

70pc people in Magura have no access to sanitary latrines

From Our Correspondent

MAGURA, Jan 7: More than 70 percent people in rural areas of four thanas in the district do not use sanitary latrine due to lack of proper initiative, said local sources.

According to the reports, about six lakh people live in rural areas of four thanas in the district. Little less than two-thirds of them have no access to proper sanitary latrines, an unofficial survey report said. Majority of the villagers discharge human waste in the bushes, barren land, bank of the canal, pond or river and crop land. As a result, human waste mixes with water of canals, ponds, river, beels and pollutes environment.

The Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) sources said they are supplying water sealed latrine's equipment from their thana offices at a low cost. But due to lack of awareness people of the rural areas do not show interest to set up water sealed latrines in their houses.

Hamida Khatun, a social worker under Sripur thana told

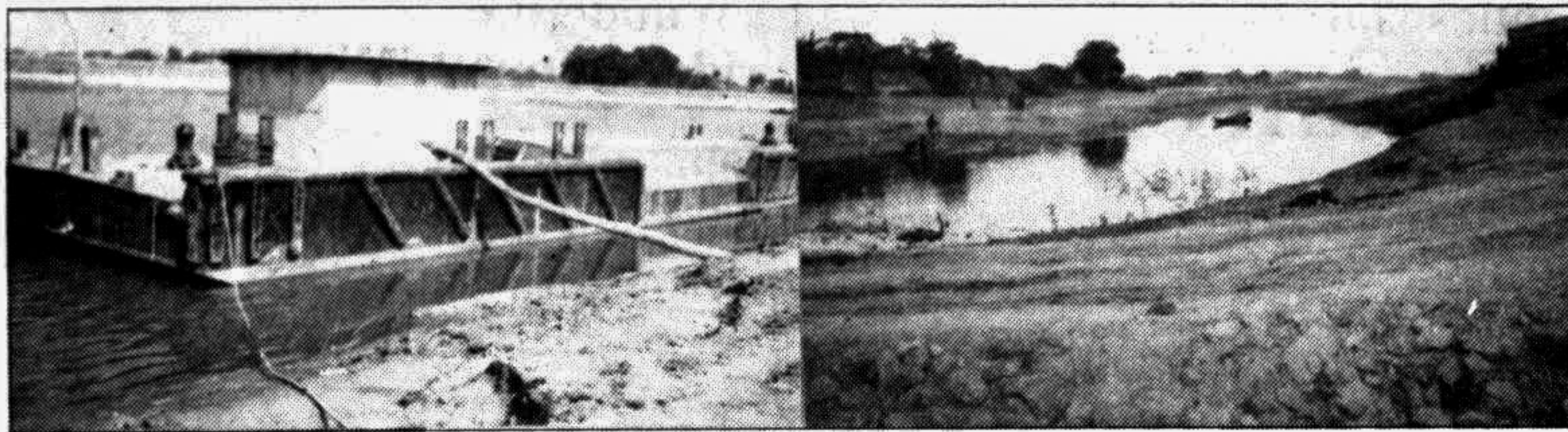
this correspondent that a large number of children belonging to poor families of the village areas do not use latrines at all.

Some local leaders in village areas of Shalikhtha thana said, some families in their areas use kutcha latrines which mostly stand on the banks of rivers, beels and canals. By allowing human waste to fall into rivers, beels and canals from such latrines, they pollute the water.

The local doctors said, due to lack of good sanitation rural people including minor children suffer from diarrhoeal diseases around the year.

DPHE observed Sanitation Week throughout the country recently but the rural people who live in poverty are not actually motivated for using sanitary latrines and safe water due to lack of direct contact with the said class of people, they alleged.

The local leaders and experts appealed to the authorities concerned to take necessary step for motivating the poor rural people for good sanitation.



FARIDPUR: Hundreds of passengers suffer a lot as docking of launches has been suspended at C & B launch ghat, once a busy one in the area, due to emergence of shoals in the river Padma. However, experts believe, if the pontoon is shifted two kilometre downstream along with dredging operation, movement of vessels may be restored.

— Star photo by Abdul Matin Fakir

Pilferage of electric transformers, accessories rampant in Pabna

From Our Correspondent

PABNA, Jan 7: As many as 211 electricity transformers, 36,000 metres of electric wires and 450 electric motors belonging to Pabna Palli Bidyut Samity-1 were allegedly stolen during the last seven years from different places within the zone area of the said Samity. It was learnt from reliable sources.

The stolen articles, according to an estimate prepared by the were valued authorities at Taka one crore and seven lakhs.

As a result of these thefts, the supply of electricity within the area, were facing frequent dislocations and, in consequence, the domestic, commercial, agricultural and industrial consumers were all being compelled to incur a huge loss.

Intending new consumers of electricity were also feeling dis-

couraged in taking new connections due to the above reason.

The source of the Palli Bidyut Samity, on condition of anonymity, disclosed that in 1989-90, eleven transformers were stolen away while in 1990-91, 23 transformers were stolen, 30 transformers were stolen in 1991-92, 125 transformers were stolen in 1992-93; five transformer were stolen in 1993-94, 38 were stolen in 1994-95 and nine transformers were stolen in 1995-96.

Of these stolen transformers, 31 are 5 KVA; 160 are 10 KVA; 16 are 15 KVA and four others are 25 KVA.

It may be recalled here in this connection that the jurisdiction of Pabna Palli Bidyut Samity-1 covers a vast area of Chatmohar thana, Bhangora thana, Faridpur thana and At-

gharia thana and parts of Ishurdi, Pabna and Tarash thanas.

Within this zone the Samity has so far given agriculture electricity connections numbering 1,730. Of them, there are 1,344 deep tube-well connections and 54 power pump connections. In this agriculture zone, a total of 70,000 acres of land have been brought under high-yielding variety crop cultivation through irrigation facilities made available by above electricity connections. But the massive theft of transformers, electric and other materials vitally needed to keep the irrigation activities, has been causing wide-spread disruptions to the said activities rendering huge losses to the agri production.

According to the existing

system, it is further gathered from the same source, that for re-installation of the said stolen transformers, half of the total cost is borne by the Palli Bidyut Samity while the remaining half is to be borne by the general consumers of the respective areas from where the transformers were stolen. If the theft is committed again, the entire cost of re-installation is to be borne by the consumers.

3 killed, 15 hurt in road accidents

SIRAJGANJ, Jan 7: Two children, brother and sister, were killed and 15 other people wounded in a road accident at Shahjapur thana here on Sunday night, police and hospital sources said today, reports UNB.

The deceased were identified as Farida, 4, and Biplob, 2, wards of Ful Mia of Gaibandha district.

The mishap occurred when a Gaibandha-bound coach lost control and fell into a 40-feet deep ditch after hitting a truck approaching from opposite direction near Baghbari Bridge at Shahjapur last night.

All the wounded were admitted to Potodia Health Complex.

Drivers of both the vehicles managed to flee from the scene and a case was filed with Shahjapur police.

BSS adds: Hashmat Ali, a teenaged boy, was killed on the spot when he was run over by a speeding truck at Harihar Para on Dhaka-Narayanganj road this morning.

According to Fatulla police, the accident occurred when a Dhaka-bound truck, knocked Hashmat Ali, 14, from behind. He fell on the road and the truck ran over him.

Tk 1cr okayed for Gaibandha town protection project

From Our Correspondent

GAIBANDHA, Jan 7: Taka one crore 15 lakh was allocated for the implementation of town protection from flood of river Ghagot during current fiscal year.

Besides, an additional amount of Taka five crore will be sanctioned in the next fiscal year for further development of the said project.

Every year during rainy season a major portion of Gaibandha pourashava go under two to five feet deep water. Dwelling houses, roads and institutions of poura areas are submerged by flood water and due to lack of proper outlet facilities the water gets stagnant for long one or two weeks causing immense trouble to the town dwellers.

Repeated appeals and movements were launched by Gaibandha people for the protection of town from flood water as well as erosion of river

Ghagot. Local Water Development Board (WDB) chalked out a protection scheme in 1995, but due to lack of fund allocation the implementation of work could not be started.

The scheme included loop cutting from north-west Railway bridge to Kamornal areas, construction of a bridge near Modern High School to connect Gaibandha-Sunderganj road, construction of 10 different types of regulators, two side embankment along the loop cutting canal, setting up of concrete block and acquisition of 64 hectare of land.

The planning division approved the project spending Taka nine crore 99 lakh. According to WDB, a fund of Taka one crore 15 lakh primarily allocated, will be spent for the acquisition of land during this fiscal year and the actual work will be completed within the next two years.

No water supply at Faridpur Hospital!

FARIDPUR, Jan 7: The 250-bed Faridpur Medical College Hospital has been running without water supply for last one week creating immense inconvenience to the patients, reports BSS.

According to a reliable source, the only water lifting pump of the hospital has gone out of order which is not repairable locally.

No operation could be performed in the hospital during the last one week. Toilets of the hospital have become unusable. Emergency patients are compelled to leave to other places.

Known reliable sources are of opinion that the hospital has been limping since its inception for lack of necessary logistics. A big generator is lying inoperative since it could not be installed for want of initiatives and required fund.

Frequent loadshedding is also hampering the normal services to the patients and also the medical students.



SYLHET: Professor AK Azad Chowdhury, VC, Dhaka University handing over the independence award to Professor Syed Mohibuddin Ahmed, VC, Shahjalal University at a function arranged at Sylhet by the Jalalabad Juba Forum Saturday afternoon.

— Star photo

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Bangladesh Telegraph & Telephone Board
Office of the Director, Procurement,
Telephone Exchange Building,
Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.

No. DP/F/RR/96-97/25 Dt: 31-12-96/17-09-1403BS

Sub: In view of replacing Khulna Gopalganj & Patuakhali-Barisal Analogue Link by 34 Megabeat Digital Link, on completely turn-key basis, tender invitation for supply of machinery, installation, testing & commissioning under RR Programme/Maintenance head of 1996-97

International Tender Invitation

Sealed tenders are invited from international suppliers/manufacturers for supply of machinery, installation, testing & commissioning for replacing Khulna Gopalganj & Patuakhali-Barisal Analogue Link by 34 Megabeat Digital Link on completely turn-key basis under RR programme. Interested tenderers can purchase the tender schedule from this office on written application to the undersigned & depositing Tk 2,000/= (two thousand) only (non-refundable) on all working days from 1-00 PM to 2-00 PM. No tender schedule will be sold by post or on the date of opening tender. Tenders will be received on 24-2-97 up to 11:00 AM local time & opened on the same day at 11-05 AM local time in presence of interested tenderers and/or their representatives. The authority reserves the right to accept in part or full or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

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DIRECTORATE GENERAL DEFENCE PURCHASE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE NEW AIRPORT ROAD, TEJGAON, DHAKA-1215 TENDER NOTICE

1. Sealed tenders in Local/Foreign currency are invited from bonafide Manufacturers/Suppliers/Indentors/Dealers (enlistment with this Directorate General is not necessary) for supply of following items for Bangladesh Army:

Serial	Nomenclature	Qty	Selling Date	Date of Opening	Cost of I/T and Currency
1.	Accessories for Radio Set VHF AN/PRC-117A Or Accessories for Radio Set VHF PRC-1088	3 Line Items 7 Line Items	20.1.97 17.2.97	19.2.97 -do-	100.00 (Local Currency)

2. Detailed specification, nomenclatures and quantity of items have been mentioned in the tender schedule. The tender schedule will be available on cash payment against the mentioned amount (not refundable) at above mentioned dates on any working day between 0800 hrs to 1300 hrs. The tender will be opened on aforesaid date at 1000 hrs in presence of all tenderers.

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For Director General

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Office of the Executive Engineer PWD Division, Naogaon Notice Inviting Tenders

Tender Notice No. EE/Naogaon-14(Fourteen) of 1996-97.

- Sealed tenders are hereby invited in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 from approved Special Class-1 (One) & Class-II (One) Building contractors of PWD, Class-II (Two) Building contractors of PWD Zone, Rajshahi, Class-III (Three) Building contractors of PWD Circle, Rajshahi and Class-1 (One) Sanitary & Plumbing contractors of PWD according to financial limit of classification of contractors for the undermentioned works and will be received by the undersigned as well as by the Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi and the Executive Engineers, PWD Division No. I/II, Rajshahi/Natore/Pabna in their respective offices up to 12-00 Noon on 19/1/97 and will be opened on the same day at 12-15 PM in presence of the tenderers who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it.
- Tender Form will be sold upto 18/1/97.
- Name of work under each group with other particulars as below:-

Group No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed
I (one)	Construction of District Jail at Naogaon (Sub-head:- Installation of 150mm dia deep tubewell, constn. of Pump House with sanitary & water supply arrangement and external water supply pipe line) during the year 1996-97.	Tk. 12,51,242/-	Tk. 25,025/-	120 (one hundred twenty) days.
II (Two)	Establishment of Duck Breeding Farm alongwith Hatchery at Naogaon (Sub-head: Installation of 75mm dia deep tubewell, constn. of Pump House with sanitary and water supply arrangement and external water supply pipe line) during the year 1996-97.	Tk. 7,37,093/-	Tk. 14,742/-	100 (one hundred) days.

NB: If the tenders of the same lowest equal rates are received from more than one tenderer, contractors shall be selected from among those valid tenderers by lottery on 27/1/97 at 12-00 Noon in the office chamber of the undersigned in presence of the tenderers who may like to remain present. In absence of anybody no claim whatsoever will be entertained.

AK Zahur Ahmed
Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Naogaon.
DFP-85-4/1
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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Bangladesh Telegraph & Telephone Board Office of the Director, Procurement, Telephone Exchange Building Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka

No. DP/F/RR-3/IR/96-97 Dated: 28-12-96/14-09-1403BS

Subject: In view of replacing Kushtia-Chuadanga Analogue Link by 140 Magbit Digital Link on completely turn-key basis under RR Programme of 1996-97, tender invitation for supply of machinery, installation, testing & commissioning

International Tender Invitation

In view of replacing Kushtia-Chuadanga Analog Link by 140 Magbit Digital Link, sealed tenders are invited from international suppliers/manufacturers for supply of machinery, installation, testing & commissioning on completely turn-key basis under RR Programme. Interested tenderers can purchase the tender schedule through written application to the undersigned & depositing Tk 5,000/- (five thousand) only (non-refundable) as cost of tender schedule on all working days from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM from this office. No tender schedule will be sold by post or on the date of opening tender. Tender will be received on 23-02-97 up to 11:00 AM local time and the tenders will be opened on the same day at 11:05 AM local time in presence (if any) of the intending tenderers or their representatives. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender in part or full without assigning any reason.

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Dhaka WASA Tender Notice

(পানির অপচয় বন্ধ করুন।। ম্যানহোলের ঢাকনা চুরি রোধ করুন।)

Tenders are invited from Dhaka WASA enlisted 1st, 2nd & 3rd class civil contractors for installation work of 100mm dia water line at Hare Road bi-lane at an allotted cost of Tk. 2,34,103.43. Tenders will be received upto 12:00 Noon of 20/1/97 and will be opened on the same day at 2:00 PM before the tenderers or their representatives (if present).

Tender schedule will be available at the office of the Chief Accounts Officer of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka and all Mods Zone Offices of Dhaka WASA. Other details will be available at the office of the undersigned.

Address:
Fakirapul Water Tank
Compound, Dhaka
WASA- P.I.-483/96
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Md Rafiqul Islam
Executive Engineer
Mods Zone-6
Dhaka WASA

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Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from bonafide steel furniture manufacturers/suppliers of Govt/Semi Govt/ Autonomous bodies who have experience in making steel furniture having show room and workshop facilities for supplying steel furniture to Bangladesh Biman at Sylhet.

The tenderers shall have to deposit earnest money @ 2½% (two & half per cent) of the quoted amount in favour of Bangladesh Biman Corporation in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order with the tender without which tender will not be entertained.

Tender papers with detailed information, terms & conditions will be available in the Cash & Banking Section, Biman Bhaban, Motijheel, Dhaka on cash payment of Tk 200 (two hundred) only (non-refundable) per set on all working days up to 20th January, 1997 during office hours. The tender will be received in the office of the Dy General Manager (B&W), 7th floor, Biman Bhaban, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka up to 1330 hours on 21st January, 1997 and will be opened on the same day at 1400 hours in presence of tenderers (if any).

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

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Dy General Manager (B&W)



Tender Notice

Separate sealed tenders in Form T-1 of PDB are invited from contractors of PDB enlisted for 1996-97 for the undermentioned works of Kishoreganj and Jamalpur 132 KV Grid Sub-Stations under RR AGS Division-1, PDB, Dhaka.

Sl. No.	Name of work	Estimated cost	Price of tender	Class of contractor
1)	Construction of 500 Sq. ft. (2 unit) Residential Building at Kishoreganj Grid Sub-Station.	Tk 12,25,852/40	750/=	A&B class
2)	Construction of Boundary Wall at Jamalpur Grid Sub-Station.	Tk 3,35,222/89	400/=	A, B & C class
3)	Construction of Sentry post at Jamalpur Grid Sub-Station.	Tk 65,502/26	400/=	A, B & C class.

Tender document can be collected from the office of the Project Co-ordinator (Chief Engineer) P R P, PDB, 23/1, Hasan Court, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka, Project Director, R, R, AGS (East), PDB, 41/B, Chamelbagh, Dhaka and office of the undersigned on payment of prescribed price through Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of the Deputy-Director, ZAO (P&Co), PDB, Dhaka, during office hours up to 21-01-97. Tender documents will be received up to 12:00 Noon of 22-01-97 at the office of the Project Coordinator (P.E.), PDB, Dhaka; Project Director, RR AGS (East), PDB, Dhaka and office of the undersigned and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence of the tenderers (if any present). 2½% (two and a half per cent) of the total quoted price as earnest money for each work must be submitted with the tender in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft in favour of the Deputy Director, ZAO (P&Co), PDB, Dhaka. Tenderers quoting rate above or below 10% must submit rate-analysis.

The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

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Executive Engineer
RR AGS Division-1, PDB, Dhaka

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Office of the Executive Engineer
Habiganj Public Works Division, Habiganj

Tender Invitation Notice

No. E.E. Habi: (S-D-E/M)1996-97

- Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from Public Works Directorate enlisted Electrical/Mechanical Contractors within financial ability for the undermentioned work. Tenders will be received by the undersigned and Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Moulvibazar/Sylhet/Sunamganj up to 12:00 Noon of 22/01/97 and will be opened on the same day at 12:15 PM in presence of the interested tenderers (if any present).

Sl. No.	Name of work & location	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time limit for completion of work
1)	Installation of internal wiring, centrifugal pump and security light of Lakhai Thana Building in Habiganj district.	Tk. 2,87,419/=	Tk 6,000/=	60 (sixty) days

- Necessary documents with Bangladesh Form No-2911, itemwise list and terms & conditions etc. can be seen and bought on payment (non-refundable) as per existing rules from the office of the undersigned and Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Moulvibazar/Sylhet/Sunamganj and office of the Sub-Divisional Engineer, Public Works Sub-Division No. 1/2 and E/M Habiganj office during office hours. Interested contractor himself or his representative carrying letter of authority with the representative's sample signature attested by the contractor can buy tender document by producing registration book any day during office hours up to 21/01/97.

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Mahmud Hassan Siraji
Executive Engineer
Habiganj Public Works Division, Habiganj.