

Electronic cash registers

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able to afford electronic cash registers," he observed.

Abul Hasnat, a restaurant owner at Uttara, echoed Hashem, saying, "A decent cash register comes at a price of around Tk 40,000 to Tk 50,000. We have to cough up at least around Tk 20,000 for even an inferior quality cash register. So, they [the authorities] should keep in mind that there are a huge number of small businesses that are owned by the less affluent section of the society."

"Not everyone may afford that kind of expense. Small retail outlets should not be subjected to this mandatory requirement," he suggested.

However, the NBR officials believe that the retailers have more than enough time to purchase

their cash registers. "They have a good six to seven months before the policy is enforced. I do not see why they can't spend Tk 20,000 [on a register]. It sounds reasonable in terms of the money they make," said an NBR official.

"Also, the fact that there is no import duty or VAT on electronic cash registers, would make things easier for them [retailers]," he said.

Majority of the retailers in the city, in the meantime, are found absolutely in the dark about this new scheme. Most of them do not even have the slightest clue what electronic cash registers are, how to operate them or where to buy them.

"Could you give me any idea where to get a cash register or which one would be more cost-effective?" asked a perplexed

Shankar Chandra Dash, a stationery store owner at Banani, after this correspondent informed him of the new NBR policy.

"I think it would be more convenient to use the electronic cash register rather than recording sales on the manual bookkeeping system. However, I really do not know about the functions of a cash register or where to get one," added Shankar.

According to NBR officials, a mass public awareness campaign on this new NBR policy would soon be launched with the help of both print and electronic media.

A series of dialogues between

VAT officials and retailers would also be arranged to discuss on the new mandatory policy of using electronic cash registers, the NBR officials added.

Moments of history

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"The DU has played a key role in every vital moment of the history of Bangladesh. So I have preserved the documents, photographs and memorabilia from the very beginning," Gopal said.

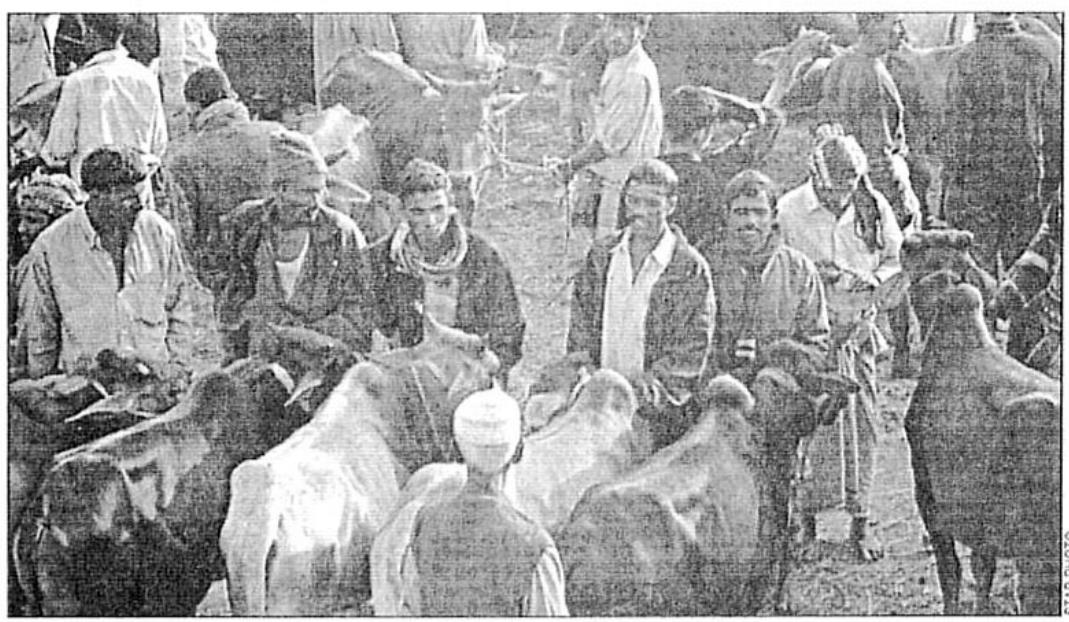
"I was a staff of Ducusu [Dhaka University Central Students Union]. In 1991 I approached the then VC, Prof. Moniruzzaman Mian. I told him about my plans and requested him to give me some space. After sitting with the leaders of Ducusu he allocated the golghar (a round-shaped room) of Madhur Canteen on March 24 to set up the gallery," he said.

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the gallery. Gopal started the gallery in this narrow space.

After some time Ducusu turned idle as many of its leaders became lawmakers through 1991 national elections; but Gopal did not sit idle. He kept on trying to acquire some more space to accommodate his growing collection of photographs and memorabilia. He approached the then VC, Prof. Emajuddin Ahmed who gave him another strip of space.

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STAR PHOTO

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				Stadium Market-Friday
				Bangabazar Market-Friday
				National Museum-Thursday
				Dhanmondi Hawkers Market-Thursday
				New Market-Tuesday
				Gausia Market-Tuesday
				Mouchak Market-Sunday
				Dhanmondi Hawkers Market-Tuesday
				Eastern Plaza-Sunday
				Farmview Super Market-Sunday
				Muktijudha Jadughar-Sunday
				Dhaka Zoo-Sunday
				Shishu Jadughar-Sunday

MARKET CLOSED

Office of the Superintending Engineer
Drainage Circle & Project Director
Removal of Water Logging in Dhaka City Project
DWASA, Segunbagicha, Dhaka-1000

Memo No: 64/DC/DD-1

Date: 09/12/2007

Invitation for Tender

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH			
1. Ministry/Division	Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperative.		
2. Agency	Dhaka WASA.		
3. Procuring entity name	Project Director, Removal of Water Logging in Dhaka City Project (RWLP).		
4. Invitation for	Construction of Intermediate Manhole at Drainage Division-1 Juridicted area, Package No: 02.		
5. Invitation Ref. No.	64/DC/DD-1		
6. Date	09/12/2007		
7. Key Information	Procurement method	Open tendering method.	
8. FUNDING INFORMATION	Budget and source of funds	The Government of Bangladesh (GOB).	
9. PARTICULAR INFORMATION	Project/programme code		
10. Project/programme name	Removal of Water Logging in Dhaka City Project (RWLP).		
11. Tender publication date			
12. Tender last selling date	During office hours from 19-12-2007 to 09-01-2008. No tender document will be sold in the day of opening of tender.		
13. Tender closing date & time	On 10-01-2008 up to 12:00 noon.		
14. Tender opening date & time	On 10-01-2008 at 1:00pm.		
15. Name & address of the offices:	1. Janata Bank, Karwan Bazar Corporate Branch/Fakirapool Branch/Posta Branch/Mohammadpur Corporate Branch/Mirpur Section-1/Mohakali Corporate Branch, Dhaka. 2. Agrani Bank, WASA Branch, Dhaka. 3. Uttra Bank, Karwan Bazar Branch. 4. HSBC, Gulshan Branch/Motijheel Branch, Dhanmondi Branch, Dhaka. 5. One Bank Ltd, Karwan Bazar Branch, Dhaka.		
16. Receiving tender document	Office of the Superintending Engineer, Drainage Circle & Project Director, Removal of Water Logging in Dhaka City Project, DWASA, Segunbagicha, Dhaka-1000.		
17. Opening tender document	Same as above.		
18. INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	The required number of similar type (intermediate manhole construction of work completed shall be 1 (one) during the last 5 (five) years.		
19. Brief description of works	Construction of Intermediate Manhole at Drainage Division-1 Juridicted area, Package No: 02.		
20. Brief description of related services	N/A.		
21. Name of tender	Location	Tender document price (Tk)	Tender security (Tk)
22. Construction of Intermediate Manhole at Drainage Division-1 Juridicted area, Package No: 02	In different place in Dhaka City	1,000/- (one thousand)	42,