

**News snaps**

**Donation for truck accident victims**

RAZIBPUR (Kurigram), Oct 27: Food and Agriculture Minister Begum Matia Chowdhury has distributed Tk 2,000 as donation to each family of the 16 victims of a truck accident occurred at Stripur on Dhaka-Mymensingh road on October 20, reports UNB.

While handing over the money at a function at the thana headquarters on Sunday, she announced that such victims will be provided with VGD (vulnerable group feeding) cards and houses under the Ashrayan Programme.

**One Commits suicide**

THAKURGAON, Oct 27: Md Bablu, 19, of Kalbari, Thakurgaon town committed suicide by hanging himself with the ceiling fan inside a room at dead of night recently, reports BSS.

The reason of suicide was not known.

Police brought the body at the police station and sent to morgue for autopsy. After autopsy the body was handed over to his relatives. An UD case has been recorded with Thakurgaon Police Station in this connection.

**Tk 12 cr Jamaddar Bazar dev project**

CHHAGALNAYA, Oct 27: Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) has proposed a Taka 12-crore project for the development of Jamaddar Bazar in the thana headquarters, reports BSS.

According to a LGED officials here, the development work would start after the approval of the proposal by higher authorities. The proposed Jamaddar Bazar Project includes reconstruction of fish market-shed, improvement of drainage system, roads inside the market, construction of sanitary latrines, slaughter house, garbage pit and rehabilitation of rootless hawkers. Official sources said, OPEC will fund the development work.

**Arms, ammunition recovered: 10 held**

NARAYANGANJ, Oct 27: Narayanganj police recovered some arms and ammunition and arrested 10 armed persons from a Chinese restaurant at BB Road diamond square on Saturday midnight, reports BSS.

According to police sources, acting on a tip-off, a contingent of police led by Officer-in-Charge of Narayanganj Police Station raided the restaurant at 12 mid night and recovered one foreign made revolver, two pistols and 12 rounds of ammunitions from the possession of Ahmad, 25, Sanowar, 30 and Alamgir 28. Their seven other accomplices who were there also rounded up, said.

**7 hurt as dacoits open fire on villagers**

RANGPUR, Oct 27: Seven people were injured, four seriously, when armed dacoits opened fire at villagers in Taraganj thana early Sunday, reports UNB.

Police said the bandits, numbering about 10, sprayed the villagers with bullets as they came up to resist them when they swooped on the house of one Manik Nath Paul at Kashiabari village at the dead of night.

Four of the injured — Nazrul Islam Mondal, 40, Obaidul Islam, 38, Mahbubur Rahman, 35, and Zillur Rahman, 30 — were rushed to Rangpur Medical College Hospital in critical condition while the rest to the thana health complex.

**Probe into attack on station master sought**

FENI, Oct 27: District Terrorism Resistance Committee on Sunday demanded probe into the alleged assault on the local Railway Station Master by the Deputy Commissioner of the district, reports UNB.

The Station Master was allegedly manhandled by the DC Noor Mohammad on Thursday. The committee in a special meeting expressed their anger over the incident and demanded punishment after necessary enquiry. Presided over by Convener of the committee and President of the district Bar Association Adv M Abul Kashem, the meeting also reviewed the law and order situation of the district.

**Steps taken to protect land from erosion**

SYLHET, Oct 27: Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak Thursday said the present government has strengthened the measures undertaken to protect lands from flooding and river erosion, reports UNB.

He was visiting the site of Gagan Project being implemented at a cost of Tk 2.83 crore by the Water Development Board.

**Bomb attack on villager**

COMILLA, Oct 27: Two people were killed in separate incidents in the district on Wednesday, police sources said, reports UNB.

Mahe Alam, 33, son of Abdul Khaleque was killed in a bomb attack near Illotganj High School in Daudkandi thana at 6.30 pm. According to police, an arbitration between the local leaders of Shabdulpur and Illotganj and police officials of Chandina and Daudkandi thanas was going on following the September 14 clash at Illotganj bazar between the two groups over establishing supremacy at the bazar. Suddenly some unidentified miscreants attack Khaleque and hurled bombs at him near the venue where the arbitration was going on. He died on the spot.

**Chudanga police line work progressing**

CHUADANGA, Oct 27: The construction work of the Chudanga district police line is now nearing completion, reports BSS.

According to an official source, the construction work of a three-storied police barrack with a capacity to accommodate 300 sepoys, a garage, a reserve office, a ration store, a medical investigation centre, a magazine house, some staff quarters, a parade ground, a drill shed and installation of a deep tubewell have been completed in the police line. At the final stage, now, the construction work of boundary walls, some new staff quarters and internal roads of the under construction police line is going on gradually which are expected to be completed by the current financial year.

**Ban on Panni's book demanded**

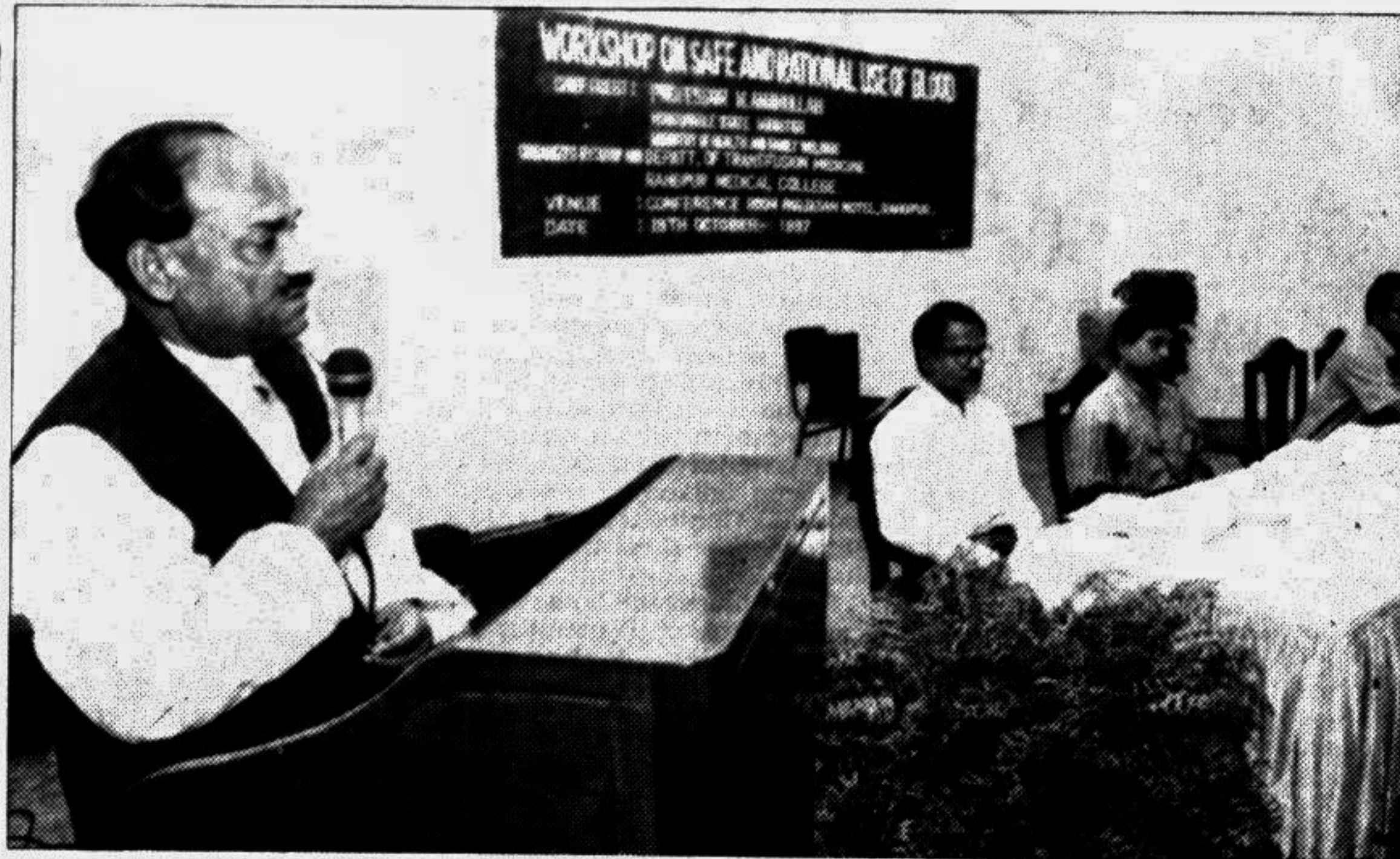
TANGAIL, Oct 27: Hundreds of Muslim devotees of the town after parading different roads held a rally on Sunday in front of the DC office demanding ban on the blasphemous book 'Ae Islam Islam-e Noi' written by Bayezid Khan Panni, reports UNB.

They demanded cancellation of the bail granted to the author by the court and called upon the authorities to give him exemplary punishment for hurting the religious sentiment of the Muslims. Imam of Tangail Jam-e-Mosque Moulana Azim Uddin, General Secretary of district Imam Society Hafiz Shamsul Haq, Korotia Jam-e-Mosque Imam Moulana Abul Hossain and Principal of Rokeya Senior Madrasa Moulana Mohammad Ibrahim addressed the meeting.

**Training for village doctors**

MANIKGANJ, Oct 27: A total of 363 village doctors were imparted training on 'emergency obstetrics' in the month of September in Manikganj district, reports BSS.

The training sponsored by the district health department was divided into 13 batches. The village doctors were selected from the seven thanas of the district. Qualified doctors conducted the training course.



RANGPUR: State Minister for Health Prof M Amanullah speaking at the opening function of one-day workshop on Safe and Rational Use of Blood jointly arranged recently by UNDP and Department of Transfusion, Medicine, Rangpur Medical College.

**Arsenic contamination detected in ground water of Rajoir, Jamalpur**

MADARIPUR, Oct 27: Panic gripped over the Rajoir thana of the district as arsenic contamination has been detected in ground water, reports UNB.

Local people informed that eight people, including five women, of Hridoy Nandi Adarsha village in the thana have been affected by arsenic contamination.

They are — Zarina Begum, 25, Mahfuza Begum, 30, Akram Hossain, 22, Helena Begum, 30, Sufia Begum, 30, Merukjan Bibi, 40, and Sheron Sheikh 25.

Condition of Mahfuza Begum is stated to be critical. Her hands and legs have been affected by something like gangrene.

Meanwhile, a local NGO sent blood samples of many people to a laboratory to test arsenic contamination.

People here alleged that Public Health Engineering Department did not take any step in this matter and even they did not come to the thana to see the condition of the affected people.

While contacted the Executive Engineer of the PHED told that he did not get any information about the arsenic contamination in Rajoir thana. But he did not rule out the possibility of arsenic contamination.

He also said arsenic contamination was detected in ground water after examining tubewell water from every unions in Sadar thana. But they could not identify the level of arsenic contamination in the water or to which extent it is injurious to human body due to shortage of necessary appliances and tools.

Meanwhile, people have been advised to use tubewell water for their household purpose after boiling properly.

Another report from Jamalpur says: Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) sealed all the tubewells of village Ijarapara in Sarisabari thana on Friday as at least 200 people have been affected by arsenic contamination, reports UNB.

The PHED sealed the tubewells on the basis of preliminary report and sent the samples to the higher authorities to detect the extent of contamination level.

Earlier, in the morning Deputy Commissioner Achyoto Padia Goswami and Additional District Magistrate Mosleh Uddin along with the PHED officials visited the village and asked the villagers not to use the water of the tubewells.

They also advised the vil-

lagers to use pond water for drinking and household purposes after boiling properly.

According to local PHED office, some 200 residents of 50 families of the village have been affected by contamination. Of them, 100 people have been badly suffering from various skin infections. The conditions of Abdur Rahman, 50, Dulal, 30, Kasem Ali, 32, Gopi, 25, Sajad, 18, Wab Ali 21, Zahera Khatun, 35, Habil, 22, Hanif, 10, Farhad, 10, Nilu Khan, 40, Morta Banu, 13, Haider, 15, Champa 27, and Anwar Hossain, 50, were stated to be critical.

Meanwhile, the district administration asked the Civil Surgeon office to provide necessary treatment facilities to the affected people.

While contacted the villagers told that some of them had first

noticed skin problems, like black spots in their body and infection in palms of both their hands and legs two years back.

Since then most of the villagers were victimised by arsenic contamination as none could detect the actual reason behind the skin problems through some of them went to the doctors on many occasions.

Only on Thursday when 8-10 people of village Ijarapara went to Sarisabari Thana Health Complex with skin infections in their bodies, the doctors could detect the arsenic contamination.

On the same day, the hospital doctors informed the matter to TNO Sontosh Ranjan Talukder, who along with an engineer of local PHED, visited the village instantly and confirmed about the arsenic contamination in tubewell water.

**Barisal BM College hostel ransacked**

From Staff Correspondent BARISAL, Oct 27: A group of armed youths stormed BM University College hostel and ransacked some rooms in the early hours of Saturday.

During the incident huge bombs were exploded. Agitating students later damaged the principal's quarter, teachers' club and the administrative office of the college.

Students residing in the hostel brought out a procession protesting terrorism in the hostel.

Police lobbed tear gas shells and resorted to lathi charge. Agitating students also pelted stones at police during the clash. The women's hostel of the college was also damaged.

Mentionable, BM University College students union election is going to be held on November 2, according to a decision of the college authority. Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) is not participating the election. Chhatra Shibir, Chhatra Samaj, Chhatra Oikya Parishad and Bangladesh (BCL) are participating in the election.

**Mirzapur thana BCL council held**

By Staff Correspondent

Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) Mirzapur thana unit in Tangal district was held its 1997 council on October 19 at Mirzapur, says a press release.

Assistant General Secretary of Chhatra League central committee Saleh Uddin and President of Dhaka University unit Munir Ahmed Lenin were present among others. Also spoke on the occasion were Shamim Ahsan Chowdhury, Golam Mushfiq Ishtiaq and Shapla Barua.

The convention urged the government to formulate a pro-people education policy in the light of 10-point demand placed by the students earlier.

**Office of the Executive Engineer**

Jaldhaka Water Dev Division  
BWDB, Dalia, Nilphamari

**Notice Inviting Tender**

1. Tender Notice No : 05/1997-98.
2. Name of work : Supply & installation of Mobile/Fixed Transceiver Base Station to work with Portable VHF Walkie-Talkie sets within Range of 25 KM of Motoralla, USA with all ancillary items & parts etc complete including Testing & Commissioning the same during the year 1997-98.
3. Earnest money : 2.50% of total of the quoted amount.
4. Eligibility of supplier : Bonafide suppliers/manufacturers.
5. Place where the tender documents can be purchased : The Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi/Rupali Bank Ltd, Dalia Branch, Dalia, Nilphamari/Rupali Bank Ltd, Rly Crossing Branch, Rangpur/Rupali Bank Ltd, Nilphamari Branch, Nilphamari/Sonali Bank, WAPDA Branch, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka up to 11-11-97 Eng/27-7-1404Bang during office/banking hours.
6. Date, time & place for receiving & opening tender : a) Receiving date: 10-11-97 Eng/11-11-97 Eng during office hours and 12-11-97 Eng up to 12-00 Noon.  
b) Place : In the office of the Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi/Superintending Engineer, Dhaka O&M Circle, Rupali Sadan, 156/157, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, Quality Control Division, BWDB, Rangpur/Executive Engineer, Jaldhaka WD Division, BWDB, Dalia, Nilphamari/Executive Engineer, Nilphamari WD Division, BWDB, Nilphamari.
7. Address of the advertiser : Executive Engineer, Jaldhaka Water Dev Division, BWDB, Dalia, Nilphamari.

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Executive Engineer  
Jaldhaka Water Dev Division  
BWDB, Dalia, Nilphamari.

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**

Directorate of Archaeology  
Office of the Regional Director  
Chittagong Division, Salban Vihar  
Kotbari, Comilla

**Tender Notice**

No. 97/1

Tenders under sealed cover subject to terms & conditions mentioned in the respective schedule are hereby invited from Public Works Directorate, Govt Office & Semi-govt organisation enlisted 1st class contractors/supplying/trading firms for executing the undermentioned Civil Works & supplying materials of repair works. Persons/firms earlier black listed for works of the Directorate of Archaeology will be treated invalid to apply for this tender. Tenders will be received at the office mentioned against work up to 12:00 Noon of 12-11-97 and the tenders received at the respective offices will be opened on the same day at 12:45 hours before the tenderers (if any) present. Rate for civil work should be quoted in percentage in figures & words. Earnest money at the rate 2% of the quoted rate should be deposited with the tender through Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of Regional Director, Directorate of Archaeology, Comilla. In case any tenderer submits tender at more than 5% (five per cent) below or above, the tender will be rejected outright. Tender schedule containing terms & conditions of tender can be purchased subject to prior permission of the authority from the office mentioned against work against cash payment of prescribed price per set (non-refundable) on written application in own pad with passport size photograph & sample signature and production of original certificate up to 5:00 PM of 10-11-97. The right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason will be reserved with the Authority. Detailed specification and other terms & conditions can be known from the office of the undersigned during office hours. Income tax & VAT etc. will be realised from the bill as per gov. rules. Terms & conditions: Attested copy of enlistment certificate (of current year) of contractor/supplying/trading firm, attested copy of experience certificate on the related work mentioned in the tender (in the past two years), attested copy Income Tax Clearance Certificate (of last year), VAT Payment Certificate, copy of Bank Certificate on deposit equivalent to the value of work should be attached with the application. Separate Pay Order/Bank Draft should be deposited for each work. Besides, all terms & conditions stated in the related schedule should be treated as unavoidable as terms & conditions of this notice. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.

Group No.	Name of work	Place of selling/receiving & opening of tender	Site of executing work/supplying materials	Price of schedule	Time limit for executing work/supplying materials	Eligibility of contractor
1	Civil work					
1.	Construction of boundary wall at Mainamati Museum area.	1. Regional Director's office, Kotbari, Comilla. 2. Director's office 22/1, Block 'B', Babar Road, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207	At Mainamati Museum area	Tk 1,000/=	30 days	Public works 1st class
2.	Construction of Spectatorium at Mainamati Museum area.	1. Regional Director's office, Kotbari, Comilla 2. Director's office 22/1, Block 'B', Babar Road, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207	-Do-	Tk 400/=	30 days	-Do-
3.	Construction of garage.	1. Regional Director's office, Kotbari, Comilla	-Do-	Tk 50/=	10 days	Public works 2nd & 3rd class

**Supply of materials for repair works**

4.	Supply of materials for repair of Sarshadi ancient mosque of Feni district.	1. Regional Director's office, Kotbari, Comilla 2. Director's office 22/1, Block 'B', Babar Road, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207	Sarshadi mosque premises	Tk 300/=	15 days	Govt & semi-govt organisation enlisted 1st class
5.	Supply of materials for repair of Mohammad Ali Mosque of Feni district.	-Do-	Mohammad Ali mosque premises	Tk 300/=	15 days	-Do-
6.	Supply of materials for repair of Bariara ancient bridge of Brahmanbaria district.	-Do-	Bariara ancient bridge premises	Tk 300/=	15 days	-Do-
7.	Supply of materials for repair of Kotila Mura at Mainamati.	-Do-	Kotila Mura premises (Cantonment area)	Tk 100/=	15 days	-Do-
8.	Work of servicing and supply & fixing spare parts of jeep Comilla-Ka-7269 of Chittagong Divisional Regional Director's office.	-Do-	Regional Director's Office, Kotbari, Comilla	Tk 50/=	15 days	Legal owner of garage/workshop
9.	Purchase of photographic goods of Regional Director's office.	-Do-	-Do-	Tk 100/=	15 days	General trader

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**Government of Bangladesh**

Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD  
Road Division, Patuakhali

**Notice Inviting Tender with Sealed Cover on Bangladesh Form No 2911**

Tender No PRD 37/1997-98

Gr No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Eligibility of contractors of RHD	Time allowed from the date of work order	Last date & time of dropping tenders (with sealed cover)	Date and time of fixing up the tenders (with sealed cover)	Date and time of opening the tenders	Date and time of lottery (if applicable)	Name of offices from where the tender documents will be available	The officers who will receive the tender (with sealed cover)
1 (one)	Construction of flexible pavement at 25th & 28th KM of Arsal-Khagupara-Kusata Road under Patuakhali Road Division during the year 1997-98	Tk 36,50,260/=	Tk 73,125/=	'A' to 'C' (General) category	50 days	10-11-97/ 26-7-1404 up to 12:30 PM	10-11-97/ 26-7-1404 at 12:45 PM	16-11-97/ 2-8-1404 at 11:00 AM	19-11-97/ 5-8-1404 at 12:30 PM	Commissioner, Barisal Division, Barisal/ Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Barisal/Peripur/Planning Division, Dhaka, the undersigned and all Sub-Divisional Engineers, RHD, Road Division, Patuakhali during office hours on all working days up to 9-11-97.	1. Additional Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisal Zone, Barisal. 2. Commissioner, Barisal Division, Barisal. 3. Superintending Engineer, RHD, Barisal Circle, Barisal. 4. Superintending Engineer, RHD, Monitoring & Evaluation Circle (Road & Bridge), Dhaka. 5. The Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Barisal/Barisal/Peripur Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Barugana and 6. The undersigned
2 (Two)	Construction of flexible pavement at 5th KM (P) and 15th KM (P) of Nalotia-Madarhat-Khagupara Road under Patuakhali Road Division during the year 1997-98	Tk 21,40,563/=	Tk 42,811/=	'A' to 'D' (General) category	40 days	-Do-	-Do-	-Do-	-Do-	-Do-	-Do-

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