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Mori's visit opens new vista of Dhaka-Tokyo ties

The visit of Japanese Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori to Bangladesh marked a new chapter in bilateral relations between the two countries in the new millennium, reports UNB.

A press release issued by the Japan Embassy at the end of Mori's visit said the two countries would celebrate the 30th anniversary of diplomatic relations in 2002.

Looking towards this significant occasion both sides agreed to work together to enhance people to people contact, which will further enrich the excellent relations between Japan and Bangladesh.

It said further expansion and revitalisation of Dhaka-Tokyo economic ties is another area to which Prime Minister Mori clearly attached great importance.

Given a huge impetus by his visit, the bilateral relations will become more comprehensive and multi-faceted, the press release said.

About Mori-Hasina talks, it said the two prime ministers agreed to make mutual efforts for a more comprehensive relationship through expansion of exchange of the people.

Towards this end, the Japanese side introduced plans for expansion of the youth and intellectual exchange between Japan and South Asian countries, including the establishment of Mori Fellowship for scholars and artists.

The Bangladesh side showed its eagerness to strengthen these exchanges.

The importance of the expansion of economic relations was also addressed in various meetings. In the officials talks between the two prime ministers, both sides confirmed the solid progress on the KAFCO issues through great efforts by all parties concerned.

Japan expressed support for the seminar on natural gas and investment in Bangladesh to be held in Japan this autumn (November).

The importance to cooperate in various international fora was stressed by both sides. The Japanese side expressed appreciation for the Bangladesh diplomatic efforts towards stability and peace in South Asia, ratification of CTBT and also for its activities within the UN, particularly as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council.

Mori expressed his willingness to assist Bangladesh in the area of IT and with measures against infectious diseases, which was discussed in the Kyushu-Okinawa G-8 Summit.

Prior to the visit on 18th August, an Exchange of Note was signed for loans including those for the construction of the Rupsha Bridge, which was requested when Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina visited Japan in 1997.

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Employment Opportunity

Bangladesh Silk Foundation, a not-for-profit organization established in 1997 by the Government of Bangladesh under Companies Act for silk development, seeks applications for filling up the following position in its Head Office:

Position/Pay	Qualification	Experience
Manager (MIS) (1 post) Monthly Pay: Basic Tk. 7,500.00 and allowances Tk. 5,450.00 plus group life insurance coverage	S/he must have a Masters in Computer Science or MIS or Management. Qualification in advanced computer hardware and software operation and proficiency in English are desirable.	Five years in establishing and managing computerized MIS within a commercial environment. Experience in LAN operation, software and database development as well as computer troubleshooting is essential.

The vacancy is open to applicants of either sex. Applications from women are encouraged.

Interested candidates are requested to please submit their applications with bio-data and a recent photograph to the GM(F&A), Bangladesh Silk Foundation on or before 10 September 2000.

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(IFIB No AESM 450 RMS, Dated 17th August 2000)

Titans Gas Transmission & Distribution Co Ltd (TGTDCL), a company of Bangladesh Oil, Gas & Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla), hereby invites sealed international bids under Government of Bangladesh (GOB) finance for the Design — Build and Turnkey Installation of one (1) Natural Gas Regulating & Metering Station (RMS) of a maximum flow capacity of 125 million Standard Cubic Feet per Day (MMSCFD) to be located at Meghnaghat area of Sonargaon Upazila under Narayanganj district. The RMS will supply natural gas to the AES Meghnaghat 450 MW Combined Cycle Power Plant (i.e. Meghnaghat Phase-I Power Plant) to be built by AES Meghnaghat Ltd, an Independent Power Producer (IPP), under the Private Sector Power Generation Policy of GOB, (Oct, 1996) and under a set of agreements signed between the above mentioned IPP and relevant GOB agencies, dated 29th July, 1999.

A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by the interested bidders from 21st August, 2000 to 4th October, 2000 on submission of a written application to the under mentioned project office and upon payment of a non-refundable amount of Tk 15,000.00 (Taka fifteen thousand) only or US \$ 280.00 (Two hundred and eighty US dollars) only in cash or as Bank Draft in favour of Titans Gas T & D Co Ltd to its Accounts Department at 105, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Kawran Bazar Commercial Area, Dhaka-1215.

A two-envelope bidding procedure will be followed for the IFIB under which the bidder will submit simultaneously two separate sealed envelopes, one containing the Technical Proposal and one containing the Price Proposal. The bid must be accompanied by a bid security of Tk 5,000,000.00 (Taka five million) only or US \$ 92,600.00 (Ninety two thousand six hundred US dollars) only and must be addressed and delivered to the Project Manager (BCRMS Project) at the under mentioned address at or before 1300 hours on 5th October, 2000. The bid security must be submitted with the Technical Proposal and shall be in the form of a Bank Draft/Pay Order or a Bank Guarantee (as per the proforma furnished in the Bid Document) issued by a scheduled bank of Bangladesh or a scheduled foreign bank operating in Bangladesh and situated in Dhaka.

A bidder can submit one bid only and no alternative bids shall be accepted. Three (3) sets each of Technical and Price Proposals (in both cases one original and two copies) shall be submitted by the bidder. Bids sent by telegram, telex, fax or e-mail shall not be accepted. The bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of bid and TGTDCL shall in no way be responsible for such costs regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process. Both Technical and Price Proposals shall remain valid for a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days from the last date of bid submission specified as above.

The Technical Proposals will be opened immediately after submission in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend the bid opening. The Technical Proposals will be evaluated first and the bidders may in the process be advised to revise their Technical Proposals reflecting the changes and amendments required by TGTDCL in order to bring all bids on an equal technical footing and to submit supplementary price proposals, if any, as per relevant provisions of the bid document. The Price Proposals and supplementary price proposals (if submitted) will be opened simultaneously in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the time and date and at the address to be advised by TGTDCL upon completion of the evaluation of Technical Proposals.

Bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the under mentioned Project Office located at "BSEC Bhaban" 8th Floor, 102, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Kawran Bazar Commercial Area, Dhaka-1215, Bangladesh. Tel: 8124343, 011-860-874, Fax: (8802) 8113031, (8802) 9120513, e-mail: titasgas@bdonline.com.

TGTDCL reserves the right to accept any and reject any or all bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Project Manager
BCRMS Project

British film festival

The British Council in Sylhet will hold a three-day-long 'British Films in Sylhet' programme beginning from August 24, says a press release.

The films that will be screened during this time at the Sylhet Auditorium are City of Joy (Aug 24, 6.30 pm), Robinhood (Aug 25, 4.00 pm), Cry Freedom (Aug 25, 6.30 pm), Truly, Madly, Deeply (Aug 26, 4.00 pm) and Alien (Aug 26).

Rotary News

Weekly meeting

The regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka North will be held today at 7.30 pm at BRAC Centre at Mohakhali, says a press release.

The Board meeting will be held at 6.30 pm at same venue.

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TENDER NO : GGTM/HO/MACH/04/2000

Gonoshasthaya Grameen Textile Mills Ltd (GGTM) invites sealed International Tenders from reputed manufacturer's, manufacturer's authorised suppliers through their appointed local agents in Bangladesh for supply of the following items as specified in the tender schedule.

Tender document with detail supply is obtainable from the Accounts Section of GGTM on payment of Tk 1000 (Taka one thousand), non refundable, per set on all working days between 10 hrs to 16 hrs BST upto 13th September, 2000, at the above address. Tender bid must accompany an earnest money of 1% of equivalent taka in favour of Gonoshasthaya Grameen Textile Mills Ltd. in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order from any local schedule bank. Tender may participate in any or all.

No tender document will be sold on the date of opening of the tender.

Tender will be received in two envelope (1) Technical offer and (2) Financial offer. Both the envelope will be received in the office of the Managing Director, Gonoshasthaya Grameen Textile Mills Ltd. House No 14/E Road No.6, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka-1205 upto 11 AM of 14th September and will be opened on the same day at 11-30 A.M. The tenderers and / or their representatives, if they so desire, may be present at the time of opening of the tenders.

GGTM reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Managing Director

Bangladesh Sugar & Food Industries Corporation

Adamjee Court (5th Floor), 115-120, Motiheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000

International Tender Notice for Import
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No BSFIC/PD-3/150(9)/2000 Dated: 20-08-2000

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide suppliers/ manufacturers having membership of Refined Sugar Association (RSA), London by Bangladesh Sugar & Food Industries Corporation for import of 11,500 M Tons (±5%) 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 upto 11:00 AM on 10-09-2000 and opened in presence of the tenderer (if any) at 11:05 AM on the same day in the chamber of Chief (Purchase). 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, Motiheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000 and the General Manager (Shipping), BSFIC, Shipping Office, Arag Chamber, 68, Agrabad Commercial Area, Chittagong on cash payment of Tk 1,000.00 (one thousand) only (Non-refundable) on all working days between 10:00 AM and 3:30 PM. No tender document will be sold on the day of opening of the tender. Corporation reserves the right to accept/reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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ENLISTMENT NOTICE

SUB: ENLISTMENT OF LOCAL & FOREIGN ADVERTISING FIRMS/AGENCIES

Biman Bangladesh Airlines inviting sealed applications on applicant's letterhead pad from the local & foreign advertising firms/agencies for enlistment with Biman (for 3 years at a time) for collection of advertisement to be printed in Biman's stationeries like International & Domestic Tickets and Ticket Folders (Back cover), Boarding Passes, Time Tables, Baggage Declaration forms etc as per following terms & conditions:

TERMS & CONDITIONS

A. For Local Advertising Firms/Agencies:

01. Applicants must have their own offices with Telephone, Fax, E-mail etc. Attested photocopies of ownership documents of telephones, office space or rental agreements, (if it is a rented space) must be submitted along with application.

02. Attested photocopies of following documents must be attached with applications:

a. Valid trade licence of current fiscal year.

b. Certificate from the competent tax authority stating that current Income Tax Return has been submitted quoting TIN number.

c. Valid VAT registration certificate.

d. Proprietorship/partnership deed/memorandum of association/certificate of incorporation.

e. Bank solvency certificate issued not more than one month before from the last date of submission of the application.

f. Documents of related work experience of last 5 years.

03. An entry fee of Tk 2,000.00 (two thousand) only (non-refundable) in the shape of PO/DD favouring 'Bangladesh Biman Corporation' issued from any scheduled bank shall have to be submitted along with the application.

B. FOR FOREIGN ADVERTISING FIRMS/AGENCIES:

01. Foreign advertisement firms/agencies may apply directly by paying an entry fee US \$100.00 (US \$ one hundred) only (non-refundable) through Demand Draft, to be issued from a scheduled bank, favouring 'Bangladesh Biman Corporation' or shall pay equivalent amount in cash at any foreign station/office of Biman and original yellow carbon copy of cash receipt need to be submitted along with the application.

02. Foreign advertisement firms/agencies may apply through their Bangladeshi agents. In that case, Bangladeshi agents shall fulfil all the terms and conditions mentioned against local advertisement firms/agencies in clause-A 01 to 03 and also following extra documents need to be submitted with their applications.

(a) Attested photocopies of valid agency certificate/indenting registration certificate from CCI&E.

(b) An authority letter from their foreign principal for such dealing with Biman, mentioning the rate of local agents commission, to be paid in local currency to the local agents by deducting the amount from the total commission bill of their principal.

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2. This enlistment will be valid for a 3 years term which may be extended on mutual agreement.

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4. Successful foreign applicant(s) also shall deposit a security money for US \$2,000.00 (US \$ two thousand) only in 'Bangladesh Biman Corporation' within 15 days from receipt of offer letter.

5. Applications must reach the undersigned on or before 25th September, 2000.

6. Biman Bangladesh Airlines reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reason whatsoever.

7. For any query or information related to the above enlistment notice, the undersigned may be contacted during office hours on telephone No 00-88-02-9116703 or 9119992.

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