

## Bangabandhu

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on his way home from Geneva. It is understood that the two leaders discuss the question of recognition of Bangladesh by Pakistan, the prisoner of war issues and the entry of Bangladesh into the United Nations, besides bilateral issues.

Talking to the press after his discussion with Indira, Bangabandhu says Bangladesh would not have any objection to talking either to Bhutto or any Pakistani official once Pakistan recognises Bangladesh. Referring to the question of prisoners of war, Bangabandhu says, “They killed three million Bangalees, they committed genocide -- it is a known fact. They destroyed the country. Ten million Bangalees had to take refuge in India and you still ask me this question.”

When asked about the Chinese veto against Bangladesh's entry into the UN, Bangabandhu says, “Truth will prevail. Bangladesh is a reality and this position will be accepted by all powers at one time or the other.”

A documentary film on the rebel poet Kazi Nazrul Islam is presented to Bangabandhu before his departure for Dhaka from New Delhi. *SOURCES: September 15, 1972 issues of Bangladesh Observer, Dainik Bangla and Dainik Ittefaq.*

## Man digs

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“For the last 30 years, I would go to the nearby jungle to tend my cattle and dig out the canal. No one joined me in this endeavour... Villagers are going to cities to earn a livelihood but I decided to stay back,” he added. Kothilwa village is surrounded by dense forest and mountains, about 80 km away from Gaya district headquarters. This village is marked as a refuge for Maoists. The main means of livelihood for the people in Gaya are farming and animal husbandry. “He has been carving out the canal for the last 30 years that too single-handedly. This will benefit a large number of animals and to irrigate the fields as well. He is not doing it for his own benefit but for the entire area,” said Patti Manjhi, a local. Ram Vilas Singh, a teacher who resides in Gaya praised Bhuiyan for benefiting the villagers and their fields. “A lot of people will benefit here. People are now getting to know him because of his work,” he added.

## HC questions

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Shahadat Hossain is the managing director of Sazin Construction Ltd, which supplied the products to the living quarters in Pabna. He was released from jail after a Pabna court on August 26 granted bail to him in two corruption cases. The ACC then filed two revision petitions with the HC, ACC lawyer Khurshid Alam Khan told The Daily Star. After virtually hearing one petition, the HC yesterday issued a rule and it might hear the other revision petition today, he said. Lawyers Shafique Ahmed and Mahbub Shafique appeared for Shahadat while Deputy Attorney General AKM Amin Uddin Manik represented the state. Shahadat Hossain and several others were sued by the ACC on December 12 last year on charges of corruption involving Tk 16 crore. Shahadat was arrested on the same day.

## Ex-MP

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during its investigation over accumulating wealth from unknown sources of income. We told this before the court during the hearing,” he added. “Bodi is now on bail in the case,” said Lavlu. Abul Kalam Azad, the then deputy director of ACC Chattogram's regional office, filed the case with Double Mooring Police Station on December 17, 2007, alleging that Bodi made wealth illegally and had concealed the information in his wealth statement. Bodi, who was the mayor of Teknaf municipality that time, was charged with illegally amassing wealth worth of over Tk 65 lakhs and concealing information of wealth worth of over Tk 43 lakhs. Although then ACC deputy director Azad filed the case, another DD, Ali Akbar, investigated the allegations. In 2008, Akbar submitted a charge sheet against Bodi. Bodi was elected lawmaker of Cox's Bazar-4, consisting Teknaf and Ukhia upazilas. But he failed to gain party's nomination in the 11th national elections in 2018. His wife Shahin Akter got the party's nomination and won. She is now serving as the incumbent lawmaker of Cox's Bazar-4. Contacted, Bodi said the charges against him were false. “I will not make any comment over court proceedings. I will go through legal procedure and prove that the allegations against me are not true,” he told The Daily Star. Our correspondents from Chattogram and Cox's Bazar contributed to the story.



Law enforcement officers detain protesters during a rally against police brutality following protests to reject the presidential election results in Minsk, Belarus, yesterday.

PHOTO: REUTERS

## New cases reinstate curbs

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After a spate of local lockdowns this month, new government restrictions will come into force across England today, limiting social gatherings to no more than six people. Austrian Chancellor Sebastian Kurz told citizens the country was already facing “the beginning of the second wave” as new daily infections climbed towards 1,000. Kurz said the government would further restrict events and extend the areas where mask-wearing is mandatory to include all shops and public buildings. Meanwhile France reported 10,000 new infections Saturday, close to the peak of the first wave in April. Prime Minister Jean Castex declined to announce any new major restrictions Friday despite noting a “clear worsening” in the country's outbreak. Around the world, as of yesterday, 921,219 people had died of the virus from among 28.8 million cases. India reported 94,372 new cases of the novel coronavirus yesterday, taking total cases past 4.7 million, as infection numbers rose in several states amid a gradual opening up of businesses. The number of deaths rose to 78,586, with 1,114 new deaths, health ministry data showed. In South Korea, authorities in Seoul said they would ease some infection control measures introduced in recent weeks after a spike in cases in the capital region, home to half the country's 52 million population. Coffee shops, restaurants and bakeries will return to normal service while gyms and private cram schools can reopen. While the country largely overcame an early Covid-19 surge with extensive tracing and testing, it has seen triple-digit daily new cases

since mid-August after weeks with numbers in the 30s and 40s. Police arrested dozens of participants in an anti-lockdown demonstration in the southern Australian city Melbourne yesterday that drew around 250 people. Defying stay-at-home orders, the crowd gathered at the central Queen Victoria market where they were met by a heavy police presence. The Australian event followed a number of demonstrations in Germany and Poland on Saturday at which people protested against anti-coronavirus measures and defied mask-wearing rules. Meanwhile Democratic US presidential candidate Joe Biden slammed incumbent Donald Trump as “reckless” for holding a packed rally Saturday in Reno, Nevada, where many attendees did not wear masks. The Republican president is under pressure as the US toll continues to rise, nearing 6.5 million cases on Saturday with more than 193,000 deaths -- by far the most in either measure in the world. In Latin America, which this week passed the milestone of eight million virus cases, worst-hit Brazil charted more than 131,000 deaths from Covid-19 as of Saturday, the second-highest in the world behind the US. In Britain, regulators gave pharma company AstraZeneca and Oxford University the all-clear for clinical trials to resume on one of the most advanced experimental Covid-19 vaccines. Researchers had “voluntarily paused” their vaccine trial after a UK volunteer developed an unexplained illness. Even during the pause, AstraZeneca said it remained hopeful that the vaccine could still be available “by the end of this year, early next year”.

## Bahrain opposition rejects Israel normalisation, calls for resistance

REUTERS, Dubai

Bahraini opposition groups have said they reject a decision by the Gulf state to normalise relations with Israel, with a leading Shia cleric yesterday calling on the people of the region to resist. Cleric Ayatollah Sheikh Isa Qassim, living in Iran, said he was against normalisation between Arab countries and Israel, in a statement published by dissolved Bahraini opposition party al-Wefaq, a group close to Qassim. The accords struck between Israel and the UAE last month, and between Israel and Bahrain on Friday, go against the will of the people, he said. “There is a great divergence between the rulers and the ruled in thought, mind, aims and interests. Governments are experiencing a psychological defeat and want to impose it on the people, and the people have to resist this defeat,” Qassim said. A group of Bahraini political and civil society associations, including the Bahrain Bar Association, on Sunday voiced their opposition to the deal in a joint statement.

## Top Iraq Shia cleric backs early election after UN meeting

AFP, Najaf

Iraq's top Shia cleric yesterday endorsed early parliamentary elections set for June 2021, following his first meeting in nearly a year with a senior United Nations official. “The parliamentary elections scheduled for next year are of great importance,” said Grand Ayatollah Ali Sistani, 90, in an online statement after the bilateral meeting. Iraqis should be encouraged to participate “widely,” he added, while warning that failing to hold the polls on time or in a free and fair way would “threaten the unity and future of Iraq's people.” Sistani does not make public appearances and typically issues a weekly Friday sermon through a representative. He avoids meeting political figures, but has traditionally made an exception for the UN, which is seen as unbiased. This year, the cleric has been quieter than usual -- weekly prayers stopped in late February with the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, which also sparked fears for Sistani's health. On Sunday, Sistani hosted the UN's top representative in Iraq Jeanine Hennis-Plasschaert in his modest home in the shrine city of Najaf, 10 months since their last meeting. “If done in the right way, in the right and credible way, they could open an important chapter for the country,” she said, referring to early elections. Prime Minister Mustafa al-Kadhemi had announced in late July that Iraq would hold parliamentary elections nearly a year early, seeking to make good on one of the main promises he made when he came to power earlier this year.

## Bangladesh sees a huge

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before the pandemic and got stuck because of the suspension in air communication. Citing data from the Prabashi Kalyan Desk set up at the airport in Dhaka, Brac in January this year said 64,638 migrant workers came in 2019. The ministry report, prepared based on information from the Prabashi Kalyan Desk, said 78,043 migrants arrived between April 1 and August 22 this year. It also said most of the Bangladeshis either failed to get a job or their employers sent them back as there was no job prospect amid the pandemic. Many of those sent back were assured that they would be rehired once the situation turned normal. Also, workers came back after obtaining “out-pass” after serving jail terms for various offenses, and following the expiry of their work permits. The report said of those who returned since April, 99,939 had valid passports, and 27,270 came back with the “out-pass”. It said the highest 36,533 workers flew from the United Arab Emirates, followed by 30,531 from Saudi Arabia and 10,575 from Qatar. Also, 9,361 workers returned from the Maldives, 8,626 from Kuwait, 8,609 from Oman, 5,249 from Iraq, and 5,000 from Malaysia. At present, 13 airlines, including Biman Bangladesh Airlines and US-Bangla Airlines, are carrying passengers to Dhaka in 46 direct flights every week from destinations like the UAE, Qatar, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Maldives and Turkey every week, said an official at the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport in Dhaka. The Prabashi Kalyan Desk was set up at the airport under the expatriates' welfare ministry to help both departing and arriving migrant workers regarding immigration. There are more than one crore Bangladeshis workers in 160 countries, according to government officials. The majority of them are employed as low-paid workers in the Middle East countries, including Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Oman, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Jordan, and Lebanon, and also in Southeast Asian countries such as Malaysia and Singapore. Migrant workers sent home more than \$18 billion in fiscal 2019-2020, shows Bangladesh Bank data. The remittance they send is one of

the main pillars of the country's economy. Following the coronavirus outbreak, thousands of Bangladeshi migrant workers faced economic hardship after losing jobs in the host countries. On Wednesday, Expatriates' Welfare Minister Imran Ahmad told parliament that assistance of Tk 13 crore was provided to Bangladeshi workers abroad to deal with the crisis. Besides, initiatives have been taken to bring the workers back to the country and for their reintegration after return, the minister added. He, however, said the number of Bangladeshi migrant workers returning from abroad due to the pandemic was “not alarming”. In a statement, Imran Ahmad said, “A small number of our workers, who were in deportation centres due to the coronavirus pandemic, have returned as different countries have deported irregular workers.” Asked, Expatriates' Welfare Ministry Secretary Ahmed Munir Saleheen yesterday said they were aware that many Bangladeshis returned in the past few months. “It happened to many Bangladeshi workers too. Instead of getting worried about the number, we have taken various initiatives to help and reintegrate them socially and financially.” “Our reintegration programmes include providing soft investment loans, training and facilitating their re-employment at home and abroad,” he added. The ministry has created a Tk 200-crore fund for handing soft loans to returnees and the family members of those who died from Covid-19 abroad, for their economic reintegration. Also, the government announced a separate loan package of Tk 500 crore for the expatriates who lost jobs amid the pandemic. Earlier in May, International Organisation for Migration (IOM) Chief of Mission in Bangladesh Giorgi Gigauri said hundreds of thousands of migrants were expected to return to Bangladesh once countries relaxed restrictions and airlines resumed flights. “For many of these migrants, it isn't a happy homecoming as they have lost their source of income and due to the global recession it is unlikely that they will be able to return to work abroad until the global labour market recovers from the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic,” Giorgi said in a statement.

## Greek PM promises permanent migrant centre after fire on Lesbos

AFP, Lesbos

Greece will build a permanent migrant reception centre on Lesbos to replace the overcrowded refugee camp destroyed by a fire last week, Greek Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis said yesterday, calling for closer European involvement. The fire at the Moria reception centre last week left more than 12,000 people without shelter, forcing most to sleep out in the open without proper sanitation or access to food and water, and pushed the migration issue back up the European agenda. Mitsotakis said the construction of a new reception centre on the island to replace the notoriously squalid and overcrowded Moria facility would be the chance to reset the policy behind handling migrant arrivals. “We want to turn this problem into an opportunity,” he said. “Europe should be a lot more involved in the management of the new centre wherever we finally decide it should be,” he told a news conference. He appeared to dismiss protests by Lesbos residents who have opposed the creation of a new centre as well as by migrants demanding to be resettled away from the island. Rampaging

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Abul Kalam, inspector (investigation) of Shibpur Police Station, said Badal-Nazma duo often engaged in altercation. Such a family feud occurred yesterday morning and Nasima started screaming. Locals came to rescue but Badal started stabbing them as soon as they entered the house. At one point, Badal's son Sohag hit him with a brick that left him unconscious. Locals then rushed the injured to local hospital where doctors declared two dead. Tajul Islam died on the way to Dhaka Medical College Hospital. “Initially, we suspect the incident occurred due to family dispute. The offender Badal has been detained,” the police official said. Police launched an investigation to the murder, however, no written complaint was filed from the victims' families, he added.

## End violence

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The Court in February this year ordered provisional measures to prevent acts of genocide in Rakhine. The International Criminal Court is also investigating the forced displacement of Rohingyas from Bangladesh to Myanmar. Early last week, two former Myanmar soldiers confessed that they were involved in killing and burning Rohingya villages on orders from the high commands in Rakhine. Meanwhile, rights groups said the situation in Rakhine state has deteriorated amid escalation of fighting between the Arakan Army in Rakhine and Kachin states, frustrating the hope of Rohingya repatriation anytime soon.

# ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ

মধুপুর, ডাকঘরঃ ধামসোনো, থানাঃ আতুলিয়া

উপজেলাঃ সাভার, জেলাঃ ঢাকা

“শেখ হাসিনার মূলনীতি  
গ্রাম শহরের উন্নতি”

স্মারক নং-ধাইপকা/সাভার/এলজিএসপি-৩/২০২০/৩০

১৩/০৯/২০২০খ্রিঃ

## দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-০১/২০২০-২০২১

সাভার উপজেলাধীন ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদের অধীনে লোকাল গভর্ন্যান্স সাপোর্ট প্রজেক্ট-৩ (এলজিএসপি-৩) এর আয় খাতের আওতায় নিম্নে বর্ণিত কাজসমূহ বাস্তবায়নের জন্য উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতির (ওটিএম) মাধ্যমে হাসানাপাদকৃত ঠিকাদার/ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

১।	মজদার	৪	স্থানীয় সরকার পল্লী উন্নয়ন ও সমবায় মন্ত্রণালয়।
২।	এজেন্সি/প্রতিষ্ঠান	৪	ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ, আতুলিয়া, সাভার, ঢাকা।
৩।	প্রকিউরিং এনটিটির নাম	৪	মুহাম্মদ সাইফুল ইসলাম, চেয়ারম্যান, ধামসোনো ইউপি, আতুলিয়া, সাভার, ঢাকা।
৪।	প্রকিউরিং এনটিটির জেলা	৪	ঢাকা।
৫।	দরপত্র সংগ্রহ পদ্ধতি	৪	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (ওটিএম)।
৬।	অর্থের উৎস	৪	লোকাল গভর্ন্যান্স সাপোর্ট প্রজেক্ট-৩ (এলজিএসপি-৩) এর আয় (ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ)।
৭।	দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং	৪	০১/২০২০-২০২১
৮।	দরপত্র ভ্যালিডিটি	৪	দরপত্র খোলার দিন হতে ১২০ দিন পর্যন্ত বলবৎ থাকবে।
৯।	প্রি-টেন্ডার মিটিং এর তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	৪	২৪/০৯/২০২০খ্রিঃ তারিখ, সময়ঃ সকাল ১১ ঘটিকা, স্থানঃ ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ হলরুম।
১০।	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের সর্বশেষ তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	৪	তারিখঃ ৩০/০৯/২০২০খ্রিঃ সময়ঃ বিকাল ৫.০০ ঘটিকা, স্থান:- ক) উপজেলা নির্বাহী অফিসারের কার্যালয়, সাভার, ঢাকা। খ) ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ কার্যালয়, আতুলিয়া, সাভার, ঢাকা।
১১।	দরপত্র গ্রহণের তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	৪	তারিখঃ ০১/১০/২০২০খ্রিঃ, সময়ঃ দুপুর ১২.০০ ঘটিকা, স্থান:- ক) উপজেলা নির্বাহী অফিসারের কার্যালয়, সাভার, ঢাকা। খ) ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ কার্যালয়, আতুলিয়া, সাভার, ঢাকা।
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১৩।	দরপত্র সহিত সংযুক্ত কাগজপত্রাদি	৪	দরপত্র দলিলে উল্লেখিত অভিজ্ঞতার ও লিকুইড অ্যাসেটের সত্যায়িত সনদপত্রসমূহ, হাসানাপাদকৃত ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশনপত্র, টিআইএন সার্টিফিকেট এবং জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি।
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Sav/Dup-Igsp-20-21/W-01	ডেভার হাজী বান্দু মিয়ায় পুকুরের পূর্ব পাড় হতে কমর আলী এবং করিমের বাড়ীর, লিংক মিরাজের বাড়ীর রাস্তা আরসিসি দ্বারা উন্নয়ন	৫০,০০০.০০	১৫০০.০০	৯০ দিন
Sav/Dup-Igsp-20-21/w-02	কাইচাবাড়ী দক্ষিণ পাড়া মজিবর দেওয়ানের বাড়ী হতে মাহবুবের বাড়ীর রাস্তা আরসিসি দ্বারা উন্নয়ন	৪৪,৯০০.০০	১৫০০.০০	৯০ দিন
Sav/Dup-Igsp-20-21/W-03	কাইচাবাড়ী বাতানটেক সোরতের বাড়ী হতে রিপনের বাড়ীর রাস্তা আরসিসি দ্বারা উন্নয়ন	২৭,৬০০.০০	১০০০.০০	৯০ দিন
Sav/Dup-Igsp-20-21/W-04	কাইচাবাড়ী বাতানটেক সোহাবন সাহেবের বাড়ী হতে সেলিমের বাড়ীর রাস্তা আরসিসি দ্বারা উন্নয়ন	৬২,০০০.০০	১০০০.০০	৯০ দিন
Sav/Dup-Igsp-20-21/W-05	কাইচাবাড়ী দক্ষিণ পাড়া ইমাজুদ্দিনের বাড়ী হতে সাইফুল ইসলামের বাড়ীর রাস্তা আরসিসি দ্বারা উন্নয়ন	৬১,৫০০.০০	১০০০.০০	৯০ দিন
Sav/Dup-Igsp-20-21/W-06	নয়া নগর ফজলুল হকের বাড়ী হতে কবিলের বাড়ীর রাস্তা লিংক রোড তাইজুন্দের বাড়ী হতে মফিজের বাড়ীর রাস্তা আরসিসি দ্বারা উন্নয়ন	৫০,০০০.০০	১৫০০.০০	৯০ দিন

১৫। দরপত্রে উল্লেখিত টেন্ডার বায়নার যে কোন তফসিল ব্যাকের পে-অর্ডার/চ্যাক ড্রাফ্ট চেয়ারম্যান, ধামসোনো ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ বরাবর দরপত্রের সাথে অবশ্যই দাখিল করতে হবে। দরপত্র মূল্যায়ন, ঠিকাদার নির্বাচন এবং পরবর্তী প্রতিটি ক্ষেত্রে পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ (পরবর্তী সংশোধনীসহ) সর্বল বিধি বিধান অনুসরণ করা হবে।

১৬। বরাদ্দ প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে কার্যদেয় প্রদান/বিল পরিশোধ করা হবে।

১৭। কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ছাড়াই সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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