

India presses Japan to buy rice

NEW DELHI, Oct 28. India, stepping up its drive to become a major farm exporter, pressed Japan during talks which ended yesterday to buy its rice, officials said, reports Reuters.

"We should be on the list of potential suppliers," an Indian Commerce Ministry official said after the 11th Indo-Japan trade talks concluded. "This is important as India is emerging as a major agricultural exporter."

Commerce Secretary Tejendra Khanna also urged Japan, whose delegation was led by Deputy Foreign Minister Kazu Ogura, to buy Indian fruit including mangoes, strawberries and lychees.

"It is a signal internationally that India is emerging as an important agricultural exporter," the Indian official said. India's green revolution in the 1960s brought food self sufficiency to the sprawling south Asian nation.

Now its grain stocks are overflowing and it plans to export 2.5 million tonnes of wheat and 2.0 million tonnes of rice in the financial year

ending next March 31. The world's biggest sugar producer, India has resumed exporting sugar, and Agriculture Minister Balam Jakhar asked the government this week to authorise the export of up to one million bales of cotton.

India's offer to sell rice has special meaning because of Tokyo's longstanding refusal to open its market.

But in world trade talks which ended last year, Japan pledged to import a minimum share of its total consumption. The share was set at four per cent in the first year, rising to eight per cent after five years, a Japanese embassy official said.

The Japanese delegation pressed India to remove barriers to investment and tourism, said Seiji Kojima, Minister in Japan's embassy in Delhi.

The two sides decided to pursue the trade and investment issues at future talks, including Japan's request for a "single window" in the Indian government to speed investment approval.



Habibullah, Chairman, Multimode Group of Companies, seen inaugurating a training course on 'Safe and defensive driving' conducted by Rapport Bangladesh Limited yesterday.

\$295m Japanese loan to Pakistan

TOKYO, Oct 28: Japan will extend a loan of up to 29.8 billion yen (295 million dollars) to Pakistan to assist its economic development, the foreign ministry said yesterday, reports AFP.

Documents on the loan were exchanged Thursday in Islamabad between Takao Kawakami, Japanese Ambassador to Pakistan, and Aftab Ahmad Khan, Secretary to the Ministry of Finance.

Rapport course on 'Safe, defensive driving' held

Rapport Bangladesh Limited conducted the first ever training course on 'Safe and defensive driving' for the drivers of Multimode Group of Companies yesterday at the group's own building, Anchor Tower, says a press release.

Inaugurated by the Chairman of the group Habibullah, the training course was participated by 35 drivers.

The programme included a detailed discussion on various aspects of safety on the road, careful and defensive driving under constant threat of violation of traffic rules by others and manners and etiquette to be followed by the drivers.

The inaugural session was also addressed by M Mosharrat Hossain, Managing Director, Rapport Bangladesh, M R Chowdhury, Vice-President, Human Resources and G A Matin, Vice-President of Multimode Group.



Hadi Ali Khan

New Country GM of MCB in Bangladesh

A new Country General Manager has taken over the charge of the Muslim Commercial Bank Ltd (MCB) in Bangladesh, says a press release.

He is Hadi Ali Khan, an illustrious banker of international repute. Hadi replaces his predecessor Muhammad Farooque Azam who is due to proceed on leave preparatory to retirement.

Prior to his taking up the present assignment, Hadi was the Overseasing Executive of Foreign Trade and Exchange Operation Division of the bank's head office in Karachi (Pakistan).

Hadi Ali Khan was born in India and migrated to Dhaka from Calcutta in 1950 at the age of 11/12 years. He received his school and college education in Dhaka from New Govt High School, Armanitola and Notre Dame College, Motjheel.

After completing his ISC in 1955-56, he migrated to Karachi where he graduated himself and started banking career. He was first employed by Habib Bank Ltd in 1960. Then in 1962, he was taken as probationary officer by Muslim Commercial Bank Ltd. During his tenure in MCB, he specialised and carried out the responsibilities in International Banking Operation areas and got rapid promotions in MCB.

He was promoted to AVP in 1975 and in 1978, he left MCB and joined U.B.M.E. (Union Bank of the Middle East, presently Emirates Bank International) along with the present President of MCB Husain Lawai, whom he assisted in the capacity of Chief Manager and Assistant General Manager to establish bank branches of UMBE and let the branches function in Pakistan.

In 1987, he left UMBE and joined Faysal Islamic Bank of Bahrain (FIBB) with Hosain Lawai again to establish its branches in Pakistan. He ran the branches of FIBB in the capacity of Assistant to Country General Manager for 5 years.

In 1991, when MCB was privatised he came back with Lawai to MCB, his parent bank, in the capacity of Executive Vice President and was entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the Foreign Trade and Exchange Operation Division at Head Office in Karachi.

Chittagong Stock Exchange

At the close of trading on October 28, '95

Index increases

Star Report

The Chittagong Stock Exchange All Securities Price Index rose slightly on Saturday after three days of decline.

The price index went up to 426.28 from Thursday's 425.97, indicating an increase of 0.31 points. Total market capital rose to Tk 9950172680.00 from Tk 9943037680.00.

But the turnovers dropped moderately. A total of 620 shares worth Tk 163498.60 changed hands as against Thursday's 1090 shares valued at Tk 419346.90. The changes showed 61 per and 43 per cent decreases in the turnovers in value and volume respectively.

National Oxygen enjoyed a massive gain of Tk 113.50 per share, leading the gainers while Usmania Glass led the losers with fall of Tk 13.00 per share.

The number of issues traded totalled eight, of which three gained and five suffered losses.

CSE at a glance

Table with 2 columns: CSE All Securities Price Index (426.28), Market capital Tk (9950172680), Total turnover (value) Tk (163498.60), etc.

Day's trading performance

Table with 5 columns: Company's name, Closing rate (Ave), Previous rate (Ave), Difference, No of securities. Lists companies like Rupali, Peoples, Green Delta, etc.

Exchange Rates

The following are the Sonali Bank's dealing rates to public for some selected foreign currencies with Bangladesh Taka Effective Date is 28th Oct '95. This is for your kind information and publication.

Table with columns: Selling, T.T. & O.D., B.C., T.T. (C), O.D. (Trans.), O.D. (Trans.). Lists rates for US Dollar, GBP, DM, etc.

A) T. T. (DOC) US Dollar Spot Buying Tk. 40.5335
B) Usance Rate: 30 Days, 60 Days, 90 Days, 120 Days, 180 Days
C) US Dollar sight export bill 3 months forward purchase: To be deducted Tk. 0.10 from O. D. sight export Bill buying rate.
D) US Dollar 3 months forward sale: Add cushion of Tk. 0.50 with BC selling.

Table with columns: Currency, Selling, T.T. & O.D., Buying, O.D. Transfer. Lists rates for S Riyal, UAE Dirham, Kuwaiti Dinar, etc.

Shipping Intelligence

Chittagong Port

Berth Position and Performance of Vessels as on 28.10.95

Table with columns: Berth, Name of Vessels, Cargo, L Port, Local Date of Call, Agent, Arrival, Leaving. Lists various vessels and their schedules.

Table with columns: Name of Vessels, Cargo, Last Port, Local Agent, Date of Arrival. Lists vessels at Kutubdia.

Table with columns: Outgoing, Incoming, Shifting. Lists vessel movements for 29.10.95.

The above were the shipping position and performance of vessels of Chittagong Port as per berthing sheet of CPA supplied by HRC Group, Dhaka.

Dhaka Stock Prices

At the close of trading on October 28, '95

10-point rise in index

Star Report

The Dhaka Stock Exchange All Share Price Index experienced a sharp rise of 9.95 points, reaching 900.80 from Thursday's 890.85 in a bullish trend on the floor.

The total market capital rose to Tk 56.41 billion from Tk 55.79 billion.

The transaction in volume increased by 35 per cent reaching 300051 from 222541 and the value rose by 39 per cent from Tk 36.76 million to Tk 51.25 million.

The leading gainer of the day was Singer Bangladesh with a gain of 543.33 per share while the losers were led by Monno Jute, suffering a loss of Tk 100.00 per share. The volume leaders of the

day were: Beximco Pharma (92700), Eastern Housing (49360), Bata Shoe (21880) and Beximco Textiles (18273).

The number of issues traded totalled 104, of which 57 gained, 33 incurred losses while share prices of 12 issues remained unchanged.



Trading at a glance

Table with columns: Company's name, Change (per share), Number of shares traded. Lists various companies and their trading performance.

DSE Shares and Debentures

Table with columns: Company, Price, Rate. Lists various shares and debentures with their current prices.

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দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্নে বর্ণিত কাজসমূহের জন্য ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের তালিকাভুক্ত সকল শ্রেণীর টিকাদারগণের নিকট হইতে বালাদেশ ক্রম নং-২১১১ তে সীলমোহরকৃত বামে টেন্ডার আহবান করা যাইতেছে। আগামী ০৯/১১/৯৫ তারিখে কোলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকার সময় বিজ্ঞানী কামিন্দার, ঢাকা জেলা প্রশাসক, ঢাকা এবং ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়ে প্রকৌশল বিভাগ কর্তৃক টেন্ডার গ্রহণ করা হইবে এবং এ দিনই কোলা ১২-৩০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত দরপত্রাদিকা অথবা তাহারের প্রতিদ্বন্দ্বিতায়ের সম্মুখে যিনি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন।

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