

EWU holds 19th convocation



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East West University (EWU) organised its 19th convocation on its campus in the capital on Monday, said a press release. The convocation was dedicated to the memory of Bangabandhu, ahead of his birth centenary. On behalf of President Abdul Hamid, Education Minister Dr Dipu Moni conferred degrees on students. A total of 2,111 graduates received their certificates. Three students were awarded gold medals for excellent academic performance. Prof Kazi Shahidullah, chairperson of University Grants Commission, was the special guest, and Barrister Amir-Ul Islam, senior lawyer at the Supreme Court, was the convocation speaker. Syed Manzur Elahi, EWU trustee board chairperson; Prof Mohammed Farashuddin, chief advisor of EWU; and Prof Shahidul Hassan, the university's vice chancellor, also spoke on the occasion. The university's department heads, teachers and staff along with guardians of the graduates participated in the convocation.

Unveiling of 'Ekti Jatir Pataka' today

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Akash Media will today unveil the cover of an audio disc titled "Ekti Jatir Pataka", featuring patriotic songs, marking Bangabandhu's birth centenary, says a press release. The event will be held at the capital's Thirty-3 restaurant. Asaduzzaman Noor will be the chief guest while noted singer Syed Abdul Hadi will be special guest. Noted journalist and film director Khandoker Hasnat Karim will preside over the event. I am a victim FROM PAGE 5 am still doing politics for my leader Sheikh Hasina. This sort of bad politics was not necessary for just a mayoral post," he said. "I am a tested worker of the rainy days of the party," he said, adding that he would do his best to support Rezaul to win the CCC polls.

Elderly man 'kills' wife

FROM PAGE 3 Once Gopal regained sense, he informed police that his wife had been partially paralysed for about 12 to 13 years. Their three daughters live abroad, Gopal told police in primary interrogation. Gopal is the owner of "Kuri and Company Chemical" in Motijheel. For the last two years, he was incurring losses, which made him depressed, said police quoting relatives. Gopal was also under medication, they added. The elderly couple lived at the flat in a four-storey building by themselves. Chhabhi's nephew lived nearby and he used

to take care of them, said police. Gopal told police that they watched television till 1:30am and went to bed. He apparently had a dream where he "realised" that no one would take care of his wife after his death, said police quoting Gopal. After waking up, he stabbed his sleeping wife, law enforcers said, adding that in the morning, Chhabhi's nephew came to the flat and informed police. AC Jahidul Islam said after primary interrogation, they have got some clues that point towards the fact that Gopal may have killed his wife. "We're still investigating the incident to get more details," he added.

Lax market forecasting

FROM PAGE 3 cost of labour. It is alarming for Bangladesh's agriculture, as production cost is involved with it. "If we fail to check production cost, we won't be able to remain competitive in both local and international markets," he said. The government must take steps to reduce production cost. Dr Mohammed Helal Uddin, director of Cirdap and a professor of economics of Dhaka University, suggested the government to adopt strategy to thwart the speculation created by any syndicate to

reap benefits of market volatility. Munir Chowdhury, former director general of the WTO cell under the commerce ministry, said the ministry has a cell that is responsible for monitoring and forecasting price, but they fail to do it. He said syndicates, transport cost, black market, corruption, ineffective price monitoring system, food production and disaster are related to market volatility. If it continues, the country will face huge food crisis in coming days, he cautioned. Anirban Bhowmik, country director of Swisscontact, moderated the debate.

Utility bill fiasco wastes

FROM PAGE 3 officials to reach an understanding. The power was restored around 5pm. BGMEA had a pending bill of Tk 2.57 lakh with DPDC, for which DPDC snapped the connection earlier. Rajuk took the money from BGMEA's deposit amount to clear the bill. From now on, Four Star will pay the bill, said Rashed. He further said, "More than 22 days have been wasted as we failed to continue our work in full swing. We could not run many equipment as generators could not handle the load." "Still, we continued our work... Every day, we had to pay around Tk 5,000 for the generators' fuel cost. We lost a substantial amount of money already," he said. "We still hope the work will be finished by six months." He said they are removing debris

on a daily basis so that there is no chance of an accident like the Rangs Bhaban, which caved in on the city's Bijoy Sarani during demolition in 2007. "We are removing debris by trucks at night." About starting the work on January 27, Rashed said, "We were yet to get permission from DPDC and Wasa, as a change in ownership was required. Without power and water, we weren't able to function properly." 'A TUMOUR' According to Rajuk, the BGMEA building was partially blocking Hatirjheel's water flow. This building is like a "tumour on the beauty of Hatirjheel", immediate past Housing and Public Works Minister SM Rezaul Karim had said while inaugurating the demolition work on the ground floor. "Gradually, all illegal structures will be removed from

Hatirjheel," he had said. Rajuk took the initiative to pull down the building in October last year but failed as Four Star expressed reluctance to do the work. The company showed the reluctance after the city development authority allowed BGMEA to take ACs, generators, furniture and other items from the building, said Rajuk sources. AT A GLANCE On November 28, 1998, the then prime minister Sheikh Hasina laid the foundation stone of the building, which was inaugurated on October 8, 2006 by the then prime minister Khaleda Zia. Later, it was found that the building was constructed illegally. Following a news report published on October 3 in 2010, a High Court bench issued a suo-moto rule on the authorities concerned asking why the building

BRTA fines two

FROM PAGE 3 said in a press statement. Visiting different spots, the allegations were found true, says the press release. Publishing advertisement on motor vehicles without prior approval of authorities is an offence under Road Transport Act, it added. It also mentioned that BRTA Director (enforcement) AKM Masudur Rahman yesterday held a meeting with transport owners where representatives of these three companies were present. The owners were convinced about the security concerns and gave the bond to remove those advertisement. BRTA mobile courts would carry out regular drive against it after the deadline.

Proposal to hike water

FROM PAGE 3 Supply and Sewerage Authority has proposed hiking water prices by 80 percent for residential and commercial uses recently. Wasa has proposed Tk 20 for each unit (1,000 litre) of water for residential use. The existing price is Tk 11.57. For commercial purpose, it has recommended Tk 65 against the existing rate of Tk 37.04. According to a report of TIB, nearly 45 percent people in the capital do not get the desired amount of water from Wasa. Besides, about 35 percent complain of poor-quality water throughout the year, while 91 percent clients of Wasa have to boil the water before drinking, although it is supposed to be safe. TIB stressed the need for taking opinion of experts and asked to arrange public hearing to improve the service of Wasa, by forming a separate regulatory structure.

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e-Tender Notice-09/2019-20

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of below:

Sl No.	Name of work	Package No.	Tender ID No.	Last selling date & time	Closing date & time	Opening date & time
01	Construction of Additional Class Room of Syedpur GPS under PEDP4 at Thakurgaon Sadar Upazila Thakurgaon, 3 H1V/F4	e-Tender/PEDP4/T KG/SAD/2019-20/W2.00764	427476	10-Mar-2020 17:00	11-Mar-2020 15:00	11-Mar-2020 15:00
02	Construction of Additional Class Room of Boguladangi GPS under PEDP4 at Thakurgaon Sadar Upazila Thakurgaon, 3 H2V/F4	e-Tender/PEDP4/T KG/SAD/2019-20/W2.00763	427475	10-Mar-2020 17:00	11-Mar-2020 15:00	11-Mar-2020 15:00
03	Construction of Additional Class Room of Jaigir Danga GPS under PEDP4 at Thakurgaon Sadar Upazila Thakurgaon	e-Tender/PEDP4/T KG/SAD/2019-20/W1.00238	427474	10-Mar-2020 17:00	11-Mar-2020 15:00	11-Mar-2020 15:00

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks' branches up to 11-Mar-2020 14:00. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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A K M Jahangir Khan
21 April 1939 - 15 Feb 2020

We express our heartfelt condolence on the sad demise of Mr. A K M Jahangir Khan, the adviser of HeidelbergCement Bangladesh Limited. He was also our board member until 2012. His involvement with us and valuable contributions to the company will be remembered all the time. We pray that his soul rests in eternal peace. May God shower his abundant blessings to the bereaved family to bear such irreparable loss.

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Manusher Jonno Foundation (MJF), a grant making organization for human rights and governance initiatives, invites applications from Bangladeshi nationals for the following positions:

Position : Deputy Executive Director (DED) Post: 01
Reportable to : Executive Director (ED)
Job summary : To work along with the ED in supervision, management and coordination of the work of MJF

Job highlights :
Work with the ED and in collaboration with the Senior Management Team, DED will :
• Undertake some of the responsibilities of the ED in managing the day to day work of running MJF
• Supervise at least two Directors and provide strategic guidance to the core programs of MJF
• Take the lead in the preparation, review and update of MJF Strategy and oversee implementation of various policies and commitments consistent with the mandate, jurisdiction and commitments of MJF to various donors.
• Assist ED in accessing resources/funding and work towards financial and institutional sustainability of MJF
• Work closely with the ED to guide MJF become a stronger, dynamic, innovative, relevant center of excellence

Qualification & Experience:
Excellent written, verbal presentation and networking skills along with:
• Advanced degree, in any subject of social science, liberal arts, development studies, gender studies or related discipline.
• Credibility and strong sustained relationship with different stake holders such as GOB, Civil society, donors, private sector etc.
• Excellent knowledge of issues, context and challenges facing Bangladesh and insights on overcoming these challenges
• Deep understanding of the NGO sector with a vision of how the sector can make a difference in the future of Bangladesh. Experience of research, management, academic and/or policy leadership is desirable
• Proven skills of supervision, motivation, teamwork and inspirational leadership in a multidisciplinary, diverse, challenging institutional context is essential

Remuneration: Salary Range between Tk. 255,975 to 318, 558 monthly gross, plus provident fund, gratuity, annual cost of living adjustment and performance-based increments will be provided.

Position : Director - Governance, **Post: 01**
Reportable to : Executive Director (ED)

Major Responsibilities:
As a member of MJF senior management team, the Director (Governance) has to maintain knowledge of the Governance sector in Bangladesh and be fully informed of all significant developments and best practices in the sector.

Qualification & Experience:
Excellent written, verbal presentation and networking skills along with:
• Advanced degree, in any subject of social science, liberal arts, development studies, gender studies or related discipline.
• Credibility and strong sustained relationship with different stake holders such as GOB, Civil society, donors, private sector etc.
• Excellent knowledge of issues, context and challenges facing Bangladesh and insights on overcoming these challenges
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Remuneration- Salary Range between Tk. 176,442 to 218,982 monthly gross, plus provident fund, gratuity, annual cost of living adjustment and performance-based increments will be provided.

Application procedure: Interested candidates with above requirements are requested to submit application through online <http://manusherjonno.org/ecircular/>. Application Deadline for both positions: **29th February, 2020**. Recent applicants for Director Governance position need not apply again

Note: Women, Persons with Disabilities and Minorities are particularly encouraged to apply.
Only short-listed candidates will be invited for the interview.

Request for Proposal Development of PACTApp

Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) is going to develop and operationalize a tailor-made information technology tool called PACTApp which will be central to TIB's new strategic approach 2020-30 titled, "Participatory Action against Corruption: Towards Transparency and Accountability (PACTA)", to be implemented subject to approval of relevant authorities in due course. TIB is soliciting proposals from qualified and interested IT and software development companies for developing the PACTApp. This includes design and graphic interface, data creation and storage, user and data management, analysis, machine learning and training.

RFP documents can be collected from TIB office at MIDAS Centre (Level - 4), House # 05, Road # 16 (New) 27 (old), Dhanmondi, Dhaka - 1209 or downloaded from www.ti-bangladesh.org/rfp/pactapp

Pre-bid conference open to all for Q&A: 25 February 2020 at 03.00 pm BST at TIB office.

Last date and time of submission of proposal: 2 April 2020 on or before 1:00 pm BST.

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Memo No. 410 Dated: 18/02/2020

e-Tender Notice

An e-Tender has been invited for the following work through e-GP Portal and that will be visible from 18.02.2020 at 9:00 only the person/organization registered by e-GP Portal can visit (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for clear observation.

Tender/ID No.	Package No.	Name of works	Last selling date & time	Closing/opening date & time
428589	Noakhali/PWD/ Dev/OTM-3	Establishing 560 Model Mosque and Islamic Cultural Centers in Zila and Upazila of Bangladesh. Sub-Head Construction of 4-Storeyed Masjid Building and Islamic Cultural Center with 4-Storeyed Foundation Including All Types of Civil Sanitary Electrical and Ornamental Works at Hatia Upazila in the District of Noakhali. Type-C-Coastal Zone 2 nd Re-Tender	05.03.2020 11:00	05.03.2020 12:00

This is an online tender only where e-Tenders will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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