

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

**Conference:** A 3-day international conference on 'organising resistance against sexual exploitation' will begin. Organiser: Coalition Against Trafficking in Women - Bangladesh. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 8:30 am. Chief guest: Nurjahan Begum, Editor, Begum.

**Founding anniversary:** Bangladesh Book Club has organised a discussion meeting and cultural function marking its 15th founding anniversary. Venue: 'Children's Auditorium', National Museum, Shahbagh. Time: 4 pm. Chief guest, Artist Mustafa Monowar.

**Rally:** Grameenphone Subscribers Forum will hold a rally protesting recently imposed charges on incoming calls, and submit a charter of demands to Grameenphone authorities. Venue: Grameenphone head office, 65-66 Mohakhali. Time: 11 am.

**New liner service on Mongla-Hiron Point route**

**By Staff Correspondent**  
A passenger liner, with modern facilities, will be introduced on Mongla-Hiron Point route on February 8 to boost tourism in the Sundarbans and the panoramic south, sources in the Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Corporation (BIWTC) said.

The 220-passenger-capacity ocean liner LCT Kajal, dubbed as 'safe, secured and entertaining', has undergone extensive renovation work. Kajal will be shuttling on Mondays and Fridays from Mongla and on Tuesdays and Saturdays from Hiron Point. Fare for the 22-hour return trip from Mongla would be Tk 300 for Shulov class and Tk 1,500 for VIP class while the first class would cost Tk 1,000 and second class Tk 600.

The departure and arrival timing will coincide with the arrival of BIWTC rocket steamers that ply between Dhaka and Khulna via Mongla.



A BNP procession (top) and a JP procession (above) in the city during hartal hours yesterday. — Star photo

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
**Office of the Executive Engineer (R&H)**  
Ferry Division, Nishindara, Bogra-5800

**R&H Tender Invitation Notice**

- Tender Notice No: 17 (seventeen)/98-99 Ferry Division, Bogra.
- Name of work: Work of supply of spare parts for 110 Horse Power Daf Engine, model DNTD 620 and remote control of Dharla Ferry Ghat of Bogra section under Bogra (R&H) Ferry Sub-Division during 1998-99 fiscal year. Ferry No UT-2 (Developed) 009/88 (head of expenditure: 168 Road, Bridge Kheyaghat-2 Repair).
- Estimated cost: As per schedule.
- Earnest money: 2% (two) per cent of the estimated cost.
- Time limit: 25 (twenty-five) days from the date of issue of work order.
- Eligibility of tenderers: Enlisted contractors of (R&H) office from 'A' to 'C' general category, 'D' general category of (R&H) Workshop Circle, Bogra and 'E' general category of Ferry Division, Bogra.
- Offices where tenders will be sold: Executive Engineer, (R&H) Ferry Division, Bogra/Workshop Division, Santahar, Bogra/Rajshahi/Sub-Divisional Engineer, (R&H) Ferry Sub-Division, Bogra.
- Offices where tenders will be received: 1) Superintending Engineer, (R&H) Workshop Circle, Bogra. 2) Executive Engineer, (R&H) Ferry Division, Bogra. 3) Executive Engineer, (R&H) Workshop Division, Rajshahi/Santahar/Bogra.
- Last date of selling tender: 1-2-99 till office hours.
- Date and time of receiving tender: 2-2-99 till 12:00 Noon.
- Date and time of opening tender box: 2-2-99 till 12:05 PM.
- Date and time of opening all tenders in sealed condition by collecting the envelopes by the undersigned: 4-2-99 at 11:00 AM.
- Date and time of holding lottery (if necessary): Will be informed in due time.

MD Mosharaf Hossein  
Executive Engineer (R&H)  
Ferry Division, Bogra.

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**Ekushey Book Fair in Ctg begins Feb 14**

CHITTAGONG, Jan 26: A fortnight long Ekushey Book Fair will begin in the Muslim Hall premises here from February 14 next, a press release of Ekushey Mela Ujapon Parishad (EMUP), said today, reports BSS.

The EMUP has been taking preparations to hold the Ekushey Book Fair in a befitting manner.

Parishad Chairman Dr Anupom Sen and Member Secretary Nasiruddin Chowdhury have called upon all concerned to extend necessary cooperation to hold the fair successfully.

Meanwhile, Chittagong City Corporation Mayor A B M Mahiuddin Chowdhury has assured the EMUP of his all-out cooperation in holding the Ekushey Book Fair. Parishad leaders called on the city Mayor at his office yesterday.

**Bangladesh Railway Tender Notice**

No. 1/99 Dated: 10/01/1999

The Chief Controller of Stores, Bangladesh Railway, Pahartali, Chittagong invites quotation against the following tender particulars of which are as under:

Sl No	Tender No & Description	Price of Tender Documents Tk	Cost of Drg & Specn. Tk	Postage Charges Tk	Period of Selling of Tender	Date of Opening
1	P3/HB2/42/98/SR Fancy Ceiling Dome light Fitting complete with single holder & globe glass Milky white etc.=100 Nos.	400/-	-	20/-	25-1-99 to 23-2-99	24-2-99
2	P3/HB2/43/98/SR Fixed/Adjustable/ Swivel/Revolving type Carriage Ceiling Fan etc.=100 Nos	400/-	50/-	20/-	27-1-99 to 23-2-99	24-2-99
3	P3/HD/46/98/SR FL Tube light fittings with choke holder complete, Garden light, Street light & Sodium light fittings etc Total=20 items.	400/-	-	20/-	17-1-99 to 14-2-99	15-2-99
4	P3/HD/27/98/SR Triple pole & double Pole moulded case circuit breaker of different capacities, 800 Amps to 30 Amps=11 items.	400/-	-	20/-	-do-	15-2-99
5	P7/B/9/97/REQN Ammonia blue print machine, heavy duty, superior quality with original stand as per CEE/CRB's Specn. No. BRVEE/3/97-1 No	400/-	20/-	20/-	17-1-99 to 15-2-99	16-2-99
6	P4/GB13/14/98/REQN Interleaving Gathering Machine with jogging facilities=1 No	750/-	-	20/-	17-1-99 to 15-2-99	16-2-99
7	P2/GB4/61/98-99/ACST SM Hexagonal 1.3/8" Nut size 2. 190" = 205 Metre.	400/-	30/-	20/-	1-2-99 to 17-2-99	18-2-99
8	P2-GB4/69/98-99/ACST SM Hex. of sizes (4 items)=517/50 Metres	400/-	30/-	20/-	1-2-99 to 17-2-99	18-2-99
9	P2/GB4/59/98-99/ACST SM Round of sizes (4 items)=988 Metres	400/-	30/-	20/-	1-2-99 to 17-2-99	18-2-99
10	P2/GB4/45/98-99/ACST Steel Tool High Speed of sizes (7 items)= 548 Kgs	400/-	30/-	20/-	1-2-99 to 17-2-99	18-2-99
11	04/DSL/98/ACST 1. Wheel Disc 40" dia Drg. No. LW-303 (Alt-9)=200 Nos. 2. Wheel Disc 36" dia Drg. No. LW-310 (Alt-2)=140 Nos. 3. Wheel Idler 33" dia Drg. No. LW-304=36 Nos.	750/-	50/-	20/-	25-1-99 to 1-3-99	2-3-99
12	P6/09/02/1/1998 Ball Bearing P/No. 549826, FAF 5318, SKF 3318-38 Nos.	400/-	-	20/-	25-1-99 to 1-3-99	2-3-99
13	P5/EB1/57/98/R Roller Bearing No. 23222 HLC3 etc.=300 Nos	750/-	-	20/-	25-1-99 to 22-2-99	23-2-99

Tender documents may be obtained from the office of the undersigned as well as from ACOS/DA & COS/W/RJH from 9:00 hrs to 12:00 hrs. on working days either on cash payment or remittance of the charges by money orders.

Quotation addressed to the Chief Controller of Stores, Bangladesh Railway, Pahartali, Chittagong must reach or be dropped into the tender box kept in the office of undersigned or the office of ACOS/DA by 12:00 hrs. on or before the opening date. The tender will be opened at 12:10 hrs. on the opening date. If the office will remain closed on the selling date of the tender documents the next working day shall be deemed to be the last selling date of tender and the tender will be opened on the following working day at 12:10 hrs.

Rail/B/6  
DFP-4251-24/1  
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Chief Controller of Stores  
Bangladesh Rly/Pahartali, Chittagong.

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**BFUJ biennial council Jan 30**  
The biennial council of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) will be held at 10 am on January 30 at the National Press Club, reports BSS.

State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed will attend it as a special guest.

Representatives from the journalists unions of Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna, Jessore, Bogra, Rajshahi, Dinajpur and Mymensingh will participate in the council.

**FM returns**  
Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad returned home yesterday ending his five-day visit to China where he signed a 24 million US dollars interest free loan for the construction of a convention centre in the capital to host the 13th NAM summit scheduled to be held here in 2001, reports BSS.

During his stay in Beijing Azad called on Chinese Prime Minister Zhu Rongji and other Chinese leaders.

He held bilateral discussions with his counterpart Tang Jia Xuan.

**Cement manufacturers' team meets PM**  
A 14-member delegation of Bangladesh Cement Manufacturers Association led by its convener A K M Muhi Uddin called on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her office and discussed their problems, reports BSS.

The Prime Minister gave them a patient hearing and said the government would look into their problems.

NBR chairman Abdul Mueed Chowdhury was also present.

**Notice for Appointment of Legal Adviser/Panel Lawyers for BTMC Head Office**

Applications are invited from retired district judges (maximum 60 years of age) and lawyers with minimum 10 (ten) years of experience in conducting cases in civil courts for appointment of legal adviser/panel lawyers for the head office of Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation.

Applicants are requested to send application to the Secretary, Bangladesh Textile Mills Corporation, 7-9, Kawran Bazar C/A, BTMC Bhaban, Dhaka by 22-2-99 (10-11-1405 Bangla) along with two copies of passport size photographs, attested copies of educational and experience certificates. Incomplete applications are not acceptable.

TMC-01/99  
DFP-1092-18/1

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**Bangladesh Power Development Board Re-Tender Notice**

দেশে প্রথমে উন্নত ইউনি  
বিনিয়োগের অধিক সংযোগ বন্ধ করুন

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide and experienced carrying contractors of govt/semi-govt/ autonomous bodies having port handling licence for handling & carrying of PDB materials by road & river to be despatched from Khulna, Mongla, Benapole or any other places/PDB stores to various districts & places of Bangladesh at an estimated cost of Tk 7,14,600/- (Taka seven lac fourteen thousand six hundred) only against the Public Tender Enquiry No. CM/KLN/ACCTTS-60/98-99/09 dt. 10.01.99.

The tender documents may be collected from the Office of the Chief Engineer (Service), PDB, Biddut Bhaban, 3rd Floor, 1 No. Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka, Director, C&M, PDB, Biddut Bhaban, 1212, Sheikh Mujib Sarak, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong and Sonali Bank, KDA New Market Branch, Khulna on written permission of the head of above PDB offices and the undersigned against application enclosing necessary documents (details of which may be collected on prior personal contact with the said PDB offices) against payment of (non-refundable) cost of Tk. 500/- only per set through Pay-Order/Bank Draft in favour of Dy Director, Accounts, RAO, PDB, Khulna till 16-02-99. Tender will be received/dropped in the tender box of the above PDB offices up to 12-00 Noon of 17.02.99 and be opened the same day at 12-30 PM in presence of tenderers (if anyone remain present). No tender documents will be sent by post nor will be sold on the date of opening. PDB tender rule will have to be followed strictly. The authority reserves the right to accept any tender or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Biddut/Jana-946(4)/98-99  
DFP-1177-18/1/99 Dy Director, C&M, PDB  
G-144 Khulna

**Review workshop on vegetable research tomorrow**  
A two-day review workshop on 'Vegetable Research and Development' will begin at the Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) here tomorrow, reports UNB.

BARC in collaboration with Asian Vegetable Research and Development Centre (AVRDC) has organised the workshop, said a press release.

Food and Agriculture Minister Matia Chowdhury is expected to inaugurate the workshop as chief guest.

Director General of AVRDC Dr Samson CS Tsou and USAID Mission Director in Dhaka Gordon H West will be present as special guest in the workshop.

**Scout leader advance course begins today**  
The 170th scout leader advance course will begin at National Scout Training Center, Mouchak, Gazipur today, a press release said, reports BSS.

International Scout Commissioner and Secretary of the Ministry of Establishment Dr Shah Mohammad Farid will inaugurate the course to be participated by 28 scout leaders from Bangladesh and 17 from Bhutan including 10 trainers.

National Commissioner (Training) of Bangladesh Scouts Shah Alam will preside over the opening ceremony of the course.

The training will continue till February 2.

**Concert at Ctg Stadium Feb 6**  
CHITTAGONG, Jan 26: A concert in aid of Chittagong Diabetic Association will be held at Chittagong Stadium here on February 6, an association press release said today, reports BSS.

Four popular concert parties are expected to take part in it.

Vice-president of the association Dr Syedur Rahman handed over a ticket of the concert to Chittagong City Mayor A B M Mohiuddin Chowdhury yesterday.

Chittagong Diabetic Association is building a Diabetic Hospital Complex in Foy's Lake area of the city at an expenditure of over Taka 25 crore.

**CMC employees' assoc election Jan 31**  
From CU Correspondent  
CHITTAGONG, Jan 26: The election of the third class Government Employees' Association at the Chittagong Medical College (CMC) will be held on January 31.

The panels, Shahidul-Mujib Parishad and Anwar-Jahangir Parishad, are contesting the election.

The election will be held at the Association office from 10 am to 2 pm and 151 registered voters will cast their votes to elect 17 executive members.

**Weather**

**Weather may remain dry**

Weather is likely to remain mainly dry over the country during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today, reports UNB.

Met office said night temperature may fall by 1-3 degree Celsius over the country during the period.

Country's highest temperature 29.0 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Cox's Bazar and the lowest 11.0 degree Celsius at Sri Mongla.

The sun sets today at 5.41 pm and rises tomorrow at 6.42 am. Maximum and minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were as follows:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	27.3	13.3	64	53
Chittagong	27.8	16.0	73	55
Rajshahi	26.2	13.6	56	48
Khulna	27.4	14.3	68	54
Barisal	27.5	13.5	80	65
Sylhet	27.1	14.8	79	67
Cox's Bazar	29.0	16.5	66	56

**Career Opportunity**

An established IT company is interested to recruit Marketing/Sales Executives for its range of Dot Matrix, Laser and Line Printers. The applicant is preferred to be a graduate having a Science background. Work experience should be considered as an added advantage. The applicant should apply to the Chief Executive, with a recent photograph and detailed curriculum vitae to the following address by February 5, 1999:

THE ADVERTISER, GPO Box 2580, DHAKA

**BCIC International Tender Notice**

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিল্পায়নে জাতীয় অগ্রগতির প্রতীক

Khulna Newsprint Mills Ltd, Town Khalishpur, Khulna invites international sealed tender No. KNM/DP (F) 33/99 for purchasing of "RECORDERS" which will be opened on 24-02-1999 at 3:00 PM. Tender documents will be available on payment of Tk. 200,000 (two hundred) per set (non-refundable) from (1) KNM Ltd, (2) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha, Dhaka & (3) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong. No tender documents will be sold on the date of opening. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reason thereof.

BCIC 68-17/1/99  
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G-140 for Managing Director.

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Office of the Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering  
Faridpur Division, Faridpur

গৃহস্থালী সকল কাজে নলকূপের পানি ব্যবহার করুন। স্বাস্থ্যসমত পান্যাদান ব্যবহার করুন।

**Tender Notice**

No: 17 (1998-99 year) Dated: 10-01-1999  
27-09-1405 Bangla

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 separately in group-wise are invited for 'A' and 'D' categories of enlisted/renewed contractors during the current fiscal year (1998-99) of Public Health Engineering Directorate for sinking shallow tubewells of 38 millimetre diameter in different thanas under Faridpur District under the post-flood rehabilitation programme for supplying of pure drinking water during 1998-99 fiscal year under Rural Water Supply Project throughout the country (GoB-4). Tender documents can be purchased till 03-02-1999/21-10-1405 Bangla during office hours from the office of the undersigned, Executive Engineer, PHE, Gopalganj district office. No tender will be sold after 03-02-1999/21-10-1405 Bangla at 5:00 PM. Tenders will be received till 1-00 PM on 04-02-1999/22-10-1405 Bangla in the office of the undersigned, Executive Engineer, PHE, Gopalganj district, Executive Engineer, PHE, Rajbari district office. Tenders will be opened before the tenderers/their representatives present (if anyone remains present) after collecting all the tenders on 07-02-1999/25-10-1405 Bangla at 10 AM in the office of the undersigned.

If the lowest rate is submitted by more one contractor/firm, then a single contractor will be selected through holding lottery on 09-02-1999/27-10-1405 at 10 AM at the conference room of the Public Health Engineering, Faridpur Division.

Earnest money of the tender, allocated money, total number of tubewells in each group, time limit etc and all information and other rules and regulations can be known from the office of the undersigned and the Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering, Gopalganj district office during office hours.

Total estimated cost: Taka 3,46,486/only.

Md Akram Khan  
Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering, Faridpur Division  
Faridpur.

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