Letters will only be considered if they carry the writer's full name, address and telephone number (if any). The identity of the writers will be protected. Letters must be limited to 300 words. All letters will be subject to editing.



# Election in Kenya

Elections in Kenya may have ended but the results of the elections have sparked violence there, killing 13 people. Mwai Kibaki, the sitting president, has been re-elected but his opponent, Mr. Odinga of the ODM, was not at all satisfied with the results.

Although the voting had been carried out in an organised manner and had been fairly peaceful, doubts remain regarding the tallying process as even the head of an EU team of observers, Alexander Graf Lambsdorff, and diplomats in Nairobi have raised concern about the credibility of the elections. And the very fact that Mr. Odinga's party won strongly

Ministry/Division

Procuring entity name

Procuring entity code

Procuring entity district

Invitation for

Date

KEY INFORMATION

**FUNDING INFORMATION** 

applicable)

12 Project code

Project

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

Tender package No.

Tender package name

Tender publication date

Tender last selling date

18 Tender closing date and time

Tender opening date and time

Name & address of the office(s)

Selling tender document NA

Selling tender document

-Receiving tender document

Opening tender document

Place/date/time of

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

Eligibility of tenderer

Brief description of goods

Price of tender document (Tk)

quarters

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Name of official inviting tender

Address of official inviting tender

Designation of official inviting

Awareness poster

Identification of lot

Contact details of official inviting tender Tel No. 9562228

The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.

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Mo Nazrul Islam.

Project Director.

services

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tender

Pre-tender meeting will be held

Invitation Ref. No.

Procurement method

10 Budget and source of funds

Development partners

Agency

in the parliamentary elections (unseating even the vicepresident, foreign minister, defence minister, and a number of previously unassailable and wealthy MPs), and the fact that polls had indicated that the presidential elections would be close, only add further doubt.

Hence fears are growing that a civil war might break out between two ethnic groups--Luo (the ones who support Mr. Odinga) and the Kikuyu (those who support Kibaki)-and this certainly is the last thing that Kenyans would want. In a continent like Africa where civil wars, ethnic violence etc are rampant, one had hoped that Kenya would stand out as a

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Teaching Quality Improvement in Secondary Education Project

Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education

Ministry of Education

Invitation for Re-Tender

Directorate of Secondary & Higher Education.

Open Tendering Method (OTM), PPR-2003

Agency for Development (CIDA).

Teaching Quality Improvement in Secondary Education Project (TQI-SEP)

TQI-SEP/ADB-GOB Procurement/100/06 (Part-9)/02/Awareness/872.

Teaching Quality Improvement in Secondary Education Project (TQI-SEP)

Time

2.00pm

2.00pm

203, 1st Floor, Bhaban-02, Shikkha Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.

Floor, Bhaban-02, Shikkha Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.

Floor, Bhaban-02, Shikkha Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.

Tenderers must have cash-flow per month 5.00 lakh.

Note: Details given in technical specification of tender schedule.

Lot No. 01:TQI-SEP news letter for 4 quarters

Brief description of related Awareness development materials are to be brought to TMOU of the project at NAEM

Location

PMU TQI-SEP, Bhaban-02,

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bank of Bangladesh Bank to Project Director, TQI-SEP.

Lot No. 03: Awareness poster (06 types)

09/01/2008

Teaching Quality Improvement in Secondary Education Project (TQI-SEP), Room No-

Project Director, TQI-SEP, Room No-801, 7th Floor, Bhaban-02, Shikkha Bhaban

Education Engineering Department (EED) at 2.00pm, EED Conference Room, 8th

Education Engineering Department (EED) at 2.00pm, EED Conference Room, 8th

This invitation of tender is open for all Book Printers & Publishers of Bangladesh

Must have 10 years general experience of printing and supplying printed

materials like books, journals, papers, manuals, calendars, posters and

05 years specific experience (calendar, news letter & poster supply book lets).

The tenderers must have annual turnover Tk 20 lakh last five years.

BD Tk 1000/- non-refundable in the form of Bank Draft/Pay-Order from any scheduled

Teaching Quality Improvement in Secondary Education Project (TQI-SEP), Room No-

Fax No. 9564199

801, Bhaban-02, Shikkha Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.

Tender security

amount (refundable)

Fk 40,000/-

Time

2.00pm

Completion time in

weeks/months

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Procurement of Awareness Development Materials (calendar, poster & news letter

Government of Bangladesh, Asian Development Bank (ADB), Canadian International

Procurement of Awareness Development Materials (calendar, poster & news lette

Ministry of Education.

Dhaka.

Date: 30/12/2007.

ADB & CIDA.

GD 24/07-08

Date

Date

31/12/2007

14/01/2008

15/01/2008

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Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000.

magazine etc.

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beacon of democracy in this violence-torn continent (despite the corruption that has plagued their country for a long time). But the results of this election do not appear convincing. One hopes that the violence in Kenya will not spread further. And now it remains to be seen whether the security forces manage to curb the violence and handle the situation

in the best possible manner. As for Kibaki, he is now holding office in a very volatile situation and he cannot hope to restore democracy through this election which is at best a farce! Wasif Wahed Old DOHS, Dhaka

assassination Benazir, one of the most popular political leaders in South Asia, was killed very brutally at the end of a political meeting. She was very courageous. Her death has been a great tragedy for Pakistan. We want the Pakistan govern-

ment to find out the culprits as soon as possible. M Salauddin Chowdhury Student, NSU

Benazir Bhutto's

My experience at ZIA

I am a non-resident Bangladeshi living in Europe. Recently I visited my home country. On my arrival at ZIA International Airport I was very dismayed and disheartened while passing through the terminal building. On entering one of the rest rooms near a boarding gate, I found it was dirty and in an appalling state. Inside the toilet there was no toilet paper and not even a coat hook to hang jackets/overcoats etc Water and litters were all around. Even toilet flush was inoperative. It was so disgusting and distasteful for a visitor entering the country.

Then I was thirsty and looked for water coolers as is available in most of the international airports outside the rest rooms. But no simply it was not there. When I asked one of the airport staff he sarcastically replied that I have to purchase water bottles after leaving the building. When I asked him as to what happens during the month of holy Ramadan, he, with a smile on his face, told me. "Sir, no drinking water was available at this building whether it was holy month of Ramadan or not." I was surprised since Bangladesh is predominantly supposed to be a Muslim country.

It seems some nonprofessionals are managing this airport. Would the airport authorities be more vigilant and maintain the airport like any other international airport in the world? The airport authorities/ civil aviation do not hesitate to tax the airlines and the passen- - for the first time that Pakistanis, gers right and left but hardly care about the standard of the airport and passengers' convenience. Else, how could the largest airport of the country lack such basic facilities and is manned in such a despicable way?

M.A. Elihan Zakaria Stanwell, Staines

### What after election?

Though the caretaker government is indifferent to the development of the country, what they are doing is accepted by all. Examples containing terrorism, cracking down on the corrupt politicians, separation of the judiciary and so on.

But what will happen after the next elected government comes to power? They may try to change what the caretaker government is doing now. Therefore, the caretaker government has to take such steps that the elected government cannot change in future.

Anoar English teacher Alamdanga High School

### Humanity

Most of the people of our country are soft and kind hearted. They are very mild and generous. They have been co-operating with one another from time immemorial. People still rush to others' places in times of their danger. This is the remarkable characteristic of our tradition.

Once again the people of our country have shown their fellow- social and political causes. They feeling and generosity by responding to the call of the stands. They protest peacefully government in helping the cyclone affected people. People, irrespective of being rich and poor, children and adults, have come forward to make contribu-

tions. mistress called upon the students through a notice to contribute as per their ability. They tices, and finally they care and have also been told that students work for the betterment of a having no ability do not need to larger society, instead of a priviparticipate in the process. While leged few. While it may still be the tragic scenes of the cyclone many miles to the land of the civil affected people were being society, there are clear signs and described to the students, their symptoms that people in eyes filled with tears. So they Pakistan are already taking the responded wholeheartedly. most difficult first steps. May Eventually, a handsome figure 2008 be the year of the civil sociwas sent to the relief fund of the ety. government from our school. Naeem Sadiq The generosity of an eight-year One-mail

old girl reading in class three (iii) has surprised us. That is, after her exam of that day she was looking for the class teacher carrying a five hundred taka note in her hand. At last she was glad when she could make the contribution. She has certainly been encouraged by her parents at home. This girl may be little but her heart is great. Her spontaneous response reminds us of a wise saying, "Charity begins at home" Actually children learn charity observing their parents helping others. On the other hand, they learn cruelty seeing their parents being unkind to others.

So, my proposal in this regard is that all the educational institutions, from the university down to the primary level, come forward with the message of love and fellow-feeling. Every student's little contribution will ultimately turn into a big amount which will play a significant role in rehabilitating the people in

Md. Abdur Rahim Assistant teacher Nawab Faizunnesa Govt Girls' High School Comilla

#### Pakistan scene

The year 2007 will be remembered as a year of extremism. It was in this year that 'the extremists became very extreme'. It was in this year that the extremists on the mountains of Waziristan killed and captured more soldiers than at any other time in the history of Pakistan. It was in 2007 that we became the only country in the world that suspended and 'house-arrested' its own chief justice twice in the same calendar year. It was in this year that a militant legislation transferred all state powers to a single individual perhaps the only person in the world who has a nuclear button in his pocket and whose constitutional amendments cannot be challenged.

But there was also a new sense of energy and resistance in the air that began to give hope to the dark despondency of 2007. It was forgetting their many differences, closed ranks and began to take positions around a single dividing line. The line that separates the civil and the uncivil society. A divide along the lines of conscience on the one hand and compromise on the other.

What are the dynamics of this new development? While the traumatic events of 2007 may have been a triggering factor, this new wave reflects an accumulated disillusionment of people from 60 years of uninterrupted deceit, corruption and lawlessness. Gradually, but firmly, people have come to perceive their leaders (both civil and military) as corrupt, self-serving and power-hungry whose only interest is to use the placebo of clichés, deceptive manifestos and hollow slogans to dupe the masses.

The educated middle class lawyers, teachers, students, doctors, professionals, individual citizens and groups which has traditionally kept itself at a distance from mainstream politics is awakening to a realisation that it has stayed on the sidelines

for too long. One does not, however, become a part of the civil society by merely suffering in silence. Even a weekend vigil or periodic public protests are not good enough. A society is called civil when its members individually and collectively follow ethical principles and practices in their working lives.

They relate their work to larger support ethical and principled and lawfully against tyranny and injustice.

They are willing to contribute their time, effort, money or expertise for a cause or community. They are willing to rise above In our institution, our head- their party positions and cushy jobs, to raise their voice when the rulers indulge in unethical prac-

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# Ban on rickshaw

Most trips in Dhaka are short in distance, usually one to five kilometres. These trips are perfect for rickshaws. Rickshaws are a cheap and popular mode of transport over short distances. Rickshaws are safe, environmentally friendly and do not rely on fossil fuels. Rickshaws support a significant portion of the population, not only the pullers, but also their families in the villages, the mechanics who fix the rickshaws, as well as street hawkers who sell foods. From the raw materials to the finished product the rickshaw employs people in some 38 different professions. Action needs to be taken to support the rickshaw instead of further banning it in Dhaka. The combined profits of all rickshaws exceed that of all other passenger transport modes.

We think a new ban on rickshaws will be put into force on some roads in Dhaka very soon. During the last Eid many roads were declared rickshaw free without public support or approval. Banning of rickshaws on major roads increases the transportation costs for commuters. Not only due to longer trips to avoid roads with bans in effect, but also due to actually having to take more

expensive forms of transport such as CNG scooters or taxi. The environmental impact of banning rickshaws is obvious because it exchanges a nonmotorized form of transport for a motorized form of transport, thus increasing the pollution and harming the environment. Ban on rickshaw harms the most vulnerable in society, mainly the sick, poor, women, children and the elderly; generally those who cannot afford or do not feel comfortable on other forms of public transport. Banning rickshaws also hurts small businesses that rely on them as a cheap and reliable form of transporting their goods. Rickshaws are ideal for urban settings because they can transport a relatively large number of passengers while taking up a small portion of the road. In 1998 the data showed that rickshaws took up 38% of road space while transporting 54% of passengers in Dhaka. The private cars, on the other hand, took up 34% of road space while only transporting 9% of the population (1998 DUTP). This data does not include the parking space on roads that cars take up in Dhaka. If included this would further raise the amount of space taken up by private cars.

Tk 100 billion by not causing environmental damage.

The governments made many efforts to reduce traffic congestion in Dhaka but with no success. Blaming rickshaws for traffic congestion and subsequently banning them from major roads has not had the desired effect. Traffic is still as bad now as it was before the rickshaws were banned on major roads. Rickshaws thus cannot be seen as the major cause of traffic congestion. Instead, one should look towards private cars and private car parking on roads as the major cause of traffic congestion. The space gained by banning rickshaws is often used for private car parking. The current trend in transport planning reduces the mobility of the majority for the convenience of the minority. Please take into consideration who is being hurt and who is being helped.

For a better transport system in Dhaka we need to create a city-wide network of rickshaw lanes. If this is done Dhaka can reduce its fuel usage dramatically as well as its pollution. Syed Saiful Alam Shovan Volunteer Save Environment Movement

Dhanmondi, Dhaka



Every year the rickshaws save

## গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

অধিনায়কের কার্যালয় ২য় আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন

## পুনঃ দরপত্র আহ্বান বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতহারা "The Public Procurement Regulations-2003" অনুযায়ী ২য় আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, চট্টগ্রাম ফোর্সের ৫ম তলা আবাসিক ব্যারাক ভবন ও অস্ত্রাগারের মেরামত এবং ব্যাটালিয়নের জমির সীমানা প্রাচীর সংস্কার/নির্মাণের ঠিকাদার নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে প্রকৃত বাংলাদেশী ঠিকাদারগণের নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত পুনঃ দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাইতেছে।

০১। মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়, পুলিশ বিভাগ। ০২। সংগ্রাহক সত্তা অধিনায়ক, ২য় আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, চট্টগ্রাম ০৩। তহবিলের উৎস পুলিশ বাজেটের কোভ নং "৩-২২১১-০০০১-৪৯৯১-অন্যান্য মেরামত ও সংরক্ষণ" খাত হইতে প্রাপ্ত ০৪। কাজের নাম মেরামত/নির্মাণ কাজ। ০৫। দরপত্র তফসিল প্রান্তির স্থান (ক) ডিআইজি, এপিবিএন কার্যালয়, বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ, ঢাকা (খ) অধিনায়কের কার্যালয়, ২য় এপিবিএন, চট্টগ্রাম এবং (গ) পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম হইতে দরপত্র তফসিল ক্রে করা ০৬। দরপত্র তফসিল প্রান্তির সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময় আগামী ২৪/০১/২০০৮খিঃ তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত। ০৭। দরপত্র প্রান্তির প্রাক্যোগ্যতা ১ম শ্রেণীর সরকারি কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সত্যায়িত দলিলপ্রাদি (ক) চলতি অর্থ সনের হালনাগাদ ব্যবসায়িক বৈধ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স (খ) ব্যাংকের অর্থিক স্টেটমেন্ট (গ) চলতি অর্থ সনের হালনাগাদ জিআইআর/টিআইএন নংসহ আয়কর পরিশোধের সনদপত্র (ঘ) নাগরিকত্ব সনদপত্র (ঙ) সংশ্রিষ্ট কাজের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র (প্রদানকারী অফিসের ফোন নদর উল্লেখপূর্বক) (চ) ১ কপি পাসপোর্ট সাইজের ছবি (ছ) বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের পেপার কাটিং (জ) ফার্ম/প্রতিষ্ঠানের মালিকানা সনদসহ ফার্মের লেটার প্যাডে আবেদনপত্র প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে দরপত্র তফসিল বিক্রয় করা হইবে। দরপত্র তফসিল ক্রয়ের সময় ফার্ম/প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিজন্ব সীল অবশাই সঙ্গে আনিতে হইবে। ০৮। দরপত্র দাখিলের স্থান দরপত্র নিমুশ্বাক্তরকারীর কার্যালয়ে রক্ষিত সীলমোহরকৃত টেভার বাস্ক্রে ফেলিতে হইবে। ০৯। দরপত্র দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময় আগামী ২৭/০১/২০০৮খ্রিঃ তারিখ বেলা ১২:০০ ঘটিকা ২০। দরপত্র খোলার স্থান, তারিখ ও সময় নিমুশ্বাক্ষরকারীর অফিস কক্ষে আগামী ২৭/০১/২০০৮খ্রিঃ তারিখ বেলা ১২:৩০ ঘটিকায় উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতা বা প্রতিনিধিদের (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) সম্মুখে টিওসি কর্তৃক সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র वाक थाना इहेरव।

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	লট নং-৩	চট্টঘাম এপিবিএন অস্ত্রাগারের বিভিন্ন দরজা এবং জানালা, পানির টেপ, বিভিং এর প্লাষ্টার, দরজা জানালার গ্রিল রং এবং চুনের কাজ।	800/-	5,000/-	৪৫ দিন
	লট নং-৪	চট্টঘাম এপিবিএন এর জমির সীমানায় ১ম অংশ/২য় অংশ ও ৩য় অংশে প্রাচীর সংস্কার/নির্মাণ কাজ।	900/-	80,000/-	৯০ দিন
251	বিশেষ জাতব্য	(ক) দরপত্র দাখিল সংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত তথ্যাবলী দ্রপত্র ক্রয়কালে অ (খ) পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স কর্তৃক দর অনুমোদনের পর কার্যাদেশ প্রা	দান করা হইবে।	তফসিলে পাওয়া যাবে	

নিমুস্বাক্ষরকারী কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ/বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

কাজী জিয়া উদ্দিন অতিবিক্ত পুলিশ সুপার অধিনায়ক (ভারপ্রাপ্ত) ২য় আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন ठिख्याय

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