

Biscuit King in Bombay Anticipatory bail plea rejected

BOMBAY, Apr 16: A local court on Saturday rejected an anticipatory bail plea by an Indian tycoon who fled to Bombay to escape a jail term for a 17.7 million dollar fraud in Singapore, reports AP.

Meanwhile, police in this western Indian metropolis continued to search for Rajan Pillai, who disappeared from his home Thursday after Inspector requested his arrest in connection with the crimes committed in Singapore.

Nina Pillai, his wife, filed an application on behalf of her husband in a Bombay local court for anticipatory bail. Mrs Pillai was present in court when the judge gave his verdict.

This court cannot sit in appeal or revision against the order passed by a Singapore court convicting the petitioner, said Jagdish Singh, Bombay's additional sessions judge, in his order.

Pillai fled Singapore Tuesday, a day after a court there found him guilty of 24 counts of criminal breach of trust and cheating his company, the Singapore-incorporated Britannia Industries, which produces biscuits and snack foods.

EU, Canada reach accord to end fishing row

BRUSSELS, Apr 16: The European Union approved a deal with Canada, Sunday to end the feud over fishing rights that has poisoned their relations for more than a month, reports AP.

All 15 EU envoys attending a meeting here backed an agreement reached by negotiators late Saturday night, said Pierre de Boissieu, the EU ambassador of France, which currently holds the EU presidency.

Portugal said it still had some objections to the agreement but decided against blocking it. Spain, which had rejected previous proposals, also approved the agreement.

The deal settles the stand-off over how much turbot each side can catch in waters off Newfoundland and introduces strict new monitoring measures to stamp out overfishing of dwindling fish stocks.

Spain, whose fleet is the largest working the international waters off in the area, had claimed its boats did not get enough fish under previous proposals.

Under the settlement, Canada will get 10,000 tons from the total 1995 catch limit of 27,000 tons set by the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO).

The deal skirts the contentious issue of the EU's quota by allowing the Union's boats to catch a further 5,013 tons for the rest of this year — without stating how much turbot the EU has already caught since January.

This agreement is a good agreement for both parties... It makes a balanced compromise between everybody's demands, said de Boissieu.

In Ottawa, Fisheries Minister Brian Tobin welcomed the EU's acceptance of controls demanded by Canada to stop overfishing wiping out stocks of the turbot, which is also called Greenland halibut.

"Our objective was not to get a bigger slice of the pie," Tobin told a news conference Saturday. "Our objective was to ensure there was a pie... in the future."

On Sunday, the United States Agency for International Development in India signed a memorandum of understanding with the Agra Iron Foundry Association to provide foundry owners state-of-the-art pollution prevention technology.

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Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on April 16, 1995

6-point more rise in index

The Dhaka Stock Exchange All Share Price Index reached a new high on Sunday while the turnovers on the DSE fell slightly.

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Trading at a glance

Table with columns: DSE All Share Price Index, Market capitalisation, Turnover in volume, Issues gained, Issues incurred losses, Issues unchanged.

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Exchange Rates

Following are the Sonali Bank's dealing rates to public for some selected foreign currencies effective on April 16.

Table with columns: Currency, Selling, Buying, T.T. & O.D., B.C., T.T., O.D., Sight, Transfer.

A) T.T. (DOC) US Dollar Spot Buying Tk. 39.8710

B) Usance Rate: 30 Days 39.5960, 60 Days 39.3131, 90 Days 39.0301, 120 Days 38.7472, 180 Days 38.1813

C) US Dollar sight export bill 3 months forward purchase: To be deducted Tk. 0.20 from O.D. sight export Bill buying rate.

D) US Dollar 3 months forward sale: Add cushion of Tk 0.20 with B.C. Selling.

Shipping Intelligence

Chittagong Port

Berth position and performance of vessels as on 16.4.1995.

Table with columns: Berth No, Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, Date of arrival, Lea-ving.

Vessels due at outer anchorage:

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Date of arrival, Last port call, Local agent, Cargo, Loading port.

Tanker due

Table with columns: Wawanon Setia, Date of arrival, Last port call, Local agent, Cargo.

Vessels at Kutubdia

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, Date of arrival.

Vessels at outer anchorage

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, Date of arrival.

Vessels not ready

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, Date of arrival.

Vessels awaiting instruction

Table with columns: Name of vessels, Cargo, Last port call, Local agent, Date of arrival.

Movement of vessels for 17.4.95

US industrial output falls

WASHINGTON, Apr 16: With stocks of unsold goods piling up, US mines, factories and utilities cut production for the first time in six months in March amid signs the economy was rapidly losing steam, government reports showed yesterday, reports Reuter.

The Federal Reserve, America's central bank, said total industrial output fell 0.3 per cent last month — the first decline since 0.1 per cent drop last September — after a 0.1 per cent rise in February.



M M Murshid, Managing Director of Sadharan Bima Corporation, handed over a cheque for an amount of Tk 30310777 on Saturday to Md Fazlur Rahman, Managing Director of City Coconut Oil Mills Ltd in settlement of a marine-cargo claim. M A Mannan, General Manager (Claims) and Abdul Khair Khan, General Manager (Dhaka Zone) of SBC with senior executives of both the organisations were also present.

Japan's financial package insufficient, says US

BALI, Indonesia, Apr 16: The emergency financial package announced by Japan last week is unlikely to reverse the dollar's fall against the yen, US officials said Sunday, reports AP.

The officials said that Japan recognised the need to do more to stem the yen's rise.

They spoke on condition on anonymity following a bilateral meeting between US Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and Japanese Finance Minister Masayoshi Takemura.

Takemura told Rubin that the package would be supplemented with additional measures in the next one or two months, the officials said.

Before Rubin and Takemura met, one official said the pump-priming package released Friday did not seem

comprehensive enough to deal with the problem. He likened it to "putting a Band-Aid on an open wound."

Rubin and Takemura conferred privately shortly before a conference of finance ministers of the 18-member Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum.

Their bilateral overshadowed the APEC meeting which was to deal with capital flows and trade and investment.

Rubin told reporters that his meeting with Takemura was "fluid and cordial" and covered a broad range of issues.

But it seemed clear that Tokyo and Washington continue to hold sharply different views on how to deal with the yen-dollar problem.

China's inflation rate continues to fall

BEIJING, Apr 16: China's inflation rate continued to fall in March, dropping to 18.7 per cent as disparities between developed coastal regions and inland agricultural provinces widened, the People's Daily said Saturday, reports AP.

The year-on-year rise in the national retail price index was down from 19.7 per cent in February, when the indicator fell below 20 per cent for the first time since June.

The party mouthpiece attributed the fall to the government's "through implementation" of price control measures.

However, it added that the price rises in some regions are still excessive, have still not eased markedly in others and in some the inflation rate is even continuing to increase.

Of all Chinese provinces, autonomous regions and cities, the rate was lowest in Beijing, standing at just 11.9 per cent, while in northwestern Gansu province, prices rose by 23.3 per cent over the same month last year, the report said.

China is targeting an annual inflation rate of 15 per cent in 1995, following a 21.7 rise in retail prices last year.

The People's Daily urged local authorities to continue to work to bring prices down to achieve this year's target.

At present, during the spring ploughing season, all local governments must continue to implement control measures, in particular they must ensure the supply of goods and materials required for agricultural production and stabilise food and fertilizer prices, it said.

গণপূর্ত অধিদপ্তরের দরপত্র আহ্বান বিজ্ঞপ্তি

দরপত্র নং-৪২/১৯৯৪-৯৫

এতদ্বারা নিম্নলিখিত কাজের জন্য গণপূর্ত অধিদপ্তরের তালিকাভুক্ত বিশেষ শ্রেণী/১ম শ্রেণী/২য় শ্রেণী/৩য় শ্রেণী/৪র্থ শ্রেণী (ইমারত) ঠিকাদার গণপূর্ত অধিদপ্তর অনুমোদিত কেবলমাত্র তাহাদের নিকট হইতে ২৯১১ নং ফরমে সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে। ২৭-০৪-৯৫ইং তারিখে বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারী এবং নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, ঢাকা গণপূর্ত বিভাগ-২/নাব/ইউএন বিডি/আববরিকালচার/ঢাকা কর্তৃক তাহাদের নিজ নিজ অফিসে দরপত্র গৃহীত হইবে এবং আর্থী দরপত্রাদি তাহাদের উপস্থিতিতে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) ঐদিনই বেলা ১২-১৫ মিনিটে দরপত্র খোলা হইবে।

১। কাজের নাম : ঢাকা-বেইলী ডাম্প বহনকা বিলিট সরকারী ভবনের সীমানা প্রাচীর পুনর্নির্মাণ (উত্তর ওয়ালা)।

২। প্রাকালিত ব্যয় : টাকা ১,০৬,৫৪২/-

৩। জামানতের টাকা : টাকা ২,৭০১/-

৪। কাজ সম্পন্ন করার : কার্যাদেশ প্রদানের তারিখ হইতে ৪৫ সমবাসীমা (পর্যাপ্তদিন) দিন।

৫। ২৬-০৪-৯৫ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত সকল কর্মদিবসে অফিস চলাকালীন ২য় অফিস এবং নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, ঢাকা গণপূর্ত বিভাগ নং-২/নাব/ইউএন বিডি/আববরিকালচার/ঢাকা কর্তৃক তাহাদের নিজ নিজ অফিসে দরপত্র গৃহীত হইতে বেলাদেশ ফরমে নং ২৯১১ সিডিউল অব আইটেম অব ওয়ার্ক, অন্তর্ভুক্ত শর্ত ও নিয়মাবলী ইত্যাদি সংবলিত দরপত্র তফসিল দেখা যাইবে এবং প্রাকালিত মূল্য প্রদানপূর্বক উহা সংগ্রহ করা যাইবে। ঠিকাদার কর্তৃক যথাযথভাবে সত্যায়িত তাহার প্রতিনিধির স্বাক্ষর অনুমোদনপত্র/রেজিস্ট্রেশন বই পেশপূর্বক উক্ত প্রতিনিধি অথবা ঠিকাদার স্বয়ং দরপত্র তফসিল জমা করিতে পারিবেন/দরপত্রাদি অথবা ই-টেন্ডার সিডিউল জমা করিবার পূর্বে ভাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সার্টিফিকেট প্রদর্শন করিতে হইবে। নতুবা কোন টেন্ডার সিডিউল তাহাদের নিকট বিক্রী করা হইবে না। দরপত্রাদিতে অথবা ই-টেন্ডার রেজিস্ট্রেশন সার্টিফিকেট-এর সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি দরপত্রের সঙ্গে সংযোজন করিতে হইবে।

৬। উল্লিখিত কাজটি ক্রটি জরুরী প্রয়োজনীয়তা অনুভূত হওয়ায় সম্ভাব্য প্রাকালিত মূল্যের উপর ভিত্তি করিয়া এই দরপত্র আহ্বান করা হইল। তাহা শর্ত থাকে যে, নির্দিষ্ট ঠিকাদারবৃন্দ উর্ধ্বতন কর্তৃপক্ষ কর্তৃক কারিগরী অনুমোদিত প্রাকালিত মূল্যের উপর কাজ করিতে বাধ্য থাকিবেন।

৭। কাজ বাস্তবায়নধীন পর্যায়ে কতিপয় কাজের দক্ষা বাড়িতে পারে কিংবা কমিতে পারে এমনকি হয়তোবা কোন কিংবা সকল কাজের দক্ষা সম্পূর্ণ বাদ দেওয়া হইতে পারে। সে ক্ষেত্রে ঠিকাদার কর্তৃক কোন প্রকার ওজর/আপত্তি গ্রহণযোগ্য হইবে না।

৮। কেবলমাত্র পর্যাপ্ত অর্থ বরাদ্দ পাইবার পর সম্পাদিত কাজের জন্য ঠিকাদারকে বিল পরিশোধ করা যাইতে পারে। তাহাবিলের অর্থহীনতার কারণে বিল পরিশোধ অসম্ভব হইলে ঠিকাদার কর্তৃক কোন আপত্তি গ্রহণযোগ্য হইবে না।

৯। একের অধিক দরদাতা একই দর উদ্ধৃত করিয়া সর্বনিম্ন দরদাতা হইলে সেক্ষেত্রে সর্বাঙ্গীণ মাধ্যমে সর্বনিম্ন দরদাতা নির্বাচন করা হইবে এবং এই ক্ষেত্রে ৮-০-১৯৫ইং তে বেলা ১২-০০ মিনিটে নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারীর দপ্তরে উপস্থিত ঠিকাদারের সম্মুখে লটারী অনুষ্ঠিত হইবে।

আবদুল্লাহ-আল-শাকী নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী

ঢাকা গণপূর্ত বিভাগ নং-১

১৫, আগ পণি রোড, ঢাকা।

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Notice Inviting Tenders No: 33 of 1994-95

1) Sealed tenders are hereby invited from Class-I/II/Sanitary Contractors/Firms in BD Form No. 2911 which will be received by the undersigned as well as by the Executive Engineer, PWD Division-I, Khulna/Satkhira/ Bagerhat up to 12-00 Noon on 24-4-95 and will be opened at 12-15 PM on the same day in presence of the tenderers who may like to be present. No tender papers will be sold after 23-4-95.

2) Name of work : Construction of Thana Building and staff quarter at Koyra, Khulna (Sub-Head: Sanitary and Water Supply arrangement for OC's quarter 1 (one) unit 1000 sft.

3) Estimated cost : Taka 1,19,890/= only. Earnest money Taka 2398/= only.

4) All other information can be seen and obtained in the office of the undersigned during office hours on all working days.

Executive Engineer Khulna PWD Divn II Khulna