



'Random' stabbing spree kills 1 in UK

7 injured; hunt for suspect on

REUTERS, Birmingham

Police said they were searching for a man in relation to a two-hour stabbing spree in the city of Birmingham, central England, early yesterday, that left one man dead and seven people injured, two of them critically.

The knife attacks happened in four locations in the city centre starting from 00:30 (2330 GMT), police said.

"We are treating all four of those incidents as a linked series," West Midlands Police Chief Superintendent Steve Graham said. "We are searching for one suspect and inquiries to identify and then trace that suspect are ongoing."

He said there was no suggestion that the attacks were targeted at any section of the community or were gang related. "At this stage we can't find a particular motive, but it does appear to be random in terms of the selection of people who were attacked," he said.

Britain's Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab said he had no information to indicate the incidents were terrorism related but the public should stay "very vigilant".

The first stabbing was in Constitution Hill, police said, and the suspect then moved from north to south, to Livery Street, Irving Street and ending at Hurst Street. The final location is an area known as the city's Gay Village, where people had been seated at outdoor tables eating and drinking.

Female journo shot dead in Pakistan

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Police in southwest Pakistan have launched a hunt for the killer of a female journalist who was shot at her home, an official said, with her husband being one of the suspects.

"We have registered a case and started a search for the killer of the female journalist," Siraj Ahmad, investigating officer on the case from Turbat district of Balochistan, said yesterday.

Shaheena Shaheen, a talk show host at state-owned broadcaster Pakistan Television and editor of a local magazine, was shot dead at her home in Turbat on Saturday evening.

Ahmad said Shaheen's family suspected her husband of the murder. Shaheen had a court marriage about six months ago and was living with her husband, according to the police.

Pakistan is considered to be one of the most dangerous countries for journalists. Since 1992, at least 61 Pakistani journalists have been killed in connection with their work, according to the Committee to Protect Journalists.



(From top, anticlockwise) Police officers advance on protesters to clear a street in Portland, Oregon; far-right activists and self-described militia members gather to confront Black Lives Matter activists in Louisville, Kentucky; and members and supporters of an all-black militia group called NFAC hold an armed rally in Louisville. Police arrested dozens of people and used tear gas against hundreds of demonstrators in Portland late Saturday as the western US city marked 100 days since Black Lives Matter protests erupted against racism and police brutality. All photos were taken on Saturday.

PHOTO: REUTERS

India reports global daily record of new Covid-19 cases

REUTERS, New Delhi

India added more than 90,000 cases of the novel coronavirus yesterday, a global daily record, according to data from the federal health ministry.

There were 90,632 new cases in the 24 hours to Sunday, according to the data from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, while the number of deaths rose by 1,065 to 70,626.

The country is set to pass Brazil today as the second most affected country by total infections and will be behind only the United States, which has 6.4 million cases and nearly 193,000 deaths.

Coronavirus cases in India have reached 4.1 million and about 3.2 million affected people have been treated so far, the government data showed.

Medical experts said the country was seeing a second wave of the pandemic in some parts of the country, and that case numbers have surged because of increased testing and the easing of restrictions on public movement.

'Give me back my vote!'

Nearly 100 pro-democracy protesters arrested in Hong Kong

AFP, Hong Kong

Nearly 100 people were arrested by Hong Kong police yesterday as riot officers swooped on democracy protesters opposed to the postponement of local elections.

Yesterday was meant to be voting day for the city's partially elected legislature, one of the few instances where Hong Kongers get to cast ballots.

But the city's pro-Beijing leader Carrie Lam suspended the polls for a year -- citing the coronavirus -- angering the pro-democracy opposition who had been hoping to capitalise on seething anti-government sentiment.

Hundreds of riot police flooded the district of Kowloon in a bid to thwart online calls for flash mob protests to mark the suspended vote.

Throughout the afternoon police were heckled by people shouting slogans such as "Give me back my vote!" and "Corrupt cops!" as officers conducted multiple stop and searches and ordered crowds to disperse.



In a Facebook statement, police said at least 90 people were arrested, mostly for unlawful assembly.

One woman was detained under a new security law Beijing imposed on the city for chanting independence slogans, the force added.

Live images showed three prominent pro-democracy politicians -- Leung Kwok-hung, Figo Chan and Raphael Wong -- were among those held.

The protests came hours after the police's newly formed national security unit arrested Tam Tak-chi, another democracy activist and radio DJ, for "uttering seditious words" -- a

colonial-era offence.

Tam is the latest in a long line of government critics to find themselves facing prosecution in recent months for their involvement in protests.

When they announced the arrest yesterday morning, police did not explain what Tam may have said that was considered seditious.

In late June, Beijing imposed its new security law, which bans anything authorities perceive to be secession, subversion, terrorism and collusion with foreign forces.

At least 22 people have been arrested under the new law since it came into effect, sending a chill through the city.

Under a deal agreed with Britain ahead of the 1997 handover, authoritarian China agreed to let Hong Kong keep certain liberties and autonomy for 50 years. Critics say that deal has been demolished by the security law and the increasingly intense crackdown on the city's democracy supporters.

NEWSIN brief

German FM calls Trump 'unscrupulous'

AFP, Berlin

German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas yesterday said that an "unscrupulous" President Donald Trump was trying to sow doubt about the US presidential election by urging his supporters to vote twice, which is illegal. "We owe an incredible number of things to the United States and the country remains one of our closest partners but... it is disturbing to see that an American president thinks he might need such" a move, Maas told Sunday's Bild, Germany's top selling daily. "I have confidence that Americans' good sense will scupper this unscrupulous effort," he added.

Russian state link likely in Navalny poisoning: UK

AFP, London

Britain yesterday said Russia had "a very serious set of questions to answer" about the poisoning of opposition leader Alexei Navalny, suggesting some form of state involvement in the high-profile case. Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab said it was "clear" the Kremlin critic was poisoned with the Soviet-era nerve agent Novichok, which was previously used in an attack against a Russian former double agent in Salisbury, southwest England, in 2018. Germany, where Navalny is being treated after falling ill last month, has said there was "unequivocal evidence" of the use of the agent but Moscow has said there was no proof of poisoning.



A woman holds a poster with pictures of injured persons in front of a law enforcement officer during a rally against police brutality following protests to reject the presidential election results in Minsk, Belarus. Tens of thousands of Belarusian protesters marched in the capital Minsk yesterday despite authorities arresting demonstrators in dozens and deploying armoured personnel carriers and water cannon.

PHOTO: REUTERS

Osama bin Laden's niece endorses Donald Trump

Says he must be re-elected to save the Western world

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An endorsement from the bin Laden family is hardly the most coveted prize on the campaign trail, but Noor bin Ladin, niece of the 9/11 mastermind, said she is backing President Trump, claiming only he can save Western civilization.

"ISIS proliferated under the Obama/Biden administration," bin Ladin, who spells her surname different from her infamous uncle but has never made her relation a secret, told the New York Post on Saturday.

"Trump has shown he protects America and us by extension from foreign threats by obliterating terrorists at the root and before they get a chance to strike," bin Ladin added. Born in and residing in Switzerland, bin Ladin is an occasional visitor to the US and is a massive fan of American conservative politics. She's regularly seen in a 'Make America Great Again' hat, and names Fox

News' Tucker Carlson as her favorite cable news host.

"I have been a supporter of President Trump since he announced he was running in the early days in 2015. I have watched from afar and I admire this man's resolve," she said. "He must be reelected... It's vital for the future of not only America, but western civilization as a whole."

Bin Ladin's endorsement raised eyebrows on Twitter. "Oh to travel in time and show this tweet to someone from 2002 or 2003, Forbes writer Scott Mendelson joked.

While Osama bin Laden's terrorism made his name world-famous, his family have pursued a range of different, more peaceful careers. Noor is a business and law graduate who works with startups in Switzerland. Her sister, Wafah Dufour, was also raised in Switzerland and is a singer and model, who has been profiled by GQ magazine and the BBC, among others.



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NOTICE FOR ELECTRONIC BIDDING BY THE ELIGIBLE INVESTORS TO DETERMINE THE CUT-OFF PRICE OF ORDINARY SHARES OF ENERGYPAC POWER GENERATION LIMITED

This is for the kind information of all concerned that Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) has accorded consent vide letter no. BSEC/CI/BB-12/2017/116, dated August 16, 2020 for commencement of Electronic bidding by the Eligible Investors (EIs) to determine the Cut-Off price of Ordinary Shares of Energypac Power Generation Limited under the Book-building Method. Subsequently, the Dhaka Stock Exchange Limited (DSE) has issued the letter no. DSE/Listing/ULC/2020/4166, dated September 03, 2020 for commencement of bidding.

All the Eligible Investors (EIs) are hereby requested to visit the website www.essbangladesh.com to participate in the bidding process through the electronic bidding system commencing from 5:00 PM on September 21, 2020 and will continue till 5:00 PM on September 24, 2020 (Round the Clock). The offering summary and detail of bidding are as follows:

A. OFFERING SUMMARY:

Issuer Name	: Energypac Power Generation Limited
Issuer Code	: EPGL
Total Public Offering Size in amount	: BDT 1,500,000,000/-
Face Value	: BDT 10/- each share
Issue Size in amount for Eligible Investors	: BDT 750,000,000/-
Maximum amount allowed to bid by a bidder	: BDT 15,000,000/-
Minimum amount allowed to bid by a bidder	: BDT 5,000,000/-
Manager to the Issue	: LankaBangla INVESTMENTS
Registrar to the Issue	: ICB Capital Management Limited

B. DETAILS OF BIDDING:

Eligibility of EIs for Bidding	: Minimum investment in listed securities at market price amounting BDT 10,000,000 (BDT One Crore only) as on the end of September 13, 2020
Deposit of Bidding Fees (BDT 5,000) and 100% of bidding amount	: Start at 10:00 AM on September 21, 2020 and continue till 2:00 PM on September 24, 2020
Electronic Bidding Start	: 5:00 PM on September 21, 2020
Electronic Bidding Closed	: 5:00 PM on September 24, 2020
Duration of Bidding	: 72 Hours (Round the Clock)
Maximum Number of Bid can be placed by a Bidder	: 1 (One)
Bid Revision Limit	: 10% variation on first bid price for once within the bidding period
Mode of Payment	: Pay Order/Demand Draft/B.B. Cheque/Cash
Browsing Website for Book-building System	: www.essbangladesh.com
Valuation Report submission period for Eligible Investors (EIs)	: Start at 10:30 AM on September 27, 2020 and continue till 10:30 AM on September 29, 2020

C. BANK DETAILS FOR DEPOSITING BIDDING MONEY:

Bank Name	: Social Islami Bank Limited
Account Name	: Dhaka Stock Exchange Limited
Account Number	: 0021360003343
Branch	: Any Branch in Bangladesh

All Eligible Investors (EIs) are requested to participate in accordance with the Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (Public Issue) Rules, 2015 (as amended on July 25, 2019), in the Electronic Bidding of the Stock Exchange(s) for the Ordinary Share of Energypac Power Generation Limited.

The Red-herring Prospectus of Energypac Power Generation Limited is available on the website(s) of Issuer Company (www.energypac.com) and Manager to the Issue (www.lankabangla-investments.com) and Book Building System for Stock Exchanges in Bangladesh (www.essbangladesh.com). Also, the valuation of securities of Energypac Power Generation Limited is available on www.energypac.com and www.lankabangla-investments.com

Code of Conduct for EIs in respect of participating in the bidding process of book-building method (as per the BSEC Directive No. BSEC/CMRRCD/2009-193/204 dated February 20, 2018):

- The EIs shall form a Bidding Recommendation Committee comprising of at least 2 (two) members having relevant knowledge, skill, qualification and experience. The Committee, upon detailed analysis of value and prospects of the securities, shall recommend to participate in the electronic bidding and shall also mention the bidding quantity and price, if recommended.
- The EIs shall, on the basis of recommendation of the Bidding Recommendation Committee, take decision about participation in the bidding. Decision of the EI and proceedings of the Committee along with workings shall be preserved for inspection by the Commission or the Exchanges.
- The EIs and Committee shall exercise due diligence and independent professional judgment, and ensure proper care in order to maintain objectivity, transparency and independence in the decision making for bidding.
- While analyzing, they shall take into consideration all aspects including financial, technical, managerial, commercial, economic, ownership etc. of the securities offered and its issuer and review all documents and prospectus in details.
- While analyzing, they shall use internationally recognized securities valuation techniques and take decision on objective and professional judgment. They shall keep all calculations, analysis, workings and proceedings regarding the valuation in writing and shall record the basis for using valuation technique with justification.
- They shall act fairly, neutrally, honestly and shall be independent in analysis and making decision without any influence, interference or pressure. They must not disclose or share any information related to the valuation with the issuer, issue manager, other eligible investors or any other person. The analysis, recommendation and decision shall be kept confidential till completion of the bidding period.
- The EIs shall submit their valuation report along with workings and calculations to the exchange conducting the bidding, within 2 (two) working days of completion of the bidding period.

Special Instruction to Participate in the Electronic Bidding Process:

- EIs will submit only soft copy of their valuation report through www.essbangladesh.com, it doesn't require to send any hard copy;
- Share will be allotted to EIs bidding above the cut-off price as per their intended price and quantity;

For and on behalf of Energypac Power Generation Limited

Sd/-

Md. Alauddin Shibly
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