



BNP secretary general Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan MP inaugurated an exhibition on the life and works of former president Ziaur Rahman at his mazar yesterday to mark his death anniversary. —Star photo

Ershad PM ? No, says Manju

Communications Minister Anwar Hossain Manju has dubbed his former political boss HM Ershad as a madcap and laughed away Ershad's dream of becoming Prime Minister by winning 22 seats in Rangpur, reports UNB.

"Ershad has not yet seen the last scene of the play of Sirajuddaula wherein it is said you will not be given that chance, you devil," said Manju while addressing a workers' meeting of Jatiya Party at Sathkira circuit house on Friday, according to a press release.

Manju who severed ties with Ershad in 1998 and is now secretary general of Jatiya Party's

splinter group said, "We supported Awami League after 1996 general elections to save Ershad from the gallows, but did not join Awami League."

"If we had not supported Awami League at the time, Khaleda Zia would have come to power and strangled him," he added.

He said Khaleda has openly humiliated Ershad and thrown him into jail for 13 years in three corruption cases. She even vowed to keep Ershad in jail up to the doomsday had she been in power. She brought allegations of corruption involving Tk 40,000 crore against Ershad. "It is an irony that Ershad

has now joined hands with her," Manju told the meeting.

The Communications Minister said Rangpur is not a fortress for Ershad. Until 1990, Ershad could not enter the district. While he was jailed during 1991-96, he won six seats from there, but now not get even three seats.

Manju, the longest serving minister in Independent Bangladesh, lamented that corruption is pervasive in all spheres of life destroying the vitals of the nation. It is because of this high corruption that the donors and international lending agencies, World Bank and ADB, are hesitating to assist the country.

JCD to accord reception to its leaders May 15

By DU Correspondent

Jatiyabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), student wing of main opposition BNP, yesterday brought out a procession on the Dhaka University campus in support of its rally on May 15.

The JCD will hold a rally on the campus tomorrow to accord reception to its president Habib-un-Nabi Sohel and general secretary Nasiruddin Ahmed Pintu, who were released from jail recently after serving few months' detention.

Following the procession, JCD held a rally in front of the DUCSU building on the campus at noon.

Addressing the rally, JCD leaders vowed to continue anti-government movement until the resignation of ruling Awami League.

They also demanded immediate release of all detained leaders and activists including JCD joint secretary Sultan Salauddin Taku.

Presided over by Manir Hossain, the rally was also addressed, among others, by ABM Mosharraf Hossain, Abdul Bari Helal, Mostafizul Islam Mamun and Asaduzzaman Asad.

Rotary News

Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Metropolitan Dhaka will be held today at 5:30 pm at Hotel Sheraton, says a press release, reports UNB.

Priest of Kabillaya Dham dies

CHITTAGONG, May 13: Bhavatosh Bandhopadhyaya, the high priest of Kabillaya Dham (monastery), Chittagong died of brain haemorrhage at Bellevue Hospital in Calcutta yesterday. He was 83, reports BSS.

A message received here today said the abbot, suffering from complications following a brain haemorrhage, had been undergoing treatment at the hospital for the last two days.

A former Indian civil servant, venerable Bandhopadhyaya had renounced earthly life and was inducted as a hermit in the late 60s.

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Notice of RHD Inviting Sealed Quotation (4th Call)

1. Quotation Notice : Kushtia 08 of 1999-2000 Eng. No
2. Name of work : Lease for toll collection on Bheramara-Paksey ferry ghat at 24th km of Kushtia-Ishurdi Road under Road Division, Kushtia.
3. Security, Earnest money : 10% Security (E/M) based on quoted rate.
4. Time allowed : From 1-7-2000 Eng to 30-6-2001 Eng.
5. Category of contractor : "A" to "D" class category enlisted contractor under RHD Deptt/Financial solvent and interested person/persons/lessee/firm.
6. Name of offices of availability of quotation : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Khulna Divn, Khulna/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Kushtia/Jessore/Jhenidah/Magura/Narail/Chuadanga/Planning Division (Planning & Development), Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Planning & Design Division, Boyra, Khulna and all Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD under Road Division, Kushtia.
7. Name of officers by whom quotation will be received : Divisional Commissioner, Khulna Division, Khulna, Addl Chief Engineer, RHD, Khulna Zone, Boyra, Khulna/Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Jessore/Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Divn, Kushtia/Jhenidah/Narail/Chuadanga/Magura Sub-Divisional Engineer, RHD, Road Sub-Division, Kushtia/Meherpur/Mechanical Sub-Division, Kushtia.
8. Last date & time for selling of quotation : During office hours on 21-5-2000 Eng/7-2-1407 Beng.
9. Last date & time of receiving quotation : Up to 12:30 PM on 22-5-2000 Eng/8-2-1407 Beng.
10. Last date and time for preparing the list of sealed quotation : At 12:45 PM on 22-5-2000 Eng/8-2-1407 Beng.
11. Date & time for opening of sealed quotation : At 10:30 AM on 25-5-2000 Eng/11-2-1407 Beng.

Md Bahar Uddin
Executive Engineer, RHD
Road Division, Kushtia.

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Finance Minister Shah AMS Kibria speaking at a roundtable on "The Kind of Budget Wanted: Thoughts of grassroots people" organised by Institute for Development Policy Analysis and Advocacy of Proshika, Samannay, Sangbad and ADAB at the CIRDAP auditorium in the city yesterday. —Star photo

Jubo Dal takes up special programmes

By Staff Correspondent

Jatiyabadi Jubo Dal, the youth wing of BNP, has taken up a series of organisational programmes to further strengthen the organisation.

Sources said its Dhaka city unit is trying to reorganise the group through launching of various programmes.

A senior BNP leader has commented that the city unit of party's youth front is comparatively more active than the central committee.

On being instructed by the parent party, the Jubo Dal has recently taken up a special drive to bring dynamism into its activities at thana and ward levels.

Talking to The Daily Star, city Jubo Dal president Abu Sayed Khan Khokon said the city committee has taken up a 17-day organisational programmes in the city beginning from tomorrow.

He said that period (May 15 to May 31), the Jubo Dal will hold workers' meeting in each thana unit and joint meeting of thana and ward units.

Khokon said that the city committee has also decided to hold public rallies at all 21 thanas in the city next month and organise a grand youth rally at Paltan Maidan in July.

The city unit at present has full-fledged committees in 17 out of 21 thanas in the capital city. Similarly, the organisation has committees in 60 wards out of some 100.

"We have already started the process to form committees in the other thanas and wards and hopefully those will be completed within a few months," he added.

Workshop on Bangladesh begins in Oslo today

A three-day workshop entitled "Bangladesh: Changing Identities and Economic Transformation" will begin today in Oslo, Norway, reports BSS.

Being held under the auspices of European Network for Bangladesh Studies at the University of Oslo, the workshop is expected to be attended by a number of Bangladeshi scholars, including Shapan Adnan, Firdous Azim and Kazi Toharak, a Network press release said.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer

LGED, Barisal

Memo No: LGED/XEN/Bar/2000/3053

Dated: 03-05-2000

Tender Notice No. 48/99-2000

The Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department, Barisal invites sealed tenders in prescribed 2911 no. form for construction/re-construction of 03 (three) schemes in 1999-2000 FY under RDP-19 in Barisal district from different category contractors of LGED (as per power of category) and prequalified contractors of any LGED project renewed up to 1999-2000.

Interested contractors may obtain necessary tender documents during normal office hours on all working days up to 22-05-2000 from the office of the (i) Divisional Commissioner, Barisal, (ii) Project Director, RDP-19, LGED, Barisal/Bhola/Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, (iii) Deputy Commissioner, Barisal, (iv) Executive Engineer, LGED, Barisal/Bhola/Jhalokati/Protopur, (v) Upazila Engineer, Uzirpur & Agailjhara, Barisal on cash payment of non-refundable fee (shown in group list). Tenders will be received by the abovementioned offices up to 1.00 pm on 23-05-2000. No tender will be accepted beyond this time and tenders will be opened at 1.30 pm on the same day in the receiving offices by the officers-in-charge in the presence of the tenderers, if any.

Copy of VAT registration certificates with 10 digit number, income tax certificate with Tax Prayer Identification Number and up-to-date license must be enclosed along with the tender. Tenderer shall quote rate on overall percentage basis above/at par/below the estimated cost of the tender. Any tender with quoted rates more than 5% (five per cent) less than the estimated cost will be summarily rejected. Tender with quoted rates more than 5% (five per cent) higher than the estimated cost must accompany itemwise detail analysis of rate of each item without which tender will be rejected.

In the event there be more than one lowest responsive tenderers quoting the same rate the contractor shall be selected by open lottery. Lottery time, date & place will be informed later on the Notice Board of office of the undersigned.

The authority reserves the right to accept any tender or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason thereof.

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Executive Engineer
LGED, Barisal.

Client Technology Transfer seminar begins in Ctg

CHITTAGONG, May 13: A three-day Client Technology Transfer seminar aimed at protecting bio-diversity and developing forest resources and environment through optimum utilisation of innovative technology began at Bangladesh Forest Research Institute (BFRI) here today, reports BSS.

Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Environment and Forests Sayed Mustaque inaugurated the seminar as the chief guest.

The inaugural session, presided over by Director of the BFRI AFM Akhteruzzaman, was addressed among others by former Chief Research officer of the Institute Dilip Kumar Das.

As many as 44 officials from forest department, Bangladesh Forest Industries Development Corporation, Agricultural Extension Department, Rural Electrification Board, Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation, Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board and NGOs are taking part in the seminar to impart with innovative technology and to establish a linkage and open channel of communication between themselves and clients.

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Interested house owners are requested to deposit signed application/proposal with name, address, papers regarding ownership, drawing of house and stating monthly rental at sq ft rate (separately for approximately 5,800 sq ft covered area, garage & open space) under sealed cover in the box kept at company's Liaison Office, 97, Purana Paltan (Bijoynagar), Dhaka on 31 May, 2000 by 11:00 hours. The applications/proposals will be opened on the same day at 11:15 hours in presence, if any of the interested house owners.

The owner of the selected house shall have to execute a 5 (five) years contract as per this company's existing house hire contract terms. The house should be handed over to the company from 1st July, 2000 and the house hire contract will be effective from such date of handover.

The Bangladesh Gas Fields Company authority reserves the right to accept any application/proposal or reject all applications/proposals without assigning any reason.

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Deputy General Manager
(Services)

Bogra Road Division

Sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 are hereby invited

1. Tender notice no : 26-EE/BRD/1999-2000.
2. Name of work : Construction of 64.28 meter long well foundation RCC bridge over Karatoya river (Sultangonj Hat) at 1st KM of Sultangonj-Bezora Road under Road Division, Bogra during the year 1999-2000.
3. Estimated cost : Tk 1,80,99,954/- only
4. Earnest money : Tk 3,62,000/- only.
5. Time allowed for completion of work : 24 (twenty-four) months from the date of issue of work order.
6. Eligibility of contractor : "A" to "B" class contractor under special category of RHD.
7. Name of offices where tender documents will be available : i) Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi.
ii) Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Bogra/Rangpur/Kurigram/Gaibandha/Joypurhat/Lalmohirhat/Planning Division (P&D) Dhaka/Planning & Design Division, under Addl Chief Engineer, RHD, Dhaka/Chittagong/Comilla/Rajshahi/Khulna/Barisal Zone & SDE, RHD, Bogra/Sherpur.
8. Name of offices where tender will be received : i) Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi.
ii) Addl Chief Engineer, RHD, Rangpur/Rajshahi/Dhaka/Chittagong/Barisal/Comilla/Khulna Zone.
iii) Superintending Engineer, RHD, Road Circle, Rangpur/Monitoring & Evaluation Circle, Dhaka.
iv) Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Bogra/Rangpur/Kurigram/Gaibandha/Joypurhat/Lalmohirhat.
9. Last date for selling tender documents (within office hours) : Up to 22-05-2000.
10. Date & time for receiving of tender : Up to 12:30 PM on 23-05-2000
11. Date & time for opening of tender box by other receiving officers : At 12:45 PM on 23-05-2000
12. Date & time for opening of all the tender by the undersigned : At 11:00 AM on 30-05-2000
13. Date & time of lottery (if required) : At 11:00 AM on 05-06-2000
14. Chargeable head : 266-CA

Md Jalilur Rahman Pramanik
Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Bogra.

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