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**Left for Abroad**



Varni Thiagaraja has left for abroad on 13th July '98. She requested everyone to pray for her. C-638

**Workshop on basic photography begins in Ctg**

CHITTAGONG, Aug 24: A three-day workshop on basic photography under the auspices of the Forum for Development Journalism and Communication begins in Caritas auditorium here on August 27, reports BSS.

Eminent photo journalists and the teacher of Mass-communication and Journalism Department of Dhaka University Kazi Rawnok Hossain will conduct the workshop, a forum press release said.

Amateur photographers and some 70 students of Journalism Department of Chittagong University will take part in the workshop, the press release added.

**USAID provided Tk 3.81cr as assistant for flood victims**

A spokesman of the US embassy yesterday said USAID has already provided Tk 3.81 crore in flood assistance in Bangladesh, reports UNB.

Of the amount, Tk 2.58 crore has been provided to purchase flood rations locally for 28,000 families in the most severely affected districts.

Another Tk 1.23 crore was provided as an emergency assistance to ICDDR,B to take care of large number of patients affected by diarrhoeal disease in Dhaka City and its suburban areas.

The spokesman said the US government is considering additional steps to alleviate the suffering of the flood affected people.

**Hasina stresses need for timely dredging of rivers**

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday stressed the need for timely dredging of the rivers to increase their depths which will help reduce the extent of flood and reserve more water during dry season, reports UNB.

The depth of the rivers to be increased to maintain the uninterrupted flow of water in monsoon. This will help save the people from the recurring floods," she said while talking to a delegation of Jatiya Pami Unnayan Sramik Karmachari League.

The delegation met the Prime Minister at her office, led by its president AKM Mahibul-lah, General Secretary Mollah Abul Kalam and Joint Secretary Sultan Ahmad, to appraise various activities and demands.

The Prime Minister said the low-lying lands along the rivers can be reclaimed through river dredging where housing complex, mills and factories can be established.

She said modern technologies will have to be used for river dredging and land reclamation and mentioned that Mongla EPZ was set up in a land reclaimed from river dredging.

Hasina also stressed on proper surface water management saying: If we can preserve excess water of the monsoon that can be used in the dry season for cultivation, fisheries and other purposes.

The land fertility increases with falling of silt driven by flood water and thereby use of chemical fertilizer decreases, she added.

The Prime Minister said there is a need for evolving paddy variety which will grow in flood water.

Flood is a common phenomenon in our country and we will have to live fighting the calamity, Hasina maintained.

Referring to this year's monsoon flood, she said the government doesn't want to take foreign help for combating the flood.

"We will be able to combat the flood by our own resources and welcome the foreign help and assistance for post-flood rehabilitation and reconstruction."

Massive post-flood programmes to be undertaken for agricultural rehabilitation, infrastructural development and supply of medicine for which the country may need the foreign help, she said.

The Prime Minister asked the Water Development officials to devise plans, keeping in mind the environmental issues of the country and the position of rivers, haors, baors and water bodies.

**Dhaka-Ctg route BR introduces 2 spl parcel trains**

Bangladesh Railway has introduced two special parcel trains on Dhaka-Chittagong route from yesterday to transport goods on emergency basis due to disruption of road communication, reports UNB.

The trains will run at 9:00 pm and 9:30 pm every alternate day till the next announcement, said a press release.

The parcel trains will carry garments goods, mechanaries, medicines, foods and daily essential raw materials.

**Independent University, Bangladesh**

All undergraduate classes of the university shall remain suspended from August 25 to September 3 on account of the deteriorating flood condition in the city. The classes shall resume on September 6.

All other activities of the university including MBA classes will continue as usual.

**Titas Gas Transmission & Distribution Co Ltd, Dhaka**  
(A Company of Petrobangla)

**Change of Bid Closing Date**

1. Owing to some unavoidable circumstances, the bid closing and opening dates of the following international tenders have been shifted as mentioned against each:

Sl No	Tender No	Shifting of Bid Closing Date	
		From	To
1.	PD. 2312/377-P	31.08.98	07.09.98
2.	PD. 2312/377-ODO	01.09.98	08.09.98

2. Bid opening time and other terms & conditions of the tender documents shall remain unchanged.

Titas /PR-22/98-99  
GD-673 D G M (Purchase).

**More govt relief for flood victims**

The government yesterday allocated 1,450 metric tons of more rice as gratuitous relief and Tk 13 lakh for the victims of some flood-hit districts, reports UNB.

Disaster Management and Relief Ministry sanctioned 200 mts of rice for each of Dhaka, Madaripur, Bogra, Sirajganj and Chandpur districts, 100 mts for each of Sherpur, Gaibandha, Tangail and Rajshahi districts and 50 mts for Faridpur.

The ministry has also sanctioned Tk three lakh for Madaripur, Tk two lakh for each of Dhaka, Bogra and Chandpur and Tk one lakh for each of Gaibandha, Tangail, Rajshahi and Faridpur districts.

Apart from these, 3,500 pieces of sarees and 3,500 pieces of lungis were allotted for Brahmanbaria, Kurigram, Narsingdi, Gazipur and Gaibandha districts, said a handout.

**IUB classes suspended**

Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) has postponed its all undergraduate classes for 10 days from today due to deterioration of city's flood condition, reports UNB.

The classes will resume on September 6 said a press release.

However, all other activities of the university including MBA classes will be held as usual.

**What's on today . . .**

**Film show:** Zahir Rahihan Film Society will screen three films — 'The Belly of an Architect', 'The Draughtsman's Contract' and 'Drowning by Numbers' — today as part of its 4-day retrospective of films by Peter Greenaway. Venue: German Cultural Centre auditorium, Rd. 9, Dhannondi. Time: 4 pm, 6 pm and 8 pm respectively.

**Discussion:** Sammlito Samajik Andolan has arranged a day-long discussion meeting on 'Judicial System and Democratisation of Policing System'. Venue: CIRDAP auditorium. Time: 9 am.

**Workshop:** Bangladesh Employers' Association in collaboration with the International Labour Organisation, Dhaka Area Office has organised a workshop on 'Productivity-linked Wages'. Venue: Chamber Conference Hall (4th floor), Chamber Building, 122-124, Motijheel C/A. Time: 10 am.

**Discussion:** Dhaka City Awami Jubo League (North) has arranged a discussion meeting in observance of the National Mourning Day. Venue: Sher-e-Bangla Nagar Community Centre. Time: 3 pm.

**Rotary Club of Ramna:** The weekly meeting of the club will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club. Time: 5:30 pm.

**Rotary Club of Shahbagh:** The weekly meeting of the club will be held. Guest Speaker: Former Editor of the daily Bhorer Kagoj Matur Rahman. Venue: Officers' Club, Baily Road. Time: 6 pm.

**জাতীয় মহিলা সংস্থা**  
১৪৫, নিউ বেইলী রোড এবং ২৪/ডি  
তোপখানা রোড, সেগুনবাগিচা, ঢাকা

সূত্র: জামস/সম্পদ/গাড়ি-বিক্রয়/৬(৬)অংশ-১/৯৬-৯৮

**গাড়ি বিক্রয়ের টেন্ডার বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

জাতীয় মহিলা সংস্থার ১৯৮৯ সনের মডেলের একটি ২৪৭৭ সিসি মিঙ্গসুবি পাঞ্জেরো জীপ রেজিস্ট্রেশন নং- ঢাকা মেট্রো-জ-৫৫৯০ বিক্রয় করা হবে। অগ্রহী ক্রেতা/প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট থেকে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে। গাড়িটি ছুটির দিন ব্যতীত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে ১৪৫, নিউ বেইলী রোড এবং ২৪/ডি, সেগুনবাগিচা, ঢাকা এই ঠিকানায় দেখা যেতে পারে। দরপত্রের উদ্ধৃত মূল্যের ১০% জামানত (আনেক্সট্যান্ড) হিসাবে, জাতীয় মহিলা সংস্থা বরাবরে ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার-এর মাধ্যমে দরপত্রের সাথে জমা দিতে হবে। সফল অংশগ্রহণকারীকে ৭(সাত) দিনের মধ্যে গাড়ির সম্পূর্ণ টাকা পরিশোধপূর্বক গাড়ি সরিয়ে নিতে হবে। নির্দিষ্ট সময়ের মধ্যে গাড়ি ডেলিভারি নিতে না পারলে আনেক্সট্যান্ডের টাকা বাজেয়াপ্ত হবে। উল্লেখ্য, বিধি অনুযায়ী উদ্ধৃত মূল্যের উপর আয়কর ধার্য করা হবে।

আগামী ১৬/৯/৯৮ইং পর্যন্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ ও শর্তাবলী সম্বলিত দরপত্রের সিডিউল ৪০০/- (চারশত) টাকা (অফিসব্যয়সহ) বিনিময়ে হিসাব বিভাগ হতে ক্রয় করা যাবে। ১৭/৯/৯৮ইং তারিখ বেলা ১.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হবে এবং ঐ দিন ২.০০ ঘটিকায় দরপত্রদাতাদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) দরপত্র কমিটি কর্তৃক দরপত্র খোলা হবে।

দরপত্র কমিটি যে কোন বা সকল দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

মাসুদা বিনতে কাদির  
নির্বাহী পরিচালক  
জাতীয় মহিলা সংস্থা

জিডি-৬৭১

**Directive to operate Dholaikhal pump station round-the-clock**

Water Resources Minister Abdur Razzak yesterday said the present government is working relentlessly to mitigate the sufferings of the flood affected people, reports BSS.

A massive post-flood rehabilitation programmes would start following recession of flood waters," he said while visiting different areas of Dhaka Integrated Flood Protection Project in the city.

While visiting Saidabad sluice gate, Dholaikhal pump station and Dayaganj bridge and culvert area, he directed the concerned authorities to continue the activities of Dholaikhal pump station round-the-clock to mitigate the sufferings of the city's flood-hit people.

The minister also directed the officials of Bangladesh Water Development Board, Dhaka City Corporation and WASA to oversee the pumping activities.

Habibur Rahman MP and officials of Water Development Board, Dhaka City Corporation and WASA accompanied the minister.

**American pilot in city**

American pilot Tom Claytor who has been flying around the world in a aircraft since 1990 is now in the city, reports UNB.

Claytor is seeking to visit all seven continents of the world. He will hold a press conference at the USIS auditorium today at 11 am when he will show a film of his journey, give a talk and answer questions.

**Weather**

**Rain with gusty wind likely**

Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at many places over Chittagong, Barisal, Dhaka and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Khulna and Rajshahi divisions with moderately heavy falls at one or two places over Chittagong division in the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country during the period, according to Met Office.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 35.5 degree Celsius was recorded at Chuadanga and the lowest 24.8 degree Celsius at Feni.

The sun sets today at 6:23 pm and rises tomorrow at 5:38 am.

Maximum and minimum temperatures and humidity recorded in some major cities and town yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morn	Even
Dhaka	32.5	25.8	90	77
Chittagong	33.4	27.0	78	78
Khulna	33.4	25.8	84	75
Rajshahi	34.8	27.2	84	77
Barisal	33.0	26.0	93	77
Sylhet	29.7	25.5	97	85
Cox's Bazar	33.0	26.0	75	85

**Mongla Port Authority**  
Office of the Chief Engineer (C&H)  
Mongla, Bagerhat

**Re-Tender Notice**

No MPA/CE(C&H)14/97-98 Dated: 2-8-98/18-4-1405 Bangla

Sealed tenders in 2911 Form are invited from enlisted contractors of C&H Division of Mongla Port Authority for the undermentioned work of the Mongla Port Dock Worker Governing Board.

Sl No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Cost of tender	Classes of contractor	Time for completion of work
1.	Repair of building of Dock Worker Governing Board	Tk 1,29,527.99	Tk 2,600/-	100/-	D and above	30 (thirty) days.

Tender documents including terms and conditions can be purchased on all working days till 9-9-98 at 1400 hours hours on payment of cost as mentioned above and will be received till 10-9-98 at 12:00 Noon in the tender box kept at the same Office and will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM.

a) Chief Engineer (C&H) Office, MPA, Mongla.  
b) Executive Engineer, B-4, Office, MPA, Khalishpur, Khulna.

Contractor himself or his representative bearing a letter of permission from him with his signature duly attested by contractor can purchase tender documents. Licence book renewed up-to-date will have to be produced at the time of purchasing tender documents. Otherwise no tender documents will be sold to anyone.

Detailed terms and conditions can be found in tender documents.

MPA/Boad-PR/PR/1446  
DFP-17834-18/8  
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Chief Engineer (C&H)

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Cabinet Division  
Public Administration Reforms Commission  
Jiban Bima Bhaban (Front Block, 4th Floor)  
10, Dilkusha Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000

No. PARC/Coord.-1/Local Consultant/16/98 Dated: 20.08.1998

**Subject: Appointment of Local Consultants under the UNDP financed project — "Strengthening the Public Administration Reforms Commission — BGD/97/010"**

The Public Administration Reforms Commission requires consultancy services from Bangladeshi nationals in the following subjects/areas for the period stipulated against the subjects. The candidates may apply for one or more subjects as per their qualification and experience.

**Consultancy Requirements for the Public Administration Reforms Commission**

Sl. No.	Subject/ Areas for Investigation/Study	Consultancy Requirement
01.	Transparency, accountability — existing position — prevention of corruption — legal, administrative and organisational issues connected with it — desirability or otherwise of an Independent Commission against corruption — evaluation of the Task Force report on reorganisation of Bureau of Anti-corruption — desirability of reviving Anti-corruption Council — Repeal or annulment of official secrets Act and relevant provisions of Government Servants Conduct Rules.	3-4 man months
02.	Efficiency, effectiveness and dynamism in Public Administration. Existing position relating to recruitment, training, career Planning of Civil Servants — Service structure, gradual abolition of quota system. Revival of Senior Service Pool — How to increase women's participation at higher levels of administration — Desirability of creating new cadres or otherwise.	6-8 man months
03.	Promotion of private investment: Local & foreign — redefining role of government and public sector — Current obstacles to privatisation and remedial measures and contracting out some government functions to private organisations. Deregulation issues — views of chamber & other trade bodies.	3-4 man months
04.	Size of Government — Reduction in the number of Ministries, Departments, Autonomous bodies etc. Evaluation of Administrative Reorganisation Committee reports — Devolution of powers & functions to local bodies and reorganised structure of field Administration as a consequence — Redundancy management as a result of the reduction in the size of government.	4-6 man months
05.	Parliamentary oversight on Administration — Examination of the issue in other Parliamentary democracies and role of Ministries on its implementation. Legislative assistance to MPs for more effective role as members.	2-3 man months
06.	Audit issues — reorganisation of C&AG's office to increase its effectiveness — cause of present delay in submission of audit reports. Introduction of management/efficiency audit. Issue of value for money — separation of audit and accounts functions — existing difficulties & possibility.	3-4 man months
07.	Wastage in existing government business disposal process — Identification of underlying causes — Wastage in use of transports, equipment, telephone, stationery, tours, hospital requisites, education etc. — Wastage in printing unnecessary forms — Redesigning standardised forms for quick disposal of	6 man months
08.	Desirability of otherwise of establishing an agency for implementation and monitoring of reforms. How to work out and implement performance standards — efficiency scrutinies and progress of implementation of approved reform programmes — How to improve the performance of the government service sector particularly by laying down pre-determined standards and examination of their enforcement mechanism.	6 man months
09.	Detailed summary of recommendations of all previous reports — subjectwise with comments in the light of the terms of reference — Identification of implementable recommendations with indication of priority.	2-3 man months

**Remuneration:** The remuneration package will be based on the provisions of the project.

**Qualification:**  
The consultants may have following qualification/background/experience:  
The incumbent must be a Master's degree holder preferably PhD with minimum 10 years of experience. The details are given below:

i). Academicians having educational background in public administration/management and having experience of teaching or research experience with recognised publications on public administration related issues may also be considered;

ii) For issues relating to promotion of private sector, contracting out some functions of government to private parties, government private sector interface, deregulation etc. persons — having long and wide experience of running or working in private enterprises may be considered; and

iii) Retired and serving senior civil servants with long and wide ranging experience of working in the government and govt. sponsored bodies may also apply. Academic background on Public Administration/Management/Social Sciences and having recognised publications on issues relating to public administration may be considered an added qualification. Persons having specific experience in an area for which he is being considered may also get preference.

The consultants may be required to travel throughout the country and visit different offices for collection of data.

The applicants should specify the area/s or subject/s in which they are interested to work.

The applications must reach the office of the undersigned within 15 days of the advertisement along with 4 copies of their curriculum vitae and photographs.

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**Al-Ameen Chaudhury**  
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