

Tourist centre at Madhabkunda

Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation, national tourist organisation has recently completed the construction of a tourist

centre within the area of water-fall at Madhabkunda in Maulvibazar district, reports BSS.

The centre comprising a tourist restaurant and picnic spot has been built at a cost of Tk 100 lakh to promote tourism, a press release said.



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(Only short listed candidate will be called for the interview.)

DU teacher dead

Dr. Paresht Islam Syed Mustafizur Rahman, Professor of the Department of Islamic History and Culture of the University of Dhaka died yesterday morning at the Combined Military Hospital (CMH) following a stroke. He was 62, reports BSS.

Dr. Rahman, who did PhD from Cambridge University, joined Dhaka University in 1974. Earlier he taught at several colleges including Dhaka College.

Dr. Rahman authored one book and nearly fifty research articles.

He was chairman of the department from 1987 to 1990. He was director of the Centre of Higher Studies in Humanities in 1990-93.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

The namaj-e-janaza of Prof. Rahman will be held today after Zohr prayers at the Dhaka University Mosque.

Team to attend UNDCP regional conf in New Delhi

A two-member delegation led by Director General of the Department of Narcotics Control (DNC) Muddabir Hossain Chowdhury yesterday left for New Delhi to attend the regional conference of UNDCP, reports BSS.

The conference will begin in the UNDCP Regional Office for South Asia in New Delhi today, which will continue till April 15.

The other member of the delegation is joint secretary (Admin) of the Home Ministry Ashiqul Haque Chowdhury.

The delegation members will discuss on Sub-Regional Project on Drug Abuse and the second phase of the master plan on Drug Abuse control with the financial assistance of the United Nations Drug Control Programme (UNDCP).

Hasina pleads empowerment of women for positive changes

LYNCHBURG, Virginia, Apr 9: Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina pleaded empowerment of women in political and administrative domain to bring about positive changes for a world free from conflicts in the 21st century, reports BSS.

"Now, I advocate a policy for greater participation of women. This will have a salutary effect on overall development for the simple reason that women are pacifist in nature. Rather than in perpetuation of intra- and inter-state conflicts," she said in a lecture at Randolph-Macon Women's College on Saturday.

In the treatise on the Role of Women in 21st Century marking the receipt of her Pearl S. Buck Award, Hasina said no nation could aspire to be developed one leaving half of its population in darkness.

This realisation, she said, prompted her government to take concrete measures for development and empowerment of women ever since she took office in 1996 when Awami League made a comeback from two decades in the wilderness.

The Prime Minister said government's current Five-Year Plan stated specific objectives to use women as a productive force and make sure that women are direct beneficiaries of all development efforts.

She said present government is committed to Beijing Platform of Action and Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, for women's advance to all directions.

"We have made remarkable progress in matters of political empowerment of women. Bangladesh took a giant step towards ensuring women's participation at the decision-making level," she said to applause from her audience at the award presentation ceremony.

The Prime Minister mentioned some 14,000 women directly elected as public representatives to Union Parishads while in Parliament 30 seats are reserved for the women folk.

Hasina apprised the Americans that despite difficulties, women in greater numbers are coming up in Bangladesh to take responsible positions in banks, insurance, trade, commerce, industries and information technology.

Underlining the importance of education for empowerment of women, she quoted a famous saying of Napoleon, "Give me educated mothers, I will give you educated nation."

To clapping from the audience at the Smith Memorial Hall, where Asia's another celebrated woman, Corazon Aquino of the Philippines, took the

first Pearl S. Buck laurels, the Prime Minister said her government started a massive literacy campaign to ensure 100 per cent literacy by year 2005.

About microfinance pioneered by Bangladesh for economic self-reliance of women, she strongly favoured introduction of microcredits in any poverty-prone areas of the world and also for leadership of women to make best possible use of this tool for upgrading their economic and social status.

The Prime Minister said her government was implementing the largest poverty programme titled Vulnerable Group Development (VGD), a development package for the destitute and poor women, which offers food, skill development and training.

Microcredits offered to the rural women by government, financial institutions and the NGOs appreciably changed ru-

ral socio-economic scenario, she added.

Originating in 1972 in Bangladesh, this targeted credit-delivery mechanism now turned into a global poverty alleviation tool, a success story, with more than 50 countries of world replicating.

Hasina, who received the prestigious Pearl S. Buck Award, said Buck's works provide a moving and realistic portrayal of her characteristics in the struggle to survive in the midst of natural disaster, social turmoil and unfriendly environment and the ultimate triumph of the human spirit and truth.

"Our movements right from 1947 through 1971 bear eloquent testimony to this fact and we believe, like Buck, that ultimately truth will prevail and evil forces be defeated," she said, adding that she finds a resemblance between Buck's philosophy of life and the heroic deeds and abilities of the people of Bangladesh to cope with adversities of life.

The Prime Minister quoted Pearl S. Buck on breaking a heart as saying: "There were many ways for breaking heart. Stories were full of hearts broken by love, but what really broke a heart was taking away its dream whatever that dream might be."

Said Hasina: "We must presume the dreams and bring them to reality for all humanity in this millennium. If women can be protected from injuries and harms, they can create, through their contributions, a world full of love, affection, amity and dreams."

The cutting-edge function was attended by the Prime Minister's younger sister, Sheikh Rehana, State Minister for Foreign Affairs, Abul Hasan Chowdhury, Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister Dr. S. A. Samad, Press Secretary to the PM Jawadul Karim, Bangladesh Ambassador to Washington K. M. Shehabuddin, academics, teachers, students, elite of Lynchburg city and Bangladeshi expatriates living in the United States.

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'All thana HQs to be made pourashavas'

LAKSHMIPUR, Apr 9: Local Government Minister Zillur Rahman today said that all thana headquarters in the country will be made pourashavas in phases, reports BSS.

"All thana headquarters will be transformed into pourashavas in phases with twin objectives of stopping migration of people to the cities and to expedite development process in rural areas," Rahman said while speaking at a foundation laying function of Ramgati Pourashava of the district.

Minister for Fisheries and Livestock ASM Abdur Rob was the special guest on the occasion, a PID handout said.

Zillur Rahman said present government in last four years has turned over fifty thana headquarters into pourashavas by building necessary infrastructures for urban living to meet the expectations of the people. The minister said as a result of the transformation, the rural development infrastructure has been strengthened facilitating growth in trade and commerce. This has also helped set up small and medium scale industries in the rural areas.

Zillur further informed that Ramgati thana headquarters will be declared an urban area and be elevated to a pourashava.

Slide-show cancelled

The High Commission of India announces the cancellation of its pre-announced programme of slide-show by Satish Sharma on April 11, due to unavoidable circumstances, says a press release.

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Notice of RHD Inviting Tenders

1. Tender Notice No : Chuadanga 25/1999-2000 of Chuadanga Road Division.
2. Name of work : Potholes repair and sealing coat with primer seal coat at 43rd (P) and 44th (P) km part at Kushtia-Puradaha-Alamdanga-Chuadanga Road under Chuadanga Road Division during 1999-2000.
3. Estimated cost : Tk. 2,99,509/-
4. Earnest money : Tk 5,990/-
5. Time allowed for completion : 20 (twenty) days.
6. Eligibility of : "A" to "E" class under general category of RHD.
7. Name of offices of availability of tender documents : Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Chuadanga/Kushtia/Jhenidah/Magura/Narail/Jessore/Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Chuadanga.
8. Name of officers by whom tender will be received : Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Jessore Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Chuadanga/Kushtia/Jhenidah/Magura/Narail/Sub-Divisional Engineer RHD, Road Sub-Division, Chuadanga.
9. Last date & time for selling tender : Up to 5.00 PM on 18-4-2000 Eng/5-1-1407 Bang.
10. Last date & time for receiving tender : Up to 12.30 PM on 19-4-2000 Eng/6-1-1407 Bang.
11. Last date & time for preparing the list of tender : At 12.45 PM on 19-4-2000 Eng/6-1-1407 Bang.
12. Date & time for opening of tender : At 10.30 AM on 23-4-2000 Eng/10-1-1407 Bang.
13. Date & time of lottery : At 11.30 AM on 25-4-2000 Eng/12-1-1407 Bang.
14. Chargeable head : 266-Development.

MD Abul Kalam Azad
Executive Engineer (RHD)
Road Division, Chuadanga.

Institute of Nuclear Science & Technology (INST)

Atomic Energy Research Establishment (AERE)
Savar, Dhaka

INST-9(30)/95 Dated: 27-03-2000

Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from the bonafide tenderers/suppliers in order to supply an X-ray film drying cabinet for the Institute of Nuclear Science & Technology (INST), Atomic Energy Research Establishment (AERE), Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka. Tender schedule along with terms & conditions will be purchased payment of Tk. 300/- (Non-refundable) from the INST, AERE, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka up to 19.04.2000 during office hours.

Tender will be dropped into the tender box kept at the office of the undersigned on 20.04.2000 up to 2.00 PM and will be opened 2.30 PM on the same day in the presence of tenderers (if any present). Earnest money at the rate of 2.5% on quoted value will have to be deposited in favour of Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Savar, Dhaka. For unavoidable circumstances if the office remains closed on the day of dropping and opening of the tenders the same will be dropped and opened on the next working day as usual.

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Administrative Officer (Acting)

Government of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer (RHD)
Road Division, Barguna

Notice Inviting Tender in Sealed Cover in BD Form No-2911

1. Tender Notice No : Barguna RHD 38/99-2000 E.
2. Name of work : Construction of protective work at 16th KM (P) (Dauatala Bazar) Portion on Rajapur-Kathalia-Amua-Bamna-Patharghata Road under Barguna Road Division during the year 1999-2000.
3. Chargeable to : 266 Dev.
4. Estimated cost : Tk 1,81,972/98
5. Earnest money : Tk 3640/-
6. Time allowed for completion : 20 (twenty) days.
7. Eligibility of : A to E general (RHD) contractors.
8. Name of offices available of tender documents : Executive Engineer (RHD), Road Division, Barisal/Bhola/Pirojpur/Jhalakathi/Patuakhali/Barguna & Sub-Divisional Engineer (RHD), Barguna.
9. Name of offices to receive the tender documents : 1. Superintending Engineer (RHD), Barisal Road Circle, Barisal.
2. Executive Engineer (RHD), Barisal/Patuakhali & Barguna.
10. Last date & time of selling the tender : 18-04-2000E/05-01-1407B up to office hours.
11. Last date & time of dropping the tender : 19-04-2000E/06-01-1407B up to 12.30 PM.
12. Date & time of opening the tender : 23-04-2000E/10-01-1407B at 12.00 Noon.
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Section-1

No MOEF/Sec-1/26/97/144 Dated: 30-3-2000

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The bidders shall submit their tender with catalogue/brochure accordingly along with earnest money (@ 3% of the total quoted amount in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank in favour of the undersigned. The authority, shall not bear any cost related to preparation & submission of tender.

The authority reserves the right to accept/reject any or all tender without assigning any reason whatsoever. Incomplete tenders will be rejected directly.

Tahmina Begum
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