

Rotary announces annual programmes

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Rotary International (RI) District 3240, Bangladesh yesterday announced its humanitarian, educational and development programmes for the year 2002-2003 with emphasis on children welfare and poverty alleviation.

The theme of the year is 'Sow the seeds of love'.

The annual programmes included children welfare, mitigation of arsenic contamination, AIDS awareness and prevention, projects for skill and career development of youths.

Addressing a press conference at the Dhaka Club yesterday, RI district governor KM Zainul Abedin said that poor parents of the country, particularly of the northern region, have been selling out over 7000 children to traffickers annually due to poverty.

He said the RI, Bangladesh has also taken programmes on education for the underprivileged children, child and mother healthcare, child immunisation and nutrition, eradication of polio and equal opportunity for girl children.

Referring to the Rotary Foundation-funded projects, Abedin said Bangladesh has received considerable fund from the foundation for various projects like humanitarian and education programmes.

RI-Bangladesh has also undertaken services-oriented community projects aimed at addressing most critical issues of the society such as violence, drug abuse, youth, AIDS, hunger environment and illiteracy.

Advisor to RI Bangladesh Ifekharul Alam, district trainer Emdad U Haq, chairperson of the Rotary Foundation Jalal U Ahmed, assistant district trainer Munirul Haque, district secretary Luthfur R Choudhury, chairperson of the Rotary Image and Public Relations Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, and co-chairperson Zaglul A Chowdhury were present at the press conference.

Prime Minister's Political Secretary Haris Chowdhury and members of parliament Ilyas Ali, MM Shahjahan, Dildar Hossain Selim and Nazir Hossain accompanied Tarique during his visit.



Thundershowers likely

UNB, Dhaka

Moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at most places over the country during the next 24 hours till 6pm today.

Heavy rainfalls may also occur at places over Chittagong, Barisal, Khulna, Dhaka and Rajshahi divisions, Met office said.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 35 degree Celsius was recorded at Mongla and the lowest of 24 degree Celsius at Rangamati, Barisal and Patuakhali.

The sun sets in the capital at 6:50 pm today and rises at 5:15 am tomorrow.

The 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	28.7	25.5	92	87
Chittagong	29.2	25.5	85	88
Rajshahi	32.4	24.6	98	82
Khulna	33.6	26.2	92	97
Barisal	30.5	24.0	95	98
Sylhet	30.0	26.0	100	97
Cox's Bazar	27.7	25.5	100	97

Tender Notice

Supplement A
Headquarters BDR
Maintenance & Construction Wing
Memo 1000/23/X/C
Dated 20 June 2002

Headquarters Bangladesh Rifles Maintenance & Construction Wing

Sealed tenders are invited from bonafide firms/organisations having lift maintenance experience subject to the undermentioned terms & conditions for servicing & maintenance on yearly basis of one bed lift of BDR Hospital, Headquarters Bangladesh Rifles, Palkhana, Dhaka & one passenger lift of Administrative Building, Headquarters BDR:

- Terms & Conditions:**
- Past experience certificate on lift repairing work at govt/semi-govt organisation should be enclosed.
 - Tenderer should enclose certificate of electrical licence.
 - Necessary document/papers in case of spare parts of lift should be enclosed.
 - Up-to-date trade licence & income tax certificate should be enclosed.
 - Should be VAT registered.
 - If necessary, the 02(two) lifts can be inspected during office hours.
 - Tender will be available at Tk 400/= per set from the office of the undersigned during office hours up to 14 July 2002.
 - Tenders will be received up to 15 July 2002 up to 12:00 hours and opened on the same day in presence (if any) of the tenderers.
 - No schedule will be sold on the date of opening tender.
 - The firm/organisation whose rate among the firms/organisations may be accepted, shall be appointed on yearly contract basis.
 - Earnest money at the rate 2.5% on the tender quoted amount should be submitted in the form of Bank Draft in favour of the Director General, Bangladesh Rifles.
 - The contract may be renewed for the next year if on conclusion of yearly contract the work completed is considered satisfactory.
 - The authority reserves the right to accept/reject any tender without assigning any reason.
 - The approximate cost under head servicing & maintenance of the 2 lifts is Tk 60,000/= (sixty thousand) only.

AM Mosaddeq Hossain
Major
for Director General
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The Bangladesh Chhatra Union staged a hunger strike at the Central Shaheed Minar in the city yesterday demanding trial of the killers of BUET student Sabequnnahar Sony.

Trust fund for launch victims launched

BSS, Dhaka

The government yesterday set up a trust fund to help the victims of launch capsizes which caused deaths of several hundred people in recent times.

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He said the demand for such a fund came from almost all quarters as they saw the miseries of victims' families following capsizing of passenger launches.

"It is almost a regular phenomenon now with overcrowded launches and steamers in the country's water transport system," Akbar said, adding that the government is trying to do everything possible to improve the situation.

About the trust fund, the minister said the money will essentially come from the ticketing system.

He said passengers will be required to pay an additional 50 paisa for each ticket covering journey up to 100 km. For passengers going beyond the distance, the levy will be Tk one of each ticket and the proceeds will be collected in the trust fund. The launching of the fund has already been notified to the stakeholders, he said.

Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Authority (BIWTA) will administer the fund by forming a committee with representatives of the shipping ministry, launch owners' association and workers' bodies.

The minister also disclosed that a training programme for the launch staff members began yesterday to make them knowledgeable about their jobs and efficient operators.

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Bangladeshis workers have been advised not to visit Bahrain on free visas.

Manpower, Employment and Training Bureau in a release yesterday said that working in Bahrain on free visa is illegal. It also asked all concerned to refrain from doing that.

The warning came as a large number of Bangladeshi workers visit various Middle East countries, including Bahrain, on free visas.

The Bureau advised the Bah-

rain-bound workers to be sure about genuine work permits issued by Labour Ministry of Bahrain, issuance of NOC (visa) by Bahrain immigration on the passport, signing of employment agreement with the owner, attestation of NOC and employment agreement by Bahrain as well as Bangladesh Embassy and salary and other facilities mentioned in the agreement.

The workers have also been asked to contact the Bureau office at city's Kakrail for further information.



Photography exhibition

A photography exhibition of renowned French photographer Fablen Calcevechia, organised jointly by French Artists Association and Italian Association of Theatre, will begin. Venue: La Galerie of Alliance Francaise. Time: The exhibition will remain open till July 26 from 9.00am to 12.00pm and from 5.00pm to 8.00pm daily.

Publication ceremony

The publication ceremony of a book titled 'Press Under Mujib Regime' authored by Mahfuz Ullah, will be held with LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan as chief guest. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4.00pm.

Launching ceremony

The launching ceremony of BGMEA's Web Portal and E-Commerce site, designed and developed by DataSoft Bangladesh and eVastra, USA, will be held with Commerce Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury as chief guest. Venue: Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 4.00pm.

Prize distribution ceremony

The prize distribution ceremony of the online educational programme, GONONOUI, will be held. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 11.00am.

Presentation programme

The presentation programme by Powerplant Performance Improvement Ltd of India will be held. Venue: Hotel Sheraton. Time: 9.30am.

Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Governors of Bkrampur Foundation will be held with Land Minister M Shamsul Islam as chief

guest. Venue: House-8/B, Road 35, Gulshan-2. Time: 5.00pm.

Reunion

A reunion of journalists of former Ganakantha will be held. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 3.00pm.

Seratin Nabi seminar

The Forum of Engineers and Architects organises a seminar on Seratin Nabi (SM) with Minister for Social Welfare Ali Ahsan Mujahid as chief guest. Venue: Engineers' Institution. Time: 5.30pm.

Youth seminar

National Federation of Youth Organisation in Bangladesh will hold a seminar on 'Voluntary Services and Self Reliant Bangladesh' in collaboration with the United Nations Voluntary Programme. Venue: Juba Bhaban, 108 Motijheel. Time: 10.00am.

Fruits exhibition

Dhaka Bashi organises an exhibition of seasonal fruits. Venue: Conference Room of the Directorate of Youth Development, Motijheel. Time: 3.45pm.

Rotary installation

The 66th installation ceremony of Rotary Club of Dhaka will be held with Education Minister Dr. Osman Faruk as chief guest. Venue: Hotel Sonargaon. Time: 7.30pm.

DHAKA TOMORROW

Inaugural ceremony

The inaugural ceremony of the annual sports and literary-cultural week 2002 of Dhaka Imperial College will be held with State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman as chief guest. Venue: College Campus. Time: 10.00am.



Mahmuda Int'l Inner Wheel Board Director

Mahmuda Siddiqi has been elected as the Board Director of International Inner Wheel by the members of 98 countries all over the world, says a press release.

She took over the office yesterday.

The Inner Wheel has been rendering services to promote healthcare, education, public awareness and welfare of down-trodden people of the society as well as the welfare of women and children.

Mahmuda Siddiqi is married to Engineer L K Siddiqi, minister of water resources.



Food Minister Abdullah Al-Noman speaking at a Jatiyatabadi Krishak Dal rally at Muktangan in the city yesterday, protesting Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina's remark about late president Ziaur Rahman.

JCD activist stabbed in Barisal

UNB, Barisal

A JCD activist was stabbed indiscriminately allegedly by rivals within the party in the town Sunday midnight.

Sayed, 38, a satellite cable operator, had rivalry with some local JCD activists over the business, his family sources said.

After preliminary investigation police said, Jewel, Salam and Rubel called Sayed out of his home late at night to a nearby graveyard. They stabbed him indiscriminately, cut the tendons of legs and hands and left him bleeding. The assailants are also JCD activists.

Local people rushed to the spot and rescued Sayed as he was screaming for help. He was rushed to Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital in a critical condition.

Family sources said Sayed had lived in Dhaka for some days fearing attack. He returned home Sunday morning.

BCIC Tender Notice

বিসিআইসি'র পণ্য শিগায়নে জাতীয় অগ্রগতির প্রতীক

Managing Director, Urea Fertilizer Factory Ltd., Ghorasal, Narsingdi invites sealed quotation from the bonafide manufacturer for supply of spare parts for sewing conveyor & portable belt conveyor against Tender No. UFFL/LP-149/2001-2002. The quotation shall be submitted in the office of the General Manager (Commercial), UFFL, Ghorasal, Narsingdi on 15-7-2002 at 3-00 PM which shall be opened immediately thereafter in presence of tenderers (if any). Tender documents shall be available on cash payment of Tk 25/- (twenty-five) each set (non-refundable) from (i) BCIC, 30-31, Dilkusha, Dhaka (ii) BCIC, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong & (iii) UFFL, Ghorasal, Narsingdi. No tender documents will be sold on the opening date.

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বাংলাদেশ রপ্তানী প্রক্রিয়াকরণ এলাকা কর্তৃপক্ষ

২২২ নিউ ইস্টার্ন রোড ঢাকা-১০০০

নং - বেপজ/সিই-০৯/৯৯/৪৪ তারিখঃ ২৯-০৬-২০০২

দরপত্র সংশোধনী বিজ্ঞপ্তি

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং - ৪১/২০০১-২০০২, তারিখঃ ০৫-০৬-২০০২ এবং ৪৩/২০০১-২০০২, তারিখঃ ১০-০৬-২০০২ এর দরপত্র দলিল ক্রয়ের সময়সীমা ছিল যথাক্রমে ০৬-০৭-২০০২ ও ১০-০৭-২০০২ এবং দরপত্র দাখিলের সময়সীমা ছিল যথাক্রমে ০৭-০৬-২০০২ ও ১১-০৭-২০০২।

অনিবার্য কারণ বসতঃ উক্ত কাজ দুইটির দরপত্র দলিল ক্রয় এবং দাখিলের সময়সীমা বর্ধিত করা হইল। উক্ত দরপত্র দুইটিতে দরপত্র দলিল ক্রয়ের সময়সীমা ০৪-০৮-২০০২ এবং দাখিলের সময়সীমা ১১-০৮-২০০২ করা হইল।

দরপত্রের অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী অপরিবর্তিত থাকিবে।

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প্রধান প্রকৌশলী

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Bagerhat Zone, Bagerhat

Tender Notice

Tender Notice No. 12/Extn. SS/FD/BZ/2001-2002 Dated 19-6-2002

- Tenders through Bangladesh Form No. 2911 are hereby invited from Facilities Department's A-1 & A-2 class enlisted contractors for extension including staircase of existing building of Jobai Model Secondary School of Kachua Upazila of Bagerhat district under this zone under 'Selected Educational Institutions' Existing Building Extension' project.
- Estimated cost : Tk 17,50,000/=
 - Amount of earnest money : Tk 35,000/=
 - Time limit for completion of work : 6 (six) months.
 - Price of tender document : Tk 750/= (non-refundable).
 - Last date & time limit of purchasing tender document : 10-7-2002 (during office hours).
 - Date & time of submitting tender document : 11-7-2002 upto 1-00 PM.
 - Date & time of opening tender document : Tenders will be opened on 11-7-2002 at 1-30 pm in presence (if any) of the contractors.

H) Offices where tender document to be had at & received at: Office of the undersigned as well as Chief Engineer, Facilities Department, Shiksha Bhaban, Dhaka; Divisional Commissioner, Khulna/ Barisal; Deputy Commissioner, Bagerhat; Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Barisal/ Khulna/Jessore Zone & Assistant Engineer, Facilities Department, Pirojpur.

- Earnest money should be submitted with each tender in the form of Pay-Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favour of Executive Engineer, Facilities Department, Bagerhat Zone, Bagerhat.
- Permission of purchase tender should be obtained from proper authority on production of original copy of the undermentioned papers and attested photocopy of the same papers should be submitted at the time of submitting tender: (a) registration book, (b) up-to-date licence renewal certificate, (c) up-to-date income tax clearance certificate, (d) Up-to-date VAT registration certificate.
- Bill will be paid subject to receipt of allotment but the contractor shall be bound to complete the work within the prescribed time.
- Income Tax & VAT will be deducted against each bill as per govt rules.
- Tender will be treated as cancelled outright if the quoted rate is more than 5% (five per cent) below the estimated cost.
- The contractor will be selected through open lottery on 18-7-2002 at 11-00 AM at the office of the undersigned if more than one lowest tenderer submitted the same rate in the same group.
- The contractor cannot claim any financial benefit if, under any circumstance, the work is cancelled or any change made thereof.

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

Executive Engineer
Facilities Department
Bagerhat Zone
Bagerhat

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