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Sadharan Bima Corporation Establishment Department Head Office 33, Dilkusha Commercial Area Dhaka

Re-Tender for Sale

Sealed Tenders are hereby invited from bonafide contractors/firms for sale of one number Absorption type water Chiller, capacity 130 tons and two numbers, Johnson low pressure fire tube type Boiler, capacity 100 H.P. maximum steam pressure 15 PSIG installed at Sadharan Bima Corporation, Sadharan Bima Bhaban, 33, Dilkusha C/A Area, Dhaka. Tender schedule will be available up to 24th July, 1996, during office hours from the office of the undersigned on payment of Tk 250/- (Two hundred fifty) only (non-refundable).

Tenders duly filled in will be received on 25th July, 1996 up to 12.00 Noon by the undersigned and will be opened on the same day in presence of tenderers, if any.

Corporation reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

SBC/PR/Tender-13/96

DFP-15299-9/7

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Ghulam Haider
Manager

Dhaka WASA Tender Notice

পানির অপচয় বন্ধ করুন। মানবসেবায় ঢাকা চুরি রোধ করুন

Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class civil contractors for extension of 100mm dia water line at Baitul Aman Road No. 16 at an allotted cost of Tk. 1,19,705/=. Tenders will be received up to 12-00 Noon of 5-8-96 and opened on the same day at 2-00 P.M. in presence (if any) of the tenderers or their representatives.

Tender schedule will be available from the office of the Chief Accounts Officer of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka & all MODS Zone Offices of Dhaka WASA. Other detailed information will be available at the office of the undersigned.

Address: Md. Tajul Islam
Lalmatia Steel Tank Compound Executive Engineer
Dhaka MODS Zone-3
WASA-P1-217/96 Dhaka WASA.
DFP-15313-9/7
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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer
Public Works Division, Cox's Bazar

Memo No. 919 Dated: 01-07-96

Tender Notice No 01/96-97

- Tenders in BD Form No. 2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited from Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class, first class building contractors. The tenders will be received by the undersigned and Executive Engineer, Public Works Circle, 3/4, Agrabad, Chittagong & Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Bandarban up to 12-00 Noon of 25-7-96 and opened on the same day at 12-15 PM in presence (those willing to) of the interested tenderers. Tender should be submitted superscribing the name of work on the envelope. Attested copy of VAT registration certificate of the VAT Department shall have to be submitted with the tender.
- Name of work : Construction of 10 KW capacity Radio station at Jhlongia mouza of Cox's Bazar district (sub-head: Earth cutting & land development of Radio Center Land/Hill, year 1996-97).
- Estimated cost : Tk. 45,76,263/00
- Earnest money : Tk 91,530/00
- Time limit for : 60 (sixty) days from the date of completion of issue of work order.
- (A) BD Form No. 2911, tender notice, additional terms & conditions etc. can be seen & purchased at usual price from the office of the undersigned; Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, 4/5, Agrabad, Chittagong & Executive Engineer, Public Works, Bandarban Division on or before 23-7-96. Tenderer himself or his authorised representative can purchase the tender.
- (B) It will be binding upon the tenderers to pay VAT at the rate decided by the Ministry of Finance/National Board of Revenue for collection of VAT against class basis work. Final settlement of bill can not be made until VAT registration and clearance of VAT at the prescribed rate by the contractor.
- If more than one person or firm, submitting the rate individually, appear to be the lowest tenderers, then lottery will be held by the undersigned or his authorised representative on 31-7-96 at 12-00 Noon in the chamber of the undersigned before the tenderers (those willing to) present.

Executive Engineer

Cox's Bazar Public Works
Division, Cox's Bazar.

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Jatiya Party chairman HM Ershad presiding over a JP parliamentary party meeting at the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban yesterday

President's speech in JS

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out for voting and this would remain as a record in democracy.

In his 10-page speech, President Biswas congratulated Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's government and hoped that the new government would be able to build up Bangladesh free from corruption, terrorism and poverty by using its political sagacity, talent and glorious heritage.

President Biswas paid his highest tribute to the martyrs of the 1952 Language Movement and the country's War of Liberation.

On this day today, I recall with deep respect the undisputed leader late President Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The President said in his speech he also paid tribute to late leaders Hussain Shaheed Suhrawardy, Sher-e-Bangla A K Fazlul Huq and Maulana Abdul Hamid Khan Bhashani. "With this, I also recall with deep respect valiant freedom fighter Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman", added the President.

Dwelling on the Jatiya Sangsad, the President called upon all shades of opinion to utilise their all sincerity to make this Sangsad meaningful.

He also called upon all to take decisions on all matters after open-minded discussions. President Biswas said for establishment of rule of law in society, there should be a transparent and answerable government. He stressed the need for building up a corruption-free, efficient and non-partisan administration. He pointed out that it is the duty of the government to ensure that the officials of the republic can devote themselves to work for the people and called for enacting necessary laws and regulations with this aim in view. In this context, the President also pointed out that the present government has already declared a wage commission for the officials of

the Republic. President Biswas said Jatiya Sangsad was the focal point of law making and national policy making and hoped the present Sangsad would uphold that spirit.

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Turning to the agriculture sector, he said about 75 per cent of the population was directly or indirectly dependent on agriculture which usually had contribution of 35 per cent to the GDP. He said 31 per cent of income from exports also came from export of agricultural produce.

The importance of agriculture was enormous if we want to ensure security of food, improve quality of life of the majority, eliminate poverty and create employment and the present government was committed to bringing about dynamism in this sector by extending all facilities like use of fertiliser, expansion of irrigation and modern technology.

President Biswas stressed the imperative of cordial workers-employers relations, saying this would help enhance productivity and quality of goods to make our products competitive in the world market. He said to attain the objective, we require to formulate a labour policy through tripartite consensus and hoped that the present government would give attention in this regard.

The President referred to the constitution saying that according to it the judiciary and the judges are independent and the country will be administered as per law. He said the judiciary was not separated from the executive branches as yet and hoped that the present parliament would pass the separation of the judiciary law.

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President Biswas said free flow of information and freedom of the press are the two major traits of democratic polity.

He suggested that Radio, TV and news agency should project our great Liberation War, glorious past movements, national endeavour for uplift, hopes and aspirations of the people, arts and literature and national culture side by side dissemination of objective news.

President Biswas hoped that the present government would soon fulfil its commitment by giving autonomy to the public sector media, including Radio and Television.

President Biswas said, "health for all" could not be ensured as yet. The measures taken immediately after the independence to set up health complex at union and modern hospital at thana level could not be completed. He said distressed and poor people are deprived of the benefit of health care and hoped the present government would take steps to reach modern health care facilities at cheaper costs to all.

The President urged for ensuring basic rights of the people irrespective of religion, caste, creed and group.

President Biswas called for introduction of Bangla in all spheres of national life side by side giving due importance to international language English. He said this could not be done even after 25 years of independence.

In this context he hoped that the government would adopt time-honoured policy for promotion of national culture, sports and arts and literature.

President Biswas stressed on rapid industrialisation saying this could not be accomplished as yet. He said side by side pursuing free economy we have to remove disparity between our import and export bills. He said the core policy of the present government would be expansion of national industries, creation of employment, increase of production and exports.

He hoped the government would extend all possible support and incentives to free market economy to encourage private entrepreneurship.

Turning to foreign policy, President Biswas said preservation of independence, sovereignty and geographical integrity and acceleration of national economic pursuits would be the centre point of our foreign policy. Bangladesh would continue to work closely with the international community to build a happy and peaceful world order free from war, conflicts, hunger, poverty and armament race.

Referring to the active role played by Bangladesh in the world forum, including the United Nations Common wealth, NAM, OIC and SAARC, he said Bangladesh always stands by the side of the struggling people around the world for realisation of their independence and rights including Bosnia-Herzegovina and Palestine.

The President, in this connection, spoke of economic diplomacy and said our missions have been revamped to attain the objective under the purview of South-South cooperation.

President Biswas said economic and social justice are the inalienable rights of the people and added the Planning Commission has been reoriented in this regard to attain a higher rate of growth.

The President said success of development to a great extent depends on timely and effective steps for implementation. He said weakness in implementation of the development programme is the major stumbling block on national efforts for uplift. The donors are pressing us for removal of impediments on way to speedy implementation of development projects.

President Biswas said a sense of relief came in society and political stability returned with the appointment of neutral caretaker government. Effective measures taken by the caretaker government helped improve law and order which also contributed to restoring economic discipline.

He said eradication of terrorism and establishment of stringent economic discipline are the commitment of the present government, otherwise, he observed, commitment to bring smile on the face of the people would be a far cry.

Pointing out the changing international economic, political and social scenario, President Biswas said as a result, foreign economic aid is reducing. He said the government should try to improve our efficiency to increase the capability of project implementation to redress the situation.

President Biswas said the current year is the year of silver jubilee of independence. He said the posterity would never forgive the present generation unless we could attain our cherished development through hard work, discipline and sincere pursuit.

Railway to reward 9-yr-old

Bangladesh Railway will reward a nine-year-old boy of Chandpur district, who helped avert a possible mishap of an inter-city train near Hajiganj station Friday, reports UNB.

The boy, Abul Khair, saved the train observing carrying 1,000 passengers, by signalling with a red cloth after observing that a portion of the railway track was uprooted near Boalzuri Khal in between Hajiganj and Meher station of Chandpur-Laksmi section.

A railway press release issued in the city yesterday said that a letter of appreciation will also be given along with the reward in recognition of his effort to save the passengers from an imminent mishap.

Foreign Secy's trip to Japan, China begins tomorrow

Foreign Secretary Farooq Sobhan will visit Japan from July 16 to July 20, and China from July 21 to July 23 for annual consultations with the foreign ministers of the two countries on invitations from the two governments, reports BSS.

His annual consultations in Japan will be conducted with the Deputy Foreign Minister of Japan Shunji Yanai. This will be the first annual consultations within the framework of an understanding reached earlier between the two governments.

In China, his visit will also reciprocate the visit of the Chinese Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs Tang Jiaxuan, to Dhaka last August for annual consultations.

An official press release said here both the visits will be very significant since they are being undertaken immediately after the assumption of office of the new government following the internationally acclaimed general elections held last month for which a Japanese parliamentary observer team led by Shin Sakurai, member of parliament, was also present.

The visits will allow the Foreign Secretary to review the entire gamut of bilateral relations and exchange views on international issues of common interest with his counterparts in the two countries.

The visits will also provide an opportunity for the reaffirmation of the stated policy of the new government to give the highest importance to strengthen bilateral relations with the two friendly countries, Japan and China with which Bangladesh enjoys excellent bilateral relations.

The Foreign Secretary will carry letters from the Prime Minister, Sheikh Hasina to Prime Minister Hashimoto of Japan and Premier Li Peng of China. He will also carry letters from the Bangladesh Foreign Minister to the Foreign Ministers of China and Japan.

Armed robbery in Ctg: one killed

CHITTAGONG, July 14: Daemons stormed into a house at Baro Uthan village in Patia thana early today and looted cash and valuables leaving the house owner dead and two others injured, reports UNB.

Police said the daemons sprayed bullets at the house inmates after they cried out for help, leaving three people injured at about 1 a.m.

They were rushed to Chittagong Medical College Hospital where Nurul Alam, 45, succumbed to his wounds at 3 a.m.

The robbers left the house with the booty, worth about Tk 40,000. A case was filed with the local police.

BDRCS relief for tornado victims

Bangladesh Red Crescent Society (BDRCS) distributed relief materials among the tornado affected people of Jamalpur union in Mirsarai thana Thursday, reports BSS.

The acting chairman of BDRCS M A Jinnah distributed the relief materials, that included clothings and utensils.

A number of villages in the union were affected by the recent tornado.

Life-sketch of Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chy

The newly-elected Speaker of the Jatiya Sangsad, Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury, was born in a respectable and well known political family on November 11, 1928, in Sylhet, reports BSS.

His father, late Abdur Rashid Chowdhury, an eminent social worker and politician of the undivided India, was a member of the Assam Vidhan Shaba from 1933 to 1936 and member of the central parliament in Delhi from 1937 to 1940. His mother late Serajunnessa Chowdhury was also a well known political figure and was the member of the Pakistan National Assembly.

Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury passed his Senior Cambridge in 1944 with eight credits and received the Bachelor's degree from All Arah Muslim University in 1947 in Social Science, Chemistry and Geography. He studied Law in the English Bar and was a member of London Inner Temple. He received Diploma in International Affairs from London's Institute of World Affairs and was elected general secretary of the Pakistan Students Federation in the United Kingdom in 1951, and later president in 1952.

Chowdhury joined the Pakistan Foreign Service in 1953 and received extensive training in foreign office and different government departments. He obtained the Bachelor's degree from Fletcher School of Diplomacy in the United States.

He joined the Bangladesh Liberation War in 1971 and discharged the duties of the chief of the mission in New Delhi in 1971-72. He also had the distinction of addressing the joint session of the two houses of the Indian parliament in December, 1971, he conducted negotiations for recognition to Independent Bangladesh with many countries and his efforts succeeded in securing recognition of India and Bhutan.

An experienced and eminent diplomat, Chowdhury was

Bangladesh's ambassador to Germany as the country's first envoy and performed the responsibility of envoy to several other countries. He was the first Bangladesh Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and to some other countries as well and also the permanent Bangladesh Representative to Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC). He was instrumental in sending large number of Bangladeshis to Saudi Arabia and other Arab nations.

Chowdhury was Foreign Secretary in 1981-82 and conducted many important talks including leading



Humayun R Chowdhury

Bangladesh delegations in talks with India. He was later Bangladesh Ambassador to United States and concurrently to some other countries.

Chowdhury was appointed Foreign Affairs Adviser to the President in 1984 and later Foreign Minister in 1985. He was elected member of parliament in 1986 and 1988 and again in elections in 1991.

Chowdhury was President of the United Nations General Assembly in 1986 and won several awards for his professional excellence. He is married and father of one son and one daughter.

By-polls: Officials warned against biased role

Stern action will be taken for any biased role and negligence of officials in discharging duties in the coming by-elections to 16 seats of Jatiya Sangsad, reports UNB.

The warning came from Election Commissioner Mustaque Ahmed Saturday, while inaugurating a workshop of officer-in-charge and Ansar-VDP officials of respective thanas at the Election Commission Training Institute.

Reminding the role of the officials during June 12 election which was praised by local and foreign observers, the Commissioner said the byelection also must be held in a free, fair and neutral manner so that "our image cannot be tarnished."

Lauding the role of the law-enforcing agencies in holding free and fair election, he urged all concerned officials to discharge their duties maintaining absolute neutrality.

Calling upon the law-enforcing agencies involved with the byelection duty to provide necessary cooperation to presiding and polling officers, the EC said the fairness of an election depends on the cooperation of election officials on duty.

ICRA symposium on population

In observance of World Population Day, the Islamic Commission for Rural Advancement (ICRA) arranged a symposium at its office on Saturday, says a press release.

Mir Momin-ul-Haque, the executive director of ICRA was the main speaker.

Jamiah Mostafa, DGC Commissioner for Ward No. 4, Saifur Rahman, Lt. Col. Director, ICRA, Shamsuzzaman Sohel, Director, ICRA, MA Matin, Director, ICRA, Saleha Khanam, Director, ICRA and Dr. Saiful Alam a Private Practitioner, participated in the discussion.

In his key-note address Momin-ul-Haque spoke in details about the significance of the observance of World Population Day and the gigantic population problem in the developing countries.

He also reiterated the need of all-out efforts to population control programme alongside education to keep up the pace of poverty alleviation and socio-economic development through proper governmental policies and sincerity as Bangladesh is severely facing population boom, particularly which has transformed Bangladesh is to a poorest country in the world.

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Sealed tenders are invited by the Managing Director, Urea Fertilizer Factory Ltd., Ghorasol, Narsingdi for supply of bearing against Tender No. UFFL/LP-98/95-96. Tender will be opened on 24-7-96 at 3-00 P.M. Tender documents will be available on all working days on cash payment of Tk. 25/- (each set non-refundable) from (i) BCIC Bhaban, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka, (ii) BCIC, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong & (iii) UFFL, Ghorasol, Narsingdi. No tender documents will be sold on the opening date.

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