# Dhaka Day by Day

# Lure of Foreign Ship's **Furniture**

by AS M Nurunnabi

Nowadays a new feature has emerged in the furniture business of the city. This new feature was not much in evidence in the city a few years ago. Now in a particular area of the city which extends almost an entire length of Panthopath from the Green Road junction, none can avoid viewing rows of shops dealing in such furniture. Their conspicuous presence is proclaimed by largesized banners across the shop fronts. This seems to lend a singular character to that locality.

Where do these items of furniture come from? From those associated with this business, it is learnt that when an old ship, be it a passenger or commercial one, is declared unfit for sailing, it is sold as scrap and broken down. The furniture which previously formed part of the old ships are taken out and sold out separately by the buyers of the condemned ships. A source said that a good number of such ships awaiting breaking up can be seen in the area stretching from Fauiderhat to the port area in Chittagong.

We don't have facilities for building seagoing vessels. Then what is the source of supply for the large number of shops dealing in foreign ships' furniture? Business in condemned vessels, both passenger and commercial, which are sold as scraps, is a world-wide enterprise. Businessmen of our country in this line buy such decrepit ships mainly from ports of neighbouring countries at prices which allow them good profits when dismantled and their various parts sold separately to interested buyers in lots. Such business was previously in existence mainly in Chittagong. But lately we observe a big spurt in this business, so much so that it exercises some impact on the regular furniture business

In reality in some cases, all the items of furniture sold at the so-called foreign ships furniture selling points are not actually from foreign ships. It has been seen that taking advantage of the people's craze for things foreign, some adulteration, so to say, is resorted to in making an item of furniture complete. Under such practice, a portion of an item of furniture might have belonged to a ship, but to make it complete presentable, local wood craftsmen and their varnishing techniques help to lend it an image of foreign character. It is also observed that even crockeries, electrical and sanitary wares from such old ships are available for sale. Since all these items carry a lower price tag as compared with similar articles in the regular market, and their quality is made attractive by local businessmen by various means, it is reported that business in this line is quite steady. The customers of these items of furniture mainly consist of lower middle class people, possessing a better standard of taste, yet, because of resource constraints, go in for so-called foreign furniture as against comparatively higher priced items in regular furniture market

There has been a big hike in the price of quality woods used in making furniture. Such a rise in price normally limits sales of quality furniture to people with means. Furniture made with lower standard wood have also a market, but because of their questionable durability, they have less appeal. People with limited means make do with such furniture when they find no other alternative. The existing foreign ship's furniture shops seem to provide such an al-

From this perspective, the so-called foreign ship's furniture mart commands a wider appeal. Since they are made mostly with formica and artificial boards or plywood and are made to present an attractive look with some new styles and convenience, the demand for them seems to be on the rise, as evidenced from the proliferating number of such shops occupying a sizeable area in the heart of the city.



## Stranded railway ferry salvaged from Jamuna

Sher-e-Bangla, the Bangla desh Railway (BR) ferry carrying hundreds of intercity passengers got stranded in the middle of the river Jamuna for over five hours as it strayed off course on

Monday and ran onto a shoal. The incident happened half an hour after the ferry. with all the passengers of a

By Staff Correspondent

packed Dhaka-bound intercity train had left Teesta Mukh Ghat at 11 pm for Bahadurabad Ghat

After the huge ferry ran onto a shoal, the captain tried for over an hour to get in touch with the Teesta Mukh Ghat control over the wireless but none answered his calls.

বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে

পশ্চিমাঞ্চল

চিকিৎসা বিভাগ

পুনঃ দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

পশ্চিমাঞ্চল। হাসপাতালে খাদাদুব্যাদি সরবরাহের নিমিত্তে **সীলমোহরকৃত** দরপত্র **সাহবান করা যাইতেছে** 

১৯-৯-৯৫ ইং তারিখে বেলা ১২.০০ ঘটিকায় দরপত্র বাক্স খোলা হইবে

সি এ ও/পশ্চিম, বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে/রাজশাহীর অনুকৃলে জমা দিতে হইবে

আয়কর সনদপত্র এবং ব্যাংক সচ্চলভার সনদপত্র

টেড লাইসেক (চলতি অর্থ বছরের)

আর, পি, আর, ডি নং-২৮৮, তাং ৫-১-৯৫

হাসপাতালে খাদা সরবরাহের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র

সাথে একটি চুক্তি করিতে হইবে। এই চুক্তি মাত্র এক বছরের জন্য কার্যকরী থাকিবে

০১-০৭-৯৫ ইং হইতে ৩০-০৬-৯৬ ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত মেয়াদের জন্য নিম্নবর্ণিত বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে

সৈয়দপ্র রেলওয়ে হাসপাতাল বিভাগীয় চিকিৎসা কর্মকর্তার অধীন, বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে, সৈয়দপুর

দর্পত্রদাভাগণকে যে কোন বাণিজ্যিক ব্যাংক কর্তক ব্যাংক ভাফটসহ ভাহাদের দর্পত্রসমূহ আগামী

১৯-৯-৯৫ ইং তারিখে সকাল ১১.০০ ঘটিকার মধ্যে সংশ্রিষ্ট কর্মকর্তাগণের দপ্তর কক্ষে দরপত্র বাক্সে

ফেলিতে হইবে। দরপত্র কমিটি কর্তৃক সৈয়দপুর হাসপাতালের বিভাগীয় হেড কোয়ার্টার এবং সহকারী

সার্জন/ইনডোর/ রাজশাহীর চেম্বারে দরপত্রদাতা অথবা তাহাদের প্রতিনিধিগণের উপস্থিতিতে আগামী

দরপত্রদাতাগণকে দরপত্রের সাথে তীহাদের উদ্ধৃত দরের ২% (দুই ভাগ। আর্নেষ্টমানি হিসাবে এফ এ এভ সি

কৃতকার্য দরপত্রদাতাগণকে চুক্তি সম্পাদনের পূর্বে দরপত্রে উদ্ধৃত মোট মূল্যের ৫% (পাঁচ ভাগ) সিকিউরিটি

মানি হিসাবে এফ এ এভ সি এ ও/পশ্চিম, বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে/রাজশাহীর অনুকলে ব্যাংক ডাফট এর মাধ্যমে

জমা দিতে হইবে। কৃতকার্য দরপত্রদাতাগণ ইচ্ছা করিলে তাহাদের জমাকৃত আর্নেষ্টমানি সিকিউরিটি মানির অংশ

হিসাবে জমা দিতে পারিবেন। অবশিষ্ট সিকিউরিটি মানির টাকা পৃথকভাবে ব্যাংক ডাফটের মাধ্যমে এফ এ এভ

কৃতকার্য দরপত্রদাতাকে চুক্তি সম্পাদনের জন্য বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ের নির্ধারিত চুক্তি ফরমে রেলওয়ে প্রশাসনের

দরপত্র ভিএমও/সৈয়দপুর এবং সিএমও/পশ্চিম দপ্তরসমূহে পাওয়া যাইবে। ডুপ্লিকেট প্রত্যেক দরপত্রের জন্য

বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে/রাজশাহীর যথায়থ কর্তপক্ষ ১ম নিম্ন দরপত্র বা যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণে বাধ্য নহেন এবং

১০ (দশ) লক্ষ টাকা বা তদুর্ধ টাকার জন্য ৭৫০/- টাকা এবং ১০ (দশ) লক্ষ টাকার কম হইলে ৪০০/- টাকা

অফেরংযোগ্য মূল্য প্রদানপূর্বক আগামী ১৮-১-৯৫ ইং তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে ক্রয় করা যাইবে।

নিম্নলিখিত কাগজপত্রাদি দরপত্রের সাথে সংযুক্ত না করিলে দরপত্র সাভাবিক ভাবে বাতিল হইয়া যাইবে।

বিঃ দ্রঃ চুক্তির নিয়ম ও শর্তাবলীর বিবরণ প্রয়োজনবোধে সংশ্লিষ্ট দশুরসমূহ হইতে পাওয়া যাইবে।

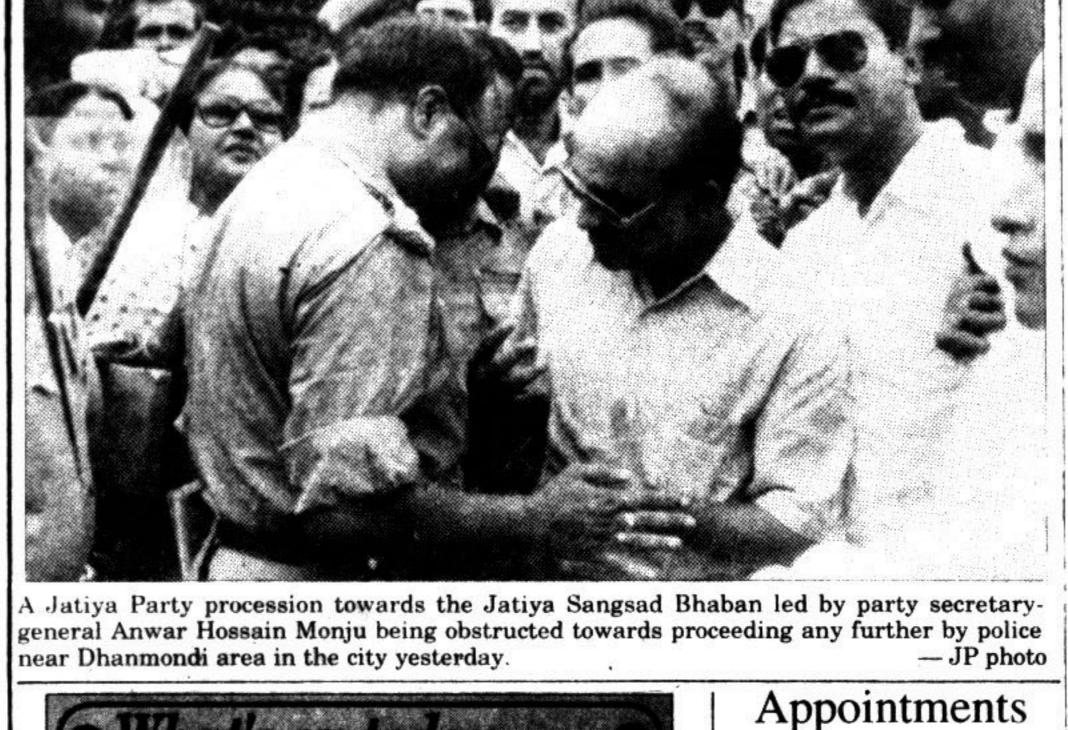
কোন কারণ দর্শানো ছাড়াই যে কোন অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন

এ ও/পশ্চিম, বাংলাদেশ রেলওয়ে/রাজশাহীর অনুকূলে বাাংক ভাফটের মাধ্যমে দরপত্রের সাথে জমা দিতে

হইবে। অকৃতকার্য দরপত্রদাতাগণকে দরপত্র চূড়ান্ত হওয়ার পর আনেষ্টিমানির টাকা ফেরং দেওয়া হইবে

At around 3:30 pm on Tuesday morning, the tug boat Titumir arrived on the scene and salvaged the stranded ferry.

The captain said that the ship had only strayed off course for few feet and ran aground.



Computer internet demonstration: The Ford Foundation will present the display. Venue: German Cultural Centre. Time: 7:30 pm. The show is open to invitees only.

Seminar on computer management: The Bangladesh Computer Society, Bangladesh has organised a seminar on "Computer trends and computerised management information system". Venue: BUET Seminar Hall. Time: 4:30 pm. Speaker: K Atique-e-Rabbani, MD. Computers Ltd.

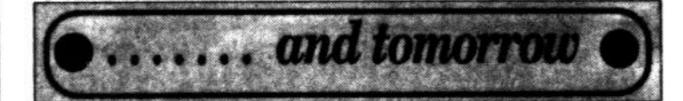
Rotaract Club of Dhaka North: The regular weekly meeting and installation ceremony will be held. Venue: Russian Cultural Centre. Time: 5 pm.

DSE award ceremony: The Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) has organised certificate award ceremony on Company Secretarial Practice. Venue: DSE Trading Hall. Time: 5:25 pm.

Workshop on pest management: A day-long workshop on pest management in rice will be held. Venue: VIP lounge, Jatiya Press Club. Chief guest: Minister for Food and Agriculture Abdul Mannan. Centre for Free Mind Free Market has organised the workshop.

Rotary Club of Jahangirnagar Dhaka: The regular weekly meeting of the club will be held today. Venue: Officers' Club, 26 Bailey Road. Time 5:15 pm.

Rapport workshop: Rapport Bangladesh Limited will host a week-long training course on English Business Communications. Venue: Seminar Hall, Rapport Bangladesh. Time: 9 am.



IBA graduation ceremony: The graduation ceremony of the 26th eatch of the Institute of Business Administration, Dhaka University will be held. Venue: IBA auditorium. Time : 4pm. Chief guest: DU VC Prof Emajuddin Ahmed. Special guest: President. FBCCl. Salman F Rahman.

#### SPGRC urges Raphel to visit their camps

SPGRC (Ejaz) leaders at a rally in the city Tuesday urged the visiting US Assistant Secretary of State Robin Lynn Raphel to visit their camps in the city, reports UNB.

They also sought her help to resolve their 24 years long problem by arranging a tripartite meeting of Pakistan. Bangladesh and Stranded Pakistanis General Repatriation Committee (SPGRC).

The rally was addressed by SPGRC General Secretary Jamaluddin, Sahid Ali and Haider Ali.

### IBA seminar on participatory planning held

By Staff Correspondent

The participatory perspective plan has not only incorporated the expectation of the masses but has also at tracted the attention of the experts and planners at the national level.

This was stated by State Minister for Planning Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan at a seminar on participatory planning at local level, organised by the Institute of Business Administration (IBA), at a city hotel Sunday,

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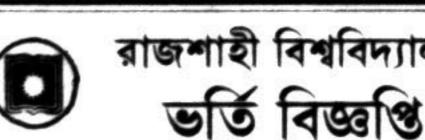
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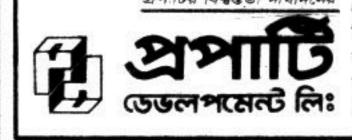
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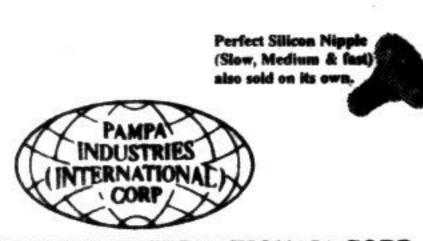
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Tender Notice No Name of work

Eligibility of contractor

Availability of tender schedule

Tender receiving officer

Last date of selling tender schedule

(2) Executive Engineer, RHD, Mechl. Ferry Divn.

16-9-95 (only office hours). Last date of receiving tender 17-9-95/2-6-1402.

schedule Date and time of opening

20-9-95/5-6-1402 at 1 PM.

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Supplying spare parts for overhauling and repairing of 120 HP Tk 1,19,965/-Hydramaster Engine No H-329372 of utility ferry type-2 (IMP) Ferry No 018/94 at Arialkha Ferry ghat under Ferry Sub-Division Faridpur during the year 1995-96.

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