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No. 01-PGCB/Sec/99/110 Date: February 27, 1999

**CORRIGENDUM**  
 of  
**Invitation for Tenders**  
 for Turnkey Contract No. 30500/4 for  
**230/132kV Substation Equipment including**  
**Civil Works at Rampura, Dhaka**  
 under  
**Meghnaghat Power Station Associated Transmission Lines Project.**  
 Ref: 01-PGCB/Sec/99/84 dated 10-02-99

Closing date for submission of Tenders for the above project shall be read as "not later than 3:00 pm local time on May 17, 1999" instead of "not later than 11:00 am local time on April 05, 1999". All other terms and conditions of the above invitation shall remain unaltered

**(Mohammed Salim)**  
 Company Secretary

**EC envoy presents credentials to Shahabuddin**

Ambassador of the head of European Commission delegation to Bangladesh Antoine B De Souza Menezes, presented his credentials to President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban yesterday, reports BSS.

Welcoming the new head of European Commission delegation to Dhaka, President Shahabuddin said Bangladesh enjoys the best of relations with the European Union. The European Union has become Bangladesh's largest export market as well as a major development partner, he observed.

He said Bangladesh appreciates the assistance and co-operation it receives from each of its member countries and the European Union as a whole.

Menezes recalled the increasing trade relations between the European Union and Bangladesh and said that the recently concluded cooperation agreement would go a long way in strengthening the existing relations. He said that he will endeavour to contribute to maintaining and further developing the bonds of friendship, comprehensive co-operation and trade between the European community and the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Earlier, on his arrival at Bangabhaban, the Ambassador was given a guard of honour by the President's guard regiment. He took the salute and reviewed the guard.



Newly appointed European Commission (EC) envoy to Bangladesh Antoine B DeSouza Menezes presented his credentials to President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed at Bangabhaban yesterday. — PID photo

**Farasuddin elected Chairman of ACU**

Governor of Bangladesh Bank Dr Mohammad Farasuddin was elected Chairman of the Asian Clearing Union (ACU) for a two-year term, reports APB.

He was elected at the 28th conference of ACU held in the Nepalese capital Kathmandu on April 5-6.

Chaired by Nepal's State Bank Governor Satyendra Pyara Shrestha, governors of the state banks of Myanmar, Iran, India and Bangladesh attended the two-day meet. Senior officials of the central banks of Pakistan and Sri Lanka represented their respective countries.

The Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of China and the Managing Director of the Central Currency Authority of Bhutan attended the meeting as observers on special invitation.

**BPSA greets Hasina**

Bangladesh Police Service Association (BPSA) yesterday greeted Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina for winning UNESCO's 1998 Houphouët-Boigny Peace Award, reports BSS.

The Chittagong Hill Tracts peace accord is a major achievement of the present government which has paved the way for resolving the age-old and piled up problems of the hill districts, the association said in a statement.

The BPSA expressed its solidarity with the efforts of the Prime Minister to build Sonar Bangla as dreamt by father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman under her leadership.

The signatories to the statement were Mohammad Nurul Alam, Additional IG of Special Branch and Mohammad Abdul Hannan Khan, Assistant DIG, Dhaka Range of Bangladesh Police.

**SSMC orientation course begins**

Orientation class of 1st year MBBS students (1998-99 session) of Sir Salimullah Medical College will be held on May 2, reports UNB.

Students of the academic session have been asked to attend the programme at 11 am at the Lecture Gallery No 1 of the College.

**Two killed, 12 hurt on Dhaka-Ctg highway**

CHITTAGONG, Apr 19: Two people were killed and 12 injured as two buses collided on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway in Mirsarai thana today, reports UNB.

Police said a Chittagong-bound passenger coach of S Alam service from Dhaka rammed into a local bus running from opposite direction near Bartakia Bazar at about 10.55 am.

All the casualties were reported in the crowded Bariarhaat-bound local bus from the port city.

A passenger, Shafiul Alam, 42, died on the spot and another, Shamsul Haq, 17, succumbed to his injuries on way to Chittagong Medical College Hospital.

**JU admission test forms go on sale today**

By JU Correspondent

Distribution of forms for admission test of first year honours course under the session 1998-99 at Jahangirnagar University (JU) begins today. Forms will be distributed and received till May 11.

The forms will be available at Agrani Bank's branches at JU, Newmarket, Farmgate Mirpur-10 and National Museum. Price of forms of 'Ka' and 'Ga' unit are fixed at Tk 150 and of 'Kha' and 'Gha' unit at Tk 125.

Applicants will be able to answer maximum four subjects in 'Ka' and 'Ga' unit and three subjects in 'Kha' and 'Gha' unit.

A total of 809 students will be enrolled this year in 24 departments under four units, 445 male and 217 female students will be enrolled from the merit list, 12 from players' quota, 15 from tribal students' quota, 48 from freedom fighters' ward quota and 72 from teachers', officers and employees' ward quota.

JU opened four new departments under three faculties and one institute from this year. The departments are 'International Relations' under Arts Faculty, 'Environmental Science' under Science Faculty, 'Urban and Regional Planning' under Social Science Faculty and 'Bio-Chemistry and Molecular Biology' under Institute of Life Science.

Rules of admission test have been changed this year. To curtail the uprising session jam, the central admission committee has abolished viva voce which, earlier, had no marks except that of Drama and Dramatics department. Applicants to department of Drama and Dramatics still have to attend a 10-marks viva voce after the written test.

**'Vermiculture most viable for organic farming'**

An Indian agricultural scientist yesterday laid stress on using organic manures and natural methods for plant production instead of synthetic fertilisers and chemical pesticides responsible for depleting soil fertility, reports BSS.

C Sivarma Krishna said this at a training workshop on "Organic Farming using Vermiculture", jointly organised by Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC) and CIRDP at BARC auditorium in the city.

In his paper on "Vermiculture Practices in Organic Agriculture", Krishna said vermiculture is a most viable organic agricultural practice which reduces the dependence on chemical fertilisers and pesticides and lends sustainability to the farmers. Organic agriculture has been perceived differently by farmers of the developing and of the least developed countries, he said.

**Navy seizes foreign salt worth Tk 50 lakh**

CHITTAGONG, Apr 19: Bangladesh navy ship SAGAR apprehended one mechanised boat loaded with 6685 maunds of semi-white foreign salt worth about Tk 50 lakh (including the boat) near Authority Buoy on Saturday last, reports BSS.

Fifteen Bangladeshi crew of the boat were also arrested, a release of Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) department said.

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**International Tender Notice for Import of 25,000 M Tons (+/-10%) Sugar**

Ref No BSFIC/PD-3/150(6)/99 Dated: 19.04.1999

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide suppliers/manufacturers by Bangladesh Sugar & Food Industries Corporation for import of 25,000 M.Tons (+/-10%) of sugar on C&F(C) Chittagong delivery basis. Sealed tenders will be received in tender box at Purchase Division, 3, Dilkusha Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000 up to 11.00 AM on 16.05.1999 and opened in presence of the tenderers (if any) at 11.05 AM on the same day. Tender documents with detailed specifications and other terms and conditions will be available from the Additional Chief Accountant (Cash) of this Corporation at Adamjee Court (4th Floor), 115-120, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000 and the General Manager (Shipping), BSFIC, Shipping Office, Arag Chamber, 68, Agrabad Commercial Area, Chittagong on cash payment of Tk 1000.00 (Taka one thousand) only (non-refundable) on all working days between 10.00 AM and 2.30 PM. No tender documents will be sold on the day of opening of the tender. Corporation reserves the right to accept/reject any or all tender without assigning any reason whatsoever.

S-F-451  
 GD-305  
 Abdullah  
 Additional Chief (Purchase)

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
 Office of the Executive Engineer (RHD)  
 Road Division, Khulna

**Notice Inviting Tender**

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from enlisted contractors of RHD according to their financial limit for the following work:

- Tender Notice : 5-EE/KRD/1998-99.
- Name of work : Construction of 259.88 meter long RCC bridge over the Shailmari river at 7th KM of Gollamari-Batiaghat-Dacope road under Road Division, Khulna during the year 1998-99 (Excluding superstructure).
- Estimated cost : Tk 9,18,18,751/-.
- Earnest money : Tk 18,36,376/-.
- Time allowed for completion of work : 36 (thirty-six) months.
- Eligibility of contractor : "A" class contractor under special category of RHD.
- Name of the offices where tender documents will be sold : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Khulna/Bagerhat/Shatkhira/Planning Division (Roads and Bridges), Dhaka/Planning and Design Division under Addl Chief Engineer (RHD), Dhaka Zone/Khulna Zone/Chittagong Zone/Comilla Zone/Rajshahi Zone/Rangpur Zone/Barisal Zone.
- Name of offices where tender documents will be received : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Khulna/Addl Chief Engineer (RHD), Khulna Zone/Chittagong Zone/Comilla Zone/Rajshahi Zone/Rangpur Zone/Dhaka Zone/Barisal Zone/ Superintending Engineer (RHD), Road Circle, Khulna/ Jessore/Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka/ Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Khulna/Bagerhat/Satkhira.
- Last date & time of selling tender : On 5.5.1999 up to 5.00 PM.
- Last date & time of receiving tender : Up to 12.30 PM on 6.5.1999.
- Date of opening of all tenders by this office : 13.5.1999.
- Date for lottery : 17.5.1999 (at 11.00 AM).
- Chargeable to : 266 Development.

Ashraful Islam Khan  
 Executive Engineer, RHD  
 Road Division, Khulna.

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**Navy seizes Thai trawler: 19 held**

CHITTAGONG, Apr 19: An anti-smuggling patrol team of Bangladesh Navy seized a Thai trawler along with 19 crew and huge smuggled goods from the Bay here Saturday night, reports UNB.

Sources said the Navy men challenged the gigantic Thai trawler when it was suspiciously moved in to Bangladesh territory.

The Navy men chased the trawler as the Thai people tried to escape and caught them near the Saint Martin's island.

They recovered a huge quantity of liquor and other contrabands from the trawler.

The arrested Thai nationals were sent to local thana.

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

- Art exhibition:** A 5-day long exhibition of the art works of former and present teachers and students of Institute of Fine Arts will be inaugurated. Venue: Institute gallery. Time: 10:00 am.
- Workshop:** A workshop on 'Effect of Poultry Vaccines at Field Level and Evaluation of Artificial Insemination Programme' will be held. Organisers: Bangladesh Livestock Research Institute (BLRI) in association with BRAC. Chief Guest: ASM Abul Rab, Minister for Fisheries and Livestock. Venue: IDB Bhaban auditorium. Time: 10:00 am.
- Discussion meeting:** Bangla Academy will hold a discussion meeting on "Importance of Mujibnagar Government" to observe Mujibnagar Day. Venue: Seminar room of the Academy. Time: 11:00 am.
- Press conference:** Bangladesh Film Producers Distributors Association will hold a press conference. Venue: Association office at 175, Skylark Point (7th floor), Shaheed Syed Nazrul Islam Sharani. Time: 12:30 pm.
- Talk:** A talk on 'Contemporary Strategic Issues in South Asia in the post-cold War Era: Central Asian Republics in Perspective' will be held. Venue: Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies (BIIS). Time: 3:30 pm.
- Seminar:** A seminar on 'The Dispute Resolution Process in the New World Trade Organisation' will be held. Organiser: North South University (NSU). Venue: NSU campus. Time: 4:00 pm.
- Meeting:** The weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka will be held. Venue: Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 5:00 pm.
- Meeting:** The weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Ramna will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club Ltd. Time: 5:30 pm.

**Dhaka WASA Tender Notice**

পানির অপচয় বন্ধ করুন।।  
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Tenders are invited from bonafide manufacturers/trading house or their approved agent for supply of 1) housing pipe, reducing cone and bail plug for 30 deep tubewells and 2) SS screen with 200 mm diameter for 30 deep tubewells. Tenders will be received till 3/5/99 at 12:00 Noon and will be opened on the same day at 2:00 PM before the tenderers or their representatives (if anyone remains present).

Schedule of tender will be available from the office of the Chief Accounts Officer of Dhaka WASA, WASA Bhaban, 98, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka and all MODS Zone offices of Dhaka WASA. Other detailed description will be available from the office of the undersigned.

**Address:**  
 WASA Bhaban  
 98, Kazi Nazrul  
 Islam Avenue, Dhaka  
 WASA-PI-112/99

**A K M Zafarullah**  
 Project Director  
 Interim Project-4  
 Dhaka WASA

DFP-7809-13/4  
 G-680

**DU debate competition begins today**

By DU Correspondent

The three-day 'Dhaka University Inter Club Debate Competition '99' begins at the conference room of Business Studies Faculty this morning.

Barrister Mainul Hossain will be present as chief guest while Prof Abbas Ali Khan, Chairman of the Management Department, will preside over the inaugural session.

Prof Abu Hashem, Prof Durgadas Bhattacharya and Prof Abdul Mannan Chowdhury will be present as special guests.

The competition is organised by the Dhaka University Management Debating Club (DUMDC).

There will be three rounds—traditional debate, parliamentary debate and public debate.

A total of 16 debating clubs from different residential halls and departments will take part in the competition.

**Painting exhibition of Dutch artist opens today**

A nine-day painting exhibition of Marion Bloem, a artist from Denmark begins at Shilpakala Academy gallery tomorrow, reports BSS.

The exhibition titled 'certainty of People' is being jointly organised by Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and the Dutch Embassy in Dhaka.

The Dutch Ambassador in Dhaka Dick CB Den Hase will present at the inaugural function at 5 pm.

The exhibition will remain open from 11 AM to 7 PM everyday during April 22-29, said a press release today.

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- Details of Testing Facilities including list of testing equipment.
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- Details of past 10 (ten) years experience in the field of technical inspections specially in electrical, mechanical, civil and chemical equipment and materials.
- Particulars of the works and details of the organisations where they have rendered their services along with certificates.
- The tenderer must have permission for Bangladesh Bank for operating within/outside Bangladesh as a recognised Pre-shipment Agent.
- Offer should be valid for 60 (sixty) days from the date of opening of tender.
- The offer shall be submitted in sealed cover addressed to the Director, Purchase, BPDB, 9th floor, WAPDA Building, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka.
- The tender/offer will be received by the undersigned up to 11:00 AM on 10.5.99 & will be opened on the same date at 11:30 AM in presence of the bidder, if any.
- Tender/offer will not be sent by Post nor it will be sold on the day of opening of tender. Offer sent by Telex/Fax/Post will be accepted. Late Bids will not be received at all.

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