

# News snaps

## Science fair in Noakhali

NOAKHALI, Mar 4: A three-day science fair to mark the 21st National Science and Technology Week was held last week in Noakhali Zila School auditorium here, reports BSS.

Deputy Commissioner, Noakhali KM Abul Kalam inaugurated the fair. A discussion meeting on the role of science and technology in alleviation of poverty was also held on the occasion. Fifteen stalls were set up in the fair exhibiting various science projects.

## Fallow land to be brought under cultivation

RANGAMATI, Mar 4: Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) has undertaken a long-term plan to bring about 4,500 acres of fallow land under cultivation at a cost of Taka eight crore to grow more food in Baghaichhari thana of the district, reports BSS.

Officials told that the project to be implemented during the fiscal 1998-99 included construction of flood control dam, road, excavation of canals, installation of sluice gates and power pumps as well as planting of trees on dam and road sides at Lotbon Beel in Baghaichhari thana. On implementation of the project, approximately more 4,300 tonnes of paddy will be produced in Baghaichhari, the largest thana of the district, the officials said.

## Discussion on bardic literature

NETRAKONA, Mar 4: A discussion-meeting on "bardic literature in Netrakona" was held here at Netrakona Press Club on February 27 under the auspices of Netrakona Prahyasha Sahitya Gosthi, reports BSS.

Eminent poet Rafique Azad attended the discussion as the chief guest while octogenarian lawyer Durges Chandra Patranabish was in the chair. The meeting was addressed, among others, by journalist of daily Janakantha of Dhaka Nasir Ahmed, writer of "Netrakona Zilar Muktyoddher Itihas", Golam Ershadur Rahman, Prof Nani Gopal Sarker and Prof Matindra Chandra Sarker. The meeting was followed by a musical soiree.

## Procession against road accidents

KISHOREGANJ, Mar 4: A procession against occurrence of road accident by trucks and buses was held at sadar thana in Kishoreganj on February 24, reports BSS.

School students of sadar thana brought out the procession. About 1500 students from various schools of sadar thana took part in the procession. They demanded proper trial and immediate punishment to the persons responsible for the accident. They also submitted a 'sharak lipi' to ADM Subhash Chandra Sarkar.

## Rajshahi TV centre's work progressing

RAJSHAHI, Mar 4: The infrastructural work of Rajshahi Television Centre at Kazihatia of the city will be completed by June next, reports BSS.

An official source told that the centre was being constructed on three acres of land at a cost of over Taka four crore. Public Works Department has already completed the work on relay and sub-station buildings and police barrack. The foundation work of tower of the centre will be undertaken soon at a cost of over Taka 85 lakh, the source added.

## Young man shot dead

RANGPUR, Mar 4: A young man was shot dead by unidentified assailants at village Kirshnanagar in Mithapukur thana of the district on Thursday, reports UNB.

The victim, identified as Mokhsedul Alam, 22, foster son of former UP chairman Abdul Ghani died on the spot when the gunmen shot at from point blank range at about 9 pm. He was returning home riding a bicycle. A case was lodged with the police.

## Man killed in road accident

JHENIDAH, Mar 4: A man was killed and seven others were injured in a road accident Sunday night at Landia in Sadar thana here on Jhenidah-Jessore road, reports UNB.

The victim was identified as Nasruddin, 25, of village Landia. Police and witnesses said the accident occurred when a passenger tempo bound for Jessore collided head-on with a truck. All the eight passengers on board the tempo sustained injuries and were admitted to Jhenidah Modern Hospital. The victim, Nasir succumbed to his injuries at the hospital. A case was filed with the police.

## Young man commits suicide

SATKHIRA, Mar 4: A young man allegedly committed suicide by taking poison at his home in village Fulbari of Sadar thana here on Monday, reports UNB.

Police and family sources said Anwarul, 25, son of Elahi Bokhs, took pesticides in the morning as his wife refused to come back from her father's home. The body was sent to hospital for autopsy.

## 4 teens get life-term for murder

From Our Correspondent

FARIDPUR, Mar 4: Additional District and Sessions Judge in a judgement on March 3 convicted four teenagers on charge of murder and sentenced them to life term rigorous imprisonment (RI) and to pay a fine of Taka five thousand each, in default, to suffer RI for another six months.

The convicts are Abul Basher Mridha, Maniruzzaman Shuva, Jahangir Hossain and Mokarram.

The prosecution story in brief, is that in the evening of August 6, 1996, Abul Basher along with other three convicts killed Golam Mohammad, the only son of Anwar Hossain Sikder of village Khalashi Dangi under Charbhadrason thana. His dead body was found in a sugarcane field the next morning.

Anwar Hossain Sikder, father of the deceased lodged a case with Charbhadrason thana and on investigation police submitted charge sheet. The judge awarded the aforesaid punishment recently.

## Children's convention

From Our Correspondent

BRAHMANBARIA, Mar 4: A day-long children's convention was held here on February 28. The convention was aimed at promoting children's rights.

Save the Children (USA) organised it. Over 500 children of different villages of Nasiragar thana, a working area of Save the Children (USA) participated in the convention. The programme started with a children's rally which marched down the town streets with children carrying different posters conveying Child Rights messages. The rally converged into the convention venue at the Industrial School compound where they raised issues of their rights.

Helen Gallagher, Field Office Director of Save the Children (USA) and Rezaul Haque, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Brahmanbaria were present.

The children also conducted a signature campaign seeking support for Child Rights. A cultural show conducted and staged by children performed songs, drama and puppet show for the audience.

## Science fair concludes

From Our Correspondent

TANGAIL, Mar 4: A Science fair concluded recently at Government Maulana Mohammad Ali College, Kagmari in the district.

Noted educationist Principal AKM Abdullah was the chief guest in the concluding function. Additional Magistrate, Tangail Md Ashraful Mokbul presided over it. Aminul Islam Mia, Secretary of the celebration committee submitted a short report in the concluding function.

# Fund shortage hampering research work at RU

From RU Correspondent

RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY, Mar 4: Research works of Rajshahi University are being hampered seriously due to financial constraint.

Vice-chancellor Prof Abdul Khaleque disclosed this while talking to The Daily Star recently at his official residence. Prof Khaleque said, prices of scientific equipments are getting higher day by day, but budget allocation has not increased proportionately. We get only 50 per cent money of our proposed budget from University Grants Commission (UGC) every year, the VC lamented. Owing to financial constraints we do not recruit fresh teachers, even we can't hold our cultural activities, VC said.

He said, young talented teachers have been leaving the university for lack of proper research facilities.

Regarding the development programme, the VC said an amount of Tk 39 crore have been allocated for development programme of university under current 5th Five Year Plan (1998-2002). Under this plan a new residential hall, named Bangabandhu Hall, a Teacher-Student Cultural Centre (TSCE) and a faculty building will be constructed, according to him.

About returning unspent money to UGC which was allocated for purchasing books for

university central library, the VC said books could not be purchased due to some procedural problems since last 7-8 year. He, however, assured unspent money amounting over one crore taka will be spent on connecting "Internet" with central library and purchasing books by spot quotation.

About his immediate plan the VC said, the authority is planning to hold a convocation for PhD and M Phil Degree holders.

On holding RUCSU and hall union polls, the VC replied in the negative. General students are dead against RUCSU polls, he added.



AGRI-VARSITY (Mymensingh): Prof Dr Muhammad Hussain, Vice-Chancellor, Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) distributing RTC crests and certificates among the participants on the concluding day of a week long Rotaractors Training Camp (RTC) held under the auspices of BAU Rotaractors Club and Graduate Training Institute at BAUEC building.

## 3-hour road barricade in Sylhet Illegal toll collectors clash with transport workers

From Staff Correspondent

SYLHET, Mar 4: Playing of all modes of transport vehicles remained suspended for about three hours as the transport workers put barricade on the Shahjalal bridge's approach road in Sylhet town on Tuesday after 21 vehicles were damaged by armed group of youngmen.

Sources informed, an influential quarter was demanding regular toll from the microbus and private car stand at Mendibag area for the last few weeks. But, the transport workers declined to pay the toll which resulted in Tuesday's incident.

A group of armed youngmen numbering 30 to 35 attacked the transport workers and badly damaged 21 vehicles. A case has

been started with the Kotwali thana accusing about 24 persons including Sajjadur Rahman Saju, Pourashava Commissioner as the main accused, police said.

It has been alleged in the case, the poura commissioner led the armed gang and swooped on the transport workers and damaged the aforesaid number of vehicles. Six persons including 4 transport workers sustained injuries. The transport workers then put a barricade on the approach road and it was cleared by police after three hours.

The administration has assured of taking punitive measures against the hoodlums within 12 hours.

## Leopard caught by tea garden workers

From Staff Correspondent

SYLHET, Mar 4: A leopard was caught from Lalmati Tila area of Kanaighat thana on Tuesday evening.

The workers of Lobkhahara Tea Estate trapped the hillock attached to the tea garden for the last few days.

They caught the tiger and informed the Thana Nirbahi Officer. The Forest Officials would collect the tiger, source said.

## 406 tubewells inoperative in Madaripur

MADARIPUR, Mar 4: A total of 406 tube-wells remained inoperative in four thanas of the district in absence of reinstallation work, reports UNB.

Official sources said the reinstallation work could not be started as the local people do not pay Tk 1,000 fixed by the government of the work.

The number of inoperative tube-wells may increase in the coming dry season, they apprehended.

The number of inoperative tube-wells are as follows: 149 in Kalkini, 110 at Shibchar, 75 at Rajoir and 72 at sadar.

Besides, 39 deep tube-wells in Kalkini and two each in Sadar and Shibchar thanas also remained out of order.

On the other hand, many tube-wells could not be used due to excessive level of arsenic in the ground level water.

Khulna Public Health Engineering Department detected 0.56 level of arsenic in a tube-well water of the town and 0.79 and 0.42 levels in waters of two tube-wells of Rajoir and Badarpasha respectively.

Local elite said many people are still taking the arsenic contaminated waters of tube-wells due to lack of awareness.

## Massive afforestation programme in CHT

Peace Treaty.

KHAGRACHHARI, Mar 4: Forest Department has undertaken a massive afforestation programme in the hill district for development of socio-economic condition of the local people, reports UNB.

According to official sources, Tk 460 crore will be spent to implement the seven-year project. Forest Department has already started to motivate the people.

It also said that the project has been under process for long but could not be implemented for want of proper initiatives.

Considering the importance of the project, the present government has taken initiatives after the restoration of stable and congenial atmosphere here with the signing of the CHT

Huge lands in Khagrachhari, Rangamati and Bandarban districts have been lying fallow for long. The department has taken up a decision to engage the local people in the afforestation programme on share basis on unclassified forests, fallow hills, private lands and government khas lands.

Officials also said development of socio-economic condition of the people, rehabilitation of landless and employment opportunity for jobless would be augmented with the successful implementation of the programme.

Besides, with this, the ecological balance would be maintained and fertility of lands increased, the sources added.

**Bangladesh Gas Fields Company Limited**  
(A Company of Petrobangla)  
PO Box No-8, Court Road  
Brahmanbaria

## Short Tender Notice

No. CD/HO/3(6) 98 Dated: 03-03-98

1. Bangladesh Gas Fields Co. Ltd. (BGFCL) hereby invites sealed tender in prescribed forms from the enlisted Contractors of Public Works Department (PWD)/Roads & Highways Department (RHD)/Public Health Engineering Department (PHED)/Housing & Settlement Directorate (H&SD)/Bangladesh Railway (BR)/Military Engineering Services (MES)/Rajdhani Unnayan Katiripakkha (RAJUK) and Petrobangla & its Companies for the following works:

Sl. No.	Name of the works	Estimated cost	Completion time	Cost of tender document (Non-refundable)	Minimum Qualification of Contractor
A	Repairing work of explosive store at Titas Location-3, Brahmanbaria (Re-tender).	Tk. 99,127/40	30 days	Tk. 250/00	3rd class

2. Intending firms may obtain tender schedule from the following offices from 08/03/98 to 15/03/98 during cash transaction hours on cash payment: Finance Department, Court Road, Brahmanbaria and Liaison Office, 97, Purana Paltan (Bijoyagar), Dhaka of Bangladesh Gas Fields Co. Ltd.

3. Tender shall be received in the Tender Box kept in Civil Engineering Department, Court Road, Brahmanbaria and Liaison Office, 97, Purana Paltan (Bijoyagar), Dhaka-1000 up to 11 AM on 16/03/98 and simultaneously be opened at 11.15 AM on the same day in presence of bidders, if any.

4. Tenderers must submit earnest money equivalent to 2.5% of their quoted amount along with tender. If the quoted amount is less than the estimate beyond 5%, the tender must accompany additional earnest money equivalent to 10% of the quoted amount and item-wise detail rate analysis for the work. The earnest money in favour of Bangladesh Gas Fields Co. Ltd., Brahmanbaria will be in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh.

5. Tender must also accompany the followings:

- Copy of work order of technically similar works completed in a single work order with own supply of materials in the last 5 (five) years amounting not less than estimated amount shown in the tender notice along with completion certificate issued by an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer.
  - Current Bank Solvency certificate telling that the firm is capable to invest 40% of the estimated cost of the work at a time for execution of the work.
  - Income Tax clearance certificate up to 1996-97 including Tax Identification Number (TIN), VAT registration certificate, up-to-date Trade licence & Enlistment certificates.
6. All the certificates to be submitted along with the tender must be in original or duly attested by a Gazetted Officer. Original certificates and papers must be produced on demand against the attested copies which will be returned after verification or any certificate(s) submitted along with the tender may be checked on direct contact with the issuing authority.
7. The authority reserves the right to accept any or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason without accepting any liability.

GD-169 Senior Manager (Civil Engineering)

**নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়**  
প্রকৌশল বিভাগ-অঞ্চল-৪  
ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন, ঢাকা

**আপনার পরিবেশ সুন্দর ও পরিষ্কার রাখুন**  
আপনার শিক্তকে টিকা দিন

**টেডার নোটিশ**

নিম্নে বর্ণিত কাজের জন্য ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের তালিকাজুক্ত সকল শ্রেণীর ঠিকাদারগণের নিকট হইতে বাংলাদেশ স্বাক্ষর নং ২৯১১তে সীলমোহরকৃত নামে টেন্ডার আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে। আগামী ২-১২-১৪০৪ বাৎসা, ১৬-৩-১৯৯৮ ইং তারিখে বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকার সময় বিভাগীয় কমিশনার, ঢাকা, জেলা প্রশাসক, ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল অঞ্চলের প্রকৌশল বিভাগ কর্তৃক টেন্ডার গ্রহণ করা হইবে। ঐ দিনই বেলা ১২-৩০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত টেন্ডারদাতা অথবা তাহাদের প্রতিনিধিগণের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে। শতকরা হারে দর অথক এবং কথায় উভয় লিখিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় দরপত্র বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের মেয়র মহোদয়ের অনুকূলে যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাকের ডাফট/পে-অর্ডার এর মাধ্যমে বায়নার টাকা হিসাবে টেন্ডারের সহিত জমা দিতে হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়-এর প্রকৌশল বিভাগ এবং হিসাব বিভাগের হিসাবরক্ষক (পোদার) এর নিকট প্রতিলিপিত মূল্যে বিনিময়ে করপোরেশনের চালান মারফত (অফেভতোযোগ্য) টেন্ডারের শর্তাবলি আর্থিক সিডিউল ইত্যাদি ক্রয় করা হইবে। দরপত্র শর্তাবলি এবং সিডিউল ক্রম-এর প্রাকালে প্রত্যেক ঠিকাদার বর্তমান আর্থিক বৎসর পর্যন্ত তাহাদের স্ব-স্ব ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের তালিকাজুক্ত মূল কাগজ পত্রাদির সত্যায়িত ফটোকপি জমা দিতে হইবে। যে সকল ঠিকাদার চলতি আর্থিক বৎসর পর্যন্ত ঠিকাদারী তালিকাজুক্ত নবায়ন করেন নাই তাহারা কোন দরপত্রে অংশগ্রহণ করিতে পারিবেন না। এতদসংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ অফিস চলাকালিন সময় ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের অঞ্চল-৪ এর নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তরে (বিলগণ ও তিলগণাগা) জানা যাইবে। কোন টেন্ডারদাতা দরপত্র ৫% এর অধিক উর্ধ্ব বা নিম্ন দর প্রদান করিলে টেন্ডার বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য করা হইবে। সর্বনিম্ন প্রদত্ত দর একাধিক পাওয়া গেলে লটারীর মাধ্যমে ঠিকাদার নিয়োগ করা হইবে।

টেডার খোলার তারিখে টেন্ডারের দলিলপত্র বিক্রয় করা হইবে না, যে কোন বা সমুদয় টেন্ডার কোন কারণ দর্শনো ব্যতিরেকেই গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করিবার ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষের সজ্জিকৃত থাকিবে।

ক্রমিক নং	কাজের নাম	প্রাকল্পিত টাকা	বায়নার টাকা	সময়সীমা
১।	মুক্তাঙ্গন পার্কের মেরামত কাজ	৳ ৩,০০,০০০/-	৳ ৯,০০০/-	৩০ দিন
২।	বর্ষভবনের সম্মুখের রাস্তায় ফুটপাথ মেরামত পরিষ্কার ও রং করা কাজ	৳ ৫৭,৩৫৬/-	৳ ১,৯২১/-	১০ দিন
৩।	বর্ষভবনের সম্মুখের রাস্তায় ফুটপাথে ফুলের বেড তৈরী ও মেরামতকরণ কাজ	৳ ৫৬,৯০০/-	৳ ১,৯০৭/-	১৪ দিন
৪।	তিতাস গ্রাস কোং কর্তৃক বননকৃত গুলবাগ, মাগিবাগ রাস্তার হোঃ নং ৪০৮/১ হইতে ৪০২/৬ ও ২২২/১ হইতে ২২২/১ পর্যন্ত মেরামত কাজ	৳ ৫৭,৮৮৭/-	৳ ১,৯৩৬/-	১৫ দিন

নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী  
অঞ্চল-৪ (বিলগণ ও তিলগণাগা)  
ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশন

**Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation**  
Krishi Bhaban  
49-51, Dilkusha Commercial Area  
Dhaka-1000  
(Purchase Division)

## Local Tender Notice

- Tender No and : IX-PP (P) 10/97-98 date
- Description of : 3 (three) Nos New Air cooler, Capacity-1800-Btu/HR.Window Type.
- Sale price of : Tk 100/- (Taka one hundred) only tender documents (non-refundable).
- Date and time of : 12-3-98 at 12.00 Noon. submission of tender
- Date and time of : 12-3-98 at 12.05 PM. opening of tender
- Place of submit : Office of the General Manager (Purchase), Purchase Division (Tender box kept in front), Krishi Bhaban (3rd floor), BADC, 49-51, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000.
- Source of fund : Local fund.
- Delivery schedule : Air cooler should be supplied on or before 7.4.98.

NB:  
a. Tender document can be purchased on cash payment on all working days from the Cash Section of Accounts Division at 3rd floor, Krishi Bhaban, BADC, 49-51, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000.  
b. Tender document will not be sold on the date of opening of tender.  
c. No tender documents or part thereof will be accepted after opening of tender.

ADC 321 Md Faridul Alam  
DFP-4329-26/2/98 Manager (Purchase)  
G-372 BADC, Dhaka.

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Ministry of Establishment  
Development Wing  
No. ME(Dev. & Imp)-23/97-98 Dated: 23/02/98

## Tender for Procurement of Computer & Accessories for PMIS/MSW Phase-2 Project

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide supplier firms for procurement of computer and accessories as per the undermentioned description for PMIS/MSW Phase-2 Project under the Ministry of Establishment. Tender schedule can be collected from the office of the undersigned by depositing the amount at the rate mentioned below for each of the two separate groups to Bangladesh Bank under head '65 non-tax revenue' and submitting the original copy of the challan up to 12.03.98.

Group	Subject	Price of schedule
A.	Computer and accessories	750/-
B.	Printer	200/-

- Tender quoting rate as per tender schedule can be submitted in the tender box kept at Project Director, Ministry of Establishment, Building No. 3, Room No. 224 up to 10:00 AM of 15.3.98. Tender will be opened by the Tender Committee on the same day at 10:05 AM in presence (if any) of the tenderers.
- PACC's Systems Analyst may be contacted (Telephone No. 862485) for any information, if required, regarding the computer & accessories, during office hours.
- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

Abul Mosaddeq Azad  
Senior Assistant Secretary (D)  
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Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

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**BANSDOC**  
Bangladesh National Scientific & Technical Documentation Centre  
Science Laboratory Campus  
Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi  
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## RE-TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders in prescribed forms are hereby invited from the bonafide local agents of foreign journal/suppliers and electrical equipment suppliers for the following two groups of works:

Group-A: Supply of foreign journals of 1997 on science and technology.

Group-B: Supply, installation and commissioning one number of 50 KVA, 3-phase, 400/230 Volts diesel GENERATOR with canopie to the BANSDOC campus.

The tenderers for Group-A should have established local agent/supplier and that for Group-B should have proven record of reliability and expertise after sale service having factory trained engineers regarding trouble shooting of the system.

The tender documents and terms & conditions may be collected up to 10 March 1998 on payment of Tk 750/- (Taka Seven hundred & fifty) only for Group-A and Tk 400/- (Taka Four hundred) only for Group-B (non-refundable) in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of BANSDOC, Dhaka from the following addresses:

- Mr Anwarul Islam, PS to the Secretary, Ministry of Science & Technology, Bhaban No 6, 9th floor, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
- Mr Md Humayun Kabir, PA to the Chairman, Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission, 4, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Ramna, Dhaka.

Tenders will be received in the TENDER BOX kept at the abovementioned two addresses up to 1:00 PM of 12th March 1998 and opened on the same day at 1:30 PM in presence of the tenderers, if any.

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

Prof Md Shofiqullah  
Joint-Secretary  
Director

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