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## SCHOOL KIDS SUFFER, WHO CARES?

The premises of Buribhag Government Primary School in Natore's Naldanga upazila hardly gives the impression of a ground meant for children's assembly and play as the spot is being used for trade of sugarcane. Frequent movement of sugarcane-carrying vehicles like tractors, trolleys and carts poses risk for the kids, in addition to disturbing their classes, said Abdus Sattar, headmaster of the school. Grounds of nine schools in Natore are used as sugarcane purchase centres during October to March every year for long, said the stakeholders.

## Teacher shortage hampers classes in Bagerhat schools

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

Classes at Bagerhat Government High School and Bagerhat Government Girls' High School are hampered as the two important institutions in the district town are running with much less than required number of teachers.

Eighteen hundred students, enrolled under morning and day shifts, are studying at Bagerhat Government High School but only 32 teachers are now posted there against 53 sanctioned posts.

Twenty-one other posts, including those of the headmaster, one assistant headmaster, five teachers of Bangla, two teachers of English, two of mathematics, one of Islamic studies, one of social science, two of physical science, two of biology, one of geography, two of business studies and one teacher of agricultural science are vacant.

Abu Sakline Mukut, a Class VII

student of the school, said, "Although our teachers teach us with sincerity, the classes are not held regularly due to shortage of teachers. And so, we have to depend on private tutors."

Abu Said Sunu, guardian of a student of the school, said sometimes the learners fail to understand the texts as classes of two sections are often held together due to shortage of teachers.

In Bagerhat Government Girls' High School, 1883 students are studying in two shifts and there are approved posts of 53 teachers including the headmaster and two assistant headmasters.

But only 27 teachers are currently working there while posts of 26 others, including two assistant headmasters, five teachers of Bangla, three of English, three of mathematics, three of physical science, three of social science, two of biology, two of Islamic studies, two of agricultural science,

and one of fine arts are vacant.

"We do not get lessons properly as only a teacher has to conduct classes for all the subjects under science group," said Samia, a student of Class X.

The acting headmaster of Bagerhat Government High School, Tapan Kumar Bishwas said, "As teaching is hampered due to shortage of teachers, I have notified the higher authorities of the education department and the deputy commissioner in writing."

"A recruitment process is on to fill up vacant posts of teachers at government high schools. Hopefully, we will get several teachers when the process is complete."

Bagerhat Deputy Commissioner Md Mamunur Rashid, also president of the managing committees of the two schools, said he has informed the authorities concerned to resolve the teacher shortage problem.

## BGB man stabbed, 'smuggler' arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

A member of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) was stabbed allegedly by a suspected smuggler in Panchbibi upazila of Joypurhat early yesterday. BGB men arrested the accused.

The injured is Barun Kumar, a jawan of Atapara BOP under Joypurhat BGB 20 Battalion.

The arrestee is Enamul Islam, 32, son of Abdul Aziz of Gopalpur village, said Abu Syeed, commander of Atapara BGB BOP.

When a patrol team of BGB arrested two suspected smugglers from Atapara, their cohorts attacked the border guards and snatched one of the arrestees from them, said Abu Syeed.

## Villagers suffer as bridge lies broken for 3 years

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Hundreds of people have been suffering since a portion of the bridge on a canal connecting to the Sumeswari river in Netrakona's Durgapur upazila collapsed over three years ago.

Especially school children and elderly people are the worst sufferers due to the communication problem, said Shahinor Alam Saju, chairman of local Durgapur Sadar union parishad (UP).

Due to collapse of the bridge, bordering villages --Bhawanipur and Narapara-- are virtually disconnected from the upazila headquarters, said locals.

The onrush of hilly water damaged the bridge in 2016 but it is yet to be repaired, they said.

Aminul Haque, headmaster of Uttar Farongpara Government Primary School, said there are some 150 students in the school. It is difficult for them to reach the school, especially in the rainy season.

As the school kids have to cross the canal on country boat amid risk of accident, students' attendance in the institution has thin during monsoon, said the headmaster.

Kartik Chisim, a farmer of Bhawanipur village, said they have to face various problems to bring their goods to the markets of the upazila



A bridge on a canal in Netrakona's Durgapur upazila lies broken for three years, causing immense sufferings to people.

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headquarters since the bridge became unfit to use about three years ago.

Abdul Alim Liton, upazila engineer of Local Government and Engineering Department (LGED), said they have already got a fund of Tk 5 lakh from local upazila parishad to repair the broken portion of the bridge.

But in April last year, they wrote to the higher

authorities to construct an 80-feet-long concrete bridge there but no respond yet to come, said the LGED engineer.

Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNO) Farjana Khanam said she visited the site on various occasions.

She has already informed the higher authorities about the matter, said the UNO.



Over 100 trees, on both sides of two kilometres rail tracks near Chuadanga railway station, have recently been felled illegally. Bangladesh Railway had ordered to cut down branches of the trees so that train drivers can watch signal lights clearly. But a section of railway staffers with the connivance of some influential locals felled the trees. Later, the felled trees were sold to log traders, said sources at Chuadanga railway office.

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AGRANI BANK LIMITED		
Establishment & Engineering Division		
Head Office, 9/D, Dilkusha, Dhaka.		
Invitation for Tenders		
1	Procuring Entity Name	Agrani Bank Limited, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head office (7th floor), 9/D, Dilkusha, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000.
2	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka
3	Invitation for	Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 630 Kg Capacity 02(Two) Passenger lift including all other accessories for Agrani Bank Limited, Head Office, Dhaka.
4	Invitation Ref No	ABL/E&ED/Eng/Mecha-022/2020
5	Date	10/02/2020
KEY INFORMATION		
6	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method.
FUNDING INFORMATION		
7	Budget and Source of Funds	Own fund of Agrani Bank limited.
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
8	Tender Publication Date	10/02/2020
9	Tender Last Selling Date	12/03/2020
10	Tender Closing Date and Time	Date: 15/03/2020 Time: 3.00PM
11	Tender Opening Date and Time	Date: 15/03/2020 Time: 3.30PM
12	Name & Address of the office for Selling Tender Document	Agrani Bank Limited, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Dilkusha, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000.
13	Place/Date /Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	Address: DGM Chamber, Agrani Bank Limited, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Dilkusha, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. Time & Date: 3:00PM, 08/03/2020QA
14	Receiving Tender Document	<b>PRIMARY PLACE:</b> Attention: Md. Abdus Salam Mollah, General Manager Address: Agrani Bank Limited, Credit Policy and Credit Risk Division, Head Office (4th Floor), 9/D, Dilkusha, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. Time: 10:00AM to 3:00PM, Date: 15/03/2020 <b>SECONDARY PLACE:</b> Attention: Md. Nurul Islam, Deputy General Manager Agrani Bank Limited, Establishment and Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Dilkusha, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. Time: 10:00AM to 3:00PM, Date: 15/03/2020
15	Place of Opening Tender document	Tender Opening will take place at the Primary Place
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
16	Brief Eligibility and Qualification of Tenderer	Tenderers who have: a. Not been prevented by order of any judicial court from entering into and/or signing contract with the procuring entity. b. Tenderers shall have at least 05 (Five) years of overall business experience in similar works preceding the date of publication of IFT. c. Tenderer shall have successfully completed similar lift's supply, installation and related works in Government/Semi-Government/ Autonomous body at least Tk. 75.00 (Seventy five) lac in a single tender during the last 03 (three) years. d. Minimum annual average Supply (Turn Over) in the last 03 (three) years preceding the date of submission of Tender is not less than Tk. 80.00 (Eighty) lac. e. Minimum amount of Liquid asset i.e Working capital/ Credit line(s) of the Tenderer shall be Tk. 80.00 (Eighty) lac only. Should be counted 28 days before from the date of opening of tender. f. Tenderers shall be the Lift Manufacturer or Authorized Agent of Internationally reputed Lift Manufacturer. g. The bidder shall submit a certificate stating that minimum 20 Nos. of lift of proposed brand and proposed country of origin has been used successfully in BANGLADESH, minimum 15 of those 20 lifts have installed and have been running successfully in Bangladesh. h. The tenderer shall also have one year's experience of maintenance of minimum 20 nos of Lift. i. Bidding company must be managed by Bangladeshi nationals. No joint venture company will be allowed.
17	Tenderer to attach copies of the following documents	i) Up to date valid Trade License ii) Up-to-date income tax paid certificate iii) Valid VAT registration certificate iv) TIN Certificate v) Liquid asset i.e. working capital or line of credit certificate of the Tenderer shall be Tk. 80.00 (Eighty) lac only. vi) Main Catalogue/ Brochure. vii) Certificate of successfully completed same Brand and Country of Origin lift's supply, installation and related works in Government/Semi-Government/ Autonomous body/Reputed Limited Company at least Tk. 75.00 (Seventy five) lac in a single tender within the last 03(three) years.. viii) Bidder shall submit financial statements such as profit and loss statements and audited balance sheet of last 03 (three) years. Statement of account/audited balance sheet of last year showing Annual Average supply of related goods (Turn Over) of minimum value of Tk.80.00 (Eighty) lac. ix) Certificate of Manufacturer Authorization. Must follow the format of form PG3 - 6 which will be verified by the procuring entity. x) Affidavit/Declaration of legal ownership/ Certificate of incorporation. xi) Tender Submission Letter (Form PG3-1) xii) Bio-data of key personnel employed by the contractor to carry out the functions stated in the schedule. xiii) The bidder shall give the assurance form the manufacturing company to supply of spare parts of minimum 20 years and this assurance must be authenticated by the Chamber of Commerce/Ministry of Commerce/Ministry of foreign affairs of the concerned manufacturing company. xiv) Certificate by manufacturing company stating that minimum 100 Nos. of the proposed brand of lift have been used in minimum 10 (ten) countries of the world including the manufacturing country for equal to or more than ten years. certificate must be authenticated by Chamber of Commerce/Ministry of Commerce/Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the lift manufacturing company xv) Certificate by the bidder stating that minimum 20 nos. of lift of proposed brand and proposed country of origin have been used successfully in BANGLADESH. Out of those 20 lifts 5 must be installed at Govt/Semi-Govt/Autonomous organizations. xvi) Bidder must be the sole agent/commercial distributor of the proposed lift of the contract and he/she must submit its all supporting documents. xvii) BC class contractor license provided by the electric licensing board. xviii) International Standard Conformity Certificate and Every other documents mentioned in TDS.
18	Brief Description of Goods	630 Kg Capacity 02(Two) Passenger lift with accessories. For the proposed brand of the lift, manufacturing company shall be a multinational one and shall have lift manufacturing capability for speed 10m/s (minimum) and shall have lift manufacturing experience in their own factory for a period for not less than 60 years and proposed brand of lift shall be manufactured and tested in Germany/ Japan/Switzerland/USA.
19	Brief Description of Related Services	Installation, testing, Commissioning of the above mentioned lift with necessary works in Doors, Pit and Machine room etc.
20	Price of Tender Document (Tk)	5000/- (Tk Five thousand Only) Non-refundable pay-order from any branch of Agrani Bank Limited.
21	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Md. Nurul Islam
22	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Deputy General Manager
23	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Agrani Bank Limited, Establishment & Engineering Division, Head Office (7th Floor), 9/D, Dilkusha, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000.
24	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	01552475489 029561674 dgmeed@agrani.bank.org
25		a) The Tenderer shall furnish Registration certificate and evidence of being managed by Bangladeshi nationals in original and certificates of satisfactory completion of previous work for proposed brand lift of above magnitude from the owner at the time of dropping the Tender documents. b) If communication is disrupted on the date of receiving and opening the Tender(s), the same will be received at the same time on the day after next working day. c) Furnishing of any false, misleading documents may result in rejection of tender and may lead to action under Reg. 127 of PPR 2008. d) The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons whatsoever. No claims will be entertained in this regard.
		(Md. Nurul Islam) Deputy General Manager Agrani Bank Limited Establishment & Engineering Division Head Office, Dhaka.
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