

Dhaka Day by Day

Need More Recreational Facilities

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Life for the Dhakaites has become totally unbearable all on a sudden. What with pollution, congestion, political impasse, a deteriorating law and order situation etc. The list seems to be endless. From the moment one wakes up in the morning and steps out into the streets one is confronted with all kinds of hostility on the way. In fact it has become really difficult to ascertain whether one will arrive at one's destination without being almost two hours late (and losing one's sanity in the process) or whether his/her car will still be in one piece, without

falling into the hands of demonstrators (since to them the best way to protest is to damage vehicles regardless of who they belong to). So after making it through another hectic week the Dhakaites can't help but heave a sigh of relief when the weekend finally arrives. But sadly there is so little to do for recreation during the week-ends or holidays in the city. There aren't many parks or resorts worth visiting with families and nowhere to go for a day's outing. Though it makes one ashamed to say this but the quality of our movies is so poor that the movie halls are definitely not a destination for an outing! Also the fashion shows and concerts held regularly at the city hotels are often unaffordable for the average person because of high priced tickets. The picnics and meena bazaars are only held during the winter season, but one cannot go to such places every often. As a

result, nothing much seems to be done on week-ends and public holidays except visiting one's friends and relatives, eating out and of course going for long drives for the romantically inclined.



The average Dhakaites desperately needs somewhere to go and something to do. The "Castle Resort" situated just about 45 minutes out of Dhaka on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway comes as a pleasant surprise. Though it is still in the process of being built as a hotel, one can still have a decent meal either in the tiny restaurant or in the quaint looking boats, and in pleasant surroundings the food is quite good though the price may be a little high for the average person. But still the place is nice and most of all it provides a perfect atmosphere for the lovebirds to get away from the crowds and the sharp eyes. The drive is also nice as soon as one gets out of the famous Jatrabari jam. Another place to visit is the Mary Anderson restaurant which is aboard a ship situated close to Narayanganj. These are mainly eating places. If they offered a few more facilities, it would be even better. Dhakaites desperately needs a few more places of this kind with more facilities like boating, amusement rides, playgrounds for children, lovely gardens, so that families can go for a weekend outing and have an enjoyable time away from the din-and-bustle of everyday life.

Obituary

Abdur Rouf Majumdar, a social worker of Feni died of old age complications at his village home at Pashchimdebpur under Chhaganlaiya thana on January 22. He was 81, say a press release.

He left behind his wife, four sons, four daughters.

He was buried at his family graveyard the following day. His quirkwani was held on January 25.

Majumdar was Chairman of Mahamaya union parishad in Chhaganlaiya for many years. He was associated with a number of social welfare organisations and educational institutions.

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FOR
ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION LINE MATERIALS
(Dutch Grant Fund)

Sealed tenders are hereby invited by Rural Electrification Board, Bangladesh in the following descriptions:

1. Bid Package No.

1
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2. Schedule of selling of bidding document and receiving/opening of tender:

Bid Package No.	Bid Document Sale Date	Bid Receiving	Bid Opening		
From	To	Date	Time	Date	Time
1, 2 & 3	04 Feb 1996	20 Mar 1996	Upto 11:00 Hours	20 Mar 1996	11:10 Hours
4, 5 & 6	05 Feb 1996	21 Mar 1996	Upto 11:00 Hours	21 Mar 1996	11:10 Hours

(Sale will be on and during working days and office hours only; time mentioned will be Bangladesh Standard Time indicated by time-signal on Radio Bangladesh).

3. Price of Tender Document

Taka 2000/- (Taka Two Thousand only) for Bid Packages No. 1, 2, 5 & 6 and Taka 2500/- (Taka Two Thousand Five Hundred only) for Bid Packages No. 3 & 4 payable in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft in favour of "Rural Electrification Board" for each copy of Bid Package.

At least equal to 5% (five percent) of the offered value.

4. Bid Bond

Rural Electrification Board,
House No. 823, Road No. 19 (Old),
Dharmondi R/A, Dhaka-1209,
Bangladesh. (Through an application alongwith a Pay Order/Bank Draft of price amount).

Tenders will be opened in presence of the bidders or their representative (if any) in the office of the undersigned.

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6. No tender document will be sent by REB

7. Mode of Payment

8. Source & Origin of Material/Equipment

9. One Bid package cannot be used for submission of bid proposal(s) by more than ONE BIDDER. One Bidder, however, may submit any number of bids included in the package by purchasing only one copy of the Bid Package.

10. The offer of material and equipment must be quoted on C&F basis. Offers must be submitted as per terms and conditions set forth in the bid document. Enquiries, if any, must reach the undersigned at least 30 (thirty) days prior to the date of opening of tender.

11. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the Bidding Documents at the office of the undersigned during the sale period of respective Bidding Documents on and during working days and office hours.

12. Rural Electrification Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reason thereto.

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Conductor & Guy Accessories.

Conductor Dead-End Grips, Guy &

Grounding Wire & Connectors.

Distribution Transformer (5 KVA, 10 KVA, 15 KVA, 37.5 KVA, 50 KVA, 75 KVA, 100 KVA & 167 KVA), Fuse Cut-Out & Fuse Holder, Surge Arrestor & Fuse Links.

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