

Lawyer seeks security

UNB, Dhaka
A Supreme Court lawyer who was allegedly manhandled by his fellowmen on July 1 seeks security of his life amid threats by the attackers.

Advocate Rabintra Ghosh, also a human rights activist, alleged that three lawyers roughed him up and snatched his video camera while he was filming a Supreme Court Bar Association meeting that ended in pandemonium on July 1.

He said the attackers also took away a film that contained some reports of human rights violations, including the death of an Awami League worker who drowned in a pond near Dhaka after being chased by police.

Ghosh, the country coordinator of US-based Human Rights Congress for Bangladesh Minorities (HRCBM), said he has filed a general diary with Ramna police station and appealed to the Bar Association for taking steps to have his camera and films back.

"But nothing worked. I have not yet got my things back nor the attackers stopped threatening me," Ghosh said.

Meanwhile, Amnesty International has expressed concern for Ghosh's safety and urged the government of Bangladesh to protect him from further threats and attacks.

The UK-based organisation appealed to the Prime Minister to ensure a full, impartial and authoritative investigation into July 1 attack on Rabintra Ghosh and bring the attackers to justice regardless of their party affiliation or political position.

Similar appeals have also been made to the Home Minister, the Deputy Minister for Home Affairs and the Inspector General of Police.

Earlier, the HRCBM condemned the reported attack on Advocate Ghosh and urged the Prime Minister to instruct the law-enforcers to provide immediate protection to him and return his camera and documents.



Residents of Ward No. 68 in the city took to the street yesterday protesting growing violence, extortion and mugging in the area.

Qulkhwani of Syed Ali Ahsan today

BSS, Dhaka
The qulkhwani of National Professor Syed Ali Ahsan will be held at the White Palace Community Centre at House No 13 of Road No 10 in Dhanmondi after Asr prayers today.

All relatives, friends, admirers and colleagues of the deceased have been requested to attend the qulkhwani.

Jamiruddin greets Belarus president

UNB, Dhaka
Acting President Barrister Muhammad Jamiruddin Sircar has greeted the President of Belarus Lukashenko Alexander Grigorievich on the occasion of his country's National Day.

"I hope that the bonds of friendship that exist between our two countries will be further developed and strengthened in the coming years", he said in a message.

Smuggled Indian goods flood northern districts

BSS, Dinajpur
Smuggled Indian goods flooded different parts of the bordering northern districts, including the rural hats and bazars in the bordering belts, posing a severe threat to marketing of local consumers products.

According to business sources and eyewitness account, the goods are being smuggled into Bangladesh even in broad daylight.

The buses, trucks and trains are being used for carrying the smuggled goods round the clock especially in the border points and routes at Panchagarh, Thakurgaon, Dinajpur, Joypurhat, Naogaon and Rajshahi districts.

The smuggled goods included sarees, ready-made garments, electronic goods, crockery, cattle, sugar, salt, onion, fertilizers, phenyl, syrup, drugs and imitation ornaments.

From the bordering points, the smuggled goods are carried by buffalo carts, rickshaws, vans, motorcycles or on boat to the adjacent

cent bordering houses of ring leaders of the smugglers.

Women, children and poor people are used to carry the smuggled goods to towns and big markets in gunny bags for sale.

While visiting some bordering areas of Dinajpur Hill CP, BSS correspondent Rostom Ali Mondal found heaps of smuggled goods like sugar, fruits, salt, sarees, spices, cosmetics and many other commodities kept concealed under straw-heaps and beneath the buses at various points.

The smuggled goods, which are carried by local passenger buses, microbuses, trucks and trains are unloaded at the upazila and district towns at different fixed points.

The smuggled goods are then supplied to different parts of the country including the capital city by bus, microbus, truck and private car from those points, the sources said.

In the bordering areas, smuggled goods are being sold at very cheap rates.

As a consequence, the locally produced goods are going out of markets in the face of smuggled Indian goods.

A smuggled Indian cotton sari can be bought at Tk 180 when a locally produced cotton sari costs not below Tk 220. Similarly, an Indian silk saree can be available at Tk 300 but a Bangladesh silk sari would require minimum Tk 500.

Though Task Forces have intensified anti-smuggling drive in the border areas and have been seizing smuggled goods everyday, Indian goods worth million of takas are being poured in Bangladesh, hoodwinking the eyes of the members of the task force and law enforcing agencies.

Police recover bodies of 2 newborn babies

BSS, Dhaka
Police recovered bodies of two newborn baby girls from a dustbin adjacent to Jurain graveyard under Shyampur police station in the city yesterday.

Police recovered the bodies at about 11:45 am after being informed by a street boy and sent the bodies to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) morgue for autopsy.

A case was lodged with Shyampur police station in this connection.

Seminar on institutional governance

UNB, Dhaka
A daylong seminar on "Management Forum 2002 on Institutional Governance: Failure in Building Socio-economic Infrastructure" was held in the city yesterday.

The Association of Management Development Institutions of Bangladesh (AMDIB) in collaboration with the Institute of Business Administration (IBA) of Dhaka University organised the seminar at the IBA auditorium.

Treasurer of Dhaka University Syed Rashidul Hasan was present in the seminar as chief guest.

In his speech, the chief guest laid emphasis on development of human resources, as he said success of an organisation depends on proper management.

DHAKA TODAY

Dhaka Club, Time: 1.30pm.

Seminar
Bangladesh Chamber of Industries (BCI) organises a seminar on 'Law and Order: Precondition of Development' with Law and Parliament Affairs Minister Barrister Moudud Ahmed as chief guest. Venue: Hotel Purbani. Time: 3.00pm.

Inauguration
The inaugural function of the 12th branch of Standard Bank Limited will be held with Mayor of Dhaka Sadeque Hossain Khoka as chief guest. Venue: 81, Motijheel Commercial Area. Time: 10.30am.

Workshop
The Asia Foundation and CSL Software Resources Limited will jointly organise a workshop on 'IT Centric RMG Industry Management'. Venue: Santoor Restaurant, Dhanmondi. Time: 5.00pm.

Meeting
Regular monthly meeting of Dhaka-based Pabna Samity will be held. Venue: Shantibagh Office. Time: 6.00pm.

Workshop
Grameen Shakti organises a workshop on 'Commercialisation of Photovoltaic Technology in Rural Bangladesh'. Venue: Grameen Bank Bhaban auditorium, Mirpur. Time: 10.00am.

Rotary Dhaka central
Regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka Central will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club. Time: 1.30pm.

Rotary Dhaka North West
Regular weekly meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka North West will be held. Venue: Dhaka Club. Time: 5.30pm.

Seminar
The Stranded Pakistanis Youth Rehabilitation Movement (SPYRM) organises a seminar on 'The long hanging humanitarian issue of stranded Pakistanis and its solution' with Justice Habibur Rahman Khan as chief guest. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4.00pm.

Citizens' rally
Muktijoddha Sangram Parishad will organise a citizens' rally to realise their various demands. Venue: Mukhtangan, Ramna.

Media meeting
A 2-day regional media meeting organised by Bangladesh Manobadhakar Sangbadh Forum will begin. Venue: YWCA, Mohammadpur.

DHAKA TOMORROW

AGM
The annual general meeting of Prime Insurance Company Limited will be held. Venue: BIAM auditorium, 63 New Eskaton. Time: 10.30am.

WEATHER TODAY

Temperature may rise

UNB, Dhaka
Light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely at a few places over Chittagong, Rajshahi, Barisal and Sylhet divisions and one or two places over Dhaka and Khulna divisions during the next 12 hours till 6 pm today.

Moderately heavy falls are likely at places over Chittagong and Sylhet divisions during the period. Met office said, adding that day temperature may slightly rise over the country.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 37.4 degree Celsius was recorded at Khulna and the lowest of 22.8 degree at Madaripur.

The sun sets in the capital at 6.44 pm today and rises at 5:26 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	35.2	25.5	74	66
Chittagong	31.5	25.2	83	88
Rajshahi	36.3	27.0	89	72
Khulna	37.4	27.5	82	77
Barisal	34.5	26.2	87	94
Sylhet	33.0	25.5	83	76
Cox's Bazar	30.8	25.8	88	90

Death anniversary

The 10th death anniversary of Md Salahuddin Faroque, Managing Director of the Modhumita Group, will be observed today, says a press release.

On the occasion, a milad mahfil will be held at his Dhanmondi residence in the city after Zohr prayers today.

Relatives, friends and admirers have been requested to attend the milad and pray for salvation of the departed soul.

Mother, son commit suicide

UNB, Mymensingh
An old woman and her son allegedly committed suicide at Nandibari in Muktagacha upazila here early yesterday.

Putul Rani, 70, and her son Liton Chakraborty, 32, took poison at dead of night on Thursday and both of them died at Mymensingh Medical College Hospital in the small hours of yesterday.

The reason for the suicide could not be known. A UD case was filed with local police.

Specific Procurement Notice

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Project Director, RHD
Third Road Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project (RRMP-III)
Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka

Supply and Installation of Reflectorised Traffic Signs and Thermoplastic Road Marking at Different Roads under Rajshahi RHD Zone

Invitation for Bids (IFB)

Credit No IDA Credit No N043-BD
IFB No: TS & RM-01

1. The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the International Development Association in various currencies towards the cost of Third Road Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project (RRMP-III). It is intended that part of the proceeds of this credit will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for Supply and Installation of Reflectorised Traffic Signs and Thermoplastic Road Markings under Rajshahi RHD Zone, Contract No TS & RM-01.

2. The Chief Engineer, Roads and Highways Department (RHD) also referred to as the Purchaser, now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the Supply and Installation of Reflectorised Traffic Signs and Thermoplastic Road Markings under Rajshahi RHD Zone. The completion period is 8 (eight) months.

3. Interested eligible bidder may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the office of the Project Director (PD), RRMP-III, RHD, Block-C, Room No 306, 2nd Floor, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Phone: 880-2-9568740; Fax: 880-2-9568302, who will act as the purchaser's representative.

4. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of written application from the purchaser's representative, whose address is noted below, during office working hours on all working days and upon payment of non-refundable fee of Tk 5,000 (Taka five thousand) or US\$ 100 in cashier's check or Bank Draft in the name of Project Manager-3 (EE), RHD, RRMP-III, Narsingdi from July 28, 2002.

Name of officer from where document to be purchased Project Director (PD), RRMP-III, RHD Room # 306, Block # C Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka

5. Pre-bid meeting for any clarifications shall be held at 11:00 hrs on August 25, 2002. The bidders may send the questions in writing up to 3 (three) days before the date of pre-bid meeting for clarifications at the conference room of the Project Director (PD), RRMP-III, Block # C, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka.

6. Bid must be delivered to the office of the purchaser's representative, namely Project Director (PD), RRMP-III, RHD in the address given above on or before 12:00 hrs September 10, 2002 and must be accompanied by a security of amount and form and manner detailed in the instruction to bidders.

7. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidder's representatives who choose to attend at 12:30 hrs on September 10, 2002 at the office of the purchaser's representative, namely Project Director (PD), RRMP-III, Room # 306, Block # C, Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Syed Sakhawat Hossain
Addl Chief Engineer, CC, RHD

&
Project Director

DFP-18720-23/7/02 3rd Road Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project
G-1927 Sarak Bhaban, Ramna, Dhaka

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer
Directorate of Public Health Engineering
Cox's Bazar Division, Cox's Bazar

Tender Notice-2002-2003

Notice No. 09 Dated: 16-07-2002

Tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 under sealed cover are invited from Directorate of Public Health Engineering's last financial year (2001-2002) enlisted/renewed qualified 'C' category contractors & those experienced (2001-2002 financial year renewed qualified licence holder) contractors/contractors' firms for the undermentioned work. Contract documents including tender & other papers can be purchased at prescribed price (non-refundable) from the office of the undersigned & Executive Engineer, Directorate of Public Health Engineering, Chittagong Division/Bandarban Division and SIR Division, Dhaka up to office hours of 5-8-2002. Only those having experience of successful completion of 1(one) 350mm X 150mm dia production tubewell with rig only can participate in the tender and tender can be purchased subject to production of experience certificate from respective Executive Engineer or higher status officer on approval of Executive Engineer (where the tender to be sold from). Tenders will be received in tender box kept at the office of the undersigned & the abovementioned offices up to 12:00 Noon of 7-8-2002. No tender will be sold on the date of receiving tender. After getting the tenders received by Executive Engineer, Directorate of Public Health Engineering, Chittagong/Bandarban & SIR Division, Dhaka in sealed condition, these will be opened at the office of the undersigned on 11-08-2002 at 12:00 Noon in presence (if any) of the attending contractors or their nominated representatives.

Re-installation of production tubewell at Cox's Bazar municipal area under the project Repair, Rehabilitation & Development of Water Supply System including Revival of Tubewells in municipalities.

Sl No	Name of work	Group No	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Price of schedule	Time limit for completion of work
1.	Re-installation of 1(one) 350X150mm dia production tubewell covered with pebbles including installation of 1(one) experimental tubewell at Cox's Bazar municipal area.	'A'	5,41,641/=	10,833/=	500/=	30 days

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Naogaon

Notice Inviting Tenders

No. 2/2002-03

1. Sealed tenders in BD Form No 2911 are hereby invited from enlisted valid contractors/firms of PWD according to financial limit for the undermentioned work.

Name of work	Estimated cost	Earnest money	Time allowed	Eligibility of contractor
Construction of district jail at Naogaon (Sub-head: Construction of under trial prisoners barrack building at north side) during the year 2002-03.	Tk 34,29,450/=	Tk 68,589/=	8 months	Special class-1 (one)/ class-1 (one) combined/ class-1 contractor (bldg) of PWD & class-II (two) bldg contractor/firm of PWD Zone, Rajshahi.

2. Last date of selling tender : 17-8-2002 Eng up to office hours.
3. Date & time of receiving tender : 18-8-2002 Eng up to 12-00 Noon.
4. Date & time of opening tender : 18-8-2002 Eng at 12-15 PM in presence of the tenderer (who may like to remain present).

5. Date of lottery (in case of same lowest rate) : 28-8-2002 Eng on 12-30 PM at the office chamber of the Superintending Engineer, PWD Circle, Rajshahi.
6. Place of purchasing tender : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi/Additional Chief Engineer, PWD Zone, Dhaka/ Khulna/ Chittagong/Rajshahi and all Executive Engineers under PWD Zone, Rajshahi such as Division, Rangpur, Dinajpur/ Kurigram/Gaibandha/ Lalmonirhat/Nalchamari/Panchagarh/Thakurgaon/Rajshahi-III/Natore/ Pabna/Bogra/Sirajganj/ Jaypurhat/the undersigned and Sub-Divisional Engineer, PWD Sub-Division, Nawabganj.

7. Place of receiving tender : Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Rajshahi Division, Rajshahi and the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Rajshahi-III/Natore/Pabna/the undersigned & SDE PWD Sub-Division, Nawabganj.

8. Cost of tender documents (per set) : A sum of Tk 750/= (seven hundred fifty) for each tender schedule & Tk 25/= (twenty-five) for each BD Form No-2911 (both are non-refundable).

9. Tender form may be purchased by the contractor/firm himself or his authorised representative on production of original registration book.

10. Authority reserves the right to reject or accept any or all the tenders without assigning any reason.
11. Original money receipt for purchase of tender document must be enclosed along with tender.

N.B: Due to unavoidable circumstance if the banking transaction is closed or govt holiday declared in the date of receiving tender, the tender will be received on the just next date. Closing & opening time will remain unchanged.

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Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Naogaon
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Invitation for International Bids for Procurement of Gas Pipe Line Materials Under Cash Foreign Exchange

Date of Issuance of IFB: 25-7-2002

1. Sealed bids are invited from the bonafide manufacturers or their authorised agents for supply of Gas Pipe Line Materials as listed below under Cash Foreign Exchange:

Sl No	IFB No	Description of materials	Cost of tender document	Bid closing date
1.	PD.2312/381-BARP/BEND (RE)	Hot formed bend	Tk 1,000.00 or US\$ 20.00	02-09-2002

2. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Deputy General Manager (Purchase) at the above address.

3. Tender documents may be purchased by any interested bidder or their authorised representative upon payment of the cost of respective documents from Accounts Department of this company at the above address from 9:00 hrs to 13:00 hrs on all working days with effect from 03-08-2002. Copy of Money Receipt evidencing purchase of tender documents is to be furnished with the bid. No document will be sold on the bid closing date.

4. All bids accompanied by a bid security of 2.5% of bid amount in the form of Bank Draft/Pay-Order from any scheduled bank located in Bangladesh or Bank Guarantee issued by a scheduled bank in Bangladesh or from any reputable foreign bank, duly endorsed by a scheduled bank in Bangladesh must be delivered to Titas Gas Transmission & Distribution Co Ltd at the above address on or before 11:00 hrs of the closing date of the respective IFB. The bids will be opened on the same day at 11:15 hrs in presence of bidders, if any. Should this day happens to fall on any holiday, bids shall be opened at the same hours on the first subsequent working day.

5. The company reserves the right to accept any bid or reject all the bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Deputy General Manager (Purchase)