

Government of the People's
Republic of BangladeshLocal Government Engineering Directorate
Office of the Executive Engineer, Faridpur

Tender Notice

No. 01/97-98 (Short)

Memo No. LGED/EE/Farid/DM-6/97/2281 Dated: 16-09-97

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited by the undersigned from contractors/contractors firms having prequalification under Rural Development Project-4 (3rd phase) renewed for 1997-98 financial year (current year) under the said project for implementation of 04 (four) bridge construction project under Rural Development Project of Local Government Engineering Directorate in Faridpur district. Tender document will be available from the office of (a) Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Dhaka, (b) Chief Engineer, LGED, LGED Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, (c) Project Director, Rural Development Project-4, IDP, Headquarters, Badarpur, Faridpur, (d) Deputy Commissioner, Faridpur, (e) Police Super, Faridpur, (f) Office of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Rajbari/Madarpur/ Gopalganj/Sharipatpur, (g) Thana Engineer, LGED, Sadar/Sadarpur/Boalmari/Alfadanga/Madhukhali/Bhanga/Nagarkanda/Charbhadrason Faridpur & the office of the undersigned against cash payment of prescribed price (non-refundable) up to office hours of 12-10-97 by the contractor or his representative authorised in writing on production of the original copy of the licence renewed up to current year. Tenders will be received in the tender box kept at the above offices up to 12-00 Noon of 13-10-97 and the tender boxes will be opened at the said offices simultaneously on the same day at 12-30 PM before the tenderers (if any) present. Tenders received in lac sealed condition from the said offices will be opened on 16-10-97 at 11-00 AM at the office of the undersigned in presence (if any) of the tenderers or their representatives. If more than one contractor is found to be the lowest by submitting the same rate, then contractor will be selected through lottery by beads on 23-10-97 at 11-00 AM at the conference room of Executive Engineer, LGED, Faridpur.

This tender notice is short. All information & papers/detailed description regarding tender may be seen/known from the above offices during office hours and tender should be participated in after being fully aware of the matter. The authority reserves the right to accept any tender or reject all tenders without assigning any reason.

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Md Mominur Rahman
Executive Engineer

Trade ministers talk SEA
currency crisis in Tokyo

CHIBA, Japan, Sept 27: Tokyo played host to a meeting of Asian and European trade ministers on Saturday, hoping to allay investor worries over the recent turmoil on Southeast Asian currency and stock markets, says AP.

Fostering trade and investment between Asia and Europe is the main goal of the 26 members of the Asia-Europe Meeting, or ASEM — the European Commission, the 15 nations of the European Union, and 10 Asian nations, including Japan and China.

But the plunges on Southeast Asia's currency and stock markets that stock during the summer, although not on the official agenda, are likely to overshadow some of the discussions.

Japan, which stands to lose on its own investments in the region if other investors in Asia and Europe pull out of Southeast Asia and prolong the crisis,

took an optimistic stance and urged further investment.

There's still high potential for medium- to long-term growth in Asia and I expect the ASEM conference to send a bright message to the world," Japanese Trade Minister Mitsuo Horiuchi said in a separate meeting with Thailand's Commerce Minister Narongchai Akrasane, one of the ministers at the ASEM meeting.

Thailand has been hit particularly hard by the currency plunge. Narongchai asked for help from Japan in promoting tourism, helping regional development in Thailand and purchasing Thai real estate.

The tumble in Southeast Asian currencies began in Thailand in July, when its currency, the baht, fell 30 per cent in value against the US dollar. The crisis spread to the rest of the region, including Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines, shattering expectations of a

lasting Asian economic boom.

Japan, as a major investor and financier in Southeast Asia, is likely to be hurt by Japan, any lingering instability in the region at a time when its own economy has been ailing from slower growth.

Other topics at the two-day ASEM meeting include increasing cooperation between government and the business sector, as well as exchanging views on customs procedures and environmental issues, officials said. Issues related to the World Trade Organization will also be discussed.

European Union officials have said that they will press for a world deal on liberalizing financial services. The Commission, represented by trade chief Leon Brittan, also will call for a plan to boost investment between Europe and Asia, including reducing nontariff barriers and improving customs procedures.

Brittan said in Brussels on Friday that the Commission believes that the fluctuations on Asian markets should not be linked with easing market regulations.

"On the contrary, open financial markets will bring the kind of financial stability that will encourage investors to return to, and stay in, Asia's financial markets," the Commission said.

The meeting in Chiba, east of Tokyo, is the first among ASEM economic ministers. The first summit-level ASEM meeting was held last year in Bangkok, Thailand, with the second summit planned for next year in London.

The finance ministers of ASEM members met in Bangkok earlier this month, where they agreed to cooperate more on money-laundering, customs and information-sharing.

Singer branch
in Kurigram

Singer Bangladesh Limited has opened a showroom-cum-sales centre at Dada More in Kurigram recently, says a press release.

This brings the total number of centres so far opened throughout the country to 63.

The Deputy Commissioner of Kurigram opened the centre. Singer is committed to offer quality products through its exclusive chain of retail stores located throughout the country, the press release added.

Sales Manager and Executives of Singer Bangladesh Limited were present on the occasion.

After the inaugural ceremony, formal selling of Singer products started with Fashionmaker Discmatic, colour television, refrigerator, fan, water filtration system & steam iron.



A new showroom-cum-sales centre of Singer opens.

KL for financial
help in combating
currency crisis

UNITED NATIONS, Sept 27: Malaysia's foreign minister has urged the World Bank and other international financial institutions to help Southeast Asia cope with the effects of the stock market and currency crisis, reports AP.

Foreign Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi blamed the steep declines in Southeast Asian currency and stock markets on "manipulators" who "driven by sheer greed took advantage of the vulnerabilities of developing economies."

"In an interdependent world, the currency crisis in Southeast Asia warrants the prompt action of the multilateral financial institutions such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund... which should assist the affected economies of East Asia in overcoming the effects of this excessive manipulation and preventing its recurrence," Abdullah told the UN General Assembly on Friday.

He said prompt and effective action would "maintain the continued commitment and confidence of developing countries" on the advantage of free trade "on which so much of international free trade depends."

The currency crisis, which began with the collapse of the Thai baht, drew considerable attention during the just-concluded annual meeting of the IMF and the World Bank in Hong Kong.

El Nino — a major threat
to crops: FAO

BANGKOK, Sept 27: The El Nino climate phenomenon will cause chaos in many South East Asian countries in 1997 and 1998, the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) reported here, says AFP.

The current El Nino, which began in March, is regarded by experts as among "the most severe this century," affecting numerous countries in the region; the FAO Asia-Pacific office said in a statement released here Friday.

"It is most likely that the current drought situation in Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines and Thailand can be traced back to the El Nino phenomenon," it said.

El Nino is an abnormal warming of sea-surface temperatures in the Pacific Ocean which occurs every two to seven years, causing major climatic changes around the world.

The worst impact in Asia was likely to be felt over the next few months, the statement said.

In August, the monsoon remained active in Bangladesh with near-to above-normal rainfall.

However, floods during the month caused by heavy rains, in south eastern parts of the country, left over 100,000 people homeless.

Earlier floods in July killed

around 100 people, made several thousand homeless and damaged crops and property.

As a result of favourable cereal production last year, the overall food supply situation is considered to be satisfactory. As at the end of August 1997, government held stocks were estimated at 919,000 tons of cereals, including 472,000 tons of wheat and 447,000 tons of rice.

Dry conditions in Indonesia had "exacerbated" forest fires — the cause of thick smog engulfing much of southeast Asia — and would affect production from some 300,000 hectares (740,000 acres) of rice fields, the FAO said.

Indonesia's worst drought in half a century was expected to continue into 1998, particularly in southern Sumatra and Kalimantan, Borneo, Java and eastern parts of the country, the FAO said.

In Papua New Guinea, which is also suffering its worst drought in 50 years, between 700,000 and one million people have been hit by extreme weather conditions and faced food shortages.

The hardest hit areas were southern and western highland provinces. A large number of highland villagers were reported to be deserting fleeing the drought and bushfires it had caused, the FAO said.

The UN agency reported that

serious drought in the Pacific state would continue until January and possibly March next year, and that up to 50 per cent of the nation's coffee crop, a key export, could be wiped out.

Meanwhile, the northern Philippines had suffered below-normal rainfall since May, affecting major rice and maize growing areas, the FAO said.

Current official projections were that national maize output would drop from 3.92 million tons in 1997-98, compared with 4.22 million tons in the previous marketing year.

In mid-September, the national food authority was authorised to import 300,000 tons of maize to mitigate the impact of a possible shortage, the statement added.

Thailand, one of the world's leading rice exporters, had also suffered from lack of rain from April to July, leading to a lower expectations of rice and maize production for 1997-98.

The government now forecast output at 17.64 million tons of rice and 4.15 million tons of maize, compared with June projections of 18.18 million tons and 4.52 tons respectively, the FAO reported.

Heavy rainfall in recent weeks had improved prospects for rice, but had affected Thai rubber, palm oil and shrimp production, the agency noted.

Directorate General Defence Purchase
Ministry of Defence, New Airport Road
Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215

Tender Notice

1. Sealed tenders in foreign currency are invited from bonafide manufacturers/dealers/indentors (not necessarily enlisted with this Directorate General) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Navy:

| Sl. No. | Description of Stores & Qty | Tender selling date upto | Tender opening date |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| a. | Portable Diesel Pump Qty — 33 in Nos | 27 Oct '97 | 28 Oct '97 |
| b. | General Service Pump Qty — 06 in Nos | | |

2. The tender schedule with detailed specification will be available at given rate (not refundable) on any working day between 0800 hours to 1200 hours. The tender will be opened at 1000 hours on the abovementioned date in presence of the present tenderers.

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Lt Cdr BN
for Director General

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer
Public Works E/M Division-8, Mirpur, Dhaka

Tender Invitation Notice
No 1E: 15/97-98

Tenders on item rate quoted basis in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are invited from Public Works Directorate enlisted special first class/first class electrical/mechanical contractor firms/lift manufacturers/local agents of lift manufacturers having experience of supply, installation, commissioning of at least one six-passenger capacity lift under a single work order at govt/semi-govt/autonomous/private organisation/building with minimum 1 (one) year smooth execution of repair & maintenance of any lift during the past 5 (five) years and possessing VAT registration, for the undermentioned work.

| Sl No | Name of work | Estimated cost | Amount of earnest money | Prescribed time limit for completion of work |
|-------|---|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 1) | Construction work of 100 nos 1800 sqft flats for senior govt officers at different places of Dhaka city (Sub-Head : Supply, installation with related work of one 8 (eight) passenger 6(six) stop lift) House No CWN(B)-30, Road No-117, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka. | At the quoted price | At 2% of the total quoted price | 9 (nine) months. |
| 2) | -do -do -do -do (Sub-Head : -do -do -do -do) House No CWN(B)-4, Road No 36, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka. | At the quoted price | At 2% of the total quoted price | 9 (nine) months. |
| 3) | -do -do -do -do (Sub-Head : -do -do -do -do) House No CE(E) 22, Road No 112, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka. | At the quoted price | At 2% of the total quoted price | 9 (nine) months. |
| 4) | -do -do -do -do (Sub-Head : -do -do -do -do) House No NW(B)-7, Road No 74, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka. | At the quoted price | At 2% of the total quoted price | 9 (nine) months. |

Tender can be submitted in the tender box kept at the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, 1st 12-storied building (2nd floor), Segunbagicha, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, Public Works Eden Building Division/Mechanical Workshop Division/Office of the Executive Engineer (Staff Officer) of Timber Workshop Division, Dhaka Public Works Zone/Office of Public Works E/M Division No 12/3/4/5/6/7/8, Dhaka up to 12-00 Noon of 20-10-97/5-7-1404 BS and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM before the interested tenderers participating in the tender or their authorised representatives.

Intending firms with prescribed experience shall have to obtain written permission to purchase tender by application in the prescribed form (Form 'A' & Form 'B' available free of cost from this office) with experience certificate from the authority concerned, VAT registration certificate, agency certificate/enlistment register etc (as & where applicable) to the Additional Chief Engineer (E/M), Public Works Directorate, Dhaka through this Division at least 5 (five) days prior to the last date of selling tender. Only the permitted firms can purchase the tender form on payment of Tk. 775/- (seven hundred seventy-five) only (non-refundable) from the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, 1st 12-storied (2nd floor), Segunbagicha, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, Public Works Eden Building Division/Mechanical Workshop Division/Timber Workshop Division, Public Works Sub-Division-5 under Dhaka Public Works Division-4 as well as Public Works E/M Division-12/3/4/5/6/7/8, Dhaka during office hours latest up to 19-10-97/4-7-1404BS.

Earnest money at the rate 2% (two per cent) of the total quoted value should be deposited with the tender in the form of BD/CD/PO/SDR from any scheduled bank approved by Bangladesh Bank in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works E/M Division-8, Dhaka.

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

Executive Engineer
Public Works E/M Division-8
Mirpur, Dhaka

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Indian rupee continues
to harden against dollar

BOMBAY, Sept 27: The Indian rupee continued to harden against the dollar for the second successive week despite half-hearted attempts by the central Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to support the currency, dealers said yesterday, reports AFP.

The rupee closed Friday at 36.19 to the dollar, marginally up from Thursday's close of 36.20.

Dealer Mridul Gokhale, at the Foreign Exchange and Travel House Thomas Cook, said the market was "flush with dollars," with few buyers around.

He said the RBI bought a "small amount of dollars" when the rupee had strengthened to 36.18, temporarily pushing the rupee down to 36.23.

"RBI intervention was very feeble," said Gokhale, who said she was surprised at the continued strength of the rupee.

There is hardly any demand from importers, while exporters are bringing in the dollars, fearing the rupee would get stronger," she said.

Gokhale expected imported demand for dollars to begin in a few days. Analysts said the rupee was expected to go down to 37 against the dollar by December, on the back of rising imports and New Delhi's need to boost Indian exports.

The rupee had remained stable at 35.70 to a dollar for more than a year until last month, despite the dollar's strength against other world currencies, when fears over a possible devaluation led to two weeks of falls which saw the dollar gain 2.5 per cent against the Indian currency.

The rate fell to 36.73 before a gradual recovery set in a fortnight ago after New Delhi said the central bank would intervene to curb speculation.

R&H Tender Invitation
Notice

- 1) Tender Notice No : 07/R&H, FD, Khulna/97-98.
- 2) Name of work : Supply and assembling of necessary goods for repairing site, deck, bottom etc of Pontoon No-P.O-004 of Morrelganj ferry ghat under R&H, Ferry Division, Khulna during 1997-98 financial year.
- 3) Estimated cost : Tk 3,94,788/=
- 4) Earnest money : Tk 7,896/=
- 5) Time limit for completion of work : 45 (forty-five) days from the date of issuing work order.
- 6) Eligibility of contractor : 'A' to 'E' general class (R&H), Directorate enlisted contractors. (As per financial & zonal ability). Superintending Engineer, R&H, Ferry Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Boyra, Khulna/Executive Engineer, R&H, Ferry Division, Khulna/ Barisal/Equipment Control Division, Sarak Bhaban, Boyra, Khulna.
- 7) Tender to be had at : Executive Engineer, R&H, Ferry Division, Khulna/Barisal/Equipment Control Division, Khulna/Sub-Divisional Engineer, R&H, Ferry Sub-Division, Khulna.
- 8) Last date of selling : 08-10-97/23-06-1404 BS.
- 9) Last date & time of receiving tender : 09-10-97/24-06-1404 BS up to 12:00 Noon.
- 10) Date & time of opening tender box : 09-10-97/24-06-1404 BS at 12:15 PM.
- 11) Date & time of opening tender : 13-10-97/28-06-1404BS at 11:00 AM.
- 12) Price of schedule : Each set Tk 500/=(five hundred) only and each Form No-2911 Tk 25/=(twenty-five) only.
- 13) Date of lottery (if applicable) : 13-10-97/28-06-1404BS at 01:00 pm at this office.

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Md. Ashrafur Islam
Executive Engineer, R&H, Mechanical
Ferry Division, Shiromoni, Khulna.

Notice of RHD Inviting
Tender

- 1) Tender Notice No : 19 BRD of 1997-98.
- 2) Name of work : Repairing and seal coat work at 1st KM and 2nd KM (Part) of Jhalakathi-Nabagram-Gava-Eksharapara Road under Road Division, Barisal during 1997-98. (Ch. to : 266-C/A).
- 3) Estimated amount : Tk 8,51,785/00
- 4) Earnest money : Tk 17,036/=
- 5) Time allowed : 25 (Twenty-five) days.
- 6) Eligibility of contractor : 'A' to 'C' class enlisted contractor under general category of the Roads & Highways Department and 'D' class enlisted contractor under general category of Barisal Road Circle, Barisal.
- 7) Name of office where tender document will be available : Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Pirojpur/Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Barisal/Jhalakathi/1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Barisal during office hours. No tender form will be sold on the opening date of tender.
- 8) Last date of selling of tender : Up to 5-00 PM on 4-7-1404B/19-10-97E.
- 9) Name of office where tender bids will be received in sealed cover : Additional Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal Zone, Barisal/ Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Barisal/ Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/ Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Patuakhali/Bhola/Pirojpur.
- 10) Last date & time of receiving tender : Up to 12-30 PM on 5-7-1404B/20-10-97E.
- 11) Date & time of recording tender bids in sealed cover : At 12-45 PM on 5-7-1404B/20-10-97E.
- 12) Date, time & name of office where tender will be opened : At 11-00 AM on 8-7-1404B/23-10-97E office of the Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal.
- 13) Lottery date & time : At 11-00 AM on 11-7-1404B/26-10-97E.

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Executive Engineer, RHD (CC)
Barisal Road Division



Directorate General Defence Purchase

Ministry of Defence, New Airport Road
Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215

Tender Notice

1. Sealed tenders in local and foreign currency are invited from bonafide manufacturers/ suppliers/ dealers/indentors (not necessarily enlisted with DGDP) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Air Force:

| Sl. No. | Description of items | Selling date | Opening date | Currency |
|---------|--|---------------------|--------------|----------------|
| a) | 16 MM x 50' Plus Negative Film RP-7206. Qty : 300 Roll | 30-9-97 to 22-10-97 | 23-10-97 | Local/ Foreign |
| b) | Polaroid Film Type-669 Or Substitute Size : 8.5x10.8CM Qty : 200 PKT | " | " | " |

2. Tender schedule with detailed specifications will be available on payment in respective value (non-refundable) on any working days between 0800 hrs to 1200 hrs. The tender will be opened on the specified date at 1000 hrs in presence of the bidders (if present).

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Wing Commander
for Director General