

Late blight resistant potato seed in the offing

Our CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

With the objective to eradicate late blight disease in potato, Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation (BADC) in Domar upazila is currently growing trial varieties of the crop that is resistant to the disease.

Based on the success of growing the trial varieties at its Foundation Seed Potato Production Farm (FSPPF) in Domar, the BADC hopes to disseminate the variety among farmers across the country by the next potato cultivation season.

Bangladesh Agriculture Research Institute (BARI) genetically modified two foreign varieties to develop two trial varieties. In November last year, National Seed Board (NSB) approved the trial varieties.

Potato farmers in the country are now awaiting a better harvest from the new seed after incurring losses to the late blight disease for years.

Enamul Haque, deputy director of FSPPF, said they cultivated the new varieties on trial basis on 10 acres of land and hope to get a yield of more than 100 tons.

After their trial cultivation is completed successfully, the Department of Agricultural

Extension (DAE) would promote the new seed to the farmers who waited long for such a variety, he added.

Amal Kumar Das, principal scientific officer of BARI in Panchagarh, said they modified the late blight resistant potato varieties according to local climate from two varieties -- Alouette and Carolus -- that they had imported from the Netherlands.

He also said the modified varieties were named BARI-90 and BARI-91.

Explaining their work process, he said "We conduct genetic research for years and observe the adaptation tendency [of a variety] in our climate."

DAE deputy director in Nilphamari Nikhil Chandra Biswas said late blight is considered a curse for farmers as it ruins their potato fields rapidly and they are compelled to spend an additional Tk four thousand per acre to spray pesticides at least five times before harvest.

"We are instructed by the higher authorities to popularise the newly released late blight resistant potato seed varieties among farmers and we are hopeful that they [farmers] would start cultivation from next season with much enthusiasm," he added.



A trial variety of late blight disease resistant potato is being grown at Foundation Seed Potato Production Farm in Nilphamari's Domar upazila.

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INVITATION FOR TENDER

1.	Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Textiles & Jute.
2.	Agency	: Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation.
3.	Procuring Entity Name	: In-charge, Development Department, Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation.
4.	Procuring Entity Code	: Not applicable
5.	Procuring Entity District	: Dhaka
6.	Invitation for	: Works.
7.	Invitation Ref. No	: 24.03.0000.106.04.012.19.138.
8.	Date	: 19.02.2020

KEY INFORMATION

9.	Procurement Method	: Open Tender Method (OTM).
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10.	Budget and Source of Funds	: Own Found
11.	Development Partners	: Not applicable

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

12.	Project/Program Code	: Not applicable
13.	Project/Program Name	: "Construction of boundary wall at the west side of BTMC Bhaban".
14.	Tender Package No.	: 01
15.	Tender Package Name	: Civil Construction work.
16.	Tender Publication Date	: -
17.	Tender Last Selling date	: 04-March-2020 up to 05.00pm
18.	Tender Closing date & time	: 08-March-2020 up to 12.00pm
19.	Tender Opening date & time	: 08-March-2020 At 12.30pm
20.	Name & Address of the Office(s)	: Office of the Chief Accountant (Addl. charge), Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban(2 nd level), 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka-1215.
	-Selling of Tender Document (principal)	: Office of the Chief Accountant (Addl. charge), Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban(2 nd level), 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka-1215.
	-Selling of Tender Document(Other)	: Not applicable

NO CONDITIONS APPLY FOR SALE, PURCHASE OR DISTRIBUTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

-Receiving Tender Document	: Office of the In-charge, Development Department, Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban (2 nd level), 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka-1215.
-Opening Tender Document	: Office of the In-charge, Development Department, Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban (2 nd level), 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka-1215.

INFORMATION FOR TENDER


21.	Brief Eligibility and Qualification of Tenderer	: This invitation for Tenders is open to all eligible Tenderers who satisfy the following: i) The Tenderer must enclose up to date Trade license, valid VAT Registration Certificate, valid Income Tax clearance, Certificate from the NRB/Concerned office, Bank Solvency Certificate, work experience Certificate, Tender Documents purchasing money receipt (Original) etc. ii) Detailed and Other conditions as per Tender Document. iii) All Certificates and necessary papers will have to be submitted in respective forms as mentioned in the Tender Document.
22.	Brief description of works	: Civil Construction work (RCC Work, Brick Masonry work, Tiles work, Electrical Work, Sanitary & Plumbing work, Etc.) As Per BOQ.
23.	Brief description of Physical Services	: Not applicable
24.	Price of Tender document (Tk.)	: Tk. 1,000/- (One thousand) only (Non-refundable) to be paid through BTMC

Lot No.	Identification of Lot	Location	Tender Security Amount (Tk.)	Completion Time in Weeks/Months
25.	Construction of boundary wall at the west side of BTMC Bhaban.	Kawan Bazar, Dhaka.	Tk. 35,000.00 (Thirty Five Thousand)	2 (Two) Months.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

26.	Name of Official Inviting Tender	: Sabbir Ahmed
27.	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	: Asstt. Chief Engineer (Ele) & In-charge, Development Department
28.	Address of Official Inviting Tender	: Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, BTMC Bhaban, 7-9 Kawan Bazar, Dhaka.
29.	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	: Telephone No. +88-02-48111312 Fax No. +88-02-58152680 e-mail: btmc.development@gmail.com
30.	The Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all the Tenders or annul the Tender proceedings	


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CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
Expression of Interest Number: WFPCO20NF01EOI

1. INTRODUCTION:
UNWFP, Bangladesh is undertaking an exercise of updating its supplier's roster and hereby invites expression of interest from prospective suppliers and service providers.
WFP will draw up a list of suppliers and service providers who meet the criteria set out at point no. 3. Each time a specific tender is to be concluded, WFP will invite all vendors on the list of the relevant categories of goods/services to submit a tender.
Inclusion on the list of WFP Vendors does not mean that a company shall be invited in all tenders and does not constitute any contractual relationship between the company and WFP, it only means that if included in the database, a company will be given an equal consideration in process of supplier selection.

2. LIST OF GOODS AND SERVICES:
a) IT Equipment (Desktop Computer, Laptop, UPS, Digital Sender, Scanner, GIS Work station, Barcode Scanner, Plotter, Battery, ICT Accessories, Server etc.)
b) Office Stationeries
c) Office Equipment and Maintenance – Photocopiers, Printer, PABX etc.
d) Internet Service
e) Mobile call service providers (Telecommunication Company)
f) Electrical Equipment and Maintenance Service – Generator, Air-Conditioning System, Megaphone etc.
g) Internet Service Provider
h) Household items (Refrigerator, Television, Microwave oven etc.)
i) Mobile phone suppliers/company (Handset)
j) Supply of fuel (Vehicle)
k) Cleaning and security companies
l) Drinking water supply
m) Courier Service Provider (International and Local)
n) Outsource service provider (drivers, vehicle rental, office maintenance etc.)
o) Online vacancy announcement service provider (Online Portal)
p) Surveys, Evaluation and Data Collection
q) Printing, Publishing Service Provider
r) Insurance Service Provider
s) Vehicle maintenance services and spare parts (Garage Services)
t) Firefighting equipment, services and maintenance
u) Interpretation and Translation
v) Landscaping Service Provider
w) Advertisement Company (Publish in newspapers)
x) Electronic Safety, Security & IT solution
y) Training service provider (IT, language etc.)
z) Event management company
aa) Promotional and visibilities materials (Banner, sign post, caps, T-shirts, branded vest, bags etc)
ab) Medicine/First Aid kits/surgical items
ac) Plastic container/plastic goods
ad) Miscellaneous and General Suppliers (Tiffin Box, Uniform etc.)

3. CRITERIA FOR INCLUSION ON ONE OR MORE OF CATEGORIES OF SERVICES OR GOODS:
In expressing your interest to UNWFP, the prospective suppliers and service providers must submit the following requirements, and this shall be the criteria for inclusion and exclusion from the vendor list.
1. A cover letter introducing the prospective suppliers/service provider and a brief business profile.
2. Completed & signed WFP Registration Form
3. Copy of Trade/Business License
4. Copy of Import License (if applicable)
5. TIN No.
6. Bank Solvency Certificate with Account No., Audit Report of last 2 years (In case of limited company)
7. Client's List
8. Trade/Purchase Reference from the existing clients of last 1 year
9. Certification of Registration/Incorporation, Memorandum of Association and Articles of Association.
10. VAT Registration and Compliance Certificate
11. ISO Certificate(s) (if applicable)
WFP's Registration Form for Non-food Supplier and Traders is available in the following link:
<https://rebrand.ly/or7u12>
Those already in UNWFP supplier's roster aren't required to make a fresh expression of interest.
Expression of interest must be sent in zipped folder to the following email: ban.rfiprocurement@wfp.org with a hard copy hand delivered to WFP Country Office located in Bangladesh/Dhaka, IDB Bhaban 14th Floor E-8-A Rokeya Sarani, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar and clearly marked in subject line: **Expression of Interest no.WFPCO20NF01EOI**.
All expression of interest should be received no later than 10 March 2020 at 16.00 Bangladesh Time. No expression of interest will be received after the closing date and time.
This exercise may include an interview with the applicant, inspection of applicants' office/premises, facilities and any other items of interest to UNWFP.


Richard RAGAN
WFP- Country Director & Representative
Dhaka, Bangladesh

RAPE OF 2-YEAR-OLD

Lone accused arrested

Our CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab-14) arrested a youth from Kishoreganj's Katiadi Bus Stand area early yesterday in connection with a case for raping a two-year-old girl on Saturday.

The accused is Akram Mia, 17, son of Milon Mia of Manikdi Paratola village in Bhairab upazila.

A team of Rab-14 led by Bhairab Company Commander Rofuiddin Mohammad Jubaer raided the area and arrested Akram around 3:00am.

At a press briefing yesterday, the company commander said they had been conducting drives to arrest Akram since father of the victim filed a case with Bhairab Police Station on February 16.

Quoting the case statement, Officer in Charge of Bhairab Police Station Mohammad Shaheen said Akram, a neighbour of the victim girl, took her to his house on Saturday evening and raped her.

Hearing screams, family members and neighbours rushed to the spot, rescued the girl and admitted her to Bhairab Upazila Health Complex.

The following day, she was sent to Kishoreganj General Hospital for medical test.

Man killed by son for property

Our CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A man was killed by his son for property in Azmeriganj upazila of Habiganj.

Superintendent of Police (SP) Mohammad Ullah said this during a press briefing at his office in the town yesterday.

Police arrested one Monir Ahmed, 30, son of Emad Uddin of Jakiganj municipality in Sylhet, and his mother-in-law Sufia Khatun, 55, of Kalaiura village in Sylhet's Bianibazar upazila.

Prime accused Kawsar Ahmed, a first-year student of MC College, is still at large.

In a general diary filed with Ajmeriganj Police Station on January 6, Kawsar said his father Omar Ali went missing on December 31 last year.

After investigation, it was found that Kawshar gave Monir and Sufia Tk 5,000 to kill Omar Ali.

Later, Omar was hacked to death and the body was dumped in the Sonai river. On January 21, police recovered the body from the river.

The arrestees gave confessional statement to the Senior Judicial Magistrate's court in Azmeriganj under Section 164 on Wednesday night, said the police official.

Police were raiding different areas to arrest Kawsar, he said.

Youth crushed under train while talking over phone


Our CORRESPONDENT, Brahmanbaria

A youth was crushed under wheels of a train while crossing rail tracks in Narsingdi town yesterday.


The deceased was identified as Shaheen Alam, 29, son of Siddique Mia of Birgaon village in Raipura upazila. He worked at Darigaon Community Clinic in the upazila as a community health provider.

Narsingdi Railway Police Outpost Sub-Inspector (SI) Firoz Ahmed said Shaheen was talking over mobile phone when the train hit him.

On information, police recovered the body and sent it to Narsingdi General Hospital for autopsy, said the SI.



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Dated: 19-02-2020

INVITATION FOR OPEN TENDER

01.	Procuring Entity Name	Chittagong Dry Dock Ltd.
02.	Invitation for	Purchase of 02 (Two) Sets CENTRIFUGAL FIRE PUMP(CAPACITY: 90 TON/HOUR)
03.	Invitation Reference No	23.02.1565.341.53.006.20.1150 Date: 19-02-2020
04.	Procuring Method	Open Tender
05.	Budget & Source of Funds	Own Finance
06.	Tender Last Selling Date	20 February 2020 to 12 March 2020 at 12.00 PM (Office Time only)
07.	Tender Closing Date and Time	12 March 2020 at 12.15 PM
08.	Tender Opening Date & Time	12 March 2020 at 12.30 PM
09.	Name and Address of the Office(s) for Selling, Receiving and Opening of Tender Documents: a. Selling Tender Document b. Receiving Tender Document c. Opening Tender Document	(1) Cash Section, Accounts Department, Chittagong Dry Dock Ltd, Bangladesh Navy, East Patenga, Chattogram. Chittagong Dry Dock Ltd. (1) Chittagong Dry Dock Ltd, Bangladesh Navy, East Patenga, Chattogram . (2) Tenderers' and their authorized representatives are allowed to attend
10.	Submission of Tender Documents	2 (two) envelopes submissions to be followed. Financial documents in one envelop and Technical documents in other envelop. Both the envelopes to be sealed in covering envelop.
11.	Price of Tender Document	1000 (One Thousand) TK (Non-refundable)
12.	Contact Details	Phone: +88 031 2501117, Fax: 880-31-2501123 E-mail: drydock.bd@gmail.com
13.	Special Instructions	The procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all or any tenders prior to acceptance without showing any reason.


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Duration: Three Months
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Total seat: 48
Class will start: 04 April 2020
Application procedure: Application form of TK. 200 (two hundred only) can be collected from **23 February 2020** at the office of the Centre for Genocide Studies.
Last date of submission of application: 23 March 2020

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