



Birth anniversary of S M Sultan today

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A three-day long Sultan Mela begins at Sultan Mancha in Narail on the occasion of the 78th birth anniversary of renowned artist SM Sultan today.

The SM Sultan Birth Anniversary Committee has drawn up elaborate programmes to mark the occasion.

These include placing of wreath at his graveyard, rally, art exhibition, children's art competition, games, boat-race and cultural functions.

Three seminars titled 'Village life in the paintings of Sultan', 'Sultan as of the common mass' and 'Sultan in the international context' will also be held on this occasion.

Information Minister Tariqul Islam will inaugurate the Sultan Mela.

State Minister for Cultural Affairs Selima Rahman, Deputy Minister for Education Abdus Salam Pintu, Dhirendranath Saha MP, Md Shahidul Islam MP, noted artist Prof Rafiqun Nabi and Director General of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy Mostofa Zaman Abbasi will attend the fair as special guests.

Death anniversary of Salam Talukder Aug 20

BSS, Dhaka
The third death anniversary of Barrister Abdus Salam Talukder, former secretary general of BNP and minister, will be observed on August 20.

Various socio-cultural organisations of Dhaka, Jamalpur and Sarisabari have drawn up elaborate programmes to observe the day.

Imposter arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
One person was caught and handed over to police in the city on Wednesday for trying to realise money by impersonating an income tax official.

One Mohammad Ali made a phone call to the residence of a reporter of The Daily Star on Wednesday, identified himself as deputy commissioner of taxes and sought financial assistance for an orphanage.

Later, the caller sent one person -- Mojibor Rahman -- to The Daily Star office to collect money from the reporter. Meantime, the reporter on inquiry found that Mohammad Ali falsely identified himself.

When Mojibor Rahman came, the reporter questioned him and found that the whole thing was a trick to realise money. He was handed over to Tojgaon police.



Workers repairing a road near Muktangan in the city yesterday (left) whereas other pothole-strewn roads, such as this road (on the right) near Dhaka Zila Parishad office, which need immediate repair, have been left as they are for long.

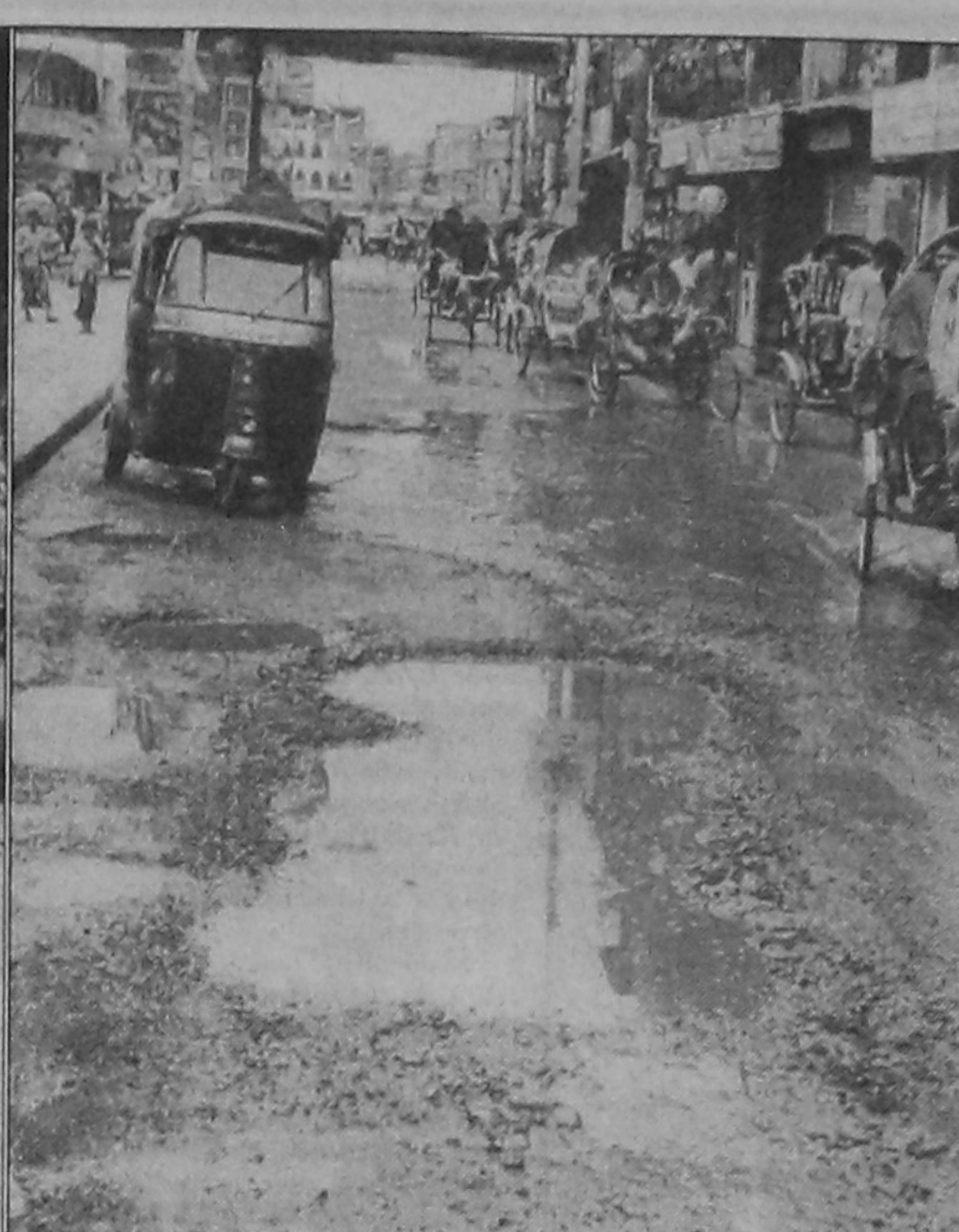


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'Develop knowledge-based skills in manufacturing'

3-day ICM begins in city

UNB, Dhaka
A 3-day International Conference on Manufacturing (ICM) began in the city yesterday with a call to develop knowledge-based skills in manufacturing to face the challenges of globalisation.

"Manufacturing methods and technologies are changing fast, forcing rapid changes in the thinking process of production," said Industries Minister MK Anwar inaugurating the biennial conference at Sonargaon Hotel in the morning.

Department of Industrial and Production Engineering of BUET organised the ICM-2002 seeking effective cooperation of researchers and industrialists to fight against fast changing rules of games of rapid technological development, short product life-cycle and short lead time.

About 50 foreign delegates from the USA, Canada, Ireland, Finland, Pakistan, India, Malaysia and Vietnam joined local managers, entrepreneurs, researchers

and engineers to present 179 papers on research and field level experiences.

One session of the conference is fully dedicated to textile industry of Bangladesh. Three research papers by students will be awarded at the end of the ICM 2002 on Sunday.

The Industries Minister said forced implementation of globalisation and privatisation has increased differences between the developed and the underdeveloped countries.

"The developed world formulated the policies for their interest and compelling the developing countries to implement those," he said.

Chaired by Prof M Anwarul Azim of BUET, Executive Chairman of Board of Investment (BOI) Mahmudur Rahman, Executive Chairman of Bangladesh Export Processing Zones Authority (BEPZA) Brig Gen (ret'd) M Mofizur Rahman and BUET Vice-chancellor Dr Nouruddin Ahmed also spoke at the inaugural session.

JICA builds bridge between youths of Bangladesh, Japan

BSS, Dhaka
Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) has been developing bonds of friendship among the youths of Bangladesh and Japan through its effective and stylish youth programme for last one decade.

According to JICA Bangladesh, it has facilitated training to 263 youths in Japan since 1991 in the fields of teaching, social welfare, administration, nursing, medical technology, health and industry.

The Bangladesh youths under 35, like youths from 120 countries and territories, participate in the training under the Youth Friendship Programme, a technical co-operation scheme of JICA that aims at promoting exchange of youths and fostering friendship between Japan and developing countries.

The youth invitation programme was first initiated in Bangladesh in 1991. Twenty teachers went to Japan in the first training. Last year Japan accepted 35 Bangladesh participants from government and non-government organisations in the social welfare sector, JICA sources said.

This year 29 youths including nine women went to Japan last month to deepen understanding about Japan and its people. JICA sources said the youth friendship programme would continue up to Japanese fiscal year of 2005.

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Around 100 Bangladeshi youths will get the opportunity to take training on local administration, medical service and teaching at primary and secondary levels.

This year the youths, who returned home end of last month, reportedly shared experiences with their Japanese counterparts in the fields of export, industry, insurance, office management and journalism.

They visited Tokyo, Osaka, Nagano, Wakayama, Chiba, Nagano and some other places, where the Bangladesh delegation had tremendous opportunities to know Japanese people, culture, language and heritage.

Obituary

UNB, Bograhat
Veteran freedom fighter Rajab Ali died at his Debpara residence here on Thursday night at the age 60.

He was buried at his family graveyard with state honour yesterday.

Local freedom fighters, including the commander of Muktiyuddha Sangsad district command, AC (Land) and police officials, attended his namaz-e-janaza.

Rajab, who joined the liberation war under sector 9, is survived by his wife, three daughters and one son.



Light rain likely

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

Met office predicted slight fall in day temperature over the country during the period.

Yesterday's highest temperature of 34.4 degree Celsius was recorded at Jessore and the lowest of 25.0 degree Celsius at Teknaf.

The sun sets in the capital at 6:36 pm today and rises at 5:32 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	30.5	25.7	85	78
Chittagong	30.0	26.5	88	85
Rajshahi	34.2	27.6	73	77
Khulna	33.4	27.0	84	94
Barisal	32.2	27.0	82	81
Sylhet	34.3	25.2	89	92
Cox's Bazar	31.8	25.4	92	86

Test for pry teachers Over 3.3 lakh vie for 8,432 posts

BSS, Dhaka
The written test for the appointment of assistant teachers in government primary schools was held in all districts of the country except for three hill districts.

Primary Education Directorate sources said 332,523 candidates took part in the examination against 8,432 vacant posts.

Over 7,000 candidates took part in the examination at six centres in the metropolises.

Prof Jahanara Begum, adviser to the prime minister on primary and mass education, visited Motijheel Ideal School and College and Motijheel Model School and College centres during the test.

She expressed satisfaction over the atmosphere of examination halls.

Primary and Mass Education Secretary Prof Dr Tahmina Hossain, Joint Secretary Kazi Farid Ahmed and Director General of Primary Education Directorate Prof Mosaddequl Islam were with the advisor during the visit.

Death anniversary

The 24th death anniversary of Matiur Rahman, a former chief reporter of the now-defunct Bangladesh Times will be observed today, says a press release.

He died of cancer at the age of 37.

Matiur Rahman, who joined the then Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) before independence, was also a stringer of the Times in New York.

On the occasion of his death anniversary, a milad mahfil will be held after Asr prayer at the residence of his sister at Road No. 7, House No. 16, Block-F, Section-2, Mirpur. Friends, relatives and admirers have been requested to attend the milad.

CORRIGENDUM

This is for information of all concerned that **Tender Enquiry No.PUR-3.1656/2002-2003 dated 15-07-2002 for 25,000 MT ± 10% Rocksulphur which was scheduled to be received upto 11.00 A.M. on 15-08-2002 will now be received upto 11.00 A.M. on 19-08-2002 & opened immediately thereafter.**

Other terms and conditions of above tender enquiry shall remain unchanged.

BCIC 122-8/8/2002
Emdad Imam Jahangir
Addl. Chief Manager (Purchase)
For Sr. General Manager(Purchase)
GD-682

Dhaka Water Supply and Sewerage Authority
Corrigendum-3
To
Invitation for Bids
Date: 08-08-2002

The invitation for international bids for design-build turnkey contract for construction of the Pagla Water Treatment Plant published in The Dainik Janakantha on 22.3.2002, The Bangladesh Observer and The Independent on 23.3.2002 and The Daily Star on 28.3.2002 has been amended as follows:

a) The last paragraph of Clause 7, Page No. II-8, Section-II, instruction to bidders of the bidding document reading "The bidder shall have to provide a certificate authenticated by the Chinese Embassy, Dhaka to the effect that the bidder is capable to arrange the requisite fund under Chinese credit to execute the project in its entirety" is hereby deleted.

All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged.

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DHAKA TODAY

Mahila Parishad Meeting
Bangladesh Mahila Parishad organises a citizens' meeting in protest against the growing oppression on women and children. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 4.00pm.

Musical function
In observance of the death anniversary of poet Rabindranath Tagore, Nangrantha Prabartana organises a musical function. Venue: 28, Sir Syed Road, Mohammadpur. Time: 5.00pm.

Plenary session
A plenary session of the 'Consultative Meetings of MPs on their Role in Sustainable Development and Climate Change' will be held with acting Speaker Akhtar Hamid Siddiqui as chief guest. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 3.00pm.

WISER seminar
A seminar on 'Globalisation and the Third World', organised by Work for Integrated Socio-Economic Efforts in Reconstruction (WISER) will be held. Venue: Sufa Kamal seminar room of Central Public Library. Time: 5.00pm.

Seminar
A seminar on 'Sanction on Iraq-Silent Genocide and Legal Stand', organised by Anti-Genocide Organisation, will be held. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 3.00pm.

Uttarbanga Samity
The launching ceremony of the relief work by Uttarbanga Janakalyan Samity for flood affected people of Uttarbanga will be held. Venue: In front of the National Press Club. Time: 9.00am.

SRG seminar
A high profile seminar on Job Analysis and Competency Design, organised by SRG Bangladesh Limited, will be held. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 3.00pm.

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

Discussion
A discussion and cultural function.

Seminar
The American Institute of Bangladesh Studies (AIBS) organises a dialogue on 'Arsenic Poisoning Awareness among the Rural Residents in Bangladesh'. Dr Bimal Kanti Paul of Kansas State University, USA will present the keynote paper. Venue: WVA auditorium, Road-16, House-20, Dhanmondi. Time: 5.00pm.

Conference
The 34th central conference of Bangladesh Krishi Bank and the inauguration of its web site will be held with Finance and Planning Minister M Saifur Rahman as chief guest. Venue: Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar. Time: 11.00am.

Rally
Bangladesh Chhatra Union will organise a rally and take out a procession demanding immediate reopening of Dhaka University and restoration of congenial atmosphere on the campus. Venue: Muktangan, Ramna. Time: 4.00pm.

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Export Promotion Bureau
122-124, Motijheel C/A
Dhaka

This is for information of all Chambers, Associations, Exporters, Manufacturers, Government and Private Organizations and other Concerned Agencies that the following International Trade Fairs and Bangladesh Trade Show & Week will be participated/organized in different countries by the Export Promotion Bureau under its Market Development Programme for the fiscal year 2002-2003.

- International Trade Fairs**
- Frankfurt International Trade Fair, Tendence, Germany, August 30-Sept. 03, 2003.
 - SAITEX, Johannesburg, South Africa, October 01-05, 2002.
 - Saudi Arabia's International Trade and Fashion Fair, Jeddah, KSA October 14-18, 2002.
 - Fourth SAARC Trade Fair, Nepal, October 25-29, 2002.
 - ComdexFall-2002, Las Vegas, USA, November-2002.
 - 9th Islamic Trade Fair, Sharjah, UAE, December 21-26, 2002.
 - ConsumExpo, Russia, January 14-18, 2003.
 - Frankfurt International Trade Fair, Ambient, Germany, February 15-19, 2003.
 - International Autumn Trade Fair, Dubai, UAE, January 12-16, 2003.
 - CeBIT, Hannover, Germany, March 13-20, 2003.
 - Osaka International Trade Fair, Japan, April 29-May 04, 2003.
 - Asia Pacific Leather Fair, Hongkong, April 2003.
 - European Seafood Exposition, Brussels, Belgium, May 06-08, 2003.

Bangladesh Trade Show and Bangladesh Week

- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Bricklane, London, September 09-13, 2002 (being organised by Bricklane Business Association in collaboration with EPB).
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Bhutan, October-2002.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Kolkata, December-2002.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Guwhati, Agartola/Aizol, January/February.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Yangon, Myanmar, February/March 2003.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Paris, France, February-2003.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, New York, April/May-2003.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Bangladesh Trade Show, Cambodia, Thailand.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show in Karachi, Pakistan.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Zurich/Geneva, Switzerland.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Toronto, Canada.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Beijing, China.
- Bangladesh Week and Trade Show, Sydney, Australia.

This list is tentative and is subject to revision. The dates of Bangladesh Trade Show would be decided in consultation with the authorities of the host countries. Firms/organizations interested to participate in the above Fairs and Bangladesh Trade Show and Week are requested to apply in the prescribed form to the Fairs and Display Division of Export Promotion Bureau (122-124, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka). Application forms may be obtained from the Fairs and Display Division of the Bureau Head Office and other Regional and Branch Offices located at Chittagong, Khulna, Rajshahi, Sylhet and Comilla.

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Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Policy and Research Unit (PRU)
Health Economics Unit (HEU)
Clinic Building (4th Floor), Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
No: MOHFW/PRU/Health-Econ/101/98/1009 Dated: 29-7-2002

Notice for Appointment of Local Consultant

Applications are invited from the Bangladeshi nationals for the position of a 'Local Consultant' for the Health Economics Unit (HEU) of the Policy and Research Unit, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. The particulars of the post are as follows:

Post Title	Number of Post	Duty Station
Local Consultant (HEU)	1 (one)	Dhaka, Bangladesh

Duration : 12 (twelve) months with possible extension.
Salary : Competitive commensurate with qualification and experience.

Tasks and Qualification:
Specific duties and responsibilities are:

- Supporting research and capacity development activities of the HEU within the PRU.
- Contributing to policy research reports, policy guidelines, and policy strategies.
- Providing technical assistance and support for various task forces, work groups, committees, and development partners.
- Helping to draft and design research proposals in accordance with the operational plan of the HEU and the overall operational plan of the PRU.
- Assisting in the preparation of monthly reports required for the PRU and its sub-units, particularly the reports of expenditure required by the MOHFW and reporting requirements of the PCC.
- The appointee will be contract to Maxwell Stamp PLC and will report on a day to day basis to the Senior Economist and through the Senior Economist to the Head of the HEU.

Qualifications:

- A postgraduate-degree in Health Economics or Public Sector Economics is preferred.
- 2-3 years field experience in Operations Research or Health Economics Research and in computer knowledge of Microsoft Office, Excel, and if possible, access database programming is preferred.
- Good English language skills and a proven ability to communicate effectively both verbally and in writing.

Applicants in government/semi-government service and autonomous bodies should apply through proper channel. Applications should accompany a complete CV, two copies of passport size photographs, attested photocopies of all educational and experience certificates and names and addresses of two referees with telephone numbers. Only short-listed candidates will be invited for interview.

The last date of submission of application is 20 August 2002.

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