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Vacancies — British Aid Management Office

The UK Aid Management Office in Dhaka (AMOD), wishes to recruit two Programme Assistants to assist in the administration of the British-Bangladesh Development Cooperation programme. The posts will be based in the British High Commission in Baridhara. Appointments will be made on local terms with a probationary period for the first six months. Job training will be given to the selected applicants.

Working within sector teams headed by a Professional Adviser and under the direction of a 3rd Secretary Programme Officer, Programme Assistants will:

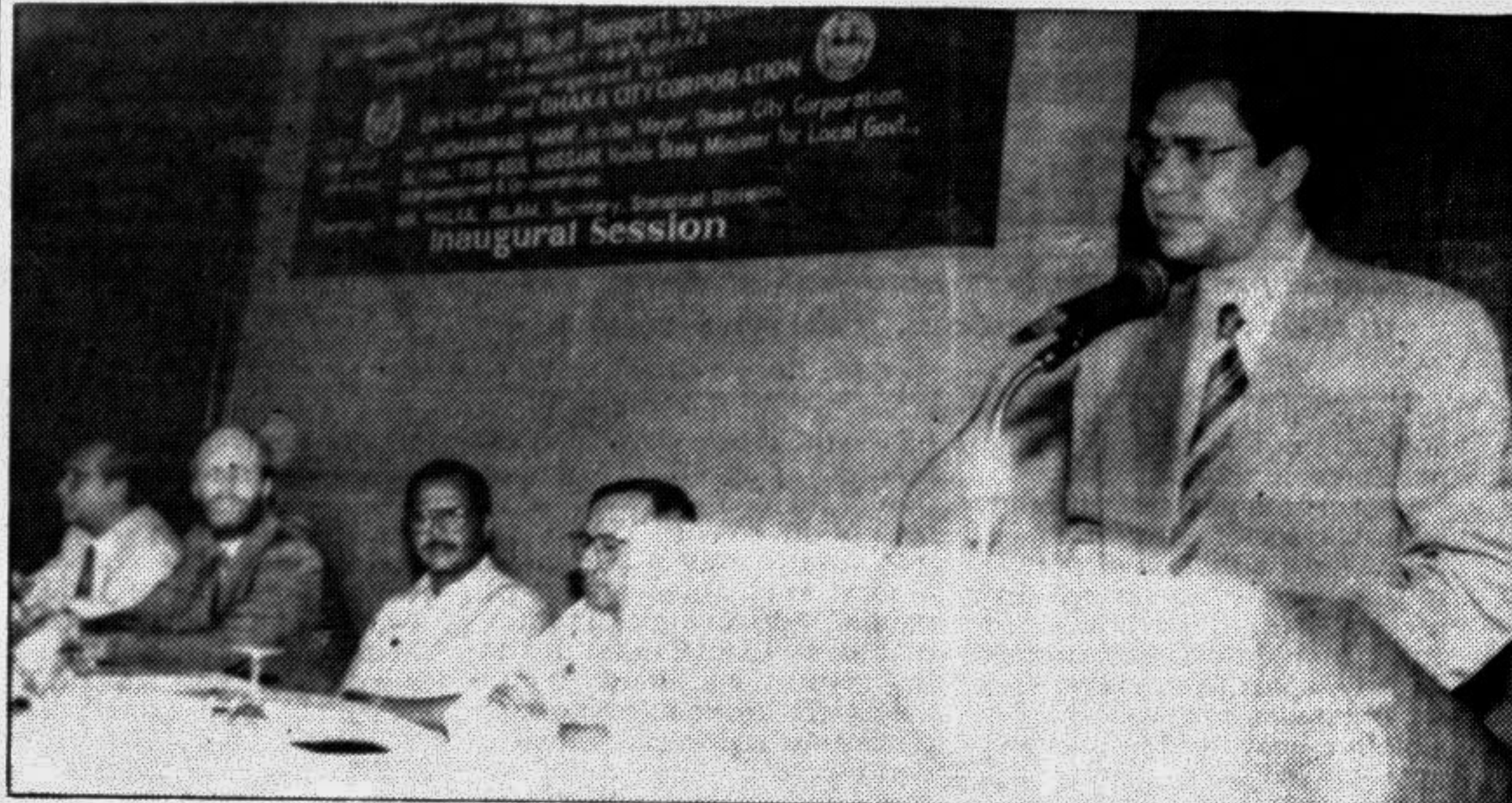
- be responsible for maintaining a registry of project and sector papers within his/her sector;
- update project spending estimates on a spreadsheet system;
- help to set up training programmes or workshops;
- Chase up progress on staff recruitment and equipment procurement;
- help organise visits by project partners to other countries;
- set up arrangements for UK HQ visitors and consultancy teams;
- chase up reports and action as instructed;
- help prepare replies to enquiries from the public;
- check invoices for payment authorisation;
- check that NGO grant accounts are submitted on time and are correct.

Minimum qualities and skills include: fluent spoken and written English and Bangla; good secondary qualifications including mathematics and a tertiary qualification; previous experience in administration or project management; and knowledge of IT including word processing and spreadsheet systems. An awareness of development issues or aspects of the development agenda would be an advantage, as would some knowledge of NGO or Government organisations and programmes in Bangladesh. The ability to organise work, meet deadlines and to work constructively within a team is sought. Flexibility in working hours will be necessary on occasions and the work may involve occasional travel outside of Dhaka. Evidence of a long term commitment and further potential will also be sought, as we hope some UK staffed administrative positions will be localised in the future.

Please send a Curriculum Vitae with photograph to

AMOD vacancy
British High Commission
PO Box 6079, Dhaka 1212

You should also state your current salary. Please include names and addresses of at least two referees with telephone numbers. Closing date for applications is 16 August. Any applications received after this date will not be considered. Only candidates called to interview will be contacted. D-879



DCC Mayor Md Hanif addressing the first meeting of 'Cluster cities for the integration of non-motorised transport into the urban transport system of Dhaka' at a city hotel yesterday. — Star photo

Integration into mechanised vehicle network stressed
'Non-motorised transport provides employment, income in urban areas'

Non-motorised transport can play a vital role in keeping the environment pollution-free, providing a major component of employment and income in urban areas, reports UNB.

Rickshaw is a non-polluting mode of transport which employs about 17 per cent of Dhaka city's labour force and support about 10 lakh of their family members, speakers at a seminar said yesterday. Jointly organised by ESCAP and Dhaka City Corporation, the three-day seminar titled "First Meeting of Cluster Cities for the Integration of Non-motorised Transport into the Urban Transport System of Dhaka" opened at Hotel Sonargaon in the morning.

Inaugurating the meeting, DCC Mayor Mohammed Hanif said non-motorised transport (NMT) causes no environmental pollution; it provides employment and income to a large section of people.

"Sustainable development can take place only if we can integrate the non-motorised transport into the mechanised vehicle network," he said.

The Mayor said informal employment like driving NMT, particularly rickshaw and rickshaw-van, is expanding rapidly as huge unskilled rural masses have little scope to enter into the formal urban sectors.

He said rickshaw is the predominant mode of transport — about 60 per cent people move on foot, 20 per cent by rickshaws and 9.5 per cent by buses in the city.

The opening session was also addressed by AN Hussain, Chairman of NMT Project.

David E Lockwood, Resident Representative of UNDP, Waliul Islam, Secretary of Statistical Division, M Rahmatullah of ESCAP and DCC chief executive officer Mohammed Rashidul Alam.

Dhaka Urban Transport Projects (DUTP) has planned to introduce about 150 to 200 km arterial road which will be free from NMT.

It was discussed in the Public Consultative Group meeting where representatives of rickshaw owners and pullers associations were present. Hanif told the seminar.

Dhaka zone 4 — encompassing Motijheel, Malibagh, Goran, Siddheswari and Kamalapur — was selected as a pilot area of the NMT Project.

Hanif said integration of NMT would be given priorities in preparing and implementing a traffic plan which could help in solving traffic congestion in the city.

Several components of the NMT Project include insurance scheme and training programme for rickshawpullers which will improve their living and working condition.

He said the component of improving the rickshaw design would have a far-reaching effect all over the country.

NMT project chairman AN Hossain said the city has a requirement of 4000 buses, but only about 1100 are in service while NMT, particularly cycle-rickshaws, occupied the dominant public transport by default.

He said about 2 to 3 lakh rickshaws are plying the city, but only 87 thousand have licence.

Inspectors to be appointed to check irregularities in newspaper industry

Minister of State for Labour and Manpower MA Mannan today assured that necessary steps would be taken to appoint inspectors to look into various irregularities in the newspaper industry as per Article 17 of the Newspaper Employees (Conditions of services) Act 1974, reports BSS.

The assurance came when the leaders of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) and Chittagong Union of Journalists (CUJ) called on the state minister at his Secretariat office yesterday.

The leaders, while discussing various problems being faced by the working journalists, urged the state minister to take steps to strictly implement factory and establishment acts in all newspaper establishments in the country.

The state minister also gave a patient hearing to various issues raised by CUJ leaders, including the Dainik Nayabangla situation and assured that necessary measures would be taken to solve the problem.

The leaders also urged the state minister to include journalists' representatives in the workers' panels of various labour courts.

Later, they met with the labour secretary and requested him to take necessary measures to fulfil their various demands.

Among others, BFUJ president Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury and CUJ President Anjan Kumar Sen and general secretary Shahidul Alam were present.

What's on today . . .

BISS talk: A talk on 'multi-culturalism in modern America' will be given by Dr Richard Burg, Director, American Studies Research Centre, Hyderabad. Venue: BISS auditorium, 1/46 Elephant Rd. Time: 10 am.

Film show: 'Blackmail' and 'The Lady Vanishes' by Alfred Hitchcock will screened. Venue: British Council auditorium. Time: 4 pm and 6 pm respectively.

Rotary Club of Dhaka: The weekly meeting will be held. Dr Ashraf Siddique will speak on "Malna Valuar Desh — Bangladesh." Time: 5 pm.

Rotary Club of Ramna: The weekly meeting will be held. Owaise Saadat, Manager, Private Sector Development and Financial Unit of the World Bank, will speak on 'Development prospect of Bangladesh'. Venue: Dhaka Club. Time: 5 pm.

Seminar: A two-day seminar on 'Japan-Bangladesh Joint Study Project on Floods' will begin today. Venue: Council building of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET). Time: 9 am.

Discussion meet: Fotowabai Birodhi Ain Pronoyan Andolon' has arranged a meeting to exchange views on formulation of laws against fundamentalist politics. Venue: WVA auditorium, House: 20, Rd: 27 (old), Dhanmondi. Time: 4 pm.

Russian envoy meets Speaker
Shahjalal varsity freshers' orientation Aug 17-18

Eugenly P Ivanov, Ambassador for the Russian Federation to Bangladesh called on Speaker Humayun Rasheed Choudhury at his Sangsad Bhaban office yesterday, reports BSS.

They discussed matters relating to formation of Bangladesh-Russian parliamentary groups and exchange of parliamentary delegations between the two countries.

Additional secretary of parliament secretariat Khondoker Abdul Haque Miah was present.

The orientation course of the freshers of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet, will be held at the campus on August 17-18, reports UNB.

Classes of the university's all the sessions, including those of the new 1st year, will start from August 19.

The university authorities have directed the students to submit their admission fees by August 17. The fees will be, however, received with fine till August 24.

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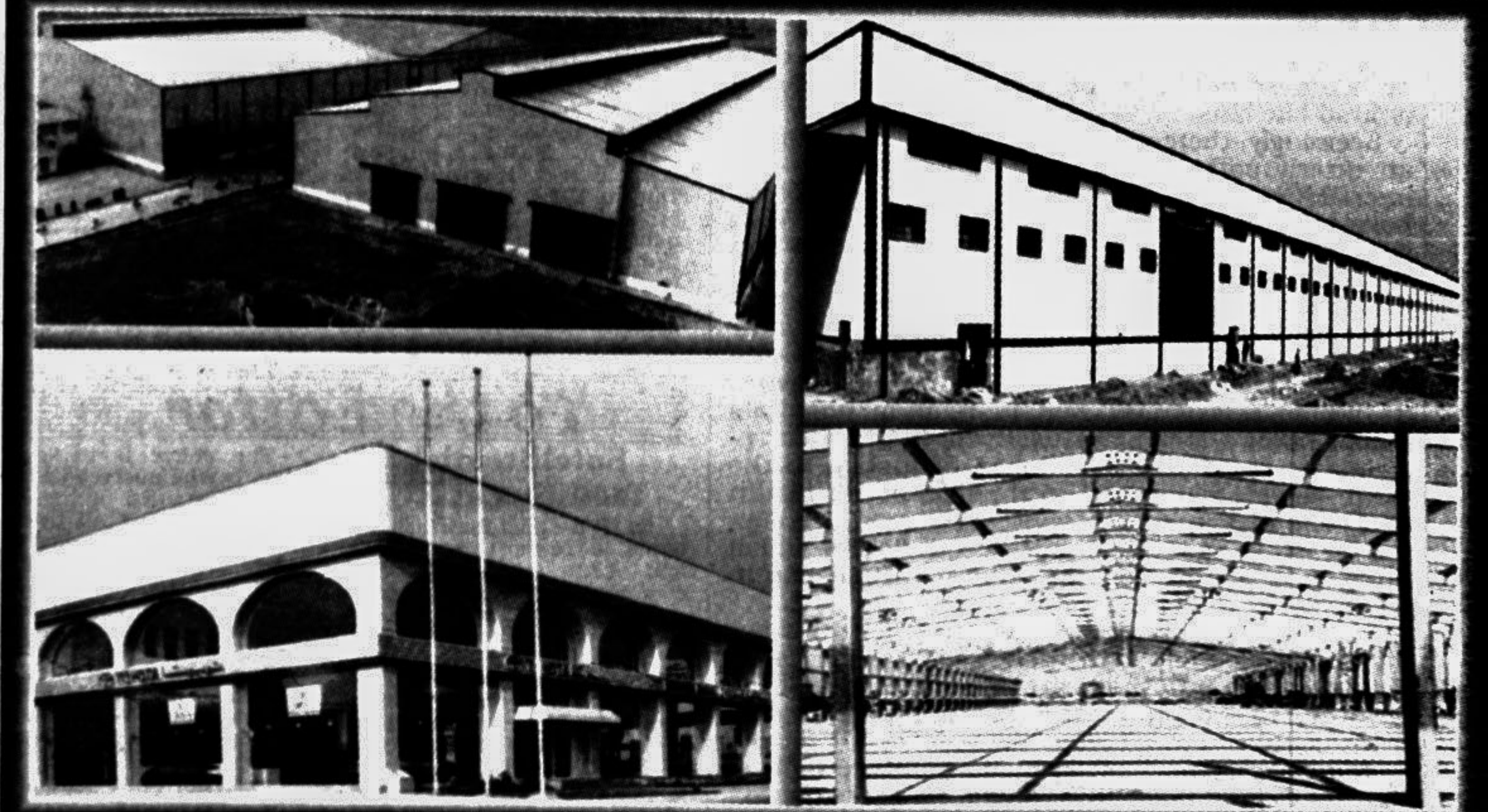
Balance Sheet at 31 December 1996

Fixed assets:	1996	1995
	Taka	Taka
At cost	42,204,496	41,624,870
Less: Depreciation	9,624,055	10,071,558
	32,580,441	31,553,312
Investment	523,921,235	389,300,249
Long term loan:		
Industrial loan	1,360,808,624	1,331,655,450
Employees house building/car loan	4,559,436	4,083,786
	1,365,368,060	1,335,739,236
Current assets:		
Current portion of long term loan	185,372,078	140,524,163
Overdue loans and interest	267,856,295	123,191,030
Advances, deposits & prepayments	172,842,264	163,437,115
Accrued interest and other charges	97,943,372	69,681,394
Other receivable	11,095,328	8,073,415
Bank and cash balances	670,040,854	790,491,825
	1,405,150,191	1,295,398,942
Current liabilities:		
Current portion of long term loan	14,285,714	—
Liabilities for expenses	25,980,447	15,365,371
Liabilities for EFAS Premium	9,377,313	7,361,899
Sundry creditors	15,550,695	22,289,167
Provision for taxation	99,611,586	45,055,900
Proposed dividend	52,000,000	50,000,000
	216,805,755	140,072,337
Net current assets	1,188,344,436	1,155,326,605
Total assets	3,110,214,172	2,911,919,402
Long term liabilities:		
Loan from Bangladesh Krishi Bank under National Pilot Scheme	135,714,286	150,000,000
Net assets	2,974,499,886	2,761,919,402
Financed by:		
Share capital	1,556,548,305	1,556,548,305
Suspense account— share money deposit of Government of Bangladesh	—	43,497
General reserve	511,702,818	459,000,000
Building reserve	200,000,000	200,000,000
Employees welfare fund	10,000,000	10,000,000
Provision for doubtful debts and equity loss	193,741,306	155,741,306
Exchange equalisation reserve	141,172,366	141,172,366
Interest suspense account	361,335,091	239,413,928
Retained earnings	—	—
	2,974,499,886	2,761,919,402

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