

Agreement with Tullow BAPEX wins bid to conduct seismic survey in Comilla

UNB, Dhaka

In a major breakthrough, Bangladesh is close to achieving international recognition in two-dimensional seismic survey as an IOC has awarded country's lone exploration company a contract worth around US\$ 1.5 million.

Winning an international bid, Bangladesh Petroleum Exploration and Production Company Ltd (BAPEX) on March 14 reached a first ever agreement with international oil company (IOC) Tullow Bangladesh Ltd to conduct 2-D seismic survey at block number 9, said a press release yesterday.

The Irish company, Tullow, is the operator for petroleum exploration block 9 at Bangora geo-structure in Comilla district.

It said the BAPEX low-price offer qualified in terms of technical proposal as well as health, safety and environment (HSE) management. Six international companies from the USA, the UK and France also took part in the bidding.

Under the contract, BAPEX will conduct the survey on 380 line-

kilometer in phases expected to begin from the first week of April at a rate of US\$ 4,000 per line-Km. Of the total, 230 line-Km are under firm programme while 150 line-Km contingent.

BAPEX has already completed two training camps on HSE and other primary activities began about a month before. Besides, an advance team of BAPEX started building primary establishments in the project area.

BAPEX expects that it would attain capability to conduct international standards in 2-D seismic survey as well as get international recognition after successful completion of the survey.

Successful completion of the survey would also facilitate BAPEX to get further contract from the IOCs operating here.

"After getting international recognition, our expert manpower in the field would be able to work abroad during off-peak season in Bangladesh," BAPEX managing director Mohammad Maqbul-E-Elahi told UNB yesterday.

Two-dimension seismic survey is applicable following initial geo-

logical and geophysical activities that showed specific structure where exploratory well is yet to be drilled.

BAPEX, before emerging as a company in April 1989, was an integral part of Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla) as Exploration Directorate.

It inherited vast experience from Oil and Gas Development Corporation (OGDC) of Pakistan (1962-1971) and Petrobangla (1972-1989). They have so far conducted 970Km geological and 2600Km seismic survey.

BAPEX renders specialised services in the fields of geological and seismic prospecting, exploration, and production drilling, including geo-chemical, laboratory and other support services. It can also provide logistic support services by its fleet of classified transport.

It has to its credit the history of drilling 17 exploratory, four appraisal and eight development wells and thereby established a long line of experience and expertise.



Jatiya Samik League brought out a procession in the city yesterday to protest the filing of false case against Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina and terrorism across the country.

Load-shedding in summer likely

BSS, Dhaka

The Power Development Board has kept Dhaka city out of load-shedding zone during this summer, but inadequate distribution and transmission facilities of Dhaka Electricity Supply Authority (DESA) may disrupt power supply at times in the metropolitan area.

PDB officials said the board has decided to provide any quantum of power as required by DESA. But,

at present, the DESA could utilise maximum 1200 mw of power in the capital with its existing transmission and distribution facilities when the city needs more power during the peak hours in the summer.

DESA's infrastructural facilities could improve only through the implementation of the ADB-financed 9th power project.

Moreover, the power capacity

bank arrangement of DESA is inadequate, resulting in lower voltage transmission, which may cause load-shedding in the capital.

Abdul Mannan Mollah, a DESA official, however, blamed PDB's lower capacity power generation for the power disruption in Dhaka city. As the power plants are located far away, lower voltage of PDB's power supply is forcing DESA to go for load-shedding measures at many times, he said.

Plan to eliminate leprosy by 2003

UNB, Dhaka

The government has a plan to eliminate leprosy from the country by 2003, Health Minister Dr Khondaker Mosharraf Hossain informed Parliament yesterday.

"There are some 12,000 leprosy patients in the country and we have plans to eliminate leprosy by 2003," he said replying to Sarwar

Jalam Nizam during the question hour in the House.

On another question from Golam Mohammad Siraj, the Health Minister said the number of arsenic patients in the country is about 10,560 and the government is taking "all possible steps" to prevent the spread of diseases caused by the chemical poisoning of groundwater.

He told the lawmakers that the government had taken steps to supply arsenic-free water in the areas where tubewell waters are arsenic-contaminated.

"The government is also encouraging the use of filter, purified surface water and supplying vitamin and providing treatment to arsenic patients," he said.

CU Shibir defies ban

CU CORRESPONDENT

The Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) of Chittagong University (CU) brought out a procession on the campus yesterday to welcome the admission seekers despite the ban on all political activities.

The procession began from the Railway Station at 10 am and ended at the administrative building premises.

The Shibir activists also chanted slogans against the vice-chancellor and the BCL student wing of the Awami League.

The university authorities have imposed the ban on all political activities on the campus recently.

Meanwhile, the ICS cadres snatched 127 copies of bulletin on oil and gas resources from the Bangladesh Chhatra Front (BCF) activists and asked them to leave the campus immediately.

They also warned the BCF activists not to carry on their activities on the campus.

According to campus sources, the Shibir cadres took away the bulletins of BCF when its activists were distributing these among the examinees and their guardians.

CUJ annual confce today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Chittagong

The annual conference of the Chittagong Union of Journalists (CUJ) will be held at the auditorium of Chittagong Press Club today.

Dr Moniruzzaman, noted academician and professor of Bangla Department of CU, will inaugurate the conference as chief guest at 10.00 am.

BFUJ president Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury and secretary general Akhtar Ahmed Khan will attend the programme as special guests.

And the annual general meeting of the CUJ will be held at 3.00 pm.

The election to the executive committee of CUJ will be held tomorrow.

SINGER

FINAL DIVIDEND FOR 2001 AND AGM DATE & PLACE

This is for information that the Board of Directors of Singer Bangladesh Limited in its 115th Board Meeting held on March 19, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. has recommended Final Dividend for 2001 as follows:

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E-mail : ustcbd@bangla.net Fax : 880-2-8618300.

Memo No: GEF/14/2002 **Invitation for Bids** 19 March 2002

- The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a grant from International Development Association for Aquatic Resources Development, Management & Conservation Studies of the Fourth Fisheries Project under GEF Grant # TF 022832BD.
- The Project now invites sealed bids from renowned manufacturers / suppliers / authorized representative of manufacturers for procurement of 1 (one) 4 WD Turbo Diesel Long wheelbase 5 door **Cross Country Vehicle**.
- Interested eligible bidders may inspect the bidding documents at the Project Office, Aquatic Resources Development, Management & Conservation Studies of the Fourth Fisheries Project, Sena Kalyan Bhaban, 7th Floor, 195 Motijheel C.A, Dhaka 1000, Bangladesh, Tel: 9552149, Fax: (880) 2 9565127, Email: office@gef-fish.com
- A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the undersigned and payment of nonrefundable fee Tk. 2000 (two thousand) only.
- The provisions in the Instructions to bidders and in the general conditions of contract are the Provisions of the National Competitive Bidding issued by the World Bank Resident Mission.
- Bids must be delivered to the office of the undersigned on or before 12:01 hrs on 18th April 2002 and must be accompanied by a security of 2% (two percent) of bid amount in favor of The **MacAlister Elliott and Partners Limited**.
- Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders representatives who may choose to attend at 12:05 hrs dated 18th April 2002 at Project Office.
- The Tender Committee can accept or reject any or all the bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Dr. David Coates
Team Co-ordinator

Rupali Bank Limited
Computer Division
Head Office : 34, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka.

Tender No. 02/02 Date : 19.03.2002

TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are invited from reputed Internet Service Providers (ISP) having Website designing/ publishing facilities in Bangladesh for

- Designing and Launching of Website and
- Providing Internet connection at 21 Zonal Offices of the Bank situated at various locations outside Dhaka.

Tender schedule will be available from Rupali Bank Ltd., Head Office, Computer Division (9th floor), 34, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka during Banking hours from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. in all working days, on payment of Tk. 100/- (One Hundred) only (non refundable) per set in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any Schedule Bank favouring Rupali Bank Ltd. No tender schedule will be sold on the closing date of tender.

All tenders addressing to the undersigned shall have to be dropped in the tender box to be kept at Rupali Bank Ltd. Establishment Division, Head Office (7th floor), 34, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka on or before 30.03.2002 by 1.00 p.m. and will be opened at 2.30 p.m. on the same date and at the same place in presence of tenderers or their nominated representatives (if any).

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Nirmal De Costa
Company Secretary

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