

Govt urged to withdraw VAT from cement

Khulna Cement Importers Owners Group Thursday asked the government to withdraw Value Added Tax (VAT) from cement for uninterrupted development and economic activities in the country, reports

UNB. Anwar Hossain and S M Nazrul Islam, President and General Secretary of the Association, in a statement issued in Dhaka said the cement importers had been bewildered by imposition of VAT on the commodity.

There was no sales tax on imported cement, so VAT imposition will increase the price of the building material by Tk 25 to 30 per bag which will slow down economic activities resulting in a nose-dive of country's socio-economic condition, they said.

Bringing cement under VAT clearly contradicts government policy, which earlier exempted building construction materials from tax, the trade body leaders said.



Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia presided over the meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council at the NEC Bhaban, Thursday.

Two hijackers held in city

Two alleged hijackers on a motorbike were caught red-handed and roughed up by the public near Pallabi cinema hall at Mirpur on Thursday, reports UNB.

Police and hospital sources said the motorcycle riders Ratan (28) and Salim (30) were chased and caught when they were on the run after snatching a gold necklace from a woman on a rickshaw at 1 pm in the day.

The mob set the Honda on fire and beat the miscreants severely.

They were later admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital. A case has been filed with Mirpur police.

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Executive Engineer
Distribution Division
PDB, Noakhali.
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DGP(BA)- 5358-1/7
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7675 defence personnel took part in relief operations

Maj Gen (Retd) Majidul Huq, holding the charge of the Defence Minister in the Jatiya Sangsad, said Thursday that 7675 officers and men from the Army, Navy and Air Force had taken part in the rescue and relief operation after the devastating cyclonic storm of April 29 in the coastal areas, reports BSS.

Replying to Shah Md. Rafiqul Bari Chowdhury (JP-Sherpur) during the question-hour in the Sangsad, the minister said of them, 5830 officers and men were from the Army, 1,020 officers and sailors from the Navy and 825 officers and airmen from the Air Force. The Navy pressed 30 ships and boats into operation while, the Air Force used 10 aircraft and helicopters, he added.

The minister told him further that the members from all ranks of the army donated their one day's salary worth Taka 29 lakh 5 thousand to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund.

The Bangladesh Army contingent returning from Saudi Arabia donated Taka one lakh to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund from their individual

earnings. The Army Family Welfare Society donated Taka 4 lakh 80 thousand to the same fund besides distributing 50 thousand pieces of cloth.

Maj Gen (Retd) Majidul Huq said the Navy donated Taka 10 lakh to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund from its own welfare fund. All government and non-government employees donated their one day's salary equivalent to Taka 4 lakh to the same fund. The donation of the Navy Family Welfare Sangstha stood at Taka 5 lakh. Besides, 10 thousand pieces of old garments were distributed among the needy, he added.

Khaleda responds to need of time: JSD

Leaders of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Siraj) Thursday hailed the Bill for the 12th Amendment to the Constitution introduced by Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia, reports BSS.

JSD President Shahjahan Siraj and General Secretary Nazrul Islam Khan in a statement said that Begum Khaleda had responded to the need of the time by taking this bold step for re-establishing parliamentary democracy in the country.

They said the move for institutionalising democracy would be praised not only at home but also in the international arena. They said it would alleviate the image of the country in the community of nations.

The leaders of Bangladesh Tafshil Jati Federation welcoming the bill hoped that the Members of Parliament would pass it on the basis of a consensus in the greater interest of the nation.

President Shri Sudhir Chandra Sarker and Vice-President Anil Chandra Mandal in a statement congratulated Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia for taking this historic move.

Bangladesh Upazila Chairman Samity Thursday

Obituary

Ansara Sabur, wife of Abdus Sabur, retired member of marketing management, Bangladesh Tobacco Co Ltd, died at her residence in Dhaka on Tuesday after a massive cardiac attack.

She was the daughter of late Khorshad Ali Chowdhury of Dhontola, Setabganj, Dinajpur and left behind her husband, two sons and one daughter.

She was buried at Banani graveyard after Johar prayer on Wednesday.

The "Gul Khwani" of Ansara Sabur will be held at her residence at 65D West Rajabazar, Indira Road today (Friday) after Asr prayer. All relatives, friends and well-wishers are requested to attend.

Munira Begum wife of late A F M Mahmud died on Wednesday on at her residence. She was 89. She was suffering from one old age complications.

Munira Begum left behind three sons, three daughters, grandsons and grand-daughters and a host of well-wishers.

Her Gul Khwani will be held today (Friday) after Asr prayer at her 38 Nandalal Dutta Lane (Laxmibazar) residence.

Dr M Azizur Rahman, Chief Scientific Officer of Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission (BAEC) died of heart attack in Japan on July 1. He was 52, reports BSS.

His body will arrive in Dhaka today (Friday), according to a press release.

His Namaz-e-Janaja will be held at Dhaka University Central Mosque after Johar prayer tomorrow (Saturday). He will be buried at the Shahid Budhijibi Graveyard, Mirpur in Dhaka.

US envoy holds reception

By Staff Correspondent

The United States Ambassador in Bangladesh William B Milam and his wife Faith Handley a reception on Thursday at the Embassy auditorium at Baridhara to celebrate 215th anniversary of the independence of the United States of America.

Finance Minister Saifur Rahman, State Ministers Shamsul Islam, Barrister Nazmul Huda, Political leaders, MPs, high civil and military officers, diplomats, journalists and elite of the city attended the largely-attended reception.

Lawyer's call to implement CU probe report

CHITTAGONG, July 4: One hundred thirty-one lawyers here today called upon the government to implement the inquiry commission report on December 22 incident of Chittagong University. They claimed the implementation would put an end to the long-drawn crisis of the university, reports BSS.

In a statement issued on Thursday, the samity also demanded a clear announcement regarding the position of upazila chairman.

The samity postponed the rally of upazila chairman scheduled to be held on July 7 in the city.

The statement was signed by convener of the samity, Ahmad Sagor, Muhammad Ibrahim, M Abdul Malik, Rafique Ahmad, Badrul Alam, Pranab Kanti Paul, Nasiruddin, S Kumar Nath and Nurul Anwar signed the statement.

US entrepreneur to train 150 in computer technology

By Staff Correspondent

The lucky persons among the students who are eagerly waiting for a chance of technical course in United States can fulfil their dreams within a short period.

One American entrepreneur Abraham Stofenmacher who's business is education and owner of 56 vocational and technical schools in America and South America has agreed to train 150 Bangladeshi students in his school in computer technology worth 50 per cent cost of the study.

It was disclosed on Thursday at a press conference at Jatiya Press Club in the city by Quzi Nasir Uddin, PhD who is working for Stofenmacher as Director of Education in IADE America schools. He said the students who passed HSC can apply for training. After waiting, the cost of tuition for training will stand at US \$

3,500, he added.

For obtaining admission form the students have been requested to communicate Enamul Haq, the Director General of Bangladesh Press Institute (BPI).

Nasir Uddin told the conference he had persuaded Stofenmacher to do something for Bangladeshi students when he found Stofenmacher genuinely interested in international education.

"I called this conference to let you know that sometimes it is possible to do something for your country on a very individual basis if you have the desire, drive and intention to help your country," he said in an emotion-choked voice.

The Bangladesh Embassy in United States forwarded their proposal to the Ministry of Education of Bangladesh, he said and expressed his hope that Bangladesh government will take immediate action to make the project a success.

Nasir Uddin also indicated another phase of their programmes to be taken, saying that Stofenmacher has also been interested in building some cyclone-shelters in low lying coastal areas and offshore islands which in normal time will be used as technical schools.

Weather

Thundershower likely

By Staff Corresponding

Weather forecast valid till 6 pm today says rain or thundershower accompanied by temporary gusty wind with a few moderately heavy fall may occur at most places of Chittagong and Dhaka divisions and at many places at Rajshahi and Khulna divisions. The day temperature may remain unchanged.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Little change. Extended outlook for another five days: Rainfall activity likely to increase. The temperature and humidity of some cities and towns on Thursday are:

Cities/Towns	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity	
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	32	26.2	88	93
Chittagong	30	25.9	87	x
Rangpur	28.9	25.8	97	92
Khulna	31.3	25.3	84	92
Jessore	29.7	25.2	x	98
Sylhet	30	24.7	87	96
Rajshahi	26.4	24.8	100	98

JUCSU polls tomorrow

All preparations have been completed to hold elections in Jahangirnagar University Central Students Union (JUCSU) and six hall unions tomorrow (July 6), Vice Chancellor Prof Kazi Saleh Ahmed said Thursday, reports UNB.

He told in a press briefing that all arrangements had been made to ensure free, fair and peaceful polls.

He appealed to the students irrespective of party affiliations to maintain peace and harmony in the campus during the elections.

A total of 2188 students are eligible to cast vote for 282 candidates vying for 94 posts in the 8th JUCSU and hall union polls.

"Peaceful holding of this year's JUCSU polls is crucial in the wake of the volatile situation prevailing in different educational institutions," he said.

"But I hope we don't have to worry about security on the JU campus," Prof Ahmed said praising tolerance of the student organisations during the last JUCSU polls.

The JU VC said 70 booths would be set up at the six halls

of the university. A total of Taka one lakh and 62 thousand has been allocated for the election, he said.

Sixteen candidates will be contesting for the post of Vice President and 11 for General Secretary.

Prof Enamul Huq Khan, Chief Election Commissioner of the JUCSU, said that adequate steps had been taken to ensure stringent security in the campus during and after the elections.

All students have been asked to carry identity cards and movement of all vehicles without valid permission has been restricted on the campus, he said.

Police will be posted at different strategic points on the campus.

Polling will continue from 9 am to 3 pm. Counting will begin at 9-30 pm, Prof Khan said.

Jatyaabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), JU Students Action Committee (JUSAC) and Samajtantrik Chhatra Front have floated three separate panels to the polls.

JCD won the last JUCSU polls.

USSR to extend help for development

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Thursday hoped the friends of Bangladesh, included the Soviet Union, would help in the country's development efforts in different fields, reports UNB.

This sentiment was expressed when the Soviet Ambassador in Dhaka Yuri Konstantinovich Aleksev called on the Prime Minister at her Suganda office Thursday evening.

Begum Zia referred to Soviet assistance to Ghorashal Power Plant and hoped Moscow would further extend assistance towards Bangladesh's Energy sector.

She recalled with gratitude the role of Soviet Union during Bangladesh's War of Liberation in 1971 and in the post-war reconstruction work and its help after the recent devastating cyclone.

Begum Zia referred to the coming visit to Soviet Union by Dealing licenses renewal date extended

The date for renewal of dealing licenses for yarn, clothes, iron and steel products, cement, milk food and cigarettes (distributors and whole sales) in Dhaka district for the year 1991-92 has been extended upto July 15, reports BSS.

The licenses of those dealers would be considered cancelled if the concerned traders fail to get their licenses renewed by the above date

BCCMCC team off to China

A 4-member friendship delegation of Bangladesh-China Cultural and Mass Communication Centre (BCCMCC) has left Dhaka on Wednesday for Shanghai at the invitation of Shanghai People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (SPAFFC), says a press release.

The delegation, led by Major Mohammad Mujib-ul-Huq, the Vice-Chairman of BCCMCC will visit Shanghai.

Hangzhou, Beijing, Guangzhou and Shenzhen and will discuss the promotion of Sino-Bangladesh Friendship.

BANGLADESH PARJATAN CORPORATION

Enlistment of Indenting Firms for import of foreign goods for Duty Free Operations

Applications are invited by the undersigned for enlistment of indenting firms with this corporation as Indentor/Local Agent for importation of their products. The application form and the schedule of terms and conditions for enlistment may be procured from Accounts Department of Duty Free Operations at 83-88, Mohakhali C/A., Dhaka, on payment of Tk. 1000/- (one thousand) only (non-refundable) on any working day up to 15 July, 1991. The application for enlistment should reach the undersigned by 20 July, 1991, before 12.00 Noon positively.

Manager (Procurement)
Duty Free Operations
83-88, Mohakhali C/A.,
Dhaka-1212.

DFF (BA) 5380-2/7
G-275

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Police Super Gaibandha

TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited from bonafide contractors intending to supply the undermentioned commodities for the Police Ration Store of Gaibandha district for the 1st-Quarter (July, August, September/91) of the financial year 1991-92. Schedule with necessary terms & conditions can be collected on cash payment of Tk 400/- (four hundred) only (non-refundable) during office hours from the officer-in-charge, Police Ration Store, Bank Draft of Tk 10,000/- (ten thousand) for pulse and Tk 5,000/- (five thousand) for each of other items in favour of Police Super, Gaibandha should be deposited with the tender. Tenders should be dropped in the Tender Box kept at the office of the Police Super, Gaibandha on 10-7-91 between 10.00 am and 12.00 Noon. And it will be opened the same day at 12-30 hours before the tenderers (if any) present.

The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any tender.

Description of Commodities :

- Superior quality lentil pulse= 60 (sixty) quintals
- Dry mango fire wood= 400 (four hundred) quintals
- Wheat crushing (grinding)=220 (two hundred twenty) quintals
- Vanaspati ghee= 50 (fifty) canisters (tins)

Abdul Bari Mia
Police Super Gaibandha.
DFF (G) 7681-2/7
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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer (R & H) Mymensingh Road Division

AUCTION NOTICE

This is for general information that an open auction call will be held on the office premises of the undersigned on 16-7-91 at 11 a.m. for collection of tolls from vehicles on the Valuka bridge for a period of one year effective from the date of the work order. Intending parties will have to deposit an amount of Tk. 2,00,000/- (Taka two lakh only) in favour of the undersigned 1 (one) hour before the auction as Earnest Money. The said Earnest Money will have to be deposited in the form of Bank Draft / Postal Order drawn on any scheduled bank or in the form of Bangladesh Savings Certificate. Parties not being able to deposit Earnest Money in time will not be allowed to participate in auction. The auctioneer will have to be present physically at the time of auction. The entire amount of auction excluding Earnest Money will have to be deposited in the form of Bank Draft within 7 (seven) days of completing auction, otherwise, the auction will be declared cancelled and a fresh auction call will be arranged forfeiting the Earnest Money.

Specific terms and conditions of the auction call may be purchased during office time on cash payment of Tk. 200 (Taka two hundred only) (non-refundable) per set from all offices of Executive Engineers under Mymensingh Road Circle, Executive Engineer (R & H), Planning and Programme Division, Dhaka/Primary Engineering Department, Dhaka/Road Division No 3, Dhaka and from all offices of sub-divisional Engineers under Mymensingh Road Division. It may be mentioned that terms and conditions of auction will have to be submitted with Earnest Money in the undermentioned office purchasing the same from the aforesaid offices, otherwise parties will not be allowed to take part in the auction call.

Necessary information concerning the auction call may be supplied by the undersigned during office time.

A. K. M. Fazlul Haq
Executive Engineer (R & H)
Mymensingh Road Division
Mymensingh.
DFF (G) 7670-1/7
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Sales-Purchase-Tender & Employment News

Employment

- The Advertiser, GPO Box-3857, Dhaka-1000 requires a "Female Office Secretary". Applicants must be HSC/Diploma in Secretarial Science. Please apply with bio-data and a recent photograph by 10th July, 1991.
- The Advertiser, GPO Box-4185, Dhaka-1000 wants "Senior Programme Coordination Specialist". Applicants should be a Master Degree in Economics, Public Administration or other relevant discipline. Please apply with CV in triplicate, PP size photograph, all copies of certificates, names and addresses of two references by 15th August, 1991.
- The Advertiser, House No. 8, Road No. 2 Block "G", Halishahar Housing Estate, Chittagong requires the following: (1) Civil Engineer, must be graduate engineer with 8 yrs experience, (2) Sr Surveyor with 7 yrs experience (3) Draft man/Draft woman. Apply with a resume and photograph before 11 July, 1991.
- An International Cosmetics Manufacturer requires a "Sales Manager". Applicants must be Graduate in Marketing with 5 yrs experience. Apply with copy of testimonials, along with 2 passport size photographs to GPO Box No-2112 by July 15, 1991.

Tender

- General Manager: Karnaphuli Paper Mills Limited, 92, Sadarghat Road, Chittagong, invites international sealed quotations on C&F (C) Chittagong basis for supply of (1) Slicing Machine (2) High Tensile Strength Polypropylene Nozzle (3) Wire, Screw, Felt for PM-1.2 & 3 (4) Dandy Roll (5) Electrical spares for PM-1 & 2 (6) Electrical spares for Chipper Crane (Old). Tender documents available from (a) Dy Chief Accountant, Karnaphuli Paper Mills Ltd, 92, Sadarghat Road, Chittagong and (b) Chief Controller of Accounts, BCC, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A., Dhaka. Tenders will be received up to 11.00 am of 31.7.1991 and opened on the same date.
- Manager (Purchase) BADC, Krishi Bhaban, 49-51, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka, invites sealed international tenders for supply of 40,000 (5% M) Tons of TSP Fertilizer. Tender documents available from the Cashier of Accounts Division (Cash Section), Krishi Bhaban, Dhaka. Tenders must be submitted to Purchase Division, BADC, Krishi Bhaban, Dhaka up to 11.00 a.m. of 31.7.91.
- Deputy Director, C&M, PDB, Khulna, invites sealed tenders from bonafide firms enlisted with Govt/Semi Govt/autonomous bodies for carrying & handling of different goods of Power Dev. Board from Khulna, Mongla & Bangladesh to different districts/ports of Bangladesh by Water & Road Transport for one year period. Tender documents available from the office of Chief Engineer (Service), PDB, Road No-7A, House No-91, Dhamond Road, Dhaka, Director (C&M), PDB, Biddut Bhaban, 1212, Sheikh Mujib road, Agrabad C/A., Chittagong up to 17.91. Tenders should be dropped in the Tender Box kept at above offices, up to 12 noon of 18.7.91.
- Nabarun Jute Mills Ltd, Kanchan, Narayanganj, invites sealed quotations for supply of (1) Hardware & spares (2) Electrical goods (3) Printing & Stationery (4) Baling Buckets & Poles (5) Gorjan, Mango, Kathal wood, (6) Repairing of old & used Boxer Flyer & (7) Medicine on full site delivery basis. Tender documents available from General Manager (A&F), BJMCC, Dhaka Zone, Karim Chamber (4th floor), 99, Mujibweel C/A, Dhaka; Dy Manager (A&F), Nabarun Jute Mills Ltd, Kanchan, Narayanganj. Tenders must be dropped in the Tender Box kept at Store Purchase Department, BJMCC Dhaka Zone, Karim Chamber (6th floor), 99, Mujibweel C/A, Dhaka & Administration Department, Nabarun Jute Mills Ltd, Kanchan, Narayanganj and will be received up to 11.00 am of 18.7.91.
- Manager (Commercial), Khulna Newspaper Mills Ltd invites applications from bonafide suppliers for enlistment for supply of (1) Hardware, Iron & Steel, Pipes & Fittings (2) Laboratory Chemicals, Equipment & Process Chemicals (3) Furniture & Fixture, Timber & Core Plug (4) Electrical Goods (5) Auto spares, Tyre-tubes & Batteries (6) Rubber & Belting materials (7) Printing (8) Stationery goods, (9) Miscellaneous. Prescribed application form available from (1) General Manager (Accounts & Finance), Khulna Newspaper Mills Ltd, town Khalsipur, Khulna (2) Controller of Accounts, BCCIC Bhaban (6th floor), 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-2 (3) General Manager, BCCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong. Applications should reach the Purchase Department, Khulna Newspaper Mills Ltd, P.O. Town Khalsipur, Khulna within 31.7.91.
- Project Coordination officer, 2nd Livestock Department Project invites sealed international tenders from bonafide manufacturers/suppliers of all member-countries of Asian Development Bank for procurement of (1) Package-1 Tractor 60 HP with accessories and spares (2) Package-2 Tractor 120 HP with accessories and spares. Tender documents available from Pashu Sampad Bhaban (3rd floor) Krishi Khamar Road, Farmgate, Dhaka- 1215 up to 3 pm of 24.8.91. Tender will be received up to 2-30 pm of 25.8.91.
- Executive Engineer, DPHE, Dinajpur, invites sealed tenders from 1st & 2nd class enlisted contractors of "C" category of Public Health Engineering Department and renewed for the fiscal year 1990-91 for construction of office-cum-resident Building of Sub-Divisional Engineer of DPHE, Panchagarh. Tender documents available up to 5 pm of 16.7.91. Tenders will be received by the above office up to 12 noon of 17.7.91.

Sale

- Dy General Manager (Finance & Commerce), Telephone Shilpa Sangstha Limited, Tongi, Dhaka, invites sealed tenders from bonafide bidders for sale of (1) Mitsubishi Bus, (2) Toyota Hiace Microbus. Tender schedule available from the Secretary, TSS Ltd, Room No-7 1st floor, PMG Building, Ramna, Dhaka-1000 or Accounts officer of Tongi factory of the Sangstha at Tongi. Please submit the tenders in the Tender Box kept at Factory Gate at Tongi or in the office of TSS Secretary, Room No. 7, 1st floor PMG Building, Ramna, Dhaka-1000 by 10.00 a.m. of 29.7.91.