

Take steps to protect biodiversity

Minister urges int'l community

BSS, Dhaka

Environment and Forest Minister Shajahan Siraj yesterday called on the international community to take effective steps to stem environmental degradation for protecting biodiversity and preventing natural disasters.

"I like to make a clarion call to the international community and the United Nations for taking more fruitful steps so that countries and peoples around the world, irrespective of developed and developing ones, no longer become prey to depletion of biodiversity and continued natural disasters," he said.

The minister was addressing the opening session of the Training Workshop on Implementation of Montreal Protocol in Bangladesh at the IDB Bhaban in the city.

Organised by the Department of Environment, the function was also addressed by State Minister for Environment and Forest Jafrul Islam Chowdhury, Director Gen-

eral of the Department M Hedayetul Islam Chowdhury and Deputy Resident Representative of UNDP in Dhaka Yannick Glemarec.

Holding the industrialised world principally responsible for the vital threat to biodiversity, Shajahan Siraj said: "Bangladesh, although having an insignificant role in the process, has been severely affected by such global environmental disasters through becoming prey to recurrent floods, cyclones, tornadoes and draughts.

Control of the ozone depleting substances in line with the protocol began in the country in 1999, he said, adding the ozone cell of the Department of Environment implemented the aerosol sector phase-out project recently.

About 60 per cent of the substances would be reduced from the current year and for the reduction of the rest 40 per cent the government has prepared the Refrigeration Management Plan (RMP), he said.

Architect killing Arrest of killers demanded

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Institute of Architects, Bangladesh (IAB) on Monday brought out a silent procession demanding immediate arrest and trial of the killers of Architect Abul Hossain, who was shot dead on Friday evening.

Later, the IAB leaders at a rally held in front of the Central Shaheed Minar demanded immediate arrest of the terrorists and extortionists responsible for the killing of the young architect.

Abul Hossain, father of a three-month old baby girl, was gunned down at his business centre at Sir Syed Road in the city on Friday evening as he tried to prevent some extortionists from looting his cash box.

The IAB architects also announced at the rally that they would hold a press conference on March 28 demanding government measures to protect professionals like architects, journalists and engineers.



A procession was brought out in the city yesterday on the occasion of holy Ashura.

PHOTO STAR

Bird & star fair begins in Barguna on March 26

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A day-long bird and star fair will be organised jointly by Bangladesh Bird Club and Bangladesh Astronomical Association at Amtali Degree College in Barguna on March 26.

The college administration will host the fair as part of the Independence Day celebrations.

The main attraction of the day is photography exhibition and slide show by ornithologist Enam Ul Haque and exhibition of bird books, journals and posters of planets and galaxies.

Laparoscopic surgery unit at CCC hospital soon

NURUL ALAM, CHITTAGONG

The Chittagong City Corporation (CCC) is planning to set up a laparoscopic surgery unit at its hospital for the gynae patients in collaboration with the Indian medical experts shortly.

On completion of this project, the patients will be able to undergo laparoscopic surgery at a minimum cost.

Mayor A B M Mohiuddin Chowdhury disclosed the plan while talking to The Daily Star.

"We will sign a memorandum

of understanding (MOU) with some medical experts from a Kolkata-based hospital and they will visit Chittagong frequently to perform the surgery," he said. The

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Police arrested 1,313 people including two identified terrorists from across the country, and seized 10 firearms, 6 different type of arms and 16 bullets during last 24 hours ending at 6:00 am yesterday.

Of them, 639 were wanted by police and the rest 658 were arrested in connection with cases under investigation.

Police also arrested a man and recovered 9 explosives and lodged two cases under Arms Act.

The arrested listed terrorists were identified as Shaheen of Dhaka city and Mohammad Mo-

minul Islam alias Tito of Chittagong.

Memon Hospital run by the CCC will have the facilities.

The CCC Mayor said about Tk one crore would be pumped into this joint venture medical project.

"Already we have procured a USA-made laparoscopic machine for Tk 12 lakh, but we need more logistical supports to offer the service," the Mayor said.

"In addition, we will send some of our surgeons to India for training and to ensure technology transfer under this project," he added.

Laparoscopy is the technique of the new millennium for doing most of abdominal operations without cutting the abdomen.

Moreover, the patients do not require to stay for a long time at the hospital after the operation.

Last week, a team of medical experts from Kolkata led by Dr Gautam Khashtagir visited Chittagong on a goodwill mission and conducted operations on at least ten patients at the Memon Hospital.



DU Vice Chancellor Prof Anwarullah Chowdhury speaking at the concluding session of a training workshop on social science research and migration, organised by the RMMRU. Also seen in the picture are Prof Muzaffar Ahmed, Charles Nuttall of the British Council and Dr. C. R. Abrar.

'More funds for social science research needed'

Speakers at a discussion session highlighted the need for increased funding for social science research, says a press release.

Prof Anwarullah Chowdhury, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Dhaka, stated that the university is gearing up to improve and reorient itself towards research degrees and related activities in the near future.

He underscored the need for raising the general standard of education and quality of research for overall development of the country.

Prof Chowdhury was speaking at the concluding session of a three-day 'Training Workshop for Young Academics and Researchers on Social Science Research and Migration' on March 21.

Held at the Bangladesh Institute of Administration and Management (BIAM), the workshop was organised by the Refugee and Migrant Movements Research Unit (RMMRU) in collaboration with the British Council.

Prof Muzaffar Ahmed of the University of Dhaka presented the keynote presentation on the importance of social science research.

Chehlum

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The chehlum of Prof Nurunnahar Begum will be held at 10:00 am on March 26 at House-42, Road-9/C, Sector-5, Uttara.

Friends, admirers and relatives are requested to attend the chehlum.

Prof Nurunnahar, who retired as the head of the department of Bangla of Government Titumir College was murdered on February 16 at her Banani residence.

DHAKA TODAY

Film show

Alliance Francaise will screen a documentary film titled Tale of the Darkest Night/Shei Rater Kotha Bolley Eshechhi directed by noted actor and film maker Kawsar Chowdhury. The documentary narrates the War of Independence of Bangladesh. Venue: Alliance Francaise auditorium. Time: 7:00pm.

Sassakawa auditorium, ICDDR,B, Mahakhali. Time: 4:00pm.

Ashek-e-Rasul

To mark the holy Ashura, an Ashek-e-Rasul (Sm) conference organised by Dewanbag Sharif will be held. Venue: Babe Rahmat, 147 Arambagh.

Discussion

A memorial discussion on the Liberation War organised by Muktiyodha Sangram Parishad will be held. Venue: Col. Taher auditorium, 35-36 Bangabandhu Avenue. Time: 5:00pm.

Blood donation

In observance of its 20th founding anniversary, RAWA Club in cooperation with Orca blood for life organises a voluntary blood donation programme. Venue: Club premises, Mahakhali. Time: from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Candlelight vigil

As part of its six-day programme marking the 31st anniversary of the Independence Day, Liberation War Museum will hold a candle light vigil in memory of the martyrs of the war and a session of poetry recitation. Venue: Museum premises, 5 Segunbagicha. Time: 6:30pm.

DHAKA TOMORROW

Discussion

In observance of Independence and National Day, Film Development Corporation (FDC) and Film Coordination Council (FCC) jointly organise a discussion meeting and a cultural function with Information Minister Tariqul Islam as chief guest. Venue: FDC premises. Time: 4:15pm.

Nutrition conference

The concluding session of the 8th Bangladesh Nutrition Conference organised by Nutrition Society of Bangladesh will be held. Venue: Bangladesh will be held. Venue: Bangladesh will be held.

WEATHER TODAY

Thundershower likely

UNB, Dhaka

Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at one or two places over Rajshahi, Dhaka and Sylhet divisions and the regions of Jessore, Kushtia, Comilla and Noakhali during the next 24 hours till 6pm today.

Weather may remain dry elsewhere across the country and day temperature nearly unchanged, Met Office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 36.2 degree Celsius was recorded at Rajshahi and the lowest of 16.0 degree at Rangamati.

The sun sets in the capital at 6:11 pm today and rises at 5:57 am tomorrow.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	32.7	21.5	75	59
Chittagong	30.8	20.4	65	75
Rajshahi	36.2	23.0	78	39
Khulna	33.5	24.5	76	78
Barisal	32.8	24.4	80	68
Sylhet	30.0	19.9	81	52
Cox's Bazar	31.1	21.9	68	72

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Local Government Engineering Directorate

Office of the Executive Engineer, Narail

Memo No. LGED/EE/Nara/P-64/2001/838

Dated: 05-03-2002

Tender Notice No. 11/2001-2002 (short)

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are hereby invited from LGED enlisted as per class & financial capacity & all current projects pre-qualified upto date renewed contractors/contractors' firms for implementation of works of 10 (ten) schemes under "Priority Basis (3rd part) Project," 1 (one) scheme under "Greater Jessore District Infrastructure Development Project" & 1 (one) scheme under "Low Cost Bridge/Culvert Construction on Rural Road Project"-total 12 schemes in Narail district during 2001-2002 financial year under Local Government Engineering Directorate.

1. Place of purchasing & submitting tender schedule:

- Project Director, Priority Basis Project, LGED, Head Office, Dhaka.
- Project Director, Greater Jessore District Infrastructure Development Project, LGED, Head Office, Dhaka.
- Project Director, Low Cost Bridge/Culvert Construction on Rural Road Project, LGED, Head Office, Dhaka.
- Deputy Commissioner, Narail.
- Police Super, Narail.
- Executive Engineer, LGED, this office/Jessore/Jhenidah/Magura district.
- Upazila Engineer, LGED, Sadar/Lohagara/ Kalia/Narail.

2. Last date & time of selling tender : 30-03-2002 (upto office hours).

3. Last date & time of submitting tender : 31-03-2002 upto 1:00 PM.

4. Date & time of opening tender box : 31-03-2002 at 1:30 PM. To be opened in presence (if any) of the attending tenderers.

5. Date & time of selecting contractor through lottery : In case more than one tender is received at the same lowest rate the contractor will be selected through lottery on 10-04-2002 at 11:00 AM at LGED Narail Conference Room.

6. Earnest money at the rate 2.50% of estimated cost should be submitted in the form of BD/CD from any scheduled bank in favour of the undersigned.

7. Gross rate on total cost of work should be quoted for the work (% below/at par/above should be mentioned) but if submitted at rate more than 5% (five per cent) below, the tender shall be treated as cancelled outright.

8. Prior to start of work, the pre-work measurement of the work shall be finalised, and the contractor shall be bound to abide by that. Contractor shall have to get laboratory test done at own cost to ensure standard of work mentioned in schedule of items.

9. VAT & Income Tax will be deducted on the basis of gross bill including price of salvaged materials where applicable. Price of salvaged materials shall be deducted according to quantity mentioned in the schedule and under no circumstance it will be changed.

10. Bill will be paid only subject to availability of fund under the respective project head.

11. This tender being short, detailed information, viz-imposed terms & conditions, additional terms & conditions, schedule consisting Form No 2911 etc can be known and the schedule can be purchased on cash payment (non-refundable) from the above mentioned respective offices during office hours up to the prescribed date.

12. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason.

Executive Engineer
LGED, Narail
Phone No. 62331

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Tender Notice

Name of office: Office of the Executive Engineer, PC Pole Construction Plant, PDB, Aricha, Manikganj. Name of work: 1) Supply of spare parts for magnetic iron core of bar cutting machine, 2) Supply of different materials for moving brake lock of crane & controlling of spinning machine, 3) Supply of stone, sand, cement for mixture machine, related materials for pouring plant, 4) supply of electro-magnetic braking coil for gantry crane & grebe crane. Eligibility of contractor: 1) PDB's 2000-2001 enlisted A, B & C class contractors and bonafide supplier firms with similar past experience, 2) 3) & 4) PDB's 2000-2001 enlisted A, B & C class contractors and bonafide supplier firms with similar past experience: a) ownership affidavit of firm, b) In case of purchasing tender through representative other than the owners authorisation with specimen signature, c) VAT registration, d) Trade licence, e) TIN/Tax certificate, necessary papers. Estimated cost: 1) open tender, 2) open tender, 3) open tender, 4) open tender. Price of tender: Per set Tk. 1) 300/-, 2) 200/-, 3) 100/-, 4) 100/- only (non-refundable) to be deposited in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft in favour of Deputy Director (Accounts), ZAO, (P&C), PDB Dhaka. Place & date of getting tender: Tender can be purchased from Chief Engineer, Civil Works, 1, A Gani Road, Biddut Bhaban, Dhaka/Director, Civil Works, PDB, 1, A Gani Road, Dhaka/Manager, Agrani Bank, Arichaghat Branch, Manikganj up to 01-04-2002. Date of receiving & opening tender: At the above-mentioned offices (except bank), at the office of the undersigned up to 12:00 Noon of 02-04-2002 and tenders will be opened on the same day at 12:30 PM in presence (if any) of the tenderers. Other terms & conditions of tender stated in the schedule and all rules & regulations of PDB's tender must be complied with properly.

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Executive Engineer
PC Pole Construction Plant
PDB, Aricha, Manikganj.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education
Bangladesh, Dhaka

Appointment Notice

Dated : 09-03-2002

Applications are invited from bona fide Bangladesh citizens for filling in the undermentioned posts on purely temporary basis for Govt Colleges under Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education.

Serial No.	Name of post, pay scale & age limit	Number of post	Educational qualification & experience
1.	Assistant Librarian-cum-Cataloguer Pay scale: Tk 3400-6625/- Age limit: Maximum 30 years.	13 (thirteen)	Second class degree/diploma in Library Science from any recognised university.
2.	Physical Training Teacher Pay scale: Tk 3400-6625/- Age limit: Maximum 30 years	1 (one)	BP. Ed. 2 nd class

Candidates must reach application in plain paper with the undermentioned descriptions addressed to the undersigned by 31-03-2002 during office hours to the Director General, Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education (Shiksha Bhaban), Bangladesh, Dhaka-1000 and no application will be received after the prescribed time.

(a) Name (in block letters), (b) Father's Name & Mother's Name, (c) Present Address, (d) Permanent Address (including home district), (e) Date of Birth, (f) Age on 31-03-2002 (g) Nationality, (h) Religion (caste), (i) Educational Qualification, Name of Examination, Division/Class, Year of Passing, Subject Studied at Diploma/Graduate/Post Graduate Level, (j) Experience. The

The undermentioned papers should be enclosed with the application:

- Recent passport size 2 copies attested photo.
- Attested citizenship certificate from Union Council or Municipality Chairman.
- Attested photocopy by 1 (one) first class gazetted officer
- Attested photocopy of experience certificate.
- Photocopy of educational qualification certificates by 1st class gazetted officer.
- Pay Order/Bank Draft (on Sonali Bank, Supreme Court Branch) for Tk 100.00 (one hundred) only in favour of Director General, Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education.
- One envelope with applicant's full address written thereon (of size 4.5" X10"). No affidavit on age is acceptable. Candidate should apply through proper channel if in service at any Govt/semi-govt/autonomous/approved private educational institution. No advance copy will be received. Govt rules will be followed in selecting candidates. For freedom fighters, maximum age limit is 32 years.
- The authority reserves full right to receive, select or cancel application.

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Abdur Rashid

Director General, Secondary & Higher Education
Bangladesh, Dhaka.