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COVID-19

COVID-19 is an infectious disease caused by a new element of coronavirus. CO stands for Corona, VI stands for Virus and D stands for disease. This disease was referred to as 2019 novel coronavirus. An outbreak of the novel coronavirus was first reported in December 2019 in Wuhan, China. The virus is primarily transmitted from person to person. When an infected person coughs, sneezes, or exhales, droplets are expelled and can land in another person's nose and mouth and are inhaled into the lungs. The virus can be transmitted by an infected person without showing symptoms of illness.

When a person touches an infected surface and then touches mouth, nose or eyes he is infected with coronavirus. Common signs of infection include respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, shortness of breath and breathing difficulties, repeated shaking, muscle pain, headache, sore throat and loss of sense of taste or smell. Most people infected with the COVID-19 virus experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. Elderly people with high blood pressure, heart or lung disease, cancer or diabetes, appear to be more prone to severe illness.

COVID-19 has spread around the world like a pandemic. The pandemic is moving like a wave. Millions of people around the globe die of COVID-19. Countries are racing to slow the spread of the disease by testing and treating patients. Quarantining citizens, cancelling large gatherings, closing educational institutions and making people aware of health rules. COVID-19 has already created social, economic and political crises across the world. Since there is no vaccine as yet, preventive measures should be taken like

wearing masks in public places, maintaining physical distance at least two meters, staying at home, avoiding close contact, washing hand up-to 20 seconds, avoiding public gathering and staying away from infected person.

Lockdown

Holidays are the best time as it gives us a chance to relax and explore new things. This time holidays are different because it came in lockdown period. On these holiday I have not visited any place. I spent whole time at my home. In this vacation I played many indoor game with my younger sister. I have a craft hobby, so I made many small craft with the help of internet. I made many drawing.

I also helped my mother in the household work. I arranged my room properly and also managing it till now. I have followed all Covid-19 rules at home like washing hand, drinking clean water and wearing mask. During this holidays I have taken different experience of staying home with family and I really loved it. I think it was my best time pass and I really enjoyed it.

Our National Memorial

The National Memorial of Bangladesh is a famous monument which is built in remembrance of the freedom fighters who laid down their lives during the Liberation War of Bangladesh in 1971. It lies at Savar about 35 km north-west of the capital Dhaka and is one of the greatest and most magnificent tourist charms in Bangladesh. The monument is built with concrete but it signifies the nation's respect for the martyrs of the War of Liberation.

[The National Memorial-paragraph] The monument complex is expanded over an area of 34 hectares in a nice smooth environment. The main structure of the monument is truly a series of seven towers that rise by stages to a height of 150 feet. Seven towers remind us of our seven 'Bir Shreshthos' of the liberation war. Other structures and sidewalks are made of red bricks which reminds us of the blood of the 3 million martyrs who sacrificed their blood only for the freedom of their dear motherland.

Several graves of the martyred freedom fighters and a pool of water are located in front of the monument. The whole complex also includes a number of other structures with a museum. The monument was designed by Syed Mainul Hossain and was inaugurated on the 16th December 1982. Every year, on Independence Day (26 March) and the Victory Day (16 December), people of all walks of life go to the National Memorial to show reverence to the martyrs offering floral wreaths. Every day lots of people from

home and abroad visit this monument which is the testimony of freedom at the cost of a river of blood.

Social Network Services

Social network services are one of the most popular online features nowadays. Most people, who are not even compatible with the internet, somehow manage to use social network services to keep up with the growing trend. A social network is basically a platform where people can build social relations based on similar interests, activities and even real-life events. Among all other social networks, Facebook is seen to be growing at the fastest rate and hence is the most popular.

Before Facebook, another social network 'Hi5' dominated the field of social network services. Facebook eventually beat Hi5 and took its place with a higher number of users. Apart from facebook, twitter, google plus, Instagram are some of the other popular social networks. Social networking sites allow people to have free accounts with which they can connect with people from all parts of the world. There are facilities of privacy settings with which people can enjoy these social networks and also eliminate stalkers and problematic people.

The accounts are free for regular people but people who use these social networks for business purposes have to pay a charge to the owners of these networks. Communication has become much easier with social network services. People can stay connected with their loved ones no matter what the distance is. Photo Sharing and video sharing features make it easier for people to know what their close and distant ones are doing. Some of these networks, such as facebook, allow chatting and video calling which makes communication even better. As long as people know the limit of using social network services, they pose no harm to society.

A Good Citizen

A good citizen is a person who abides by the rules of his society and country, and fulfills his responsibilities as a citizen. A good citizen is first and foremost a good person. He wants peace for all and never harms others. He doesn't quarrel with others, but always tries to resolve the conflicts of others. A good citizen wishes good for his country and loves it. If he is eligible to pay taxes, he pays it regularly, and works as hard as he can for the development of the country. He himself doesn't waste state resources and doesn't allow others to do so.

A good citizen never thinks of earning in a dishonest way. He makes his living honestly. He tries his best to remove bribery and corruption from the society. To build a better society, he tries to help law enforcement agencies prevent drug addiction. After all, a good citizen is a patriot, he never does anything that degrades the dignity of his country. Thus a good citizen is the main asset of a country. Good citizens are very important in building a developed and peaceful society. Therefore, we should all strive to be good citizens.

The Padma Bridge

The longest bridge in Bangladesh is the Padma Multipurpose Bridge. This dream Padma Bridge is the biggest project implemented by Bangladesh without any foreign aid. It is the largest project in the country and will be the longest bridge in the country after construction. The bridge is being constructed with concrete and steel. The length of the main bridge is 6.15 km and the width is 16.10 m. The bridge connecting Mawa in Munshiganj district to Jajira in Shariatpur district has two layers. It has a four-lane road at the top and a railway at the bottom.

The Padma Bridge will be used for rail, gas, power lines and fiber optic cable expansion in the future. The complete design of the Padma Multipurpose Bridge was formed by a team of international and national consultants led by ECOM. A company called China Major Bridge, a subsidiary of China Railway Group Limited, has been contracted to build the bridge. Construction began on December 6, 2014, and by November 2020, 92% of the bridge was completed. According to China Major Bridge Engineering Company, the contractor constructing the Padma Bridge, the Padma Bridge will be ready for traffic by April 2022.

The project will directly benefit more than 30 million people (44,000 sq km which is 29% of the total area of Bangladesh). Completion of this bridge at a cost of over Tk 30,000 crore will make a significant contribution to the social, economic and industrial development of the southern part of Bangladesh. The bridge will play an important role in regional connectivity between Asia and Southeast Asia. The Padma Bridge, the dream of the people of Bangladesh, is on the way to be realized today.

Although the World Bank and donors withdrew due to allegations of corruption, the Bangladesh government did not back down. The government decided to build the bridge with its own funds and the work is progressing accordingly. Work on the Padma Bridge is progressing at a normal pace. Everyone concerned is hoping that the construction work of the bridge will be completed within the stipulated time.