 42m children in Bangladesh: UNICEF	Govt must ensure health issues in reopening schools, colleges	Online study to continue until COVID-19 situation improves: PM
Online application for admission to govt schools begins	Students in Research করোনা গবেষণায় দেশের শিক্ষার্থীরা	International Day Of Persons With Disabilities: Pandemic paused their education

20. Helpline

করোনাকাল: নির্যাতন রোধের হেল্পলাইনে করোনা নিয়ে ৯০% কল

21. SDG

How the private health sector can help achieve SDG 3	Covid-19 and SDG 8: Reviving economies, restoring livelihoods
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22. Health watchdog

Health watchdog remains invisible <i>Not a single meeting held in last nine months of pandemic</i>

23. Fake Covid Certificates

Fake Covid Certificates: Sabrina seeks bail from HC

24. Corruption

ACC sues 12 fake MBBS degree holders, 2 BMDC officials	ACC interrogates DGHS driver Malek's wife	Investigation report নকল মাস্ক সরবরাহের মামলায় তদন্ত প্রতিবেদন ২৫ জানুয়ারি
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25. No mask, no service

'No mask, no service' at city supermarkets
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26. Economy

Recovery ধাক্কা সামলে নিতে পেরেছে অর্থনীতি	Economy struggling amid COVID-19 outbreak: MCCI	Bangladesh is battling COVID-19 economic fallout: ICCB
National budget প্রণোদনায় এলোমেলো বাজেটের হিসাব	Covid poses challenges for LDC graduation	

27. Business

Pandemic lifts demand for soap, detergent	Recovery of Agriculture Loan করোনার মধ্যেও কৃষিক্ষণ আদায় বেড়েছে ২৩%	Inadequate support সিপিডি ও অক্সফামের ভারুয়াল সংলাপে বক্তারা প্রণোদনার সহায়তা চাহিদার তুলনায় অপ্রতুল
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Mobile operators lose 2.01 lakh internet users in November	Less Loan defaulters করোনায় বিশেষ ছাড়ে কমলো খেলাপি ঋণ	BISCIC during Corona করোনা জয়ে বিসিকের কার্যক্রম
New Entrepreneurs কোনোরকমে চলছেন করোনা উদ্যোক্তারা, এখনও বেকার অনেকে		

28. Garments Industry

More stimulus to offset Covid shock	BGMEA reiterates demand for a fresh round of stimulus	New stimulus planned, half of first not implemented
Tackling Second Wave Fallout: Govt hints at fresh stimulus	Stimulus eludes 42pc apparel workers	Covid restrictions in Europe add to woes of garment suppliers
2020: a turbulent year for apparel	New dimensions করোনার বছরে নেতিবাচক ধারা রপ্তানিতে নতুন মাত্রা পিপিই-মাস্ক	Labour leaders condemn BKMEA plea to suspend yearly increment

29. Pharmaceutical Industry

Drug-makers stay strong in a tough year

30. Protection for Farmers

Protect farmers from Covid-19 fallout

31. International Support

Japan remains beside Bangladesh in combating COVID-19

32. Urban people sufferings

Urban people suffer amid COVID-19 for poor relief

33. Burden for poor

Buying masks a burden for poor in Bangladesh
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34. Women

Lives and livelihoods '১৫ শতাংশ তরুণীর আয়ে করোনা ঋতিকর প্রভাব ফেলেছে	NSU hold webinar on COVID-19 impact on women
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35. Online misinformation

Online misinformation threatens public health in Bangladesh

36. Health assistants' protests

কাজে ফিরছেন স্বাস্থ্য সহকারীরা

37. Crimes during Covid

মহামারিতে ৬ অপরাধ বেড়েছে

38. Quarantine

লন্ডন থেকে ফেরা বাধ্যতামূলক কোয়ারেন্টিন কার্যকর ১ জানুয়ারি

39. Arrival from UK

Flights restrictions যুক্তরাজ্যের সঙ্গে ফ্লাইট বন্ধ রাখার সুপারিশ	Mandatory COVID-19 Negative Certificate 404 passengers sent to quarantine on arrival
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40. Telemedicine

টেলিমেডিসিনের দারুণ ভবিষ্যৎ, বাজার এখন ৮ হাজার কোটি টাকার

41. Quick Response Team

স্বাস্থ্যসেবা বিভাগে করোনা আক্রান্তদের সহযোগিতায় কুইক রেসপন্স টিম
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42. Health Services

Treatment from distance মমেক হাসপাতালে আবারও দূর থেকে করোনার রোগী দেখার অভিযোগ	Scarcity of Physicians and medicine খুলনায় করোনা রোগীর চাপ বৃদ্ধি: চিকিৎসক ও ওষুধ সংকট
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43. Mask campaign

Engage social, political bodies in mask campaign Cabinet okays bill to publish collaborators' list

44. Action against ACI

JS body for action against ACI

45. Handwashing

New Handwashing stations করোনা মোকাবিলায় ৮৮২ হাত ধোয়ার স্টেশন হচ্ছে	40pc people know handwashing is necessary before eating: survey
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46. Health workers

Walton honours doctors, nurses for their services amid pandemic

47. What we need to do

Public Health System Don't let a 'good crisis' go to waste	Covid-19, Industry and Bureaucracy	National Covid Vaccine Policy করোনার ডেউ বিতর্ক এবং টিকা প্রাপ্তি, চ্যালেঞ্জ ও করণীয়
Protection against the Covid Epidemic বুয়েট অ্যালামনাইয়ের ওয়েবিনার টিকা না আসা পর্যন্ত প্রত্যেকের মাস্ক পরা নিশ্চিত করতে হবে	Uncertainty related to vaccine trial দেশে করোনা ভ্যাকসিনের ট্রায়াল নিয়ে অনিশ্চয়তা কাটছে না	Results of Antigen test অ্যান্টিজেন টেস্ট সফল মিলবে?
School of Public Health In remembrance of Sir Fazle Hasan Abed	How to protect করোনা: রোগ মুক্তিতেই সমাধান মিলবে না	Patient selection রোগী বাছাই সব সময় জরুরি
Changes in 2020 কতটা পরিবর্তন ঘটেছে ২০২০ সালে	Economic impacts of New strain করোনাভাইরাসের নতুন ধরনটি অর্থনীতির জন্য কতটা ক্ষতিকর	Stimulus packages for whom? মতামত: তেলা মাথায় তেল দেওয়া আর কত দিন
How to improve investment environment মতামত: বিনিয়োগের পরিবেশ কীভাবে উন্নত করা সম্ভব	Private drug addiction treatment এভাবে আর চলতে পারে না: মাদকাসক্তদের চিকিৎসা	BRAC and Public Health জনস্বাস্থ্য উন্নয়নের ধারা বদলে দিয়েছিলেন যিনি
Need to increase appropriate treatment সুচিকিৎসার নিশ্চয়তা বাড়াতে হবে: কোভিড-১৯ পরিস্থিতি	Dangers of Children health during Covid in Winter মতামত: করোনার মধ্যেই শীতের ছোবল, ওদের কী হবে?	Reluctance to get vaccinated ভ্যাকসিন নিয়ে অনাগ্রহ দূর করতে কী করবে সরকার?
How to run vaccination Programme সাফাংকার: অধ্যাপক ডা. কামরুল হাসান খান করোনা টিকা ব্যবস্থাপনায় ছাড় দেওয়ার সুযোগ নেই	Rural Economy during Covid-19 করোনাকালে গ্রামীণ অর্থনীতি	Budgetary Expenditure করোনার দ্বিতীয় ডেউ মোকাবেলা ব্যয় মেটাতেই বড় চ্যালেঞ্জ সরকার
Indecision related to vaccinate করোনার টিকা নেব কি নেব না		

b. Other Health Issues

1. Dengue ডেঙ্গুর প্রাদুর্ভাব এডিসের কামড়ে এক মাসে ৫৪৭ ডেঙ্গু রোগী		2. Malaria তিন পার্বত্য জেলা ম্যালেরিয়ার ভয় কমেছে পাহাড়ে	
3. Actions against irregularities			
i. Operation suspension নির্দেশ না মানায় হাসপাতাল সিলগালা			
ii. Penalty			
Chatrogram আনোয়ারায় দুই হাসপাতাল ক্লিনিককে জরিমানা		Laxmipur ৩ হাসপাতাল-ডায়াগনস্টিক সেন্টারকে জরিমানা	
Unathourised clinics হিলিতে অনুমোদনহীন ক্লিনিক সিলগালা ও মালামাল জব্দ			
c. Cheating on the name of treatment চিকিৎসার নামে প্রতারণা ও ভুয়া সনদ দেওয়ার অভিযোগ			
4. Fake doctor Imprisonment ভুয়া ডাক্তার ১৩ বছর ধরে দিয়েছেন চিকিৎসা সেবা, করেছেন চোখের অপারেশন!		5. Write Petition ভুয়া ডাক্তারদের জন্য যাবজীবন ও মৃত্যুদণ্ডের বিধান চেয়ে রিট	
6. Fake Factory নকল স্যানিটারি ন্যাপকিন প্রস্তুতকারী চক্রের দুই সদস্য গ্রেফতার		7. Unauthorised Pharmaceutical company একটি অবৈধ ওষুধ কোম্পানি সিলগালা ও দুই লাখ টাকা জরিমানা	
8. Livelihood বিবিএসের জরিপ শহরের ২১% পরিবার খাবার নিয়ে চিন্তিত		9. State-owned pharmaceutical company স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মেনে কারখানা পরিচালনায় সাফল্য মহামারিতেও স্বাভাবিক সরবরাহে ইউসিএল	
10. Two die after falling sick in shipbreaking yards		11. Meeting nutritional needs of the ultra-poor <i>'Pushti Bari' concept can be implemented across the</i> <i>country</i>	
12. Treatment burn patients			
a. Increasing trends of Patients বার্ন ইনস্টিটিউট: শীতে বেড়েছে পোড়া রোগী		b. Must increase facilities Government must increase facilities to treat burn patients	
13. Patients suffer at RMCH as interns go on indefinite strike		14. Cancer Hospital জনগণের টাকায় 'গরিবের ক্যান্সার হাসপাতাল'	
15. Public Medical College ধারে চলছে ২১ সরকারি মেডিক্যাল কলেজ		16. Legal Notice সরকারি হাসপাতালের যন্ত্রপাতি মেরামত করতে আইনি নোটিশ	
17. Actions against Doctors রোগীর দুই কিডনি অপসারণ: ৪ চিকিৎসকের বিরুদ্ধে ব্যবস্থা নেবে বিএসএমএমইউ		18. Treatment Cost চিকিৎসা ব্যয় কমাতে মতামত গ্রহণ	
19. High court order on expired drugs ৩০ কোটি টাকার মেয়াদোত্তীর্ণ ওষুধ ধ্বংসের প্রতিবেদন হাইকোর্টে		20. Immunization ৯০ ভাগ শিশুকে টিকা দেওয়া সম্ভব হয়েছে: স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রী	
21. First aid at Police Box পুলিশ বক্সে হবে প্রাথমিক চিকিৎসা		22. Treatments of Drug addicts নিরাময় কেন্দ্র মাদকাসক্তের চিকিৎসা 'ইচ্ছমতো	

23. Beximco Pharma launches mosquito repellent NOMOS	24. 'NEED SUPPORT FOR BIO-MEDICAL DEVICE INVENTION'
25. AIDS	
a. WORLD AIDS DAY 658 new AIDS cases detected, 141 die in Bangladesh in 2020	b. A grim tale of disease, distress <i>HIV-positive sex workers fight for life, livelihood</i>
c. World AIDS Day reminds us that the virus is still here	
26. 20.8m Bangladeshi children attend Vitamin A campaign 2020: UNICEF	27. Negligence in treatment চিকিৎসায় অবহেলা মামলা পরিচালনার জন্য আইনজীবীরা প্রশিক্ষণপ্রাপ্ত নন
28. Mental Health	
a. Treatment facilities under question mark শর্ত পূরণে ব্যর্থ হলে লাইসেন্স বাতিল হবে মানসিক হাসপাতালের	b. Don't neglect মানসিক স্বাস্থ্যকে আর অবহেলা নয়
29. Health DG to continue for two more years	30. Guideline for children's kidney diseases will be launched today

Health issues with brief description

a. List of issues related to Coronavirus

1. Vaccine

i. Vaccine deal

Annex: 1(i)

Deal signed with India's Serum Institute for COVID-19 vaccine

The government signed an agreement with Serum Institute of India Pvt Limited for procuring COVID-19 vaccine. Under the deal, Bangladesh will import three crore doses of SARS-Cov-2 AZD 1222 Oxford/Astrazeneca Vaccine, 50 lakh in each month, from Serum Institute of India in the next six months.

ii. Vaccine Management

Annex: 1(ii)

টিকা ব্যবস্থাপনা

দেশে করোনার টিকা দিতে জেলা-উপজেলায় কমিটি

মানুষ টিকার আশায় বসে আছে। টিকা পাওয়া গেলে তার ব্যবস্থাপনা বড় কর্মযজ্ঞ হয়ে দাঁড়াবে। সুষ্ঠু ব্যবস্থার জন্য দেশব্যাপী কমিটি হচ্ছে।

Formation of committees at district and upazila level have been started to ensure smooth completion of corona vaccination activities. One of the main tasks of the committee is to compile a list of priority groups for vaccination. Government officials say a committee is being formed and activated in advance to provide quick vaccinations if vaccines are available.

iii. Budget for Vaccine Project

Annex: 1(iii)

করোনার সংক্রমণ

টিকা কিনতে ৭ হাজার কোটি টাকার প্রকল্প

A project worth Tk 6,816 crore is being prepared for the purchase and supply of corona vaccine. Of this, the cost of purchasing the vaccine is Tk 3,500 crore, and the cost of storing and delivering the vaccine will be around Tk 1,250 crore.

iv. Vaccine arrival schedule**Annex: 1(iv)****Covid-19 Vaccine: The first batch to be here in early January****Says health minister**

The first consignment of Oxford-Astrazeneca Covid-19 vaccine will reach the country by early January, said Health Minister Zahid Maleque. He made the statement while addressing the inaugural ceremony of countrywide measles-rubella vaccination campaign as the chief guest.

v. Place for storage**Annex: 1(v)****করোনা মহামারি****টিকা রাখার জায়গা খুঁজছে সরকার**

There is also ambiguity about where and how the corona vaccine will be kept. The government is looking for alternative ways to vaccinate against corona.

vi. Joint move**Annex: 1(vi)****অক্সফোর্ডের টিকা****একসঙ্গে টিকা পাবে বাংলাদেশ ও ভারত**

If the Oxford-AstraZeneca corona vaccine is approved for emergency use in India, the people of Bangladesh will also get it. The Serum Institute, a vaccine manufacturer, has applied to the Indian government for permission to use the vaccine urgently. The two countries have signed a MOU with the company to vaccinate at the same time.

vii. Loan for vaccine**Annex: 1(vii)****টিকা কেনায় ঋণ দিতে রাজি বিশ্বব্যাংক-এডিবি****আলোচনা চলছে অন্যদের সঙ্গে**

The World Bank has been asked to lend USD 1 billion. USD 500 million has been requested from the ADB. JICA has been asked for USD 500 million in financial assistance. The Asian Infrastructure Development Bank (AIIB) has also been asked for USD 500 million. On behalf of the government, the ERD sent separate letters on different dates last October seeking that assistance.

viii. National Plan**Annex: 1(viii)****করোনার টিকা নিয়ে জাতীয় পরিকল্পনা****শুরুতে টিকা পাবে ৫২ লাখ মানুষ**

The government initially wants to vaccinate about 5.2 million people against coronavirus. The government is thinking of vaccinating more than 13 crore people free of cost in five stages in three phases. Committees will be formed up to the upazila level for proper procurement, collection, storage, transportation and distribution of vaccines. This has been stated in the draft national plan for corona vaccination across the country.

ix. Waste of money**Annex: 1(ix)****বেসরকারি মাধ্যমে টিকা আনলে অপব্যয় হবে: জাফরুল্লাহ**

Zafrullah Chowdhury, the founder of the Gonoshasthya Kendra said, 'the cost would increase if the coronavirus vaccine was introduced through a private company. Instead, the cost would

have been less if it had been brought through government institutions. The government has no right to waste of money.

x. BNP Version	Annex: 1(x)
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Covid Vaccine: BNP demands army's role in its purchase, distribution

The BNP has demanded that the army and relevant organisations be given the responsibility to procure the Covid-19 vaccine and preserve and distribute it. Members of the BNP standing committee, the highest policymaking body of the party, at a meeting on 30 November 2020 made the demand

xi. Bancovid Trials	Annex: 1(xi)
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Bancovid Trials: Globe Biotech cancels deal with icddr,b over delays

Globe Biotech Ltd has cancelled the contract with the icddr,b to conduct clinical trial of its coronavirus vaccine Bancovid. The biotech firm has now assigned the Clinical Research Organization (CRO) to run the trials of their homegrown mRNA vaccine.

xii. How to distribute free vaccine	Annex: 1(xii)
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EDITORIAL: Free Covid-19 vaccines for first three crore recipients

Ensure strict monitoring in allocation and distribution

Not only should the list of free recipients be doubly verified, the task of distributing and administering the vaccine should also be entrusted with agencies in which the public have faith.

xiii. Vaccine procurement policy	Annex: 1(xiii)
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Cabinet okays direct vaccine purchase

DGHS starts antigen testing from Saturday

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on 2 December 2020 approved in principle a proposal of the Health Services Division to procure Covid-19 vaccine directly from any organisation through negotiations without following any bidding process.

xiv. Wait for Covid vaccine	Annex: 1(iv)
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Wait for Covid vaccine to get a bit longer

US health expert says about vast majority of people in Bangladesh

Health Secretary Abdul Mannan hoped that coronavirus vaccine will be available in Bangladesh by February 2021. Bangladesh has highlighted the need for making the Covid-19 vaccines available, affordable and distributing those equitably to all countries that need those most.

xv. Chances of disparity	Annex: 1(xv)
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Covid-19 Vaccine: The poor may face disparity

Many still have no access to testing, treatment; only 1 in 10 in poor countries to get immunised next year

The poor and people living on the fringes have been enduring inadequate access to coronavirus testing and treatment facilities and now they are likely to have to do the same for vaccines. International campaigners said nine out of 10 people in 70 low-income countries are unlikely to be vaccinated for Covid-19 next year because the majority of the promising vaccines have been bought by the west.

xvi. Deprivation**Annex: 1(xvi)****TREATMENT FOR ALL, A FAR CRY**

Prof Ridwanur Rahman, an infectious disease specialist, said, 'Before Covid-19, those who had no money were deprived of treatment. During the Covid-19 health emergency, even money can't guarantee treatment. Only the elites have the access.'

xvii. Enlistment**Annex: 1(xvii)****টিকার তালিকায় নাম তুলতে হুড়াহুড়ি**

By this time, Category based list has been prepared, meaning that the first lot of people in which category will be vaccinated. And now the work of listing the names of the priority people of each category is going on, around which a kind of lobbying has already started in departments.

xviii. Fast-track vaccine distribution**Annex: 1(xviii)****Bangladesh, 10 Other Asian Nations: Fast-track vaccine distribution*****Urges WHO; ADB launches \$9b Covid vaccine initiative for Asia Pacific***

The World Health Organization on 11 December 2020 said it wants fast and equitable distribution of Covid-19 vaccine in South and Southeast Asian countries, including Bangladesh, where a second wave of the coronavirus outbreak looms large. "

xix. WHO's vaccine scheme**Annex: 1(xix)****EDITORIAL: WHO's vaccine scheme must not fail*****No one will be safe until everyone is safe***

According to some internal documents, the global scheme to deliver Covid-19 vaccines to poorer countries faces a "very high" risk of failure. A failure such as this may leave nations with billions of people without any access to vaccines until as late as 2024, killing any chances of the world defeating Covid-19 in the next few years.

xx. Need realistic plan**Annex: 1(xx)****Covid-19 Vaccination: Plan it realistically to avoid chaos*****Speakers at webinar urge the govt***

With the government finalising the Covid vaccine deployment plan, a number of speakers warned that there may be chaos if the plan is not consistent with field-level reality. While the government faces the challenge of collecting vaccines timely at affordable prices, some unanswered questions about vaccine preservation and fair distribution in the country need to be addressed in a transparent manner, they said at a discussion.

xxi. Total vaccines**Annex: 1(xxi)****6cr Covid shots expected by June*****Cabinet secy says these are in addition to 3 crore approval-pending doses from Serum; experts see distribution hurdles***

Cabinet Secretary Khandker Anwarul Islam said on 21 December 2020, 'Bangladesh will get six crore shots of Covid-19 vaccines between May and June next year from the COVAX facility. This will be in addition to 3 crore doses of the Oxford- Astrazeneca vaccine from the Serum

Institute of India (SII) that the government expects to start reaching the country between late January and early February.

xxii. Target audience for vaccination

Annex: 1(xxii)

No Covid vaccine for under 18s

Says health minister

Health Minister Zahid Maleque said on 27 December 2020, 'People aged below 18 will not get the Covid-19 vaccines. The government has adequate preparation to ensure proper distribution, he told reporters after visiting two vaccine laboratories of the Directorate General of Drug Administration.

xxiii. Transparency in procurement and distribution

Annex: 1(xxiii)

Ensure transparency in procurement, distribution of Covid-19 vaccine

Demands rights body

Transparency and accountability in the procurement and distribution of Covid-19 vaccines must be ensured, demanded Committee for the Protection of Fundamental Rights.

xxiv. Alert for anomalies

Annex: 1(xxiv)

Covid Vaccination: Stay alert to anomalies

Health watchdog asks govt as it sits after 9 months

A parliamentary body yesterday directed the health ministry to ensure that no irregularities and corruption take place centring the Covid-19, like those of Regent Hospital and JKG healthcare over testing. This was for the first time that the parliamentary standing committee on the health ministry sat in a meeting since March.

xxv. Single sourcing vaccine

Annex: 1(xxv)

Ministry seeks govt nod for COVID-19 vaccine single sourcing

3cr doses for free among frontline fighters, elderly in Bangladesh: cabinet secy

The health ministry on 31 November 2020 apprised the weekly cabinet meeting of the latest status of vaccine procurement from the 'single source' without any tender and measures taken to tackle the second wave of coronavirus infections in the winter.

xxvi. Vaccine apartheid

Annex: 1(xxvi)

COVID-19: vaccine apartheid

Jayati Ghosh is professor of economics at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi said, 'A pandemic can be overcome only when it is overcome everywhere, embracing an every-country-for-itself approach would seem irrational. And yet, as the unseemly competition for vaccine doses indicates, that is exactly what many countries have done. Unless we change course, global health apartheid will become increasingly entrenched and drive inequality to new heights. And the pandemic will still be with us. We will have merely added new problems to the one we didn't solve'.

xxvii. Entertainment and travel expenses excluded**Annex: 1(xxvii)****ভ্যাকসিনের বরাদ্দে বাদ পড়লো আপ্যায়ন ও ভ্রমণ**

The Ministry of Health has allocated Tk 735 crore 76 lakh 82 thousand to procure corona vaccine. The Ministry of Health has proposed an allocation of Tk 89 crore 85 Lakh 60 thousand for entertainment and Tk 6 crore 76 Lakh 19 thousand for travel expenses. But the finance ministry did not allocate any money in entertainment and travel expenses.

xxviii. Side effects of Vaccine**Annex: 1(xxviii)****করোনা ভ্যাকসিনের পার্শ্বপ্রতিক্রিয়া এখনও অনুমাননির্ভর**

Like the coronavirus, there are doubts about its vaccine. Ordinary people, doctors say, have not yet done enough research on the side effects of such vaccines.

xxix. Private initiative**Annex: 1(xxix)****বেসরকারি উদ্যোগে আসতে পারে চীন-রাশিয়ার টিকা**

Vaccines from China and Russia may come to Bangladesh soon after Oxford-AstraZeneca. Not the government, but two private companies will bring vaccines from those two countries. One of the companies wants to produce the vaccine in Bangladesh. Much progress has already been made in this regard.

xxx. Vaccine and Stock market**Annex: 1(xxx)****Vaccine optimism lifts stocks to 1.5yr high**

Investors, especially institutional investors have been pouring money into the stock market after the UK, and the US started administering vaccination of Covid-19, said a top official of a leading brokerage firm.

xxxi. Safe and effective Covid-19 vaccines**Annex: 1(xxxi)****Ready immunisation systems to deliver safe and effective Covid-19 vaccines**

Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh is the WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia said, As and When vaccines are found to be safe and effective, countries will need to activate detailed plans to efficiently deploy the initial tranches of Covid-19 vaccines to cover up to 20 percent of the most vulnerable of their population, and to carry out coordinated and equitable deployments thereafter. WHO will continue to provide member states its full support to help finalise such plans, with a focus on several key areas.

xxxii. Vaccination is health right**Annex: 1(xxxii)****RIGHTS ADVOCACY****Vaccination is health right not a privilege**

The treatment or preventive vaccine is not privilege but a human right. It should only be there on equitable basis and not on the basis of some priorities, it should be there for the needy regardless of race, colour, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status.

2. Prime Minister's version

i. Equitable access to vaccines

Annex: 2(i)

Let's fight Covid-19 together, save lives

PM seeks urgent global action, collaboration, places proposal on equitable access to vaccines

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has sought "urgent global attention and further collaboration" to defeat the coronavirus pandemic, save lives and accelerate economic recovery. She said Bangladesh stands ready to work with all in these global efforts.

ii. Stronger cooperation

Annex: 2(ii)

Mitigating Covid Impact: PM for stronger cooperation

Bhutan PM lauds Dhaka's Covid response; preferential trade deal signed with Bhutan

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said stronger regional and international cooperation is necessary in the coming days for mitigating the impact of the pandemic and for the rebuilding phase.

3. Health Update

i. Patients' long queue

Annex: 3(i)

করোনা উপসর্গ নিয়ে রোগীর লম্বা লাইন

Md. Salauddin Sajal, In charge of the ticket counter of Dhaka Medical College said 'We have been going through a very busy day lately. On an average, more than two hundred people have to sell tickets every day; Most of them are talking about Corona symptoms. Even in October, where I sold 100 tickets a day, it has doubled since mid-November'.

ii. Information through phone

Annex: 3(ii)

ফোনে জানা যাবে করোনা ডেডিকেটেড হাসপাতালের তথ্য

The Department of Health has given three mobile phone numbers for various information including Corona Dedicated Hospital and bed number. This information was given in the regular press release about Corona on Wednesday (December 16).

iii. Treatment at home

Annex: 3(iii)

করোনা সংক্রমণে বাসায় চিকিৎসা নেওয়া উচিত নয় যাদের

The Department of Health's regular press release on Corona states that older people, including those with pre-existing long-term illnesses, need to be hospitalized immediately if their corona is positive.

iv. Govt spends for Covid Patient

Annex: 3(iv)

Govt spends Tk 4 lakh for each COVID-19 patient at ICU: minister

Health minister Zahid Maleque said that the government spent on an average Tk 4 lakh for a COVID-19 patient admitted to Intensive Care Units at public health facilities.

v. Common cold surge

Annex: 3(v)

Patients with common cold surge in Bangladesh

Amid the fear of a second wave of COVID-19 infections, patients with cold-related diseases are surging at hospitals across the country as the winter has set in.

vi. Corona and winter	Annex: 3(vi)
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কোভিড-১৯ সংক্রমণ

শীতের সঙ্গে করোনাভাইরাসের কী সম্পর্ক

Whether Corona infections increase with winter is still under discussion. In the meantime, the government feared that Coronavirus infections could increase in the winter. Although the winter has not started yet in the country, corona infection has increased again. But researchers have yet to confirm the Corona's relationship with winter.

4. Private Health Services

i. Fix charges for medical services	Annex: 4(i)
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বেসরকারি হাসপাতালে সেবার চার্জ নির্দিষ্ট করার তাগিদ স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রীর

Health Minister Zahid Maleque has called on private hospitals to fix charges for medical services. "There is a charge for government services," he said. I want the charges of the private hospital to be settled together. Because not all hospital charges will be the same. Because there will be differences in investment, quality, service. So the charge will also be different. If we sit down and fix it, there will be no misunderstanding. '

ii. Display fees	Annex: 4(ii)
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Display fees for tests, oxygen in 7 days: HC

Fresh Jan 20 deadline for ICU, CCU at district hospitals

The High Court asked the Directorate General of Health Services director general to take initiative within seven days for displaying a price list of medical tests, which are usually sought by COVID-19 patients, and medical oxygen at a suitable place for public viewing.

5. ICU

i. Scarcity of ICU bed	Annex: 5(i)
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ঢাকায় আইসিইউ শয্যা

শীতের শুরুতেই হাসপাতালে ভিড়

86% beds are occupied by patients in nine government hospitals. 64% beds are occupied by patients in nine private hospitals. 75% of the beds in government hospitals are full of patients.

Speaking to the authorities of the four hospitals designated for Coronavirus infected people treatment, it is learned that the number of corona patients in Dhaka hospitals has been increasing for several days. Doctors are sending many patients to private hospitals as there is no vacancy in ICU in government hospitals.

ii. Capacity in government hospitals	Annex: 5(ii)
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EDITORIAL: Has ICU capacity in government hospitals increased?

The second Covid-19 wave demands major ramp up

We have spent almost a year with Covid-19 and seen patients suffering and dying because they could not get ICU beds on time or at all.

iii. ICUs beds are in godown **Annex: 5(iii)**

গোড়াউনে বাক্সবন্দি আইসিইউ শয্যা হাসপাতালে সংকট

জনবল ও অবকাঠামোগত সমস্যার কারণে আইসিইউ শয্যা নিতে আগ্রহী নয় সরকারি হাসপাতালগুলো
More than two hundred new Intensive Care Units (ICUs) beds are in godown in of the Central Medical Stores Depot (CMSD) under the Department of Health. But the patients who are not admitted to the government hospitals of the country are not getting ICU beds.

iv. Status of ICU beds

a) Magura **Annex: 5 (iv-a)**

আইসিইউ নেই মাগুরা সদর হাসপাতালে, তবে করোনা পরিস্থিতি এখনও নিয়ন্ত্রণে

The situation in Magura is still under control. No deaths have been reported in the district in the last three months. However, there is no ICU in the government hospital in Magura.

b) Tangail **Annex: 5(iv-b)**

আইসিইউ ওয়ার্ড আছে, নেই বেড!

Although the ICU ward at Tangail General Hospital has been ready for about three months, the ICU bed has not been allocated yet. As a result, Tangail residents are being deprived of ICU services.

c) Sunamganj **Annex: 5(iv-c)**

নামে আছে আইসিইউ-সিসিইউ, কাজে নেই

Sunamganj District Sadar Hospital with 250 beds has two separate rooms on the third floor with ICU and CCU. However, these rooms have not been opened till today.

d) Jhalakati **Annex: 5(iv-d)**

আইসিইউ বেড স্থাপনে প্রস্তুত নয় ঝালকাঠি সদর হাসপাতাল

The health authorities of the Jhalkati district have no hurry in implementing the instructions given by the Prime Minister and the Health Minister on the basis of priority. Dr. Amir Hossain working at Jhalokati Sadar Hospital said, 'Work plan, doctor crisis, ICU bed with equipment is not being set up immediately'.

6. Oxygen supply **Annex: 6**

EDITORIAL: Interruption in oxygen supply averted in public hospitals

Govt's prompt action commendable

Coming back to the problem of oxygen supply by Linde Bangladesh Limited, we think they have managed the situation quite skilfully for the time being. What they must ensure now is that the supply from India does not get disrupted. They should repair the plant as quickly as possible and start supplying oxygen to our hospitals from their plant. While they do so, the government should also make some alternative arrangements for getting emergency oxygen supply, just to avoid any future crisis.

7. Antigen Test

i. Availability of Antigen test **Annex: 7(i)**

Antigen test begins in 10 dists today

24 more die, 2,252 infected in 24 hrs

Amid the significant rise in the number of new coronavirus cases, the health directorate is all set to start antigen-based rapid testing in 10 districts from 5 December 2020. The districts are

Brahmanbaria, Gaibandha, Jashore, Joypurhat, Madaripur, Meherpur, Munshiganj, Panchagarh, Patuakhali, and Sylhet.

ii. Government unwillingness

Annex: 7(ii)

Editorial: Antigen assays falter because of government unwillingness

The government must, therefore, employ both the methods in a larger number for an effective understanding of the infection situation. The government should also roll out antibody tests, which detect the body's immune response to the virus, to establish if anybody has already been infected and recovered for an import input in the mitigation strategy.

8. Testing facilities

i. Fresh crisis

Annex: 8(i)

Fresh crisis over Covid testing

A few PCR machines out of order; experts stress the need for more tests

A few RT-PCR machines, used for Covid-19 testing, remained out of order at a time when coronavirus cases are on the rise with the advent of winter. Experts said the number of daily tests was already low compared to the country's population and such developments would only aggravate the situation.

ii. Demand for free test

Annex: 8(ii)

'TESTS SHOULD BE FREE'

Muzaherul Huq, former regional advisor for South East Asia at the World Health Organization, said people should be made aware of the necessity of tests. He also said, 'Tests should be free for everyone. We have to keep in mind that without more tests we cannot contain the pandemic. It will linger on'.

iii. Covid-19 Diagnosis

Annex: 8 (iii)

Covid-19 Diagnosis: Capacity up, yet testing on decline

When Covid-19 infections and deaths were rising in mid-June, about 16,000 people used to get tested every day at the 49 laboratories. As the number of labs rose to 66 by the end of June, more than 18,000 people got tested for coronavirus each day. Six months down the line, the number of testing facilities is now 137, but the daily tests have dropped

9. Violation of health guidelines

i. No interest in wearing a mask

Annex: 9(i)

৯ মাসেও পরানো গেলো না মাস্ক!



It has been nine months since the first corona was detected in the country. Apart from emphasizing on health safety from the beginning, general holidays have been declared in the country in several phases to prevent corona infection. But nine months after the corona infection, people are not interested in wearing a mask. So the government is strict to make the mask compulsory.

ii. Challenges for Field Administration

Annex: 9(ii)

বিপাকে মাঠ প্রশাসন

শাস্তি দিয়ে মাস্ক পরানো কঠিন

At the district and upazila level, people do not want to wear masks. The Deputy Commissioner (DC) and the Upazila Nirbahi Officers (UNO) do not understand how it is possible to ensure the use of masks by operating a mobile court there.

iii. Need loud and clear message

Annex: 9(iii)

EDITORIAL: Why are we still not following Covid-19 health guidelines?

The message must be loud and clear

As we battle a second wave of Covid-19, we must learn from our past experiences to better combat this deadly disease. Better, more accessible testing facilities and strict adherence to health guidelines will go a long way. It will save lives.

iv. Penalty

a) Individuals and Institutions

Annex: 9(iv-a)

মাস্কবিহীন ৩৮ ব্যক্তি ও ৪ প্রতিষ্ঠানকে জরিমানা

Two mobile courts in Barisal have fined 36 people without masks and four companies Tk 9,100 for enforcing the 'No Mask No Service' policy.

b) High Price of Masks

Annex: 9(iv-b)

মাস্কের দাম বেশি রাখায় ৪ ফার্মেসিকে এক লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

The National Consumer Rights Protection Department has fined four companies in Dhaka Tk 100,000 for keeping the price of masks high.

c) Airlines

Annex: 9(iv-c)

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি না মানায় বিমানকে জরিমানা

A mobile court at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport has fined Biman Bangladesh Airlines for transporting passengers without a corona test certificate

কোভিড সনদ ছাড়া যাত্রী আনায় বুরাক এয়ারকে ৩ লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

Burak Air has been fined Tk 3 lakh for bringing passengers from Libya to Dhaka without a Corona certificate.

করোনা রোগী নিয়ে ঢাকায় কাতার এয়ারওয়েজ

A Qatar Airways flight arrived in Dhaka with a corona patient. Health workers on duty at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport identified a passenger's corona on 25 December.

Maldivian Airlines Fined

Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport has fined the Maldivian Airlines Tk 2,38,000 for arriving with passengers who have not been tested for coronavirus.

AirAsia fined for carrying COVID-19 positive passenger to Dhaka

Malaysia-based AirAsia on Sunday was fined Tk 1 lakh at the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport for boarding a COVID-19 positive passenger on its flight from Kuala Lumpur to Dhaka.

করোনা সনদ ছাড়া যাত্রী আনলো ৯ এয়ারলাইন্স, ব্যবস্থা নেওয়ার উদ্যোগ

The airlines have brought passengers to Bangladesh without Corona Negative Certificate. Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport authorities have verbally warned the airlines. At the same time, a list of 9 airlines has been sent to the Civil Aviation Authority to take action.

10. Drug for mild Covid 19

Annex: 10

Ivermectin effective in treating mild Covid-19

Finds icddr,b study

Researchers found in their study at icddr,b, 'Covid-19 patients that received a five-day course of the anti-parasitic drug ivermectin have shown an early viral clearance and improvements of blood biomarkers compared with other two control groups'. The study findings have been published in the International Journal of Infectious Diseases (IJID) on 2 December 2020.

11. Health Guidelines

i. PM's instruction

Annex: 11(i)

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মানা নিশ্চিত করতে প্রধানমন্ত্রীর নতুন নির্দেশ

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has directed to take strict steps to ensure compliance with health codes to prevent corona. She directed the local administration and people's representatives to be more active in this regard.

ii. Train Passengers

Annex: 11(ii)

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মেনে ট্রেনে যাত্রী পরিবহনের সুপারিশ

The parliamentary committee has recommended the transport of passengers in the train in compliance with the health guidelines.

12. Second Wave

i. Forecast to be the highest

Annex: 12(i)

করোনা মহামারি: জানুয়ারির শেষে সংক্রমণ সর্বোচ্চ হওয়ার পূর্বাভাস

According to Expert Team, 'The second wave of corona infections could reach its peak in the last week of January or the first week of February. By June, the death toll from corona could be as high as 18,000. They say it is possible to reduce both infection and death with specific measures'.

ii. Poor preparedness**Annex: 12(ii)****COVID-19****Poor preparedness in Bangladesh for second coronavirus wave**

The preparedness for the second wave of COVID-19 infections is still very poor although COVID-19 deaths and cases are soaring every day on the eve of the winter. The facilities for critical COVID-19 patients like oxygen-supply devices, ICU beds, high-flow nasal cannulas and ventilators remain handful although the government had announced that it would equip the health system with such facilities ahead of the winter.

13. New strain**Annex: 13****No need to panic over new strain**

Experts say; local virologists found the variant in early November, almost similar to the UK one

Dr Selim Khan, principal scientific officer at the BCSIR said, "We observed that one new strain was almost similar to the one found in the United Kingdom. It was not 100 percent the same. We will start working on it again."

14. Health Professionals**i. Deprived from incentive****Annex: 14(i)****করোনা সংক্রমণ****ক্ষতিপূরণ পাচ্ছেন না সম্মুখযোদ্ধারা**

According to the concerned departments and professional organizations, 8,135 doctors have been infected by corona so far. 113 doctors died. Of these, only 1 person has received compensation. In Corona, 80 police and officials died and, 18,517 officials of police and RAB were infected. 38 people received compensation. Besides, 18 officials of administrative service died, 665 officials have been infected and 4 of them have been compensated.

ii. Death Status**Annex: 14(ii)****চিকিৎসকের মৃত্যু আবার বেড়েছে**

According to the Bangladesh Medical Association (BMA), a total of 115 doctors have died in the country since April 15. Eight of them died from December 1 to 28 December.

15. Law and order forces**Annex: 15****করোনাভাইরাস****৮২ পুলিশ সদস্যের মৃত্যু, সুস্থ সাড়ে ১৮ হাজার**

As of last 27 December, 18,811 members of the police force had infected by coronavirus during their professional duties. 72 police officials lost life. And 317 people are under treatment.

16. Humanity**Annex: 16****মানবতা: করোনাকালে ভালোবেসে হাত বাড়ালেন তাঁরা**

Ordinary people have to struggle to collect oxygen cylinders and plasma for the infected person. Relatives are in trouble with the burial of the dead in Corona. In such a situation, some people have come forward with love, extended a hand of sympathy.

17. Covid free certificate for air travelers

Annex: 17

All air travellers must be Covid free

CAAB threatens int'l carriers with flight suspensions if they carry people with no coronavirus-free certificates

Airlines carrying passengers without Covid-19 negative certificates will have to face flight suspension penalty from now on.

18. Migrant workers

i. Women migrant workers

Annex: 18(i)

Women migrant workers and the Covid-19 crisis

The article is written on behalf of the UN Network on Migration in Bangladesh

The Covid-19 crisis is impacting women and men differently, depending on the sector they work in, the fragility of their employment situation, their access to labour and social protection, and their care responsibilities.

ii. Reduced Fee for Covid test

Annex: 18(ii)

বিদেশগামী কর্মীদের করোনা পরীক্ষার ফি কমলো

From now on, migrant workers will be able to test the corona for Tk. 300., only BMET-issued smart card holders will get this facility in government institutions.

iii. Test labs for travelers

Annex: 18(iii)

11 more districts get COVID-19 antigen test labs

The government opened COVID-19 antigen test laboratories in 11 more districts, raising the number of the rapid testing labs to 40 in the country. Earlier, 29 antigen labs were opened in 28 districts in two phases.

Govt allows 20 more pvt labs to conduct COVID-19 tests of int'l travellers

The government permitted 20 more private laboratories to perform COVID-19 tests of people who need the test certificate for international travel. With the addition, the number of labs that are allowed to perform COVID-19 tests of travellers reached 32.

19. Education

i. Extends closure

Annex: 19(i)

Edn Institutions: Govt extends closure till January 16

The government has extended the closure of all educational institutions, which remain closed since March, until January 16 amid a steady rise in the number of infections and deaths from Covid-19.

ii. New approach, old disparity

Annex: 19(ii)

2020: THE YEAR OF PANDEMIC

Covid-time Education: New approach, old disparity

With traditional classroom learning coming to a complete halt, the pandemic compelled the government to take measures like promoting students to the next class without having them sit for final exams -- a move not seen in recent memory. It also caused many private schools, especially kindergartens, to close down for good.

iii. Post-pandemic university **Annex: 19(iii)**

2020 in Retrospect: Reinventing the university in a post-pandemic world

Ideally, a post-pandemic university is a linear university. It will be both stubbornly pristine and doggedly digital. It will function equally effectively whether in a pandemic or in our recovered peace and "normality."

iv. Affects 42m children **Annex: 19(iv)**

COVID-19 school closure affects 42m children in Bangladesh: UNICEF

UNICEF said, 'Around 42 million children have been affected by school closures in Bangladesh during the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak'.

v. Reopening schools,colleges **Annex: 19(v)**

Govt must ensure health issues in reopening schools, colleges

The government must ensure that health safety protocols and social distancing, and other measures against COVID-19, are stringently adhered to by the institutions.

vi. Online study **Annex: 19(vi)**

Online study to continue until COVID-19 situation improves: PM

Noting that online study will continue until the educational institutions reopen, prime minister Sheikh Hasina reiterated her call to countrymen to maintain proper health guidelines to stop COVID-19 spread.

vii. Application for admission **Annex: 19(vii)**

Online application for admission to govt schools begins

The online application process for admissions to the 683 government schools is set to begin today.

viii. Students in Research **Annex: 19(viii)**

করোনা গবেষণায় দেশের শিক্ষার্থীরা

The students of Biomedical Engineering of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) are continuing that process through research. Eight research projects are currently underway.

ix. Education for Persons with Disabilities **Annex: 19(ix)**

International Day Of Persons With Disabilities: Pandemic paused their education

The government first launched teaching through TV and then introduced classes over radio for primary school students and asked educational institutions to begin online classes. But online classes are not accessible to those with learning disabilities and visual or hearing impairment.

20. Helpline **Annex: 20**

করোনাকাল: নির্যাতন রোধের হেল্পলাইনে করোনা নিয়ে ১০% কল

The helpline 109 of the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs has received about 1 million calls about Corona

The Ministry of Women and Children Affairs launched the helpline in 2012 to take immediate action against any kind of abuse of women and children, not just child marriage. However, this year, instead of calls to prevent violence against women, more calls are coming about Corona.

21. SDG

i. Health related SDG

Annex: 21(i)

How the private health sector can help achieve SDG 3

The private sector healthcare providers do not only cover doctors and hospitals but also include all prevention, primary through tertiary care facilities, support organisations, and all the technicians, support staff, general employees, and volunteers who are engaged in delivering healthcare services. Here is a general plan on how this sector can be mobilised to help make the SDG 3 a reality.

ii. SDG 8

Annex: 21(ii)

Covid-19 and SDG 8: Reviving economies, restoring livelihoods

A few suggestions for achieving SDG 8 in Bangladesh those are more relevant now in the context of Covid-19.

22. Health watchdog

Annex: 22

Health watchdog remains invisible

Not a single meeting held in last nine months of pandemic

The parliamentary standing committee on health ministry has shown nothing short of indifference to the health emergency caused by the pandemic. It had not held a single meeting, let alone makes a visible move since March when the first cases of the coronavirus were detected in the country, putting the healthcare services under strain and exposing corruption and mismanagement in the health sector.

23. Fake Covid Certificates

Annex: 23

Fake Covid Certificates: Sabrina seeks bail from HC

JKG Healthcare's Chairman Dr Sabrina Arif Chowdhury has filed a bail petition with the High Court in a case filed for issuing fake Covid-19 certificates.

24. Corruption

i. Fake Physicians

Annex: 24(i)

ACC sues 12 fake MBBS degree holders, 2 BMDC officials

The Anti-Corruption Commission on Wednesday sued 12 fake MBBS degree holders for obtaining the registrations from Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council using fake certificates of a Chinese university.

ii. DGHS driver

Annex: 24(ii)

ACC interrogates DGHS driver Malek's wife

The Anti-Corruption Commission interrogated Directorate General of Health Services' driver Abdul Malek's wife Nargis Begum over their alleged involvement in accumulation of illegal wealth.

iii. Investigation report**Annex: 24 (iii)****নকল মাস্ক সরবরাহের মামলায় তদন্ত প্রতিবেদন ২৫ জানুয়ারি**

The date of submission of the investigation report of the case filed against Sharmin Jahan, the owner of 'N95 Mask', has been postponed. The court has set a new date of January 25 for the submission of the report.

25. No mask, no service**Annex: 25****'No mask, no service' at city supermarkets**

Bangladesh Supermarket Owners Association has taken a decision to enforce 'No Mask, No Service' policy as part of the preparations to face the possible second wave of coronavirus outbreak. Leaders of the association said they took the decision to make the people aware of wearing facemasks as there is no alternative to wear facemasks to this end.

26. Economy**i. Recovery****Annex: 26 (i)****ধাক্কা সামলে নিতে পেরেছে অর্থনীতি**

The economy has shown some signs of recovery since the middle of the year. Coming to the end of the year, the progress of Corona Vaccine has made the world optimistic. The economy of Bangladesh has joined with that hope. However, it is still not possible to return to the previous state of Pandemic. It can be said that the economy has found a way to relief.

ii. MCCI's version**Annex: 26(ii)****Economy struggling amid COVID-19 outbreak: MCCI**

The Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry said that the economic activities had gathered pace after lifting of the restrictions in late May 2020 but was far short of the normal level. The pace of picking up business activities in some areas of the economy is faster than many others, depending on the demand for goods and services.

iii. ICCB's version**Annex: 26(iii)****Bangladesh is battling COVID-19 economic fallout: ICCB****Chamber holds 25th annual council**

According to the International Chamber of Commerce Bangladesh, Country is now battling both the coronavirus outbreak and its economic fallout and in this situation, economic risks are not only limited to short-term, but also extends to major future productivity losses both through labour and capital.

iv. National budget**Annex: 26(iv)****প্রণোদনায় এলোমেলো বাজেটের হিসাব**

The government announced 21 stimulus packages to revive the economy from bad shape due to Coronavirus pandemic. Now the government will have to pay extra interest for this stimulus package. Because the government will subsidize interest in seven out of 21 packages. The government will spend an additional 12 thousand crore. The government will have to meet this expenditure in three fiscal years including the current one. The Ministry of Finance has prepared a report titled 'Implementation of Stimulus Package to tackle Covid-19'.

v. LDC graduation**Annex: 26(v)****Covid poses challenges for LDC graduation****UN agency says**

Bangladesh is set to graduate from the group of the least-developed countries but will face some challenges during the transition period because of the devastating impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, said a United Nations agency-The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad).

27. Business**i. Lifts demand for soap, detergent****Annex 27(i)****Pandemic lifts demand for soap, detergent**

This increased consciousness has given a boost to demand for soap and detergent. As a result, production of soaps and detergents increased this year. Industrial production data by the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) showed that soap and detergent making grew 12 per cent year-on-year to 134,411 tonnes in the January-August period of 2020 from 120,211 tonnes in the same period a year ago.

ii. Recovery of Agriculture Loan**Annex: 27(ii)****করোনার মধ্যেও কৃষিক্ষেত্র আদায় বেড়েছে ২৩%**

Although the loan collection situation was bad in most sectors during the Corona pandemic the exception was the agricultural sector. In the first 5 months of the current financial year (July-November), agricultural loans amounting to Tk 10,726 crore have been recovered. Compared to the same period of the last financial year which is one thousand 984 crore taka or 22.55 percent more.

iii. Inadequate support**Annex: 27(iii)****সিপিডি ও অক্সফামের ভারুয়াল সংলাপে বক্তারা****প্রণোদনার সহায়তা চাহিদার তুলনায় অপ্রতুল**

In order to properly implement relief and agricultural rehabilitation programmes in disaster prone char areas, there is a need to increase the effectiveness of government services at the local level. Therefore, it is important to create awareness through free flow of information related to relief distribution including creation of detailed database. At the same time, overall vulnerability rather than population may be the main criterion for providing relief and other government assistance.

iv. Decreased internet users**Annex: 27(iv)****Mobile operators lose 2.01 lakh internet users in November**

The number of mobile phone internet users decreased by 2.01 lakh in November after the loss of 3.72 lakh customers in the previous month as people resuming their regular activities amid the prolonged COVID-19 crisis.

v. Less Loan defaulters

Annex: 27(v)

করোনায় বিশেষ ছাড়ে কমলো খেলাপি ঋণ

The central bank has given various concessions to the borrowers considering the negative impact on trade and commerce due to the Corona. With this discount, the defaulted loan has decreased by Tk 1,006 crore in the last three months and stood at Tk 94,440 crore at the end of September.

vi. BISCIC during Corona

Annex: 27(vi)

করোনা জয়ে বিসিকের কার্যক্রম

BSIC has been continuing production and processing in different industrial units located in 76 industrial cities in compliance with health regulations.

vii. New Entrepreneurs

Annex: 27(vii)

কোনোরকমে চলছেন করোনা উদ্যোক্তারা, এখনও বেকার অনেকে

According to a joint report by the International Labor Organization (ILO) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB), about 1.7 million young people in Bangladesh have lost their jobs due to the global corona epidemic. According to a World Bank report, 66 percent of people in urban Bangladesh and 41 percent in rural areas have lost their jobs due to the Corona.

28. Garments Industry

i. More stimulus Packages

Annex: 28(i)

More stimulus to offset Covid shock

ADB working on to lend \$1b for Bangladesh's economic recovery; slow disbursement of funds from govt-announced stimulus packages

The government and the development partners plan to inject more money into the economy for its recovery amid the pandemic while the progress in implementing the stimulus packages for employment creation and revitalisation of the rural economy remains slow.

ii. Fresh round of stimulus

Annex: 28(ii)

BGMEA reiterates demand for a fresh round of stimulus

Garment manufacturers on 7 December 2020 reiterated their demand for another round of stimulus package from the government to cope with the deep fallouts of the Covid-19.

iii. Half of first not implemented

Annex: 28(iii)

New stimulus planned, half of first not implemented

Inclusion of more poor in safety net advised

The government is planning to roll out another stimulus scheme against the looming second COVID-19 wave this winter although almost half the Tk 1.2 lakh crore first package was not implemented in past seven months.

iv. Govt hints at fresh stimulus**Annex: 28(iv)****Tackling Second Wave Fallout: Govt hints at fresh stimulus**

Officials hinted at a new stimulus package on 10 December 2020 amid fears of a possible second wave of Covid-19 and the subsequent setback for the economy which has only slightly recovered from the impacts of shutdown.

v. Garment workers did not benefit**Annex: 28(v)****Stimulus eludes 42pc apparel workers*****TIB study reveals; BGMEA refutes the findings***

More than 42 per cent garment workers did not benefit from the stimulus package despite being one of the poorest segments of the population and hardest hit by the coronavirus pandemic, according to a new survey. This means about 14 lakh apparel workers out of a total of 33 lakh did not receive the support, said the Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) 17 December 2020.

vi. Woes of garment suppliers**Annex: 28(vi)****Covid restrictions in Europe add to woes of garment suppliers**

Lockdowns and tightening of coronavirus restrictions ahead of Christmas in several European countries to tackle the second wave of infections have started adding to the woes of garment exporters in Bangladesh.

vii. Turbulent year**Annex: 28(vii)****2020: a turbulent year for apparel*****Vaccines rekindling hope as apparel exporters wade through all odds to stay afloat***

For many, 2020 has been a year of despair. But despite all the gloom and doom, Bangladesh's apparel exporters hope for brighter days ahead with the arrival of a Covid-19 vaccine that would save both lives and businesses. They also look forward to fresh investments that would help add to their nearly \$750 billion contribution to the industry's global value chain.

viii. New dimensions**Annex: 28(viii)****করোনার বছরে নেতিবাচক ধারা****রপ্তানিতে নতুন মাত্রা পিপিই-মাস্ক**

Corona product exports add new dimensions to the export sector. Entrepreneurs of the country have exported PPE and masks to the world market

ix. RMG Workers' Wage**Annex: 28(ix)****Labour leaders condemn BKMEA plea to suspend yearly increment**

Labour leaders have opposed and condemned the apparel factory owners' proposal to suspend the legal provision of 5 per cent yearly increment for RMG workers for two years. Apparel exporters urged the government to hold the provision of yearly increment stipulated by the minimum wage board on the premise of a slowdown in business activities due to the coronavirus outbreak.

29. Pharmaceutical Industry

Annex: 29

Drug-makers stay strong in a tough year

The pharmaceuticals industry was an exception. Complete and credible data are yet to be released, but industry leaders say the domestic market saw a handsome growth in 2020. The industry clocked 17.36 per cent higher export growth during the July to November, bringing home \$69.82 million.

30. Protection for Farmers

Annex: 30

Protect farmers from Covid-19 fallout

Experts from 6 Asian countries for implementing adequate agrarian, social security reforms

Experts and researchers from six Asian countries have called for implementing agrarian and social security reforms to protect farmers from the adverse impacts of Covid-19.

31. International Support

Annex: 31

Japan remains beside Bangladesh in combating COVID-19

Japanese foreign minister Toshimitsu Motegi has assured Bangladesh that his country would remain beside Bangladesh in combating COVID-19 pandemic. He said in a 'get well soon' message written to foreign minister AK Abdul Momen, who recently tested positive for COVID-19.

32. Urban people sufferings

Annex: 32

Urban people suffer amid COVID-19 for poor relief

Municipal Association of Bangladesh said, 'People living in municipal cities across the country are suffering acutely from the want of basic needs amid the COVID-19 crises.

33. Burden for poor

Annex: 33

Buying masks a burden for poor in Bangladesh

People who live from hand to mouth said that they were unable to maintain mandatory use of masks for their family members while coming out of their homes as buying masks means an additional financial burden

34. Women

i. Lives and livelihoods

Annex: 34(i)

‘৯৫ শতাংশ তরুণীর আয়ে করোনা ঞ্ফতিকর প্রভাব ফেলেছে’

The corona epidemic has had a detrimental effect on the lives and livelihoods of 95 percent of young women. 76.54 percent students have not been able to continue their studies since April this year due to marginal economic situation and distance.

ii. Impact on women

Annex: 34(ii)

NSU hold webinar on COVID-19 impact on women

North South University organised a webinar titled Socio-Economic Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic on Women of Bangladesh on 12 December.

35. Online misinformation**Annex: 35****Online misinformation threatens public health in Bangladesh**

National Institute of Preventive and Social Medicine director Baizid Koorshid Riaz said 'It's an alarming trend that appears to be a public health threat. Some people posing as health experts are flooding social media outlets with sloppily formulated misinformation about health, fitness and diets and many ordinary people are embracing them only to face dire health consequences'.

36. Health assistants' protests**Annex: 36****কাজে ফিরছেন স্বাস্থ্য সহকারীরা**

Health assistants are returning to work from 14 December after a long 18-day strike, assured of meeting the demands of salary-grade increase including promotion. However, they also said that if the promises made during the measles-rubella campaign are not implemented by 24 January 2021, they will go on strike again.

37. Crimes during Covid**Annex: 37****মহামারিতে ৬ অপরাধ বেড়েছে**

The number of crimes has increased in the country in the eight months since the coronavirus infection began. Of these, six types of crimes including rape, snatching, extortion, intimidation, possession of property, theft of cattle have increased.

38. Quarantine**Annex: 38****লন্ডন থেকে ফেরা****বাধ্যতামূলক কোয়ারেন্টিন কার্যকর ১ জানুয়ারি**

The decision to make the 14-day mandatory institutional quarantine for passengers returning from London due to a new type of coronavirus infection will take effect from 1 January.

39. Arrival from UK**i. Flights restrictions****Annex: 39(i)****যুক্তরাজ্যের সঙ্গে ফ্লাইট বন্ধ রাখার সুপারিশ**

A parliamentary committee on health has recommended a temporary halt to air communication with the United Kingdom to prevent new strain coronavirus infections.

ii. Negative Certificate**Annex: 39(ii)****Mandatory COVID-19 Negative Certificate****404 passengers sent to quarantine on arrival**

In a recent notification, the government made PCR test-based COVID-19 negative certificates mandatory for all passengers coming to Bangladesh from December 5.

40. Telemedicine**Annex: 40****টেলিমেডিসিনের দারুণ ভবিষ্যৎ, বাজার এখন ৮ হাজার কোটি টাকার**

BASIS President Syed Almas Kabir said, "Now every hospital should go for hybrid system. The market for telemedicine in Bangladesh is around Tk 8,000 crore. More than 15,000 patients are receiving telemedicine services every day. It will also open the door to provide services to

expatriate Bangladeshis. It is learned that more than 30 companies are now providing telemedicine services in the country.

41. Quick Response Team

Annex: 41

স্বাস্থ্যসেবা বিভাগে করোনা আক্রান্তদের সহযোগিতায় কুইক রেসপন্স টিম

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has announced a quick response team in collaboration with the corona-infected officers and employees of the health department under the Ministry of Health again.

42. Health Services

i. Treatment from distance

Annex: 42(i)

মমেক হাসপাতালে আবারও দূর থেকে করোনার রোগী দেখার অভিযোগ

Even after wearing PPE, the doctors stopped coming to the patient again. They are giving medical services by talking to the patient or nurse from a distance. The patient's relatives have complained that a patient died due to not getting proper treatment in the corona unit.

ii. Scarcity of Physicians and medicine

Annex: 42(ii)

খুলনায় করোনা রোগীর চাপ বৃদ্ধি: চিকিৎসক ও ওষুধ সংকট

Every day, the number of corona patients in the flu-corner and isolation ward of Khulna Medical College Hospital is increasing. There is a shortage of doctors and health workers in government hospitals and there is a shortage of medicines.

43. Mask campaign

Annex: 43

COVID-19

Engage social, political bodies in mask campaign

Cabinet okays bill to publish collaborators' list

Prime minister Sheikh Hasina called for engaging socio-political organisations and local government bodies to strengthen the government's ongoing campaign for the mandatory use of masks in public places.

44. Action against ACI

Annex: 44

JS body for action against ACI

The parliamentary standing committee on agriculture suggested the ministry concerned to take action against ACI Limited on charges of its involvement in supplying substandard materials relating COVID-19 and low quality agricultural machines.

45. Handwashing

i. New Handwashing stations

Annex: 45(i)

করোনা মোকাবিলায় ৮৮২ হাত ধোয়ার স্টেশন হচ্ছে

The government is going to set up hand washing stations in place of educational institutions and public gatherings to deal with Covid-19. These hand washing stations will be constructed in 98 upazilas of 30 districts of the country.

ii. Survey**Annex: 45(ii)****40pc people know handwashing is necessary before eating: survey**

About 40 per cent people know that handwashing using water and soap is necessary before eating, according to a new survey. The National Hygiene Survey 2018 conducted by Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics revealed that 36 per cent adolescent girls knew about menstruation before their first period. According to the survey, 43 per cent adolescents and 29 per cent adult women use disposable pads during their menstruation.

46. Health workers**Annex: 46****Walton honours doctors, nurses for their services amid pandemic**

Local electronics giant Walton has honoured the country's frontline healthcare workers for their exceptional medical services amid COVID-19 to protect people while putting their own lives at stake.

47. What we need to do**i. Public Health System****Annex: 47(i)****Don't let a 'good crisis' go to waste**

Covid-19 has set the ground for a "new" health system. Bangladesh has about 30-40 million people who are poor by any standard. With rising poverty and unemployment due to the crisis, this number is likely to rise to about 50 million in the next two to three years. They, in addition to the remaining population, will need publicly financed healthcare. Covid-19 is, therefore, perhaps the ultimate example of why we need universal health coverage (UHC)—if anyone is left out, it threatens the health security of everyone.

ii. Policy makers' Participation**Annex: 47(ii)****Covid-19, Industry and Bureaucracy**

Dr Rubana Huq is President of BGMEA and Managing Director of Mohammadi Group said, 'The only answer is to handle the situation as it comes and hope that the policy makers stand by our side and help us swim through the troubled waters, as they have in March 2020. It's an industry where 4.1 million workers are engaged. The numbers cannot be ignored, the impact cannot be underestimated, and the potential cannot be insulted by scepticism'.

iii. National Covid Vaccine Policy**Annex: 47(iii)****করোনার ডেউ বিতর্ক এবং টিকা প্রাপ্তি, চ্যালেঞ্জ ও করণীয়**

Even if Bangladesh gets the vaccine, it may take three to four years for it to reach the general public successfully. Therefore, on the one hand, the Government of Bangladesh should formulate and implement a National Covid Vaccine Policy very soon for effective collection, storage and distribution of vaccines.

iv. Protection against the Covid Epidemic**Annex: 47(iv)****বুয়েট অ্যালামনাইয়ের ওয়েবিনার****টিকা না আসা পর্যন্ত প্রত্যেকের মাস্ক পরা নিশ্চিত করতে হবে**

In this case, everyone should make sure to wear a mask until the corona vaccine. In addition to life and livelihood, everyone must be aware to ensure health protection. The speakers made the

remarks at a webinar titled "Strengthening Protection against the Covid Epidemic" organized by the BUET Alumni Association on Thursday morning.

v. Uncertainty related to vaccine trial

Annex: 47(v)

দেশে করোনা ভ্যাকসিনের ট্রায়াল নিয়ে অনিশ্চয়তা কাটছে না

There was also interest in the trial of the corona vaccine from the beginning. And he gains momentum when the government enters into a trial agreement with China's Sinovac. But that trial is pending because Sinovac has sought financial assistance. Sanofi was also supposed to be on trial. Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) also completed the preparations. But no one can say when that will happen.

vi. Results of Antigen test

Annex: 47(vi)

অ্যান্টিজেন টেস্টে সফল মিলবে?

In the last 24 hours, only 106 rapid antigen test samples have been collected for corona detection in 29 districts. Since the start of the rapid test, only 1,032 tests have been conducted in 20 days so far. Experts say the government did not or could not do when the antigen test was needed.

vii. School of Public Health

Annex: 47(vii)

In remembrance of Sir Fazle Hasan Abed

Brac acknowledged the dire shortage of trained leaders in public health. One of Sir Fazle's dreams was to build a school of public health. In 2019 alone, the School's faculty had published 56 research papers in peer-reviewed international scientific journals and 43 Op-eds in popular media.

viii. How to protect

Annex: 47 (viii)

করোনা: রোগ মুক্তিতেই সমাধান মিলবে না

We need to remember that science and technology alone cannot protect us. The big countries need to come up with big concessions to keep the global economy and marketing in order. If any government thinks of using this epidemic as an opportunity, they will have to share in the global damage caused by them. Governments need to create a social awakening based on mutual cooperation.

ix. Patient selection

Annex: 47 (ix)

রোগী বাছাই সব সময় জরুরি

At this time of the corona epidemic, Triage (patient selection according to importance) is essential for hospital treatment. The Triage method will be very effective in isolating patients with corona and ensuring quick treatment. Triage is usually applied in emergencies.

x. Changes in 2020

Annex: 47(x)

কতটা পরিবর্তন ঘটেছে ২০২০ সালে

Individuals, families, countries and the world will have to bear the brunt of the Covid-19 epidemic this year, including the deaths of nearly 2 million people worldwide. On the one hand, the discovery and application of the vaccine is a beacon of hope, on the other hand, the

new strain of the virus is making human civilization red-eyed. 2021 will start differently in that sense, but how different will the world be? How much has changed in 2020?

xi. Economic impacts of New strain

Annex: 47 (xi)

করোনাভাইরাসের নতুন ধরনটি অর্থনীতির জন্য কতটা ক্ষতিকর

Various weaknesses have been noticed in Bangladesh from the very beginning in dealing with Covid-19. From detection tests to treatment, the public has suffered. Many untimely deaths have taken place, many families have been cursed with extra expenses, many families have been victims of social prejudice. Therefore, all health-related institutions, including the government, must learn from the past. Mistakes need to be analyzed efficiently and honestly so that no recurrence occurs.

xii. Stimulus packages for whom?

Annex: 47(xii)

মতামত: তেলা মাথায় তেল দেওয়া আর কত দিন

83.97 percent of this money is allocated to the factory owners to deal with the business crisis. And the allocation for wages and allowances for the workers was only 16.3%. The big factories have again got priority in allocating this money. And in this whole process, like a pair of jewels, there was a leap of political influence and lobbying.

xiii. How to improve investment environment

Annex: 47 (xiii)

মতামত: বিনিয়োগের পরিবেশ কীভাবে উন্নত করা সম্ভব

The report also emphasizes on 12 issues to make trade and commerce in Bangladesh more competitive. Notable among these are good governance, infrastructure, technology, human resources, financing environment, foreign trade, competition among local traders, business management, security, risk, etc.

xiv. Private drug addiction treatment

Annex: 47 (xiv)

এভাবে আর চলতে পারে না: মাদকাসক্তদের চিকিৎসা

Physical and mental abuse of patients in private drug addiction treatment centers has become a daily practice. These need to be stopped. For that, the government has to make arrangements for surveillance. At the same time, government initiatives need to be increased. And the most urgent need is to take very drastic steps to end the easy availability of drugs.

xv. BRAC and Public Health

Annex: 47(xv)

জনস্বাস্থ্য উন্নয়নের ধারা বদলে দিয়েছিলেন যিনি

As a result of this groundbreaking work of BRAC, the death rate from watery diarrhea in Bangladesh is now almost zero. And the use of oral saline is the highest in the world – about 85% of diarrhea patients are now using this saline. BRAC's contribution to the health sector is very wide. For nearly four decades, the organization has come up with many innovative programs that have reached out to poor people, including children and women, in almost every village in the country.

xvi. Need to increase appropriate treatment**Annex: 47(xvi)****সুচিকিৎসার নিশ্চয়তা বাড়াতে হবে: কোভিড-১৯ পরিস্থিতি**

Multiple surveys have shown that most patients die within the first 24 hours of hospitalization. In other words, those patients have been taken to the hospital at the very last moment. The patient should be taken to the hospital in time. And the most important thing of all time is that everyone should follow the rules of health protection including the use of masks.

xvii. Dangers of Children health during Covid in Winter**Annex: 47(xvii)****মতামত: করোনার মধ্যেই শীতের ছোবল, ওদের কী হবে?**

In winter, 60 to 70 percent of children with diarrhea become infected with rotavirus. Although there is a vaccine to prevent rotavirus, for some unknown reason it has not been included in our role model expanded vaccination programme.

xviii. Reluctance to get vaccinated**Annex: 47(xviii)****ভ্যাকসিন নিয়ে অনাগ্রহ দূর করতে কী করবে সরকার?**

Although people are interested in coronavirus prevention, there is a reluctance to get vaccinated. Multiple physicians, speaking to the general public, have reportedly expressed interest in vaccinations but differed on their own.

xix. How to run vaccination Programme**Annex: 47(xix)****সাক্ষাৎকার: অধ্যাপক ডা. কামরুল হাসান খান****করোনা টিকা ব্যবস্থাপনায় ছাড় দেওয়ার সুযোগ নেই**

More than 90 million vaccines that are being arranged for us, most are free. But when the private sector is involved, they will think about their business side. If that is to be done then the control must be in the hands of the government. We have to ensure the strict position of the government so that no one can do harmful for the people.

xx. Rural Ecobomy durin Covid-19**Annex: 47(xx)****করোনাকালে গ্রামীণ অর্থনীতি**

The local administration must be vigilant in safeguarding the interests of the rural population. Corona has taught us that a strong rural economy comes in handy in emergencies overseeing a fragile urban economy. As policy analysts in developing countries know, it is much harder to hit urban poverty than rural poverty.

xxi. Budgetary Expenditure**Annex: 47(xxi)****করোনার দ্বিতীয় ঢেউ মোকাবেলা****ব্যয় মেটাতেই বড় চ্যালেঞ্জ সরকার**

As the incidence of corona has been increasing again since last November, the dynamism in various sectors of the industry including import and export has started to decline. The government has been forced to reduce its total revenue collection target by Tk 29,000 crore this month.

xxii. Indecision related to vaccinate**Annex: 47 (xxii)****করোনার টিকা নেব কি নেব না**

So far we have all been waiting for the corona vaccine to arrive. Now some people are waiting for the reaction in the body of others, if possible to see any possible long-term reaction. But the sooner we all realize what a deadly suicide this is for ourselves, our families and our nation, the better.

b. Other Health Issues**1. Dengue****Annex: 1****ডেঙ্গুর প্রাদুর্ভাব****এডিসের কামড়ে এক মাসে ৫৪৭ ডেঙ্গু রোগী**

From January to yesterday, 1,174 people were diagnosed with dengue in the country and 147 people were infected last week.

The number of dengue patients suddenly started increasing from October. The number has increased by 384 in one month. The main dengue season is June to September, in these four months there were 158 dengue patients. This number increased to 163 in October. And in November alone this number has risen to 384. In other words, the number of dengue patients in the country has more than tripled in one month.

2. Malaria**Annex: 2****তিন পার্বত্য জেলা****ম্যালেরিয়ার ভয় কমেছে পাহাড়ে**

After the Hill Accords, public-private stornng efforts to eradicate malaria began. Experts believe that its role in reducing the incidence of malaria in the mountains is large.

Afsana Alamgir Khan, sub-program manager of the National Malaria and Aedes Disease Control Program said that inaccessibility, shortage of manpower and political violence in the hills also have negative impacts. He said the Bangladesh government has a commitment to eradicate malaria by 2030.

3. Actions against irregularities**i. Operation suspension****Annex: 3(i)****নির্দেশ না মানায় হাসপাতাল সিলগালা**

The mobile court in Maijdi, Noakhali ordered to suspend Islami Hospital's operation on charges of non-registration and various irregularities.

ii. Penalty**Annex: 3(ii)****Chatrogram****আনোয়ারায় দুই হাসপাতাল ক্লিনিকে জরিমানা**

Two clinics in Chittagong's Anwara have been fined Tk 30,000 for operating a hospital without approval.

Laxmipur

৩ হাসপাতাল-ডায়াগনস্টিক সেন্টারকে জরিমানা

A mobile court in Laxmipur has imposed a fine of Tk 45,000 on a diagnostic center and two hospitals for mismanagement, lack of necessary documents and doctors.

Unauthorised clinics

হিলিতে অনুমোদনহীন ক্লিনিক সিলগালা ও মালামাল জব্দ

A mobile court has sealed the Meherun Nesha Hospital and Diagnostic Center for operating an unauthorized clinic in Hili, Dinajpur.

iii. Cheating on the name of treatment

Annex: 3(iv)

চিকিৎসার নামে প্রতারণা ও ভুয়া সনদ দেওয়ার অভিযোগ

There have been allegations of fraud and giving fake certificates in the name of medical treatment at Madan Health Complex in Netrokona. On Thursday (December 16), a victim named Fazlul Haque lodged a written complaint with various departments including the Civil Surgeon.

4. Fake doctor

i. Imprisonment

Annex: 4(i)

ভুয়া ডাক্তার ১৩ বছর ধরে দিয়েছেন চিকিৎসা সেবা, করেছেন চোখের অপারেশন!

Fake doctor Ashraful Islam (60) has been sentenced to two years in prison for providing 13 years of medical service without an MBBS degree and performing eye-sensitive surgery. Besides, the pharmacy owner has been fined Tk 75,000 for selling drugs using a fake doctor.

5. Write Petition

Annex: 5

ভুয়া ডাক্তারদের জন্য যাবজ্জীবন ও মৃত্যুদণ্ডের বিধান চেয়ে রিট

A writ petition has been filed in the High Court seeking provision of substantial fine including life imprisonment and death penalty as punishment for fake doctors.

6. Fake Factory

Annex: 6

নকল স্যানিটারি ন্যাপকিন প্রস্তুতকারী চক্রের দুই সদস্য গ্রেফতার

The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) has arrested two members of a gang involved in making and supplying fake sanitary napkins of various international brands, including P&G. CID Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) Ratan Krishna Nath confirmed the matter on 29 December.

7. Unauthorised Pharmaceutical

Annex: 7

একটি অবৈধ ওষুধ কোম্পানি সিলগালা ও দুই লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

A mobile court has sealed an unlicensed pharmaceutical company called Laurel Vista in Brahmanbaria

8. Livelihood

Annex: 8

বিবিএসের জরিপ

শহরের ২১% পরিবার খাবার নিয়ে চিন্তিত

21% of the households living in the cities of the country are worried about their food. Many of these families go to bed without eating at night. Many do not eat at once. This information has come up in the survey titled 'Urban Socio-Economic Status Assessment' of Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS).

9. State owned pharmaceutical company	Annex: 9
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স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মেনে কারখানা পরিচালনায় সাফল্য

মহামারিতেও স্বাভাবিক সরবরাহে ইডিসিএল

Essential Drugs Company Limited (EDCL), the country's only state-owned pharmaceutical company, is moving ahead with a continuous production process amid global coronavirus infections. Employees at all levels of the organization are working relentlessly in compliance with the health rules even in the face of risks.

10. Death in shipbreaking yards	Annex: 10
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Two die after falling sick in shipbreaking yards

Two employees, including a security guard, of two shipbreaking firms in Chattogram's Sitakunda upazila died yesterday morning after falling sick at their workplaces.

11. Nutritional needs of the ultra-poor	Annex: 11
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EDITORIAL: Meeting nutritional needs of the ultra-poor

'Pushi Bari' concept can be implemented across the country

It is heartening that women in char areas of Kurigram's Chilmari upazila are learning to ensure balanced nutrition for their families by growing fruits and vegetables around their houses for their own consumption.

12. Treatment burn patients

i. Increasing trends of Patients	Annex: 12(i)
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বার্ন ইনস্টিটিউট: শীতে বেড়েছে পোড়া রোগী

In one month, 756 burn victims have been treated at the National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery. Many have to return due to lack of beds.

Hussain Imam, Assistant Director of the Burn institute, said that at other times of the year, people get burnt due to various reasons including fire, chemicals and electrocution. But in winter, it is more likely to heat water or light a fire. People should be more careful at this time.

ii. Must increase facilities	Annex: 12(ii)
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Government must increase facilities to treat burn patients

The government must, therefore, attend to the issue and prepare the hospitals accordingly. As burn incidence has a seasonal surge, hospitals must make additional preparations in the winter for burn treatment. A quality treatment in district hospitals will certainly unburden the burn institute and help patients in outlying areas.

13. Indefinite strike	Annex: 13
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Patients suffer at RMCH as interns go on indefinite strike

Interns at Rangpur Medical College Hospital went on an indefinite strike over an altercation between an intern and a fourth class employee.

14. Cancer Hospital	Annex: 14
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জনগণের টাকায় 'গরিবের ক্যান্সার হাসপাতাল'

An initiative has been taken to build a 'Cancer Hospital for the Poor' in the port city of Chittagong with the money donated by the common people. Chittagong Maternal and Child Hospital has taken the initiative to do such an impossible thing with the vow of providing medical services to innumerable people who are out of reach of health services.

15. Public Medical College	Annex: 15
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ধারে চলছে ২১ সরকারি মেডিক্যাল কলেজ

In particular, out of 37 government medical colleges in the country, 21 colleges do not have their own hospital. Somehow these medical colleges are running with borrowed hospitals.

16. Legal Notice	Annex: 16
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সরকারি হাসপাতালের যন্ত্রপাতি মেরামত করতে আইনি নোটিশ

A legal notice has been sent to the government concerned to include necessary equipment for proper diagnosis in various government hospitals in the country and to repair and operate all the useless equipment.

17. Actions against Doctors	Annex: 17
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রোগীর দুই কিডনি অপসারণ: ৪ চিকিৎসকের বিরুদ্ধে ব্যবস্থা নেবে বিএসএমএমইউ

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) is taking departmental action against four doctors in connection with the death of a patient after removing two kidneys instead of one.

18. Treatment Cost	Annex: 18
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চিকিৎসা ব্যয় কমাতে মতামত গ্রহণ

An awareness workshop titled 'Bangladesh Disease Specification Account' has been held in Barisal. In order to reduce the medical expenses of the people in the workshop, 3 researches of the Health Economics Unit were presented. The organizers also took the views of the participants to reduce the medical expenses.

19. Highcourt order on expired drugs	Annex: 19
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৩০ কোটি টাকার মেয়াদোত্তীর্ণ ওষুধ ধ্বংসের প্রতিবেদন হাইকোর্টে

The Department of Drug Administration has submitted a report to the High Court that expired drugs worth Tk 30.14 crore have been destroyed across the country from January to November.

20. Immunization	Annex: 20
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৯০ ভাগ শিশুকে টিকা দেওয়া সম্ভব হয়েছে: স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রী

Health Minister Zahid Maleque has said that 10 types of serious infectious diseases including measles, rubella and polio are on the way to be eradicated due to proper and efficient vaccination. The success of the health sector has made it possible to vaccinate about 90 per cent of the country's children.

21. First aid at Police Box	Annex: 21
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পুলিশ বক্সে হবে প্রাথমিক চিকিৎসা

From now on, people injured or injured in accidents will get first aid in 20 police boxes set up in Motijheel division of traffic police in the capital. A traffic police box and a citizen service center have been inaugurated at Shantinagar intersection. The police box will have first aid box, fire extinguisher, stretcher, potable water.

22. Treatments of Drug addicts	Annex: 22
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নিরাময় কেন্দ্র

মাদকাসক্তের চিকিৎসা 'ইচ্ছমতো'

Across the country, the number of drug addicts between the ages of 18 and 60 is more than 56 lakh. However, there are a total of 351 approved drug treatment centers in 44 districts of the country for the treatment of this huge number of drug addicts. 105 of them are in Dhaka. There is no approved treatment center in 20 districts.

23. New Product	Annex: 23
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Beximco Pharma launches mosquito repellent NOMOS

Beximco Pharmaceuticals Limited, a leading pharmaceutical company in Bangladesh, has recently launched mosquito repellent cream NOMOS, which contains WHO and US Environment Protection Agency approved ingredient Ethyl butylacetylaminopropionate.

24. Bio-medical devices for medical sector	Annex: 24
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'NEED SUPPORT FOR BIO-MEDICAL DEVICE INVENTION'

BUET Alumni said, 'The government is not systematically supportive to the local initiatives to develop and introduce bio-medical devices for medical sector. The government should patronise the local genius or technology as if country's need for different bio-medical devices can be meet locally.'

25. AIDS

i. Status	Annex: 25(i)
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WORLD AIDS DAY

658 new AIDS cases detected, 141 die in Bangladesh in 2020

Fewer tests due to COVID-19 result in low detection: DGHS DG

At least 658 new AIDS cases were detected while 141 patients died in Bangladesh in 2020. With this, Bangladesh so far detected 8,031 AIDS patients and 1,383 of them died, according to the Directorate General of Health Services' AIDS programme.

ii. Sex workers	Annex: 25(ii)
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A grim tale of disease, distress

HIV-positive sex workers fight for life, livelihood

According to NASP data, the total number of HIV cases as of October 2019 is 7,374. Of them, 1,242 resulted in death. Of the patients who are fighting the disease, 70 percent are taking ARV

treatment regularly, while the remaining 30 percent, including those living out of the country, prefer taking treatment abroad.

iii. Virus is still here

Annex: 25(iii)

EDITORIAL: World AIDS Day reminds us that the virus is still here

Preventive measures, treatment and education must go on simultaneously

The government and all sections of society should work together to disseminate information on AIDS and help to treat and rehabilitate those who are HIV positive. We may be among the lucky nations to have lower numbers of HIV positive cases but we must never become complacent about it and keep on working towards attaining a zero number of new cases.

26. Vitamin A campaign

Annex: 26

20.8m Bangladeshi children attend Vitamin A campaign 2020: UNICEF

The National Vitamin A plus campaign in Bangladesh had reached 20.8 million children aged between six months and five years with the important immunity boosting supplement.

27. Negligence in treatment

Annex: 27

‘চিকিৎসায় অবহেলা মামলা পরিচালনার জন্য আইনজীবীরা প্রশিক্ষণপ্রাপ্ত নন’

‘Although there are several laws in Bangladesh to reduce medical negligence, they are not enforced. In most cases, the police file criminal cases and doctors are arrested without evidence of negligence. These were the words of the speakers at a webinar titled 'Medical Negligence Act, Physician Harassment and Public Opinion: Background Bangladesh' organized by Doctors for Health and Environment on 4 December.

28. Mental Health

i. Treatment facilities under question mark

Annex: 28(i)

শর্ত পূরণে ব্যর্থ হলে লাইসেন্স বাতিল হবে মানসিক হাসপাতালের

According to the Department of Health, only 15 private mental hospitals have approval in Dhaka. Specialist doctors say that the environment of most of these private mental hospitals is not suitable and their treatment system is not scientific. Mental illness cannot be treated with a license from a drug addiction treatment center - because drug addiction is a disease in itself.

ii. Don't neglect

Annex: 28 (ii)

মানসিক স্বাস্থ্যকে আর অবহেলা নয়

Although there has been little discussion on the issue of mental health lately, there is no preparation for it compared to the affected. Deterioration of mental health is not a disease. The result of neglecting mental health is a period of time leading to physical illness. Mind and body are related in loving relationship with each other.

29. DG Health

Annex: 29

Health DG to continue for two more years

The government has reappointed Directorate General of Health Services director general ABM Khurshid Alam on contract for two more years effective from 31 December 2020. Khurshid was supposed to go on post-retirement leave from January.

Guideline for children's kidney diseases will be launched today

The national guideline for the treatment of children's kidney diseases will be launched at a ceremony at Bangbandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University.

D. Virtual or Roundtable Discussion**Prothom Alo**

<p>ভার্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল টিকায় চাই প্রতিবন্ধীর অগ্রাধিকার <i>Vaccination is a priority for the disabled</i> Prothom-alo and four organizations working on the rights of persons (Light for the World, ADD International, CDM International and Disability in Development (CDD)) organised this meeting with the support of UK Aid</p>	<p>ভার্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল খাদ্য ও পুষ্টি নিরাপত্তায় করোনার প্রভাব: বহুখাতভিত্তিক নীতি ও কৌশল ব্যবস্থাপনা <i>Corona Impact on Food and Nutrition Security: Multidisciplinary Policy and Strategy Management</i> Organised by the Civil Society Alliance for Scaling Up Nutrition (CSA Sun) and Prothom Alo</p>	<p>ভার্চুয়াল আলোচনা শ্রমিকদের স্বাস্থ্যের দিকে নজর দিতে হবে <i>Workers need to look after their health</i> Organised by SNV and Prothom Alo. SNV Bangladesh's Working with Women Project-2 in collaboration with the Netherlands Embassy in Dhaka and Prothom Alo's joint venture 'Reproductive Health Services in the Garment Sector'</p>
<p>ভার্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল কৈশোরে মানসিক স্বাস্থ্য সুরক্ষা জরুরি <i>Mental health protection is important in adolescence</i> UNICEF and Prothom Alo jointly organised this virtual roundtable</p>	<p>ভার্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল শুধু আইন কি বাল্যবিবাহ রোধে যথেষ্ট <i>Just what the law is enough to prevent child marriage</i> Organized by Girls Not Brides (GNB) in collaboration with PSTC, FPAB, World Vision and Tere des Holmes Netherlands.</p>	

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<p>অ্যান্টিবায়োটিকের যথেষ্ট ব্যবহার প্রতিরোধ জরুরি <i>It is important to prevent rampant use of antibiotics</i> Organized by Kaler Kantho-Health Department of Disease Control Branch and USAID</p>	<p>কালের কণ্ঠ, ইউকেএইড ও সাইটসেভার্সের গোলটেবিল বৈঠক সর্বজনীন স্বাস্থ্য সুরক্ষায় এখনো অনেক চ্যালেঞ্জ <i>There are still many challenges to universal health care</i> Kaler Kantho, UKAid and Sitesavers host a roundtable discussion on 'Universal Health Protection: Health for All'</p>	<p>কালের কণ্ঠ ডিএসকে ইউবিআরের ওয়েবিনার স্কুল পর্যায়ে প্রজনন স্বাস্থ্য শিক্ষার প্রসার জরুরি <i>It is important to promote reproductive health education at the school level</i> BAPSA, BNPS, FPAB, PSTC, Reproductive Health Care and Education Center, BRAC University, Naripaksh, Friends, Rutgers and Simavi.</p>
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<p>কালের কন্ঠ, সাইটসেভার্স ও ইউকেএইড আয়োজিত গোলটেবিল সর্বজনীন স্বাস্থ্য সুরক্ষা : সবার জন্য স্বাস্থ্য</p> <p><i>Universal Health Protection: Health for All</i> Organised by Site savers and UKAid</p>	<p>কালের কন্ঠ, নেদারল্যান্ডস রাজকীয় দূতাবাস, দুঃস্থ স্বাস্থ্য কেন্দ্র (ডিএসকে) ও ইউবিআর বাংলাদেশ অ্যালায়েন্স ভার্সুয়াল আলোচনাসভা যৌন প্রজনন স্বাস্থ্য অধিকার সুরক্ষায় 'সার্বিক স্কুল ব্যবস্থাপনা'</p> <p><i>'Overall school management' to protect sexual reproductive health rights</i> Organised by Kalerkantho, Royal Embassy of the Netherlands, Dushtha Shasthya Kendra (DSK) and Unite for Body Rights (UBR) Bangladesh Alliance</p>	
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<p>অনলাইন সংলাপে শিশুরাই বলল নিজেদের কথা বাল্যবিয়েতে দুমড়েমুচড়ে যাচ্ছে উড়ে চলার ডানা</p> <p><i>In the online dialogue, the children spoke for themselves on Child Marriage</i></p> <p>Organised by the Law and Arbitration Center on behalf of the Child Rights Advocacy Coalition in Bangladesh. Daily Samakal was the media partner.</p>	<p>গোলটেবিল আলোচনা কোভিড-১৯ প্রেক্ষাপটে লিঙ্গভিত্তিক সহিংসতা নিরসনে ১৬ দিনের গ্লোবাল ক্যাম্পেইনের গুরুত্ব লিঙ্গভিত্তিক সহিংসতা রোধে চাই সমন্বিত উদ্যোগ</p> <p><i>We want integrated initiatives to prevent gender-based violence</i></p> <p>Organised by the Law and Arbitration Center on behalf of the Child Rights Advocacy Coalition in Bangladesh. Daily Samakal was the media partner.</p>
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E. Publication Overview

Coverage of Health Issues

- All Six newspapers presented compilation of Key issues in 2020 related to health sector in Bangladesh, which was mostly Covid infection and Management based.
- Prothom Alo was the leader for presenting different dimensions of vaccine discussion from sourcing to field level management; rest newspapers have also covered vaccine issues but their coverage was lesser in number and less variations.
- All newspapers have been publishing regularly Health Tips, Experts opinions on different Health issues (Covid and Non Covid)
- Covid Vaccine was the centre point of major newspaper coverage in December 2020 which was covered issues like as procurement, direct procurement allowed, signing deal with vaccine production company for procurement, different needs and preparatory actions for vaccination, transportation and storage, chances of disparity, demand for realistic vaccination national policy, target audience for vaccine and vaccination is a health right not a privilege.

- Newspapers tried to draw due attention by disclosing information related to more chances of infection and need for proper actions during winter. Still there are inadequate testing facilities in the country. Though Antigen testing started but found less interest about that testing.
- Fact was that rate of hospitalization of Covid infected patients increased in December but there was a failure to provide necessary and required health services including ensuring ICU facilities. According to reports of different newspapers, Bangladesh is not well equipped in ICU facilities, each government hospital has very categorized problems and private hospitals have very limited capacity to accommodate those patients.
- Incentive or compensation for Health Professionals (one of the Covid frontliners- a list of such professionals lost of their life and a good numbers have been engaging in serving Covid patients) was a newspaper coverage issue. Only a Physician's family received compensation who lost life but others similar families didn't receive that yet. Even Though government has a commitment to give Incentive or compensation all health professionals who are associated with Covid treatment.
- Health Minister raised an issue of fixation of fees for services of private health service providers (e.g. Hospital and Clinics) and High Court issued a rule for displaying fees of Private Hospitals.
- Violation of health guidelines was a Newspaper coverage issue with scattered actions against those violations by government agencies in different parts of Bangladesh including Dhaka. Reports said, people are not ready to follow those guidelines. Concerned authorities took actions to different airlines (foreign and local) for violation of health safety instructions.
- Concerned raised by a report about health related online misinformation which was termed as a threat for public health.
- Mental Health has become a discussion issue and raised points for due discussion and take necessary measures in this regard and proper treatment. Private Hospitals and clinics related to this service are not delivering proper services. Found information on inadequate drug addict's treatment facilities and need to arrange proper treatment.
- During Pandemic, people in this country habituated with Telemedicine, a good number of telemedicine recipients are now and newspapers talked about good future prospects of this industry.
- Changed life in education arena (i.e. online classes) for addressing Covid Pandemic reality has been continuing and chances to be continued in Post Covid world also.
- Migrant workers got more labs for Covid testing with lesser fees.

- Parliamentary Studding Committee on Health Ministry as watchdog was not active since outbreak of Covid infection in the country.
- A report talked about reducing treatment cost
- Information on actions for stopping unauthorized hospital, clinics and fake doctors in different parts of this country were available in six newspapers.
- Information on Dengue prevalence, less malaria in hill districts and status of HIV AIDS were presented in this month.
- Health services facilities for burn patients are limited only in big cities maily in Dhaka but it is a country wide issue, so demand for increasing facilities in this regard.
- Health Assistants was in strike for their different demand. Those health Assistants are integral part of immunization programme. But before Nationwide Immunization Day they called off that strike on assurance of Govt. for meeting their demand.
- Need health related knowledgeable lawyer for proper handling of cases in courts.
- Economy has started to recover from pandemic situation and Govt. also has taken different budgetary masseurs by reorganising expenditure schedule.
- Due to new strain of Covid, export oriented RMG industry has faced another challenge so they demanded more stimulus packages for addressing that situation but TIB found that earlier announced stimulus packages were not properly utilised and major workers of stimulus recipient companies didn't get benefit of those packages. PPE type products have added in our exports list.
- Though Business has been facing different challenges but Pharmaceutical industry has given good news on increasing their sales and side by side companies associated with production of health safety products like soap and detergent has been doing good business also.
- Regular Periodical publish on Health Issues of Daily Star is 'Health', issues covered by this publication are *Second wave of COVID-19 in Bangladesh and concerns, The impairs driving, CBD's effects unclear, Do's and don'ts of wearing a mask, Huge research gaps need to be addressed in medicinal cannabis industry, CDC shortens COVID-19 quarantine time, sets new travel guidance, Travel restrictions for controlling local COVID-19 transmission, More years of obesity means higher risk of disease, Immunity passports for persons with COVID-19, Is your child growing normally?, Peripheral neuropathy tied to higher mortality risk, Better heart health scores in midlife linked to lower risk of late-life dementia, Understanding and managing COPD (Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), Immunity boosting turmeric: Is Lead a concern?, The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine: remarkably effective and COVID-19 and obesity: a clear and present danger in younger patients.*

- Prothom Alo has a weekly publication on health issues, 'Pro-Shasto, *change in people's perceptions due to covid, Good Health issues such as Cleanness and Health Safety Rules, Non-Infectious Disease Control, Proper and Balanced Nutrition, Fitness, Elderly Care, Mental Health and Home Health Care, Vaccination, 5 innovations in medicine in 2020 (Rapid antigen tests, reusable masks, special devices in telehealth services, portable automatic defibrillators, watch to prevent sleep apnea), Post-natal psychological problems, winter diseases -Symptoms similar to the flu and corona, Flu and corona discrepancy, Be careful of any symptom, What to do and What is IBS?, How to understand if you have IBS, How to be sure regarding IBS, Ways to stay good with IBS, What to do in case of sudden poisoning, Dementia, The problem is with the teenager girls, Chronic breathing problems in winter and corona, Sleep apnea is not just a sleep disorder, If the heart stops beating suddenly, winter and winter related pain, Why do people go into a coma, and Healthy skin even in winter.*
- There is a Q & A section for guiding readers on their health queries by relevant health experts in each Pro-Shasto issue. Issues covered in December 2020, *Nose, ear, throat Medicine, The flesh of my nose has grown, Hormones, Teeth Nose, ear, throat, Black spots and acne on the face, Sneezing and coughing start as soon as the nose is slightly dusted and one can't concentrate much time in class.*
- Dakatar Bari -a periodical publication of Samakal on health issues covered in December 2020 issues are *Take care of your teeth, If you have vision problems, Fibroid tumors and pregnancy, Harmful stress, Stay away baby from worms, Treatment at home, Different types of Headache, Nose EarThroat Cancer, Appendicitis, Is your child depressed?, skin problems of diabetes patients and Almonds for wellness.*
- Doktor Achen is a periodical publication of Kalerkantho on Health issues, covered issues are *Stay well in this winter, brain cancer and Parkinson, Be aware of old clothes, Osteoporosis Misconceptions about heart disease, Will Corona infection increase in winter?, Some tips on constipation, Usefulness of winter vegetables, Diseases of children in winter and what to do, Winter skin care, Medicinal properties of gold leaf , what to do for taking care of baby, Chemotherapy, Healthy Baby food at home, breathing problems of a corona patient,*
- **Many opinions have been published in October, a list opinion leaders are as follows:**
 - Jayati Ghosh is professor of economics at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi
 - M S Siddiqui, Legal Economist;
 - Mia Seppo, UN Resident Coordinator in Bangladesh;
 - Giorgi Gigauri, Chief of Mission, IOM Bangladesh;
 - Tuomo Poutiainen, Country Director, ILO;
 - Steven Corliss, Country Representative, UNHCR;
 - Shoko Ishikawa, Country Representative, UN WOMEN;
 - Sudipto Mukerjee, Resident Representative, UNDP Bangladesh;
 - Asa Torkelsson, Representative, UNFPA;
 - Tomoo Hozumi, Representative, UNICEF;
 - Sergey Kapinos, Representative, UNODC Regional Office for South Asia

- Dr A M Shamim, Managing Director, Labaid Group
- Syed Yusuf Saadat, Senior Research Associate, Centre for Policy Dialogue (CPD);
- Mushtaque Chowdhury, Convener of Bangladesh Health Watch
- Dr Rubana Huq, President of BGMEA and Managing Director, Mohammadi Group.
- Dr. Md. Nazmul Huda, a public health researcher and academic at the University of New South Wales in Australia.
- Md. Ujjwal Talukder, Lecturer, Department of Mass Communication and Journalism, Khulna University
- HT Goranson, Former Deputy Director, Institute for Integrated Intelligent Systems at Griffith University
- Md. Ridwanur Rahman, Head of Research Center, Universal Medical College
- Dr. Ziauddin Haider, Senior Health Expert, World Bank
- Fazlul Kabir, Writer and journalist
- Mamun Rashid, Economist
- Gowhar Naeem Wara, writer and researcher
- Professor Dr. Kamrul Hasan Khan, former Vice Chancellor and Pathology Specialist of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University
- A B M Farooq, Professor and Director, Biomedical Research Center; Former Chairman, Department of Pharmacy, Dhaka University
- Ali Riaz is a Distinguished Professor, Department of Government and Politics, Illinois State University, USA
- Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh, WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia

F. Summary Observations

- a. Vaccine Procurment and Vaccination Management
 - Demand for realistic vaccination national policy allowing Vaccine for all
 - Vaccination is a health right
 - Uncertain Covid Vaccine trial

- b. Covid Situation and Health Services
 - Inadequate Covid infection testing facilities
 - Shortage of ICU facilities
 - Incentive for majority Health Professionals didn't disburse
 - Fixation of fees for services of private health care providers
 - Less care about health safety guidelines not only individuals but also airlines

- c. Other health Issues
 - Take necessary actions in line with learning from 2020 for better Public Health Facilities
 - Mental Health issue needs due attention
 - Health tips and experts opinions are regular coverage issue
 - Actions for stopping unauthorized hospital, clinics and fake doctors
 - Need to increase health service facilities for burnt patients
 - Migrant workers got more labs for Covid testing with lesser fees.

d. Business and Economy

- Demand for more stimulus package by BMGEA
- Pharmaceutical industry has given good news
- Economy has started to recover from pandemic situation
- Govt. also has taken different budgetary measures by reorganising expenditure schedule.

ANNEXURE

(*Links of selected published reports, features, articles,
Editorials and virtual and roundtable discussion*)

A. List of issues related to Coronavirus

1. Vaccine

i. Vaccine deal

Deal signed with India's Serum Institute for COVID-19 vaccine

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124241/deal-signed-with-indias-serum-institute-for-covid-19-vaccine>

ii. Vaccine Management

টিকা ব্যবস্থাপনা

দেশে করোনার টিকা দিতে জেলা-উপজেলায় কমিটি

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/coronavirus/%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF-2>

iii. Budget for Vaccine Project

করোনার সংক্রমণ

টিকা কিনতে ৭ হাজার কোটি টাকার প্রকল্প

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%AD-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AA>

iv. Vaccine arrival schedule

Covid-19 Vaccine: The first batch to be here in early January

Says health minister

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-vaccine-first-batch-arrive-early-january-2009301>

v. Place for storage

করোনা মহামারি

টিকা রাখার জায়গা খুঁজছে সরকার

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%96%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%81%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0>

vi. Joint move

অক্সফোর্ডের টিকা

একসঙ্গে টিকা পাবে বাংলাদেশ ও ভারত

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%99%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4>

vii. Loan for vaccine

টিকা কেনায় ঋণ দিতে রাজি বিশ্বব্যাংক-এডিবি

আলোচনা চলছে অন্যদের সঙ্গে

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-khobor/article/201272183/%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%8B%E0%A6%A3-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF>

viii. National Plan

করোনার টিকা নিয়ে জাতীয় পরিকল্পনা

শুরুতে টিকা পাবে ৫২ লাখ মানুষ

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/coronavirus/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%AB%E0%A7%A8-%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B7>

ix. Waste of money

বেসরকারি মাধ্যমে টিকা আনলে অপব্যয় হবে: জাফরুল্লাহ

<https://www.prothomalo.com/politics/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AB%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B9>

x. BNP Version

Covid Vaccine: BNP demands army's role in its purchase, distribution

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/covid-vaccine-bnp-demands-armys-role-its-purchase-distribution-2004001>

xi. Bancovid Trials

Bancovid Trials: Globe Biotech cancels deal with icddr,b over delays

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/bancovid-trials-globe-biotech-cancels-deal-icddr-b-over-delays-2004521>

xii. How to distribute free vaccine

EDITORIAL: Free Covid-19 vaccines for first three crore recipients

Ensure strict monitoring in allocation and distribution

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/free-covid-19-vaccines-first-three-crore-recipients-2004329>

xiii. Vaccine procurement policy

Cabinet okays direct vaccine purchase

DGHS starts antigen testing from Saturday

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/cabinet-okays-direct-vaccine-purchase-2004797>

xiv. Wait for Covid vaccine

Wait for Covid vaccine to get a bit longer

US health expert says about vast majority of people in Bangladesh

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/wait-covid-vaccine-get-bit-longer-2005993>

xv. Chances of disparity

Covid-19 Vaccine: The poor may face disparity

Many still have no access to testing, treatment; only 1 in 10 in poor countries to get immunised next year

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-vaccine-the-poor-may-face-disparity-here-too-2008725>

xvi. Deprivation

TREATMENT FOR ALL, A FAR CRY

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-vaccine-the-poor-may-face-disparity-here-too-2008725>

xvii. Enlistment

টিকার তালিকায় নাম তুলতে হড়াহড়ি

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/last-page/2020/12/18/986618>

xviii. Fast-track vaccine distribution

Bangladesh, 10 Other Asian Nations: Fast-track vaccine distribution

Urges WHO; ADB launches \$9b Covid vaccine initiative for Asia Pacific

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/bangladesh-10-other-asian-nations-who-calls-fast-tracking-vaccine-2009841>

xix. WHO's vaccine scheme

EDITORIAL: WHO's vaccine scheme must not fail

No one will be safe until everyone is safe

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/whos-vaccine-scheme-must-not-fail-2013153>

xx. Need realistic plan

Covid-19 Vaccination: Plan it realistically to avoid chaos

Speakers at webinar urge the govt

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-vaccination-plan-it-realistically-avoid-chaos-2014505>

xxi. Total vaccines

6cr Covid shots expected by June

Cabinet secy says these are in addition to 3 crore approval-pending doses from Serum; experts see distribution hurdles

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/98m-vaccines-arrive-june-2015069>

xxii. Target audience for vaccination

No Covid vaccine for under 18s

Says health minister

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/no-covid-vaccine-under-18s-2018137>

xxiii. Transparency in procurement and distribution

Ensure transparency in procurement, distribution of Covid-19 vaccine

Demands rights body

<https://www.thedailystar.net/city/news/ensure-transparency-procurement-distribution-covid-19-vaccine-2018881>

xxiv. Alert for anomalies

Covid Vaccination: Stay alert to anomalies

Health watchdog asks govt as it sits after 9 months

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/covid-vaccination-stay-alert-anomalies-2019857>

xxv. Single sourcing vaccine

Ministry seeks govt nod for COVID-19 vaccine single sourcing

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123068/ministry-seeks-govt-nod-for-covid-19-vaccine-single-sourcing>

xxvi. Vaccine apartheid

COVID-19: vaccine apartheid

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123418/covid-19-vaccine-apartheid>

xxvii. Entertainment and travel expenses excluded

ভ্যাকসিনের বরাদ্দে বাদ পড়লো আপ্যায়ন ও ভ্রমণ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/658767/%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8B-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A3>

xxviii. Side effects of Vaccine

করোনা ভ্যাকসিনের পার্শ্বপ্রতিক্রিয়া এখনও অনুমাননির্ভর

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/656526/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%93>

xxix. Private initiative

বেসরকারি উদ্যোগে আসতে পারে চীন-রাশিয়ার টিকা

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/first-page/2020/12/29/990080>

xxx. Vaccine and Stock market

Vaccine optimism lifts stocks to 1.5yr high

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/vaccine-optimism-lifts-stocks-15yr-high-2018397>

xxxi. Safe and effective Covid-19 vaccines

Ready immunisation systems to deliver safe and effective Covid-19 vaccines

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/ready-immunisation-systems-deliver-safe-and-effective-covid-19-vaccines-2011681>

xxxii. Vaccination is health right

RIGHTS ADVOCACY

Vaccination is health right not a privilege

<https://www.thedailystar.net/law-our-rights/news/vaccination-health-right-not-privilege-2018965>

2. Prime Minister's version

i. Equitable access to vaccines

Let's fight Covid-19 together, save lives

PM seeks urgent global action, collaboration, places proposal on equitable access to vaccines

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/lets-fight-covid-19-together-save-lives-2005909>

ii. Stronger cooperation

Mitigating Covid Impact: PM for stronger cooperation

Bhutan PM lauds Dhaka's Covid response; preferential trade deal signed with Bhutan

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/mitigating-covid-impact-pm-stronger-cooperation-2006977>

3. Health Update

i. Patients' long queue

করোনা উপসর্গ নিয়ে রোগীর লম্বা লাইন

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/last-page/2020/12/03/981845>

ii. Information through phone

ফোনে জানা যাবে করোনা ডেভিকেটেড হাসপাতালের তথ্য

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/657762/%E0%A6%AB%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A1%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A1-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF>

iii. Treatment at home

করোনা সংক্রমণে বাসায় চিকিৎসা নেওয়া উচিত নয় যাদের

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/657841/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%A3%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0>

iv. Govt spends for Covid Patient

Govt spends Tk 4 lakh for each COVID-19 patient at ICU: minister

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124188/govt-spends-tk-4-lakh-for-each-covid-19-patient-at-icu-minister>

v. Common cold surge

Patients with common cold surge in Bangladesh

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124354/patients-with-common-cold-surge-in-bangladesh>

vi. Corona and winter

কোভিড-১৯ সংক্রমণ

শীতের সঙ্গে করোনাভাইরাসের কী সম্পর্ক

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/coronavirus/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%99%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%87->

[/E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95](https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/659785/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95)

4. Private Health Services

i. Fix charges for medical services

বেসরকারি হাসপাতালে সেবার চার্জ নির্দিষ্ট করার তাগিদ স্বাস্থ্যমন্ত্রীর

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/659785/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9C-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0>

ii. Display fees

Display fees for tests, oxygen in 7 days: HC

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124274/display-fees-for-tests-oxygen-in-7-days-hc>

5. ICU

i. Scarcity of ICU bed

ঢাকায় আইসিইউ শয্যা

শীতের শুরুতেই হাসপাতালে ভিড়

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/coronavirus/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9C>

ii. Capacity in government hospitals

EDITORIAL: Has ICU capacity in government hospitals increased?

The second Covid-19 wave demands major ramp up

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/has-icu-capacity-government-hospitals-increased-2003729>

iii. ICUs beds are in godown

গোড়াউনে বাস্তুবন্দি আইসিইউ শয্যা হাসপাতালে সংকট

জনবল ও অবকাঠামোগত সমস্যার কারণে আইসিইউ শয্যা নিতে আগ্রহী নয় সরকারি হাসপাতালগুলো

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-first-page/article/201274189/%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%89-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%9F>

iv. Status of ICU beds

a) Magura

আইসিইউ নেই মাগুরা সদর হাসপাতালে, তবে করোনা পরিস্থিতি এখনও নিয়ন্ত্রণে

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/657328/%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%89-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%B0>

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/656940/%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%89-%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A1-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A1>

b) Tangail

আইসিইউ ওয়ার্ড আছে, নেই বেড!

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/658179/%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%89-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%89-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87>

c) Sunamganj

নামে আছে আইসিইউ-সিসিইউ, কাজে নেই

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/657281/%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%9D%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A0%E0%A6%BF>

d) Jhalakati

আইসিইউ বেড স্থাপনে প্রস্তুত নয় ঝালকাঠি সদর হাসপাতাল

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/657281/%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%9D%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A0%E0%A6%BF>

6. Oxygen supply

**EDITORIAL: Interruption in oxygen supply averted in public hospitals
Govt's prompt action commendable**

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/interruption-oxygen-supply-averted-public-hospitals-2016489>

7. Antigen Test

i. Availability of Antigen test

Antigen test begins in 10 dists today

24 more die, 2,252 infected in 24 hrs

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/antigen-test-begins-10-dists-today-2005901>

ii. Government unwillingness

Editorial: Antigen assays falter because of government unwillingness

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125215/antigen-assays-falter-because-of-government-unwillingness>

8. Testing facilities

i. Fresh crisis

Fresh crisis over Covid testing

A few PCR machines out of order; experts stress the need for more tests

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/fresh-crisis-over-covid-testing-2007513>

ii. Demand for free test

'TESTS SHOULD BE FREE'

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-diagnosis-capacity-yet-testing-decline-2013617>

iii. Covid-19 Diagnosis

Covid-19 Diagnosis: Capacity up, yet testing on decline

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-diagnosis-capacity-yet-testing-decline-2013617>

9. Violation of health guidelines

i. No interest in wearing a mask

৯ মাসেও পরানো গেলো না মাস্ক!

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/656397/%E0%A7%AF-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8B-%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8B-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95>

ii. Challenges for Field Administration

বিপাকে মাঠ প্রশাসন

শাস্তি দিয়ে মাস্ক পরানো কঠিন

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/news/2020/12/05/982431>

iii. Need loud and clear message

EDITORIAL: Why are we still not following Covid-19 health guidelines?

The message must be loud and clear

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/why-are-we-still-not-following-covid-19-health-guidelines-2007733>

iv. Penalty

a) Individuals and Institutions

মাস্কবিহীন ৩৮ ব্যক্তি ও ৪ প্রতিষ্ঠানকে জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/658547/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A7%A9%E0%A7%AE-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A7%AA-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

b) High Price of Masks

মাস্কের দাম বেশি রাখায় ৪ ফার্মেসিকে এক লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/655363/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A7%AA-%E0%A6%AB%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE>

c) Airlines

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি না মানায় বিমানকে জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/657146/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

কোভিড সনদ ছাড়া যাত্রী আনায় বুঝাক এয়ারকে ৩ লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/658808/%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A1-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A6-%E0%A6%9B%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%A9-%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE>

করোনা রোগী নিয়ে ঢাকায় কাতার এয়ারওয়েজ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/659209/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9C>

MALDIVIAN AIRLINES FINED

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/number-critical-virus-cases-rise-2009821>

AirAsia fined for carrying COVID-19 positive passenger to Dhaka

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124237/airasia-fined-for-carrying-covid-19-positive-passenger-to-dhaka>

করোনা সনদ ছাড়া যাত্রী আনলো ৯ এয়ারলাইন্স, ব্যবস্থা নেওয়ার উদ্যোগ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/656167/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A6-%E0%A6%9B%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8B-%E0%A7%AF-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B8-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BE>

10. Drug for mild Covid 19

Ivermectin effective in treating mild Covid-19

Finds icddr,b study

<https://www.thedailystar.net/city/news/ivermectin-effective-treating-mild-covid-19-2007697>

11. Health Guidelines

i. PM's instruction

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মানা নিশ্চিত করতে প্রধানমন্ত্রীর নতুন নির্দেশ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/658480/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0>

ii. Train Passengers

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মেনে ট্রেনে যাত্রী পরিবহনের সুপারিশ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/658836/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0>

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%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6](#)

12. Second Wave

i. Forecast to be the highest

করোনা মহামারি: জানুয়ারির শেষে সংক্রমণ সর্বোচ্চ হওয়ার পূর্বাভাস

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%81%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A3-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9A-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%82%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8>

ii. Poor preparedness

COVID-19

Poor preparedness in Bangladesh for second coronavirus wave

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123427/poor-preparedness-in-bangladesh-for-second-coronavirus-wave>

13. New strain

No need to panic over new strain

Experts say; local virologists found the variant in early November, almost similar to the UK one

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/no-need-panic-over-new-strain-2016793>

14. Health Professionals

i. Deprived from incentive

করোনা সংক্রমণ

ক্ষতিপূরণ পাচ্ছেন না সম্মুখযোদ্ধারা

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%82%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A3-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE>

ii. Death Status

চিকিৎসকের মৃত্যু আবার বেড়েছে

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/last-page/2020/12/09/983789>

15. Law and order forces

করোনাভাইরাস

৮২ পুলিশ সদস্যের মৃত্যু, সুস্থ সাড়ে ১৮ হাজার

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A7%AE%E0%A7%A8-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%83%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%81-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%A7%E0%A7%AE-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0>

16. Humanity

মানবতা: করোনাকালে ভালোবেসে হাত বাড়ালেন তাঁরা

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE>

17. Covid free certificate for air travellers

All air travellers must be Covid free

CAAB threatens int'l carriers with flight suspensions if they carry people with no coronavirus-free certificates

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/passengers-sans-covid-certificates-bring-them-get-grounded-2011945>

18. Migrant workers

i. Women migrant workers

Women migrant workers and the Covid-19 crisis

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/women-migrant-workers-and-the-covid-19-crisis-2013097>

ii. Reduced Fee for Covid test

বিদেশগামী কর্মীদের করোনা পরীক্ষার ফি কমলো

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/659565/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AB%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87>

iii. Test labs for travelers

11 more districts get COVID-19 antigen test labs

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125774/11-more-districts-get-covid-19-antigen-test-labs>

Govt allows 20 more pvt labs to conduct COVID-19 tests of int'l travellers

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125714/govt-allows-20-more-pvt-labs-to-conduct-covid-19-tests-of-intl-travellers>

19. Education

i. Extends closure

Edn Institutions: Govt extends closure till January 16

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/edn-institutions-govt-extends-closure-till-january-16-2013609>

ii. New approach, old disparity

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Covid-time Education: New approach, old disparity

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-time-education-new-approach-old-disparity-2019229>

iii. **Post-pandemic university**

2020 in Retrospect: Reinventing the university in a post-pandemic world

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/2020-retrospect-reinventing-the-university-post-pandemic-world-2019921>

iv. **Affects 42m children**

COVID-19 school closure affects 42m children in Bangladesh: UNICEF

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123119/covid-19-school-closure-affects-42m-children-in-bangladesh-unicef>

v. **Reopening schools, colleges**

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125781/govt-must-ensure-health-issues-in-reopening-schools-colleges>

vi. **Online study**

Online study to continue until COVID-19 situation improves: PM

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125851/online-study-to-continue-until-covid-19-situation-improves-pm>

vii. **Application for admission**

Online application for admission to govt schools begins

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124393/online-application-for-admission-to-govt-schools-begins>

viii. **Students in Research**

করোনা গবেষণায় দেশের শিক্ষার্থীরা

<https://www.prothomalo.com/feature/shapno/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%A3%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE>

ix. **Education for Persons with Disabilities**

International Day Of Persons With Disabilities: Pandemic paused their education

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/international-day-persons-disabilities-pandemic-paused-their-education-2004829>

20. Helpline

করোনাকাল: নির্যাতন রোধের হেল্পলাইনে করোনা নিয়ে ৯০% কল

The helpline 109 of the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs has received about 1 million calls about Corona

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/coronavirus/%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%AF%E0%A7%A6-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B2>

21. SDG

i. **Health related SDG**

How the private health sector can help achieve SDG 3

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/how-the-private-health-sector-can-help-achieve-sdg-3-2016305>

ii. **SDG 8**

Covid-19 and SDG 8: Reviving economies, restoring livelihoods

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/covid-19-and-sdg-8-reviving-economies-restoring-livelihoods-2016821>

22. Health watchdog

Health watchdog remains invisible

Not a single meeting held in last nine months of pandemic

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/health-watchdog-remains-invisible-2018685>

23. Fake Covid Certificates

Fake Covid Certificates: Sabrina seeks bail from HC

<https://www.thedailystar.net/city/news/sabrina-seeks-bail-hc-2018877>

24. Corruption

i. Fake Physicians

ACC sues 12 fake MBBS degree holders, 2 BMDC officials

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123261/acc-sues-12-fake-mbbs-degree-holders-2-bmdc-officials>

ii. DGHS driver

ACC interrogates DGHS driver Malek's wife

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125047/acc-interrogates-dghs-driver-maleks-wife>

iii. Investigation report

নকল মাস্ক সরবরাহের মামলায় তদন্ত প্রতিবেদন ২৫ জানুয়ারি

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/657177/%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A7%A8%E0%A7%AB>

25. No mask, no service

'No mask, no service' at city supermarkets

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123441/no-mask-no-service-at-city-supermarkets>

26. Economy

i. Recovery

ধাক্কা সামলে নিতে পেরেছে অর্থনীতি

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-last-page/article/201275104/%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF>

ii. MCCI's version

Economy struggling amid COVID-19 outbreak: MCCI

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125814/economy-struggling-amid-covid-19-outbreak-mcci>

iii. ICCB's version

Bangladesh is battling COVID-19 economic fallout: ICCB

Chamber holds 25th annual council

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124371/bangladesh-is-battling-covid-19-economic-fallout-iccb>

iv. National budget

প্রণোদনায় এলোমেলো বাজেটের হিসাব

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/last-page/2020/12/08/983454>

v. LDC graduation

Covid poses challenges for LDC graduation

UN agency says

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/covid-poses-challenges-ldc-graduation-2017949>

27. Business

i. Lifts demand for soap, detergent

Pandemic lifts demand for soap, detergent

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/pandemic-lifts-demand-soap-detergent-2017953>

ii. Recovery of Agriculture Loan

করোনার মধ্যেও কৃষিক্ষণ আদায় বেড়েছে ২৩%

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-industry-trade/article/201274274/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%83%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%8B%E0%A6%A3-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%A8%E0%A7%A9>

iii. Inadequate support

সিপিডি ও অক্সফামের ভারুয়াল সংলাপে বক্তারা

প্রণোদনার সহায়তা চাহিদার তুলনায় অপ্রতুল

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-khobor/article/201274771/%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A3%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2>

iv. Decreased internet users

Mobile operators lose 2.01 lakh internet users in November

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124521/mobile-operators-lose-201-lakh-internet-users-in-november>

v. Less Loan defaulters

করোনায় বিশেষ ছাড়ে কমলো খেলাপি ঋণ

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-industry-trade/article/201269441/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B7-%E0%A6%9B%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8B-%E0%A6%96%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%8B%E0%A6%A3>

vi. BISCIC during Corona

করোনা জয়ে বিসিকের কার্যক্রম

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-editorial-comments/article/201269630/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AE>

vii. New Entrepreneurs

কোনোরকমে চলছেন করোনা উদ্যোক্তারা, এখনও বেকার অনেকে

<https://www.banglatribune.com/business/news/656527/%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%93%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%AE-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87>

28. Garments Industry

i. More stimulus Packages

More stimulus to offset Covid shock

ADB working on to lend \$1b for Bangladesh's economic recovery; slow disbursement of funds from govt-announced stimulus packages

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/more-stimulus-offset-covid-shock-2005393>

ii. Fresh round of stimulus

BGMEA reiterates demand for a fresh round of stimulus

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/bgmea-reiterates-demand-fresh-round-stimulus-2007645>

iii. Half of first not implemented

New stimulus planned, half of first not implemented

Inclusion of more poor in safety net advised

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124004/new-stimulus-planned-half-of-first-not-implemented>

iv. Govt hints at fresh stimulus

Tackling Second Wave Fallout: Govt hints at fresh stimulus

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/tackling-second-wave-fallout-govt-hints-fresh-stimulus-2009305>

v. **Garment workers did not benefit**

Stimulus eludes 42pc apparel workers

TIB study reveals; BGMEA refutes the findings

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/stimulus-eludes-42pc-apparel-workers-2013321>

vi. **Woes of garment suppliers**

Covid restrictions in Europe add to woes of garment suppliers

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/covid-restrictions-europe-add-woes-garment-suppliers-2012745>

vii. **Turbulent year**

2020: a turbulent year for apparel

Vaccines rekindling hope as apparel exporters wade through all odds to stay afloat

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/big-blow-the-big-industry-2018829>

viii. **New dimensions**

করোনার বছরে নেতিবাচক ধারা

রপ্তানিতে নতুন মাত্রা পিপিই-মাস্ক

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/industry-business/2020/12/31/990647>

ix. **RMG Workers' Wage**

Labour leaders condemn BKMEA plea to suspend yearly increment

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125615/labour-leaders-condemn-bkmea-plea-to-suspend-yearly-increment>

29. Pharmaceutical Industry

Drug-makers stay strong in a tough year

<https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/drug-makers-stay-strong-tough-year-2020013>

30. Protection for Farmers

Protect farmers from Covid-19 fallout

Experts from 6 Asian countries for implementing adequate agrarian, social security reforms

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/protect-farmers-covid-19-fallout-2013605>

31. International Support

Japan remains beside Bangladesh in combating COVID-19

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123361/japan-remains-beside-bangladesh-in-combating-covid-19>

32. Urban people sufferings

Urban people suffer amid COVID-19 for poor relief

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123732/urban-people-suffer-amid-covid-19-for-poor-relief>

33. Burden for poor

Buying masks a burden for poor in Bangladesh

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123248/buying-masks-a-burden-for-poor-in-bangladesh>

34. Women

i. Lives and livelihoods

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<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/657666/%E2%80%98%E0%A7%AF%E0%A7%AB-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%B6-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A3%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%86%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC-%E0%A6%AB%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E2%80%99>

ii. Impact on women

NSU hold webinar on COVID-19 impact on women

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124183/nsu-hold-webinar-on-covid-19-impact-on-women>

35. Online misinformation

Online misinformation threatens public health in Bangladesh

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/124082/online-misinformation-threatens-public-health-in-bangladesh>

36. Health assistants' protests

কাজে ফিরছেন স্বাস্থ্য সহকারীরা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/657267/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AB%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE>

37. Crimes during Covid

মহামারিতে ৬ অপরাধ বেড়েছে

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/crime/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%AC-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A7-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87>

38. Quarantine

লন্ডন থেকে ফেরা

বাধ্যতামূলক কোয়ারেন্টিন কার্যকর ১ জানুয়ারি

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%82%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8B%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A7%A7-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%81%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF>

39. Arrival from UK

i. Flights restrictions

যুক্তরাজ্যের সঙ্গে ফ্লাইট বন্ধ রাখার সুপারিশ

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%99%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%87>

[%E0%A6%AB%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%9F-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A7-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6](#)

ii. Negative Certificate

**Mandatory COVID-19 Negative Certificate
404 passengers sent to quarantine on arrival**

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123640/404-passengers-sent-to-quarantine-on-arrival>

40. Telemedicine

টেলিমেডিসিনের দারুণ ভবিষ্যৎ, বাজার এখন ৮ হাজার কোটি টাকার

<https://www.banglatribune.com/tech-and-gadget/news/655815/%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A3-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8E-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A7%AE-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0>

41. Quick Response Team

স্বাস্থ্যসেবা বিভাগে করোনা আক্রান্তদের সহযোগিতায় কুইক রেসপন্স টিম

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/656573/%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F>

42. Health Services

i. Treatment from distance

মমেক হাসপাতালে আবারও দূর থেকে করোনার রোগী দেখার অভিযোগ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/657112/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%87>

ii. Scarcity of Physicians and medicine

খুলনায় করোনা রোগীর চাপ বৃদ্ধি: চিকিৎসক ও ওষুধ সংকট

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/656899/%E0%A6%96%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%83%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%93%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A7-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%9F>

43. Mask campaign COVID-19

Engage social, political bodies in mask campaign
Cabinet okays bill to publish collaborators' list

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123715/engage-social-political-bodies-in-mask-campaign>

44. Action against ACI JS body for action against ACI

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125203/js-body-for-action-against-aci>

45. Handwashing

i. New Handwashing stations

করোনা মোকাবিলায় ৮৮২ হাত ধোয়ার স্টেশন হচ্ছে

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/658648/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B-E-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A7%AE%E0%A7%AE%E0%A7%A8-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87>

ii. Survey

40pc people know handwashing is necessary before eating: survey

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125873/40pc-people-know-handwashing-is-necessary-before-eating-survey>

46. Health workers

Walton honours doctors, nurses for their services amid pandemic

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125468/walton-honours-doctors-nurses-for-their-services-amid-pandemic>

47. What we need to do

i. Public Health System

Don't let a 'good crisis' go to waste

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/dont-let-good-crisis-go-waste-2019937>

ii. Policy makers' Participation

Covid-19, Industry and Bureaucracy

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/knot-so-true/news/covid-19-industry-and-bureaucracy-2007549>

iii. National Covid Vaccine Policy

করোনার ডেউ বিতর্ক এবং টিকা প্রাপ্তি, চ্যালেঞ্জ ও করণীয়

<https://www.prothomalo.com/life/durporobash/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%89-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%82-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9E%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9C-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A3%E0%A7%80%E0%A7%9F>

iv. Protection against the Covid Epidemic

বুয়েট অ্যালামনাইয়ের ওয়েবিনার

টিকা না আসা পর্যন্ত প্রত্যেকের মাস্ক পরা নিশ্চিত করতে হবে

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87>

v. Uncertainty related to vaccine trial

দেশে করোনা ভ্যাকসিনের ট্রায়াল নিয়ে অনিশ্চয়তা কাটছে না

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/658186/%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87>

vi. Results of Antigen test

অ্যান্টিজেন টেস্টে সফল মিলবে?

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/659108/%E0%A6%85%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AB%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87>

vii. School of Public Health

In remembrance of Sir Fazle Hasan Abed

<https://www.thedailystar.net/opinion/news/remembrance-sir-fazle-hasan-abed-2014081>

viii. How to protect

করোনা: রোগ মুক্তিতেই সমাধান মিলবে না

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/column/%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

ix. Patient selection

রোগী বাছাই সব সময় জরুরি

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9B%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AC-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF>

x. Changes in 2020

কতটা পরিবর্তন ঘটেছে ২০২০ সালে

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/column/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%98%E0%A6%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%A8%E0%A7%A6%E0%A7%A8%E0%A7%A6-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87>

xi. Economic impacts of New strain

করোনাভাইরাসের নতুন ধরনটি অর্থনীতির জন্য কতটা ক্ষতিকর

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/column/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0>

xii. Stimulus packages for whom?

মতামত: তেলা মাথায় তেল দেওয়া আর কত দিন

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/column/%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8-2>

xiii. How to improve investment environment

মতামত: বিনিয়োগের পরিবেশ কীভাবে উন্নত করা সম্ভব

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/column/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%AC>

xiv. Private drug addiction treatment

এভাবে আর চলতে পারে না: মাদকাসক্তদের চিকিৎসা

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/editorial/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE>

xv. BRAC and Public Health

জনস্বাস্থ্য উন্নয়নের ধারা বদলে দিয়েছিলেন যিনি

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xvi. Need to increase appropriate treatment

সুচিকিৎসার নিশ্চয়তা বাড়াতে হবে: কোভিড-১৯ পরিস্থিতি

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/editorial/%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A1-%E0%A7%A7%E0%A7%AF-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF>

xvii. Dangers of Children health during Covid in Winter

মতামত: করোনায় মধ্যই শীতের ছোবল, ওদের কী হবে?

<https://www.prothomalo.com/opinion/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87>

xviii. Reluctance to get vaccinated

ভ্যাকসিন নিয়ে অনাগ্রহ দূর করতে কী করবে সরকার?

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/658766/%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%B9-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%82%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0>

xix. How to run vaccination Programme

সাফাৎকার: অধ্যাপক ডা. কামরুল হাসান খান

করোনা টিকা ব্যবস্থাপনায় ছাড় দেওয়ার সুযোগ নেই

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-editorial-comments/article/201273836/%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%9B%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%87>

xx. Rural Ecobomy durin Covid-19

করোনাকালে গ্রামীণ অর্থনীতি

মামুন রশীদ

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/sub-editorial/2020/12/18/986541>

xxi. Budgetary Expenditure

করোনার দ্বিতীয় ডেউ মোকাবেলা

ব্যয় মেটাতেই বড় চ্যালেঞ্জ সরকার

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/first-page/2020/12/20/987200>

xxii. Indecision related to vaccinate

করোনার টিকা নেব কি নেব না

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/sub-editorial/2020/12/22/987706>

B. Other Health Issues

1. Dengue

ডেঙ্গুর প্রাদুর্ভাব

এডিসের কামড়ে এক মাসে ৫৪৭ ডেঙ্গু রোগী

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87-%E0%A7%AB%E0%A7%AA%E0%A7%AD-%E0%A6%A1%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%99%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%81-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%80>

2. Malaria

তিন পার্বত্য জেলা

ম্যালেরিয়ার ভয় কমেছে পাহাড়ে

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87>

3. Actions against irregularities

i. Operation suspension

নির্দেশ না মানায় হাসপাতাল সিলগালা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/655295/%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B6-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE>

ii. Penalty

a. Chatrogram

আনোয়ারায় দুই হাসপাতাল ক্লিনিকে জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/655748/%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8B%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

b. Laxmipur

৩ হাসপাতাল-ডায়াগনস্টিক সেন্টারকে জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/659647/%E0%A7%A9-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

c. Unauthorised clinics

হিলিতে অনুমোদনহীন ক্লিনিক সিলগালা ও মালামাল জব্দ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/657424/%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A6>

d. Cheating on the name of treatment

চিকিৎসার নামে প্রতারণা ও ভুয়া সনদ দেওয়ার অভিযোগ

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/658136/%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A3%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%81%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%A6-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97>

4. Fake doctor

Imprisonment

ভুয়া ডাক্তার ১৩ বছর ধরে দিয়েছেন চিকিৎসা সেবা, করেছেন চোখের অপারেশন!

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/658117/%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%81%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A7%A7%E0%A7%A9-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%9B%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE>

5. Write Petition

ভুয়া ডাক্তারদের জন্য যাবজীবন ও মৃত্যুদণ্ডের বিধান চেয়ে রিট

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/658460/%E0%A6%AD%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BC%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%83%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%A3%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A1%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0>

6. Fake Factory

নকল স্যানিটারি ন্যাপকিন প্রস্তুতকারী চক্রের দুই সদস্য গ্রেফতার

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/659820/%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%80-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%87>

7. Unauthorised Pharmaceutical

একটি অবৈধ ওষুধ কোম্পানি সিলগালা ও দুই লাখ টাকা জরিমানা

<https://www.banglatribune.com/country/news/658920/%E0%A6%8F%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%88%E0%A6%A7-%E0%A6%93%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A7-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%96-%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE>

8. Livelihood

বিবিএসের জরিপ

শহরের ২১% পরিবার খাবার নিয়ে চিন্তিত

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-first-page/article/201273810/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A7%A8%E0%A7%A7-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4>

9. State-owned pharmaceutical company

স্বাস্থ্যবিধি মেনে কারখানা পরিচালনায় সাফল্য

মহামারিতেও স্বাভাবিক সরবরাহে ইডিসিএল

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/industry-business/2020/12/23/988000>

10. Death in shipbreaking yards

Two die after falling sick in shipbreaking yards

<https://www.thedailystar.net/backpage/news/two-die-after-falling-sick-shipbreaking-yards-2011469>

11. Nutritional needs of the ultra-poor

EDITORIAL: Meeting nutritional needs of the ultra-poor

'Pushi Bari' concept can be implemented across the country

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/meeting-nutritional-needs-the-ultra-poor-2017349>

12. Treatment burn patients

i. Increasing trends of Patients

বার্ন ইনস্টিটিউট: শীতে বেড়েছে পোড়া রোগী

<https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/capital/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8B%E0%A7%9C%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%80>

ii. Must increase facilities

Government must increase facilities to treat burn patients

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125216/government-must-increase-facilities-to-treat-burn-patients>

13. Indefinite strike

Patients suffer at RMCH as interns go on indefinite strike

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125352/patients-suffer-at-rmch-as-interns-go-on-indefinite-strike>

14. Cancer Hospital

জনগণের টাকায় 'গরিবের ক্যান্সার হাসপাতাল'

[%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%93%E0%A7%9F%E0%A6%BE-
%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%AC-
%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87](#)

21. First aid at Police Box

পুলিশ বক্সে হবে প্রাথমিক চিকিৎসা

[https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/capital/%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6-
%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-
%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-
%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE](https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/capital/%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B6-
%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-
%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-
%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE)

22. Treatments of Drug addicts

নিরাময় কেন্দ্র

মাদকাসক্তের চিকিৎসা 'ইচ্ছমতো'

[https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%
B8%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-
%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE-
%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8B](https://www.prothomalo.com/bangladesh/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%
B8%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-
%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE-
%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8B)

23. New Product

Beximco Pharma launches mosquito repellent NOMOS

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123292/beximco-pharma-launches-mosquito-repellent-nomos>

24. Bio-medical devices for medical secto

'NEED SUPPORT FOR BIO-MEDICAL DEVICE INVENTION'

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/covid-19-vaccine-first-batch-arrive-early-january-2009301>

25. AIDS

i. Status

WORLD AIDS DAY

658 new AIDS cases detected, 141 die in Bangladesh in 2020

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/123107/658-new-aids-cases-detected-141-die-in-bangladesh-in-2020>

ii. Sex workers

A grim tale of disease, distress

HIV-positive sex workers fight for life, livelihood

<https://www.thedailystar.net/frontpage/news/world-aids-day-grim-tale-disease-distress-2003693>

iii. Virus is still here

EDITORIAL: World AIDS Day reminds us that the virus is still here

Preventive measures, treatment and education must go on simultaneously

<https://www.thedailystar.net/editorial/news/world-aids-day-reminds-us-the-virus-still-here-2004321>

26. Vitamin A campaign

20.8m Bangladeshi children attend Vitamin A campaign 2020: UNICEF

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125078/208m-bangladeshi-children-attend-vitamin-a-campaign-2020-unicef>

27. Negligence in treatment

ঢিকি়সায় অবহেলা মামলা পরিচালনার জন্য আইনজীবীরা প্রশিক্ষণপ্রাপ্ত নন

<https://www.banglatribune.com/others/news/655850/%E2%80%98%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%8E%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%9C%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE>

28. Mental Health

i. Treatment facilities under question mark

শর্ত পূরণে ব্যর্থ হলে লাইসেন্স বাতিল হবে মানসিক হাসপাতালের

<https://www.banglatribune.com/national/news/656323/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%82%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A3%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B8-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95>

ii. Don't neglect

মানসিক স্বাস্থ্যকে আর অবহেলা নয়

<https://www.banglatribune.com/columns/opinion/656052/%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%9F>

29. DG Health

Health DG to continue for two more years

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125287/health-dg-to-continue-for-two-more-years>

30. Children's kidney diseases

Guideline for children's kidney diseases will be launched today

<https://www.newagebd.net/article/125630/guideline-for-childrens-kidney-diseases-will-be-launched-today>

D. Virtual or Roundtable Discussion

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ভার্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল

টিকায় চাই প্রতিবন্ধীর অগ্রাধিকার

Vaccination is a priority for the disabled

<https://www.prothomalo.com/roundtable/%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%85%E0%A6%97%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A7%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0>

ভাৰ্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল

খাদ্য ও পুষ্টি নিৰাপত্তায় কৰোনাৰ প্ৰভাৱ: বহুখাতভিত্তিক নীতি ও কৌশল ব্যবস্থাপনা

<https://www.prothomalo.com/roundtable/%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE%E0%A7%9F-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%AA%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AC-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B9%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%96%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%80%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%93-%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8C%E0%A6%B6%E0%A6%B2-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%AA%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

ভাৰ্চুয়াল আলোচনা

শ্ৰমিকদের স্বাস্থ্যের দিকে নজর দিতে হবে

<https://www.prothomalo.com/roundtable/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%AC%E0%A7%87>

ভাৰ্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল

কৈশোৰে মানসিক স্বাস্থ্য সুৰক্ষা জৰুৰি

<https://www.prothomalo.com/roundtable/%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%88%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%95%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%B7%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%9C%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%B0%E0%A6%BF>

ভাৰ্চুয়াল গোলটেবিল

শুধু আইন কি বাল্যবিবাহ ৰোধে যথেষ্ট

<https://www.prothomalo.com/roundtable/%E0%A6%B6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%81-%E0%A6%86%E0%A6%87%E0%A6%A8-%E0%A6%95%E0%A6%BF-%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B9-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%A5%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%B7%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9F>

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<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/goltable/2020/12/04/982197>

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<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/last-page/2020/12/09/983793>

কালের কৰ্ণ ডিএসকে ইউবিআৰেৰ ওমেবিনাৰ

স্কুল পৰ্যায়ে প্ৰজনন স্বাস্থ্য শিক্ষাৰ প্ৰসাৰ জৰুৰি

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/last-page/2020/12/11/984477>

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<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/goltable/2020/12/12/984643>

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নেদারল্যান্ডস রাজকীয় দূতাবাস, দুঃস্থ স্বাস্থ্য কেন্দ্র (ডিএসকে) ও ইউবিআর বাংলাদেশ অ্যালায়েন্স
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মৌন প্রজনন স্বাস্থ্য অধিকার সুবক্ষায় 'সার্বিক স্কুল ব্যবস্থাপনা'

<https://www.kalerkantho.com/print-edition/webinar/2020/12/19/986904>

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<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-last-page/article/201273460/%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B2%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A7%9F%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87%E0%A6%AE%E0%A7%81%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%AF%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%9A%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%9B%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%89%E0%A7%9C%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%B0-%E0%A6%A1%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A6%BE>

গোলটেবিল আলোচনা

কোভিড-১৯ প্রেক্ষাপটে লিঙ্গভিত্তিক সহিংসতা নিরসনে ১৬ দিনের গ্লোবাল ক্যাম্পেইনের গুরুত্ব
লিঙ্গভিত্তিক সহিংসতা রোধে চাই সমন্বিত উদ্যোগ

<https://samakal.com/todays-print-edition/tp-goltable-alochona/article/201269728/%E0%A6%B2%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%99%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%97%E0%A6%AD%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%95-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%B9%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%82%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%A4%E0%A6%BE-%E0%A6%B0%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%A7%E0%A7%87-%E0%A6%9A%E0%A6%BE%E0%A6%87-%E0%A6%B8%E0%A6%AE%E0%A6%A8%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AC%E0%A6%BF%E0%A6%A4-%E0%A6%89%E0%A6%A6%E0%A7%8D%E0%A6%AF%E0%A7%8B%E0%A6%97>