

### 20 get life term for murder in Sirajganj

SIRAJGANJ, Nov 13: A court here yesterday sentenced 20 people to life imprisonment in the sensational Farooq murder case, reports UNB.

The Additional District and Sessions Judge, Muhammad Abdul Majid, also sentenced another two people to two years imprisonment for their involvement in the murder.

The life-term convicts are: Abdur Razzak, Kalaachand, Abdul Matin, Aminul Islam, Saifuddin Islam, Saruzzaman, Mokshed Ali, Amir Hossain, Abdul Goni, Abdul Majid, Barik, Sukur Ali, Suruzzaman, Abu Musa, Soleman, Abdul Mannan, Abu Sayeed, Gol Akhter, Golam and Mukul (absconding).

Those who were given two-year imprisonment are: Nurul Islam and Sorman Ali.

According to the prosecution, Farooq of Char Shailabari in Sadar thana was beaten to death by the accused in Miabari area on February 16, 1995.

### Indian customs men's strike leaves trucks stranded across the border

JESSORE, Nov 13: Hundreds of trucks carrying imported goods remained stranded on the other side of the border due to 72-hour strike observed by the Indian customs personnel from November 10, reports APB.

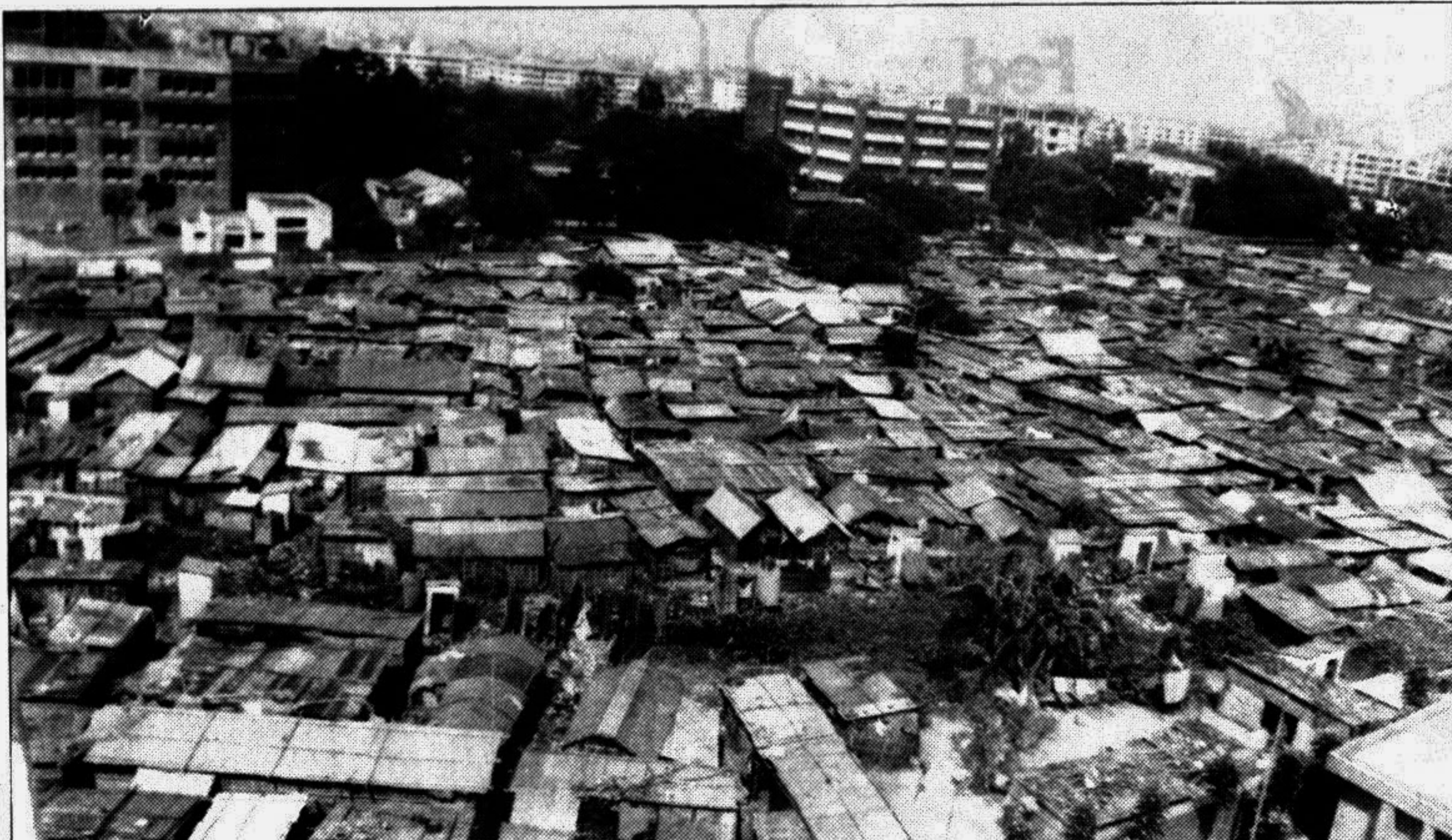
Similarly India-bound trucks carrying perishables and raw materials from Bangladesh continue to remain stranded.

Importers and exporters said that trade through Jessore, Benapole and Bhomra of Satkhira, and Darsana remained suspended following a call for a 72-hour strike by the Indian Customs authorities. This, incidentally, was preceded by a three-day hartal called by opposition political parties in Bangladesh.

Hundreds of trucks that could not get clearance certificates from Indian authorities continue to remain stranded.

Although the strike ended on Thursday, things did not begin to move in view of the two consecutive weekly holidays in Bangladesh.

Under these circumstances, all trade points remained inoperative from November 9. They will not resume normal operations until November 14, sources said.



Slums mushroom in the city not only to cause pollution to the environment, but also allegedly to shelter the terrorists. This picture was taken from Agargaon area. — Star photo

### Train hits two in Jessore: One killed

JESSORE, Nov 13: A young man was killed and another teenage boy injured when a speeding train hit them at the level crossing here on Wednesday, reports APB.

The dead was identified as Parimal, 28, son of Ganesh Biragi of village Sundardi in Gopalganj district. He had come to visit his maternal uncle's house in Keshabpur here.

The other victim of the accident was identified as Ashim, 16, son of Arun Biswas, a villager in Keshabpur thana of the district.

The accident occurred when they were crossing the Murali level crossing.

Witnesses said Parimal died on the spot and Ashim suffered injuries.

Meanwhile, ten BDR personnel were injured, four seriously, when a truck carrying them turned turtle and entered into a road side shop at central bus terminal in the town early Wednesday.

### Fake candidate held in N'ganj

NARAYANGANJ, Nov 13: Investigators in an examination centre here today identified a fake candidate who appeared for his younger brother and handed him over to police, reports UNB.

Alangir Hossain sat for a written test at Narayanganj Government Girls' High School centre for employment as primary school teacher.

### 2 workers electrocuted

Two construction workers were electrocuted at Mohamadpur in the city yesterday, reports UNB.

Hospital sources said Khorshed, 23, and Momin, 27, came in contact with a live wire while working on the roof of a three-storey building at Shankar.

### Govt believes in equal rights of all communities'

State Minister for Religious Affairs Moulana Mohammad Nurul Islam has said the present government believes in equal rights of all irrespective of caste, creed, colour or religion, reports APB.

"Although Bangladesh is a predominantly Muslim country, all religious communities, including the Buddhists, are living here in peace and harmony with full religious freedom," he said while addressing the International Buddhist Conference in Sri Lanka on Wednesday.

The State Minister thanked the Sri Lankan government for holding the conference at a time when the world was torn apart by the scourge of violence, hatred and terrorism.

Termining the conference as important and significant, he observed that the message of Lord Buddha to the mankind had a special relevance in today's world.

"His teachings called for enlightenment of heart and acquiring knowledge and wisdom to make peace and harmony in the society without any discrimination on grounds of caste, creed, race, class, sex or religion," Moulana Islam noted.

### CDRB seminar tomorrow

A seminar titled "Assessing the explanatory value of models of rapid fertility changes in Bangladesh" will be held at the auditorium of Women's Voluntary Association (WVA) in the city tomorrow, reports UNB.

Centre for Development Research, Bangladesh (CDRB) as representative of American Institute of Bangladesh Studies (AIBS) has organised the seminar.

Dr Patricia Lyons Johnson, an Associate Professor of Pennsylvania State University, USA will be present on the occasion.

### Young woman burns herself to death

A young woman allegedly committed suicide by setting herself on fire in the bathroom of her residence in the city yesterday afternoon.

The woman was identified as Nazreen Akter, 25, daughter of Nisar Ahmed, a resident of an Eastern Housing flat on Kabi Jasimuddin Road in Kamalapur.

Nazreen reportedly got inside the bathroom of the fourth floor flat with a bottle of kerosene and a box of matches at about 2 pm, police said.

As she started screaming, her mother and sister along with a maid broke open the door of the bathroom and found her dead, police said quoting family members. The reason behind the suicide could not be known immediately.

Nazreen passed BA examination from Chittagong this year. Her family moved to Dhaka from Chittagong in the last week of October.

### Attack on BNP meeting condemned

By Staff Correspondent

Some student leaders of mass movement of '90 yesterday accused the government of trying to remain in power through "conspiracy" and condemned the police action to foil the BNP public meeting at Paltan Maidan on November 7.

In a statement, they also held the government responsible for what they said "killing" nine BNP leaders and activists during the opposition called 60-hour countrywide hartal. They also accused the government of trying to remove the opposition leader Khaleda Zia from her Cantonment residence.

The Cantonment house was allotted to Begum Zia as a mark of honour to late President Ziaur Rahman, they said, adding that she has been staying at the house since she was an opposition leader during the autocratic Ershad regime.

The signatories to the statement included Amanullah Aman, MP, Habibur Rahman Habib, Nazim Uddin Alam, MP, Khairul Kabir Khokon, Fazlul Huq Milon and Zahiruddin Swapon.

### JCD calls hartal in Sylhet Nov 17

From Staff Correspondent

SYLHET, Nov 13: The Sylhet district unit of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal announced a 4-day programme including an 8-hour hartal in Sylhet on November 17 to press for its 7-point demand.

The programme was announced by the district leaders of JCD at a press conference at the Sylhet Press Club yesterday.

The demands include withdrawal of the 'fake' cases against JCD activists, release of the JCD activists arrested Wednesday night and immediate arrest of BCL activists responsible for the planned armed attack on the peaceful processions of JCD.

The district leaders of BNP were also present at the press conference.

### Govt plans to build stages for drama across country

State Minister for Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs Obaidul Quader said yesterday that congenial atmosphere can help flourish drama activities, reports BSS.

He was speaking at a function in the auditorium of Bangladesh Girls' Guide in the city organised by 'Bangladesh Theatre' in observance of its first era of founding.

Among others, the function was addressed by president of Bangladesh Sammilita Saugkritik Jote Ramendu Majumder, general secretary Golam Quddus and noted drama personality Ataur Rahman.

Quader said the government has a plan to construct drama stages in different parts of the country for enhancing its activities.

The state minister said construction of a 600-seat drama stage in Gulshan is almost complete, while construction of the national drama stage is progressing fast.

Quader lauded the role of drama activists during natural calamity. Later, the state minister led a colourful procession of the theatre activists which began at the auditorium and paraded through different city streets.

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
**Department of Agricultural Extension**  
 Horticulture Development Project  
 Food Crops Wing, Khamarbari, Dhaka-1215

**Re-Tender Notice-II**

Memo. No. ADB/Proc/99/98-99/100 Dated: 9.11.98

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from Government approved clearing & forwarding agents having updated trade licence, TIN and VAT registration, for clearing different types of vehicles and equipment imported by the Horticulture Development Project, Food Crops Wing, Department of Agriculture Extension from Chittagong and Dhaka port for the year 1998-99.

Tender documents will be available at the Project Implementation Office, Horticulture Development Project, 4th floor, 3rd building, Khamarbari, Dhaka-1215 up to 24th November 1998 during the office hours.

Cost of tender : Tk. 100.00 (Ten hundred) only.

Intending party should apply in their pad along with the clearing & forwarding agent licence, Income tax clearance certificate of 1997-98, and VAT registration certificate for purchasing of tender schedule.

Earnest money : Tk. 5000.00 (Tk five thousand) only in the form of Bank Draft/DD in favour of the Project Director, Horticulture, Development Project, Khamarbari, Dhaka.

Date & time of : 25th November 1998 upto 11:30 AM. dropping tender

Place of dropping : Tender box kept in the Project Implementation Office, 4th floor, Rear building, Khamarbari, Dhaka-1215.

Date & time of : 25th November 1998 at 12:00 Noon opening tender (in presence of the tenderers, if any).

No tender schedule will be sold after the stipulated date and time and no tender will be accepted after the expiry of tender dropping date & time. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Mosleh Uddin Ahmed  
 Project Director Horticulture Development Project, Food Crops Wing Khamarbari, Dhaka-1215

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### Alleged snatcher beaten to death in Jessore

JESSORE, Nov 13: An alleged snatcher was beaten to death and another injured by a mob in the town this morning, reports UNB.

Police said local people gheraoed six armed miscreants when they attacked two businessmen near TB Clinic crossing.

They beat up two miscreants resulting in instantaneous death of Arman Hossain. His associate, Parash, was admitted to the General Hospital in a critical condition. Four others managed to escape.

The two businessmen came here at dawn from Rajshahi by a train.

### Obituary

CHITTAGONG, Nov 13: Nurussafa Talukdar, a businessman and former UP chairman, died of a heart attack at a city clinic in the early hours of today. He was 62, reports BSS.

He left behind his wife, three sons and six daughters.

Talukdar was buried at his family graveyard at his village Padowa of Rangunia thana after Juma prayers.

Meanwhile, senior vice-president of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry Saifuzzaman Chowdhury Javed expressed his deep sorrow at the death of Nurussafa Talukdar and prayed for the eternal peace of the departed soul.

### Teacher arrested

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Bangladesh Theatre brought out a procession in the city yesterday to mark its 12th founding anniversary. — Star photo



LGRD Minister Zillur Rahman visited Proshika office at Kuliarchar in Bhairab on Thursday. Proshika president Dr Qazi Faruque Ahmed and others are also seen.



Chief of the Naval Staff Rear Admiral Mohammad Nurul Islam with the winners of the annual qirat and azan competitions of Bangladesh Navy that concluded at Dhaka Cantonment yesterday. — ISPR photo

### Govt trying to fulfil election pledges: Zillur

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Zillur Rahman has said Awami League government is making concerted efforts to materialise its election pledges through alleviating poverty, empowering the poor and fulfilling the hopes and aspiration of the masses, reports UNB.

Since its inception, Awami League has been upholding its politics for the welfare of the downtrodden people, he said while addressing a rally of the grassroots people at Simulka-nandi High School ground in Bhairab on Thursday.

Organised by Bhairab thana coordination committee of Proshika, the rally was also addressed by Proshika president and ADAB chairperson Dr Qazi Faruque Ahmed.

Earlier, the minister inaugurated the sale of fish from an experimental project to cultivate fish in flooded paddy field at Agarpur in Kuliarchar thana.

The 21.5 acre project has been taken up by Proshika and some government agencies where seven associations of the local people with abject poverty are engaged in production of fish in the paddy field.

### Qirat, azan competitions of Navy ends

The annual qirat and azan competitions of Bangladesh Navy concluded at the BNS Haji Mohsin Mosque at Dhaka Cantonment yesterday, reports BSS.

A total of 50 participants took part in the three-day meet.

Chief of the Naval Staff Rear Admiral Mohammad Nurul Islam attended the function as the chief guest and gave away the prizes.

MY Ali of the BNS Haji Mohsin clinched the top two awards in both qirat and azan competitions while M A Rahman and MD Hussain bagged 2nd and 3rd prizes in the qirat competition. Besides, M I Ali and M H Rahman got 2nd and 3rd prizes in the azan competition.

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**দরপত্রের সিডিউল গ্রহণের তারিখ পরিবর্তন**

বাকি/পিপিডি/মুদ্রণ/দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি/সংশোধনী-০১/৯৮ তারিখঃ ১১ নভেম্বর, ১৯৯৮

বাংলাদেশ উন্মুক্ত বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের স্কুল অব বিজনেস পরিচালিত থাকবে ডিপ্লোমা-ইন-ম্যানেজমেন্ট (জিডিএম) প্রোগ্রামের বই, এমবিএ প্রোগ্রামের 'স্টাডি গাইড' এবং অন্যান্য আইটেম মুদ্রণ ও বীধাইপূর্বক সরবরাহের দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তির বর্ণিত নং-বাউবি/পিপিডি/মুদ্রণ/দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি-১১/৯৮, তারিখঃ ২৬ অক্টোবর, ১৯৯৮) সিডিউল গ্রহণের তারিখ অনিবার্য কারণবশতঃ ১১ নভেম্বর '৯৮ তারিখ বেলা ১-০০ টার পরিবর্তে আগামী ১৫ নভেম্বর '৯৮ বেলা ১-০০ টা পর্যন্ত গ্রহণ করা হবে এবং একই দিন বেলা ১-৩০ টায় দরদাতাদের সম্মুখে যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) দরপত্রসমূহ খোলা হবে। দরপত্র সম্পর্কিত শর্ত ও নিয়মাবলী এবং এ সংক্রান্ত অন্যান্য বিষয় অপরিবর্তিত থাকবে।

**উপাচার্যের পক্ষে**  
 জিডি-৯১৪ ভারপ্রাপ্ত পরিচালক (পিপিডি)

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
**Office of the Executive Engineer**  
 SB Nagar PWD Division No. III  
 Dhaka  
 NLT No. 04/VIII (1998-99) Dated: 2.11.98  
 Memo No B-III/W-7/1972

**Notice Inviting Tenders**

- Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from the special class-I/class-II bldg contractors/firms under PWD, class-II bldg contractors of PWD Dhaka Zone, Dhaka & class-III bldg contractors of PWD Circle-III, Dhaka for the undermentioned work and will be received by the undersigned as well as by the Executive Engineer, SB Nagar PWD Div-III/Mohakhali PWD Div. & Eden Bldg. PWD Div, Dhaka up to 12.00 Noon of 24.11.98 & will be opened on the same day at 12.15 PM in presence of the intending tenderers who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it. The tender form will be sold up to 23.11.98. No tender will be sold to a contractor/firm who has no VAT registration.
- Name of work : Construction of 4 (FOUR) units Garage in the Compound of Bangladesh Technical Education Board at Agargaon, SB Nagar, Dhaka.
- Estimated cost : Tk 9,94,067/-
- Earnest money : Tk 19,900/-
- Time allowed for completion of work from the date of issue of work order is 2 (two) months.
- Contract documents consisting of BD Form No 2911, detailed tender notice, schedule of items, additional terms and conditions etc can be seen and obtained from the office of the undersigned and also from the office of the Executive Engineer mentioned in SI No-I on all working days during office hours on payment of usual charges of Tk 400/- per set of tender schedule and Tk 25/- per copy of tender Form No. 2911 (both non-refundable). The tender form may be purchased by the contractor/firm himself/himself or his/his representative on production of authorised letter bearing the signature of the representative duly attested by the contractor.
- The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason.

**AKM Shajahan Patwary**  
 Executive Engineer  
 SB Nagar PWD Div. III  
 Dhaka

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**Government of Bangladesh**  
**Office of the Executive Engineer, RHD**  
 Road Division, Madaripur

**Notice Inviting Tender of RHD**

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 are hereby invited.

- Tender No : 11/EE/MRD/1998-99 Eng.
- Name of work : Construction of 121.95M long (4 spans) PSB bailey bridge at 5th KM of Bhanga-Bhatiapara-Gopalganj-Mollarhat-Fakirhat-Nawapara road (Bhanga-Bhatiapara portion) under Madaripur Road Division during the year 1998-99.
- Estimated cost : Tk 58,85,342/-
- Earnest money : Tk 1,17,707/-
- Time allowed for : 120 days.
- Completion of work
- Eligibility of : "A" to "C" special category of contractor.
- Name of office where tender documents will be available : Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka, Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Madaripur/ Faridpur/ Gopalganj/ Shariatpur/ Rajbari/ Barisal/Planning Division, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka; Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Madaripur/ Bhanga/Asstt Engineer, RHD, 1st Line Workshop Sub-Division, Madaripur.
- Name of office where tender will be received : Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka/ Chief Engineer, RHD, Barisa. zone, Barisal/ Superintendent Engineer, RHD, Faridpur Road Circle, Faridpur/ Superintendent Engineer, RHD, Monitoring and Evaluation (P&D) Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/ Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Madaripur.
- Last date of selling of tender document : 25-11-98 Eng/11-8-1405 Beng/ during office hours.
- Last date and time for receiving of tender : Up to 12:30 PM on 26-11-98 Eng/12-8-1405 Beng and opening of sealed tender from box at 12:45 PM.
- Last date and time for opening of tender : At 10:00 AM of 29-11-98 Eng/15-8-1405 Beng Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Madaripur in office room.
- Date and time of lottery (if necessary) : At 10:00 AM on 6-12-98 Eng/ 22-8-1405 Beng.

**Tarash Kumar Paul**  
 Executive Engineer, RHD  
 Road Division, Madaripur.

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**Jamuna Multipurpose Bridge Authority**  
 Allenbury, Tejgaon  
 Dhaka-1215

**Notice Inviting Tender**  
**No Tech-1/1998-99**

Sealed tenders are hereby invited for the following work at JMBP site, Bhupur, Tangail from the 1st class construction contractors enlisted with the PWD and A&B general category contractors of RHD during 1998-99 who have adequate work experience of similar volume and nature of work.

Sl No.	Name of work	Estimated qty	Time allowed	Cost of tender document (non-refundable)
1.	Providing Security Fencing around East & Westend Toll Plazas and Estend Workshop-Storage Area	5212 linear meter	30 days	Tk 1,000/-

The tender document will be sold up to November 22, 1998 during office hours from the Accounts Section, JMBA, Allenbury, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215 on production of enlistment document of 1998-99. Sealed tenders will be received in the tender box at the site office of JOMAC (O&M Operator), JMBP, Bhupur, Tangail by the Project Director of JOMAC and by the Project Director, JMBA, Allenbury, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215 up to 12:30 pm on November 23, 1998 and will be opened by Project Director, JMBA in his office on the next day at 1:30 PM in presence of the tenderers, if any.

Earnest money at the rate of 2.5% of the quoted amount in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh in favour of "JMBA," must be furnished along with the tender without which tender shall be summarily rejected.

The item and quantity of work may be increased or decreased. The details of the work is given in the tender document.

The tender shall be accompanied by a complete set of tender documents with all information as per specification, requirement and in every respect in conformance with the instructions to the tenderers failing which tender will be rejected.

JMBA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders including the lowest bid or may divide the work to more than one contractor without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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**ASM Manzoor**  
 Project Director