

## Two held with counterfeit notes

By Staff Correspondent  
Police arrested two persons with counterfeit note of Taka 50 from the Rampura Kanchabazar in the city yesterday.

The arrested are identified as Rafiqul Alam and Shamsul Haque.

Khilgaon police said they arrested them while some people caught the two at the bazar in the morning. Police recovered 42 counterfeit notes of Taka 50 from them.

## More assistance from WB to fight polio, TB, leprosy

World Bank will provide all sorts of cooperation to Bangladesh in eradicating polio, tuberculosis and leprosy, combating arsenic problem and AIDS prevention, reports UNB.

The assurance came from World Bank South-Asia Regional Director Richard Skolnik while talking to Health and Family Welfare Minister Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim at his office yesterday.

The Health Minister apprised that the National Health Policy, announced earlier, will help ensure the health services to the poor and improve the nutrition situation of the country.

He further apprised the WB official that the health policy will also help develop rural health infrastructure and modernise hospitals and ensure quality health services to the country.

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## Pakistani daily slams faux pas by Pak diplomat

A leading Pakistani daily 'The Frontier Post' has deplored 'the latest faux pas committed by a senior Pakistani diplomat in Dhaka' that created an unhappy situation between Bangladesh and Pakistan, reports BSS.

The newspaper in an editorial on Saturday said that regardless of everything a diplomat is not supposed to make political statements, unless expressly authorised by the home government.

Referring to the widespread protests from all levels for the disgraceful remark of the Pakistani diplomat on the Liberation War and Awami League, the newspaper said, "Bangladesh has been quite correct in its attitude towards Pakistan."

Our Deputy High Commissioner has committed what is inexcusable indiscretion," the editorial said and criticised the Pakistani Foreign Office for delaying in taking action against the diplomat.

The newspaper underlined the need for maintaining best possible relations with all countries in the world especially Bangladesh. "With Bangladesh our equation ought to be very, very special," the Frontier Post added.

The failures of our foreign policy management are now so egregious that it will not be an exaggerated demand to call for a major changes at the head of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs," the newspaper said.

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Addressing the seminar on "Role of Information Technology

(IT) in Self-employment", they also said that there is no alternative to equip our youths with the IT knowledge to meet the growing demand in IT sector throughout the world and thus help solve the unemployment problem of the country.

The seminar, held at the National Sports Council auditorium, was jointly organised by Department of Youth Development (DYD) and Ministry of Youth and Sports to mark the National Youth Festival-2000.

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He also pointed out "We have to adopt the technology in the new millennium for our development and government should take necessary steps in spreading the IT education throughout the country for generating more employment."

Speakers and participants of the seminar made a set of recommendations which includes introduction of modern education system, more allocation for IT sector in the fiscal budget, infrastructure development, setting up of quality training institutions with modern curriculum, co-ordination among the different government agencies and ministries and moreover formulation of a national policy with farsightedness to exploit the immense opportunities of the sector.

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## BCL chalks out programmes for Victory Day

By DU Correspondent  
Ruling party backed student organisation Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) yesterday announced a two-week long programme demanding execution of the court verdict of Bangabandhu Murder Case and to mark Victory Day.

The programme includes: 'token hanging demanding hanging of the Bangabandhu's killers on December 5, stage demonstration on December 6 demanding trial of 'autocratic' Ershad for irregularities and repression on the students and politicians, discussions on December 9 and 10, discussion of central executive committee on December 12 and discussion to mark the Martyrs' Intellectual day on December 14.

The BCL will also place wreath at the National Mausoleum in Savar and at the portrait of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman on December 16.

BARC employee dead

Abdul Mazid Khan, an employee of the Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC), died of lung cancer at his Savar residence on December 1, says a press release.

He was buried Saturday morning at local Akran graveyard.

He left behind his wife, two sons and a daughter to mourn his death.

## Bangla Academy symbol of nat'l intellect'

Speakers at a discussion yesterday observed that Bangla Academy made its unique position at the centre of cultural life of Bangladesh through different works that enriched the Bengali literature and culture, reports BSS.

The Bangla Academy is a source of immense aspiration as it has become the symbol of the creativity and intellect of the nation, they added.

The Academy, which deals with advancement of Bengali literature and culture, organised the discussion yesterday afternoon at the Academy premises celebrating the 45th founding anniversary of the institution.

Sandhani lottery cheque handed over to winner

State Minister for Environment and Forest H N Ashiqur Rahman yesterday handed over the cheque of the first prize of Sandhani Blindness Elimination Lottery-2000 to its recipient at a simple function in the city, reports UNB.

Ramzan Ali of Mithapukur upazila in Rangpur district received the cheque of Tk 25 lakh from the minister.

San Iqani president Ruhul Amin Majundar and secretary general Dr Joyal Abedin were also present, an official handing over said.



Truck workers brought out a procession in the city yesterday protesting violence against them.

— Star photo

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## Directorate General Defence Purchase Ministry of Defence

New Airport Road, Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215

### Re-Tender Notice

1. Sealed tenders are invited in local currency from bonafide manufacturers/dealers/suppliers/indentors (enlisted firm) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Army."

Sl No	Nomenclature	Date of Selling From	Date of Selling To	Currency	Tender No
a.	Machin Tools and Wksp & Mechanical Test Eqpt (Qty-02 line).	11.12.2000	19.12.2000	Local	1071/P-7
b.	Spare for Compass watch survey and drawing instruments (Qty-16 line items)	11.12.2000	19.12.2000	Local	959/P-7

2. Tender schedule with detailed specifications/conditions will be available on payment as per I/T selling rate (not refundable) during office hours between 0800 hours to 1300 hours. The tender can be dropped latest by 1000 hrs and opened at 1005 hours on the specified date of opening in presence of all tenderers (if present).

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For Director General

## Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer  
Local Government Engineering Department  
Bhola

Memo No: LGED/Bhola/2000/2717

Date: 28-11-2000

### Tender Notice No-10/2000-2001

1. The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a loan from the OPEC in various currencies towards the cost of Rural Development Project-19 (Entire Barisal District). It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for the following work.

#### Table (list of works)

Sl No	Package Code No	Name of Scheme	Estimated Amount	Price of Schedule	Time Allowed
1.	30. Bho/Sad/RDP-19/2000-2001	Improvement of road from Chowmohani to Babul Mollah Bridge via Charnowab Sadek Masterbari	12,00,000/-	750.00	90 days
2.	31. Bho/Sad/RDP-19/2000-2001	Improvement of road from Bangla Bazar Khayerhat road to western side (Battala) Santirhat road	10,00,000/-	500.00	90 days
3.	32. Bho/Lal/RP-19/2000-2001	Improvement of road from R&H to Karimganj High School	8,00,000/-	500.00	75 days

- The Executive Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department, Bhola now invites sealed tenders in Bangladesh Form No. 2911 for construction and completion of the works mentioned above from enlisted valid contractor of LGED & prequalified contractor of any project as per their enlistments Financial limit.
- Tenderer may obtain & further information on the tender form and inspect the tender document/schedule at the office of the undersigned as well as the Divisional Commissioner, Barisal Division, Barisal (whose estimated cost above 10.00 (ten lac), Project Director, Rural Development Project-19 (Entire Barisal District) LGED, LGED Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207, Executive Engineer, LGED, Pirojpur, Barisal, Jhalakati, Upazila Engineer, LGED, Bhola (S) Borhanuddin Talukhan, Tazmuddin, Lamphoan Charfession, Monpura.
- A complete sets of tender document may be purchased by interested eligible tenderers upon payment of non-refundable fee as per above Table from mentioned offices (in clause-3) only on or before 18/12/2000 during office hours.
- All tenders must be accompanied by an earnest money of 2.5% (Two point five per cent) of the total estimated cost in the form of Bank Draft/ Pay Order in favour of the Executive Engineer, LGED, Bhola from any scheduled bank of Bangladesh.
- The tenderer shall submit attested copy of enlistment valid for the FY 2000-2001, 10 Digit Vat Reg. & TIN (TIN & Vat. Reg. copy shall not applicable for the enlistment which issued from this office) & work schedule along with the tender.
- Tender will be received by the above mentioned offices up to 1.00 PM on 19.12.2000 & tender will be opened by the undersigned after receiving all tenders from the mentioned offices on 21-12-2000 at 10.00 AM in the presence of tenderer (who may like to present).
- Tenderer may collect all other necessary information & conditions regarding tender from the above mentioned offices & must abide by all other terms & conditions of the tender & in connection with the project & it will be the part & parcel of the tender.
- The tenderer who found to have quoted price more than 5% (five per cent) less than the estimated amount shall be outright rejected.
- The tenderer who found to have quoted price more than 5% (five per cent) above the estimated amount shall have to submit analysis of itemwise rates. Erasing, over writing, or corrections in the analysis without authorised signature shall not be accepted and the tenders shall 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 will be held on 03/01/2001 at 10.00 AM at the Deputy Commissioner Bhola's Conference Room.
- If the salvaged materials used in the works in that case the value of the used salvaged materials will be included to the total bill i.e. gross bill the VAT & IT will be deducted from the gross bill amount.
- To ensure the quality of the construction materials in all the civil works, the sample except of MS Rod will be tested from the LGED, Bhola's Laboratory and MS Rod will be tested from BUET or any other Laboratory. After getting written permission from the authority on the basis of test results, the construction materials will be used in all civil works. Laboratory test fees will be borne by the concerned contractor or construction firm. For this purposes no payment will be made from this project.
- The undersigned shall not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by tenderers in connection with the preparation or delivery of tenders, including costs and expenses related to visits to the site.
- Selected contractors must complete the work within the time mention in the tender notice.
- Work order/revised work order will be issued after approval of estimate from the authority (PD, RDP-19)
- The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tender whatsoever.

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GSL being Novell Authorized Reseller of Onward Novell Software India Ltd. for all Novell Products, Services & Education in Bangladesh is appointing NEAPs (Novell Education Academic Partner) in Dhaka & one for each divisional town except Chittagong. Financially solvent and bona fide parties are cordially requested to contact the undermentioned person for detailed information within 2 (Two) weeks from the date of this advertisement.

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