

**Kibria to attend IFAD Governing Council meeting**

Finance Minister Shah A M S Kibria leaves the city for Italy today to attend the IFAD Governing Council meeting, reports UNB.

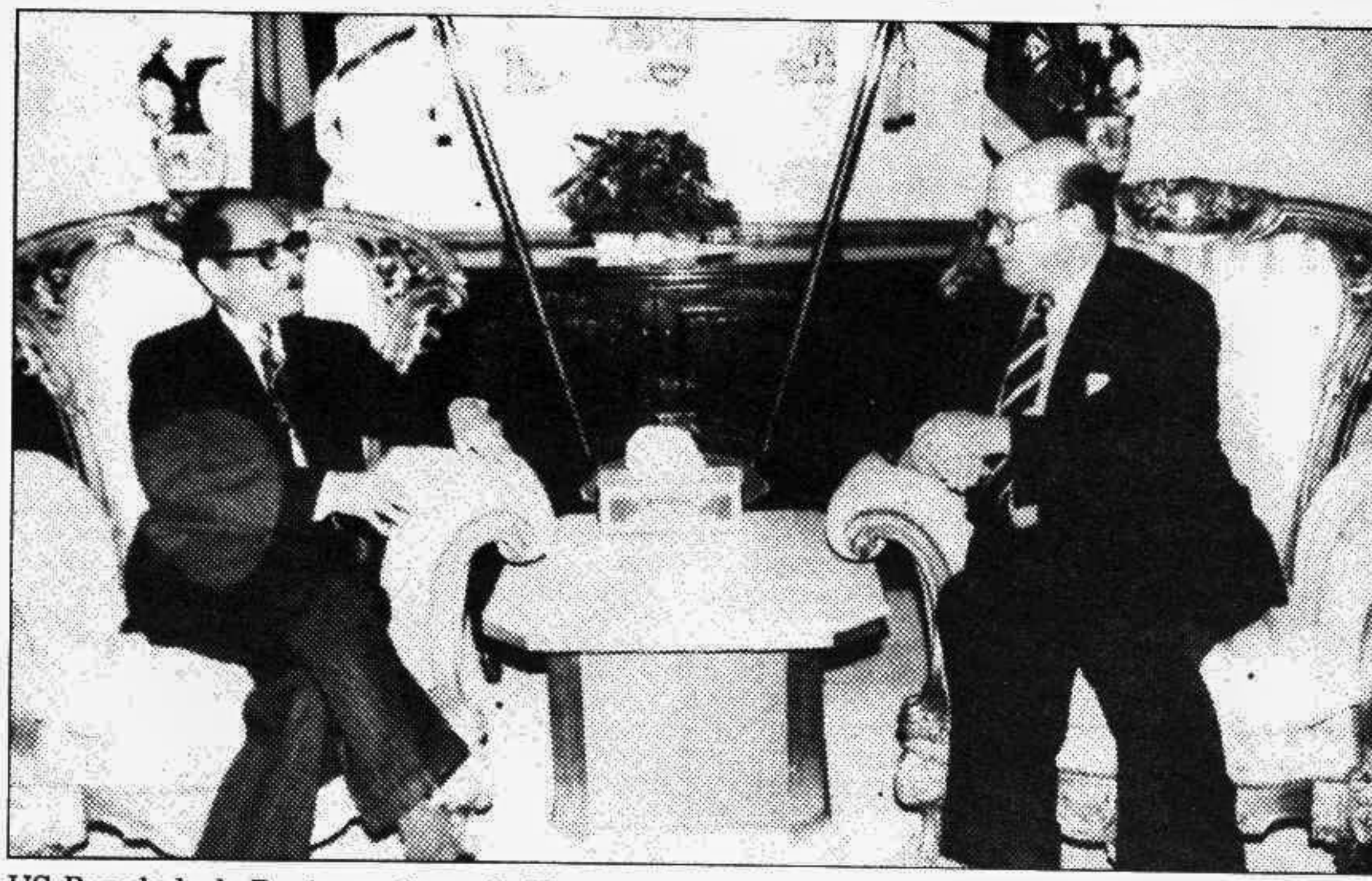
Chairman of the Governing Council, Kibria will preside over the meeting in Rome on February 17-18.

The five-member Bangladesh delegation headed by Kibria include Agriculture Secretary Dr A M M Shawkat Ali, Joint Chief of Economic Relations Division A K M Khairul Alam, Bangladesh Ambassador to Italy Mohammad Jamir and Economic Councilor Mohammad Mesbah Uddin.

**First year honours CU admission tests from Apr 25 to May 5**

CHITTAGONG, Feb 14: Admission tests for the first year honours courses for the session 1998-99 of Chittagong University will be held from April 25 to May 5 next, reports BSS.

Prof Mustaqim Bellah, Dean of the Arts Faculty, said that the distribution of admission forms would begin on March 15 and would continue till April 15. April 18 has been fixed as the last date for depositing admission forms.



US-Bangladesh Business Council Chairman Ambassador Frank G Wisner called on President Shahabuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban yesterday. —PID photo

**Ekushey mela opens in Ctg**

**Call to face intolerance, unrest with patience**

CHITTAGONG, Feb 14: Chief Advisor of former caretaker government and ex-Chief Justice Mohammad Habibur Rahman called upon the people to face the increasing intolerance and unrest in the country with patience, reports BSS.

Speaking as the chief guest at the inaugural ceremony of a fortnight-long Ekushey Mela at the Central Shaheed Minar here, he pointed out that intolerance and unrest would push the country to an unstable condition.

The function held under the auspices of Ekushey Mela Parishad with its chairman Dr Anupon Sen in the chair was

inaugurated by Chittagong City Corporation Mayor A B M Mohiuddin Chowdhury. It was also addressed by the editor of Dainik Azadi Prof Muhammad Khaled, Parishad member-secretary Nasiruddin Chowdhury and members Mofizur Rahman, Avik Osman and Ahmad Haider Iqbal.

Justice Habibur Rahman, quoting eminent researcher in Bengali folk literature Abdul Karim Shahitya Bissharod, called for building up a culture of the masses acceptable to all and sundry. Such a culture, he added, would help you achieve success.

language movement in 1952 Justice Habibur Rahman commended the role of Chittagong in the movement saying it was Mahbubul Alam, a language movement hero, who first composed a poem protesting the killing of students by then Pakistani police in Dhaka.

Mayor Mohiuddin Chowdhury called upon the new generation to imbibe with the spirit of Liberation War and the Language Movement to build the nation.

The Ekushey Mela being held on a broad base way this year includes cultural, literary and folk festivals.

Recalling the history of the

**Shahabuddin condoles death of Ahmed Ali MP**

President Shahabuddin Ahmed yesterday expressed deep condolence at the death of parliament member Ahmed Ali of Meherpur, reports BSS.

In a message to Begum Ahmed Ali, the president said late Ali was an active participant in the historic language movement and the great Liberation War and worked throughout his life for socio-economic development of the people.

He said late Ali was a close associate of Moulana Abdul Hamid Khan Bhasani, received Ekushey Award in 1980 as a leader of Language Movement and was elected parliament member first in 1979. He was re-elected as parliament member in 1996 and made valuable contribution to matters of national importance till his death.

**Prayer for Sajal at BNP office**

A day-long prayer programme was arranged at BNP central office in the city yesterday for Sajal Chowdhury who was killed during 60-hour hartal, reports UNB.

The programmes included Qurankhwani (recitation from the Quran), *mitad mahfil, munajat* and feeding of destitutes.

BNP secretary general Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan and party leaders including Kamal Ibne Yusuf, Abdullah Al Noman, Sadek Hossain Khoka MP and Alhaj Nazibul Basher Maizbandari were present.

**Janaza of Ahmed Ali, MP held**

The *namaz-e-janaza* of Ahmed Ali, MP was held yesterday at the South Plaza of the Jatiya Sangsad, reports BSS.

Speaker Humayun Rasheed Chowdhury, Deputy Speaker Abdul Hamid Advocate, Chief Whip Abul Hasnat Abdullah, members of the Cabinet, MPs, leaders of different political parties, officials and employees of the parliament secretariat attended the *janaza*.

Later, wreaths were placed on the coffin of the deceased on behalf of the Prime Minister, the Speaker, leader of the Opposition and the Chief Whip.

Ahmed Ali, a BNP lawmaker from Meherpur-1 died on Saturday at the Diabetic Hospital (BIRDEM) in the city.

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

- Bangla Academy's programme :** A discussion meeting on 'Bangla Literature: Attainment of 20th century' will be held. Key-note paper: Prof Zulfikar Matin. A musical soiree will also be held. Venue: Academy premises. Time : 4 pm.
- Festival of contemporary plays :** A Natyayendra production 'Crusible' will be staged as part of the Festival of Contemporary Plays of Bangladesh. Organiser: Bangladesh Centre of the International Theatre Institute. Venue : Mahila Samity Manch, Baily Road. Time : 7 pm.
- Int'l monopoly festival :** Islamuddin Palakar of Bangladesh will present 'Palagar' as part of the International Monopoly Festival. Organiser : Bangladesh Centre of the International Theatre Institute. Venue : Guide House Manch, Baily Road. Time : 7 pm.
- Nat'l conference :** The inaugural session of the national conference on 'The internally displaced persons in Bangladesh towards developing research and policy agenda' will be held. Organiser : Refugee and Migratory Movements Research Unit, Dhaka University. Venue : BISS auditorium, 1/46 Elephant Road. Time : 9:45 am.
- Painting exhibition :** The inaugural ceremony of the 1st solo painting exhibition by Shamsul Alam Azad will be held. Prof Anisul Islam will inaugurate the exhibition as chief guest. Venue : Gallery-21, 765 Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi. Time : 5 pm. The exhibition will remain open everyday till February 23 from 10 am to 8 pm.
- Closing ceremony :** The concluding ceremony of the 6th International Short Film Festival Dhaka '99, organised by the Bangladesh Short Film Forum, will be held. Chief guest: Artist Mohammad Kibria. Venue: Central Public Library auditorium, Shahbag. Time: 7 pm.

**Int'l theatre festival opens 2 killed, 44 hurt in three road mishaps**

An international monopoly festival and a festival of contemporary plays of Bangladesh begin in the city yesterday under the auspices of the Bangladesh Centre of International Theatre Institute (ITI), says a press release.

State Minister for Cultural Affairs Obaidul Quader declare the festivals open in a ceremony held in evening at the Guide House auditorium. Bangladesh ITI president Ramendu Majumdar and general secretary Ataur Rahman also spoke on the occasion.

On the opening night 'Kamalaranir Sagardigh' was performed by Dhaka University Theatre while Lokonatyadal staged 'Sonai Madhav' in the Mahila Samity auditorium.

The festivals have been organised in connection with the international seminar on 'One World, Many Theatres' to be held in Dhaka National Museum Auditorium from February 18 to 20.

Three groups from Greece, Sweden and Iran and Dhaka University Theatre, Theatre and Islamuddin Palakar from Bangladesh will participate in the International Monopoly Festival.

In the Festival of Contemporary Plays of Bangladesh, Nagorik, Theatre, Dhaka Theatre, Aranyak, Natya Kendra, Natya Chakra and Theatre Centre will present their plays.

**Qulqhwani**

Qulqhwani of renowned educationist and retired Professor M Rustom Ali Dewan of Dhaka University will be held on the Bangladesh-German Technical Training Centre campus at Mirpur in the city tomorrow after Magrib prayers, a press release said yesterday, reports BSS.

Prof Dewan died of a massive heart attack at the Holy Family Red Crescent Hospital on Friday. He was 76.

His *Namaz-e-Janaza* was held at the Bangladesh-German Technical Training Centre (BGTTC).

Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof A K Azad Chowdhury, teachers, students, government high officials attended the *Janaza*. He was buried at the Mirpur Martyred Intellectuals' graveyard.

**FM praises expatriate Bangladeshis**

Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad yesterday said that the Bangladeshis living abroad are making significant and meaningful contributions there in politics, economy and social development, reports BSS.

"The job they perform and the success of these people 'expatriate' Bangladeshis have brightened the image of our country abroad," Azad said when he received Councillor A Asad, the Mayor of Tower Hamlets, London, at his office in the city yesterday.

**SALE OF MICROBUS**

Sealed quotations are invited for the sale of a 9-seater 1300cc TOYOTA LITEACE MICROBUS (1986 Model). The Microbus may be inspected by genuine buyers at The Daily Star office premises between 10:30 AM and 4:30 PM on all working days (except Fridays). Quotations must be addressed to the Establishment Manager, The Daily Star, House No: 11, Road No: 3, Dhanmandi R/A, Dhaka-1205, and should reach by 20 Feb '99. Envelopes must be marked "Quotation for Microbus". The highest bidder must be ready to take delivery of the Microbus by making full payment in cash or Pay Order within a week of opening of the quotations. Management of The Daily Star reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotations without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Description of Materials	Cost of Tender Documents (non-refundable)	Closing Date & Time	Opening Date & Time
Pipe Fittings	US\$ 21.00 or Tk. 1000.00	05.04.1999 at 11.00 hrs	05.04.1999 at 11.15 hrs.

- The procurement will be financed under Cash Foreign Exchange Resource.
- Qualification of the contractor/ : Manufacturers/Suppliers having proven experience of similar works/supply.
- Where tender documents will be available:
  - BGSL, Head Office Complex, Chapapur, Comilla, Bangladesh.
  - BGSL's Liaison Office, House No. 3, Road No. 2/A, Banani, Dhaka-1213, Bangladesh.
  - Bakharabad Gas Systems Limited, Sales Department, 137/A, CDA Avenue, Sholasahar, Chittagong, Bangladesh.
- Selling time of tender : From 18.02.1999 to 04.04.1999 during office hours.
- Place of tender receiving : BGSL's Liaison Office, House No. 3, Road No. 2/A, Banani, Dhaka-1213, Bangladesh.
- Bid bond amount : 2.5% of the total quoted amount.
- For further information and : Dy. General Manager (Purchase), BGSL, Comilla, Bangladesh. Fax No. 880-2-886317, 880-2-9569199
- BGSL reserves the right to accept any tender or to reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

BG-09/Feb 99.  
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**BCIC International Tender Notice**

Managing Director, North Bengal Paper Mills Limited, Paksey, Pabna invites sealed quotation in two envelope system under any suitable Foreign fund on C&F (C) Mongla/Chittagong Sea Port liner term basis for the following materials.

SI No	Enquiry No & date, time of opening	Description of material	Price of tender paper (non-refundable)
1.	F/332 dt 30.1.99 due on 7.3.99 at 11-00 am	Furnace Oil Pump	Tk 400/- per set
2.	F/356 dt 30.1.99 due on 7.3.99 at 11-00 am	Instrument Spares	Tk 400/- per set

Bids to be dropped simultaneously in the office of Sr General Manager (Purchase, BCIC, BCIC Bhaban, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka & Addl. Chief Manager (Purchase, NBPML Ltd, Paksey, Pabna which will be opened just after closing of the tender box in presence of tenderers (if any).

Tender documents will be available on all working days except the date of opening from Cash Section of the following address:

- BCIC Head Office, BCIC Bhaban, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka.
- BCIC Branch Office, 6-Agrabad C/A, Chittagong.
- Khulna Newsprint Mills Ltd., Town Khalishpur, Khulna.
- North Bengal Paper Mills Ltd., Paksey, Pabna.

Tender together with 1% (one per cent) Earnest Money to be deposited as per terms & conditions stipulated in the tender schedule.

NB: If the tender could not be received & opened on due date due to any unavoidable circumstances the same will be received & opened on the next working day at the same place and same time. Other terms & conditions shall remain unchanged. Management reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason.

BCIC-112-4/2/99  
DFP-2374-7/2  
G-269

**Addl Chief Manager (Purchase)**  
for Managing Director

**ARAMIT CEMENT LIMITED**  
53, Kalurghat HIE, P.O-Mohara, Chittagong-4208.

Share Office:  
Suite # 202 (2<sup>nd</sup> Fl), 28 Dilkusha C. A. Dhaka-1000.

**NOTICE TO THE DEBENTURE HOLDERS**

Notice is hereby given to the valued Debenture holders of the Company that the Debenture Transfer Register will remain close from 24 February to 28 February 1999 (both days inclusive). During this period no transfer of Debenture will be effected for payment of interest for the period from 17 July 1998 to 28 February 1999.

By order of the Board  
Sd/  
Md. Ibrahim Khalil FCMA  
Company Secretary

**BCIC Tender Notice**

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিল্পায়নে জাতীয় অগ্রগতির প্রতীক

Managing Director, Chittagong Urea Fertilizer Ltd, Rangadia, Chittagong invites sealed tender against Tender No CUFL/PUR/98-99/5 (235) for supply of electrical goods. Tender documents are available at the cost of Tk 25.00 (twenty-five) only per set (1) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka (2) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong (3) CUFL Accounts Deptt during office hours. Tender will be received in the Purchase Section, CUFL, Chittagong and BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong up to 11.30 AM on 15.3.99 and to be opened immediately thereafter. No tender document will be sold on the opening date.

BCIC-128-7/2/99  
DFP-2530-9/2  
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**Nousher Uddin Ahmed**  
Manager (Purchase)  
for Managing Director

**BCIC International Tender Notice**

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Managing Director, Khulna Newsprint Mills Ltd, Town Khalishpur, Khulna invites sealed quotation under 2 (two) envelope system against International Tender Enquiry No. KNM/PD(F)-08/99 for 1000 (one thousand) ADMT Bleached Chemi Thermo Mechanical Pulp on C&F (C) Mongla Liner term basis under Cash Foreign Exchange, so as to reach his office by 3.00 PM on 15-03-99 which shall be opened immediately thereafter. Tender documents shall be available on payment of Tk 1000.00 (one thousand) per set (non-refundable) from (A) KNM Ltd, Khulna (B) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka & (C) BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad C/A, Chittagong. Earnest Money is Tk 1% of the total quoted C&F (C) Mongla value. No tender documents shall be sold on the date of opening. The authority reserves the right to accept or to reject any or all bids without assigning any reason thereof.

BCIC-137-8/2/99  
DFP-2627-10/2  
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Ser	Nomenclature	Date of Selling		Date of opening	Currency	Tender No
		From	To			
01.	Hydraulic Hand Pallet Trucks (Qty-10)	24-2-99	23-3-99	24-3-99	Local	214/611/P-10
02.	Various Workshop Equipment (10 line items)	24-2-99	06-4-99	07-4-99	Foreign	214/612/P-10
03.	Spare parts of Boiler (18 line items) (Re-Tender)	24-2-99	23-3-99	24-3-99	Foreign	214/609/P-10

- Tender schedule with detailed specification, terms and conditions will be available on payment as per 1/T selling rate (not refundable) during office hours from 0800 hours to 1300 hours. The tender will be dropped latest by 1000 hours and opened at 1005 hours on concerned opening dates in front of tenderers present at that time.

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