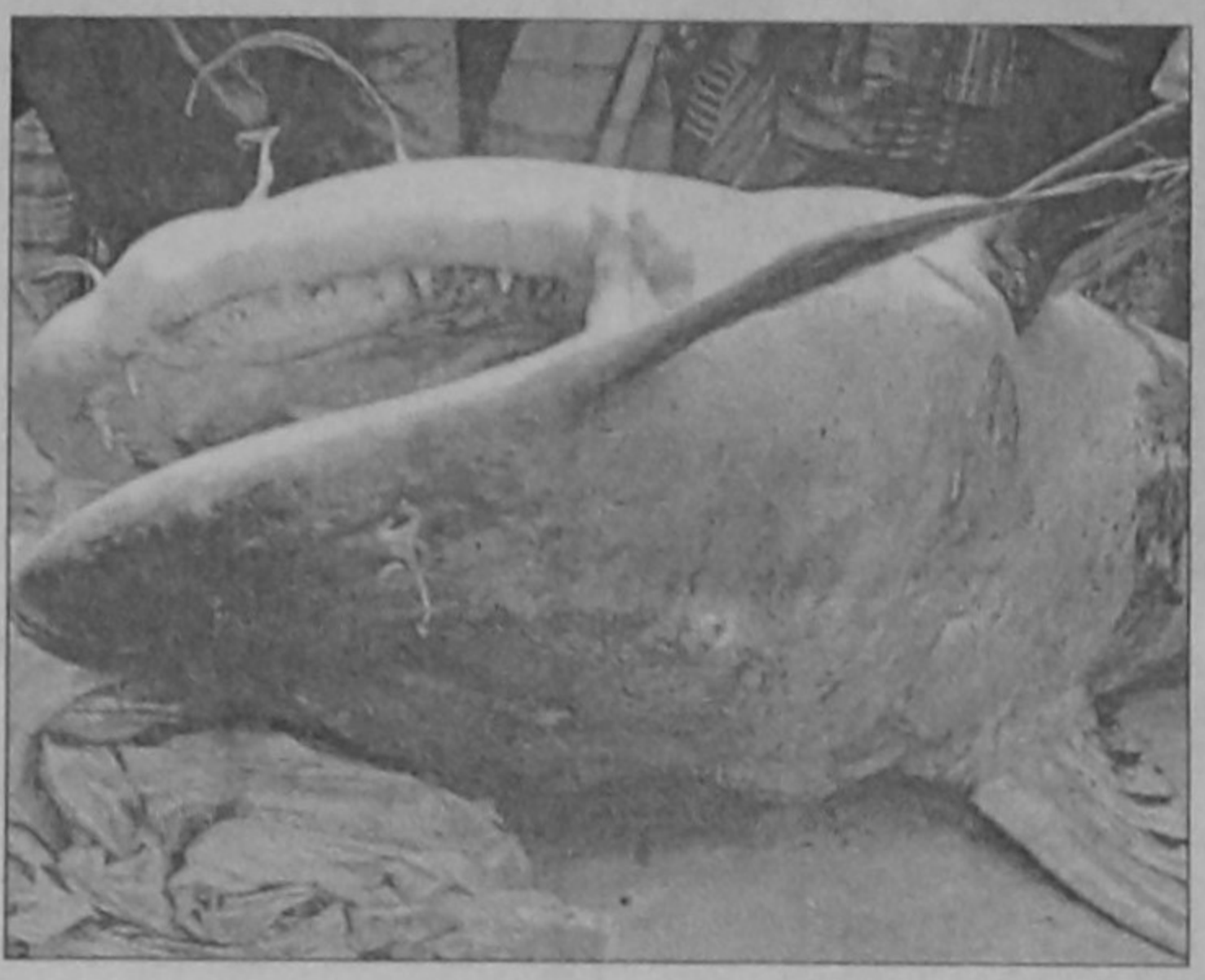


BIG FAIR OF HUGE FISHES IN MOULVIBAZAR
240kg Baghair steals the show, sells at Tk 90,000

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Nasir Mian demanded Tk 1,20,000 for a Baghair and sold the 240 kg fish at Tk 90,000. It was netted from Kushiara river. He sold a Boal at Tk 35,000 and a Chitol at Tk 17,000. Nasir brought big indigenous sweet water fishes worth about Tk 12 lakh at the century-old three-day traditional fish fair at Sherpur in Moulvibazar that ended yesterday.



The 240 kg Baghair sold at Tk 90,000 at Moulvibazar fish fair.

Kishoreganj regions. The district administration took special security measures to maintain law and order and did not allow anti-social activities like gambling at the fair.

46 tonnes urea seized, 4 held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) on Monday night recovered 46 tonnes of Urea in Shaikupa upazila in Jhenidah and arrested four people for illegal hoarding of the fertiliser. Tipped off, a Rab team seized a truckload of Urea fertiliser from in front of Jhenidah Cadet College and another truckload from Chariar Bazar, Captain Tanvir of Rab said.

BIRD FLU

10,000 fowls culled in Barisal city in a night

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barisal

Officials, joined by law enforcers including Rab, cordoned about two-kilometre area in Barisal city Monday night, caught about 10,000 fowls from houses and small farms and culled them after detection of bird flu in two indigenous dead hens. The killed fowls were buried under ground. The operation covering wards 22 and 27 began at about 10 pm Monday and continued till early morning yesterday, officials said.

After the operation, the district administration held an emergency meeting and ordered officials at upazilas to remain alert and take immediate steps if the disease is detected anywhere. Dr. Sunil Chandra Gayen, principal scientific officer at the regional livestock research center and laboratory in Barisal, said that the virus was first suspected in two dead hens brought to the center on Sunday

from houses of Sojjuddin in Ward-27 and Akkel Ali in Ward-22. Those were sent to the Central Laboratory at Savar in Dhaka. On Monday afternoon, a faxed report sent to Barisal said Avian Influenza Type HP5 was detected in the dead hens. Hours later, six teams comprising officials and about 200 law enforcers led by district livestock officer Jaimuddin Molla swung into action to cull the fowls.

Agitation on at RU for release of students

RU CORRESPONDENT

After attending classes, students with mouths covered with black cloths, marched Rajshahi University (RU) campus streets, held rallies and staged sit-in demanding release of 10 students convicted in the DGTI vehicle torching case. They are also demanding withdrawal of the case against the students, filed by RU authorities for their alleged involvement in incidents of violence on the campus on August 23, and release of four Dhaka University teachers.

also formed a human chain in front of Central Library to press the demands. At the rallies, the students called upon RU authorities to withdraw the case and threatened of tougher agitation from today, including token strike for non-compliance. They also launched a signature campaign. Students of Fine Arts department yesterday articulated their demand for release of the 10 students by writing comments and drawing cartoons on walls. A large number of policemen were deployed on the campus to avert any untoward incident.

EU starts aid for 6,000 Sidr victim families

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

European Union (EU) yesterday started supply of food to 6,000 Sidr affected families in four unions under Galachipa upazila in the district. Under the programme, 6,000 families of Rangabali, Barabaisdia, Chhotobaisdia and Chalitabunia unions will get food support from January to March. Each family is getting 30 kg of rice, six kg of dal, two kg of salt, two blankets, two soaps, one dozen of candle, two gaslighters. Gordon Shanoon, finance manager of Christian Aid (Asia) launched the programme as the chief guest at Launch Ghat of Chalitabunia union in Galachipa upazila. The EU will also build dwelling house for those families. Shanoon told journalists after launching the programme.

MANIK SAHA MURDER Charge framing tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Charges against 11 out of 13 accused of journalist Manik Saha murder case will be framed tomorrow in Khulna Divisional Speedy Trial Tribunal. Manik Saha, Khulna correspondent of New Age, stringer of BBC Bangla Service and former president of Khulna Press Club, was killed in a bomb attack on Chhoto Mirzapur Road near Khulna Press Club on January 15 in 2004. Sub-inspector Ranjit Kumar of Khulna Sadar Police Station lodged an FIR in this connection on January 17, 2004 naming none as accused. After a series of investigations by different departments, Inspector Chitta Ranjan Pal of the Detective Branch of Khulna Metropolitan Police pressed supplementary charge sheet on December 2 last year. The names of Hai Islam alias Kachi, Shumon alias Nuruzzaman, Akhter Hossain, Ali Akbar Shaon, Bulbul, Sattar, Shawkat Hossain,



MANIK SAHA

Omar Faruque, Mithul, Bellal and Sarwar, Moiz and BDR Altaf are included in the chargesheet. Meanwhile, different organisations including Khulna Press Club yesterday observed the fourth death anniversary of Manik Saha, by laying floral wreaths at martyred journalists' memorial on the press club compound and Manik Saha memorial at Chhoto Mirzapur Road, holding discussion meetings and prayer.

Selim Al Deen's death condoled

RU CORRESPONDENT

Teachers and students of Music and Drama Department of Rajshahi University yesterday brought out a mourning procession on the campus at the death of legendary drama icon Selim Al Deen. Later, at a condolence meeting held at the department with Chairman Krisnapada Mondol in the chair, the speakers said Selim Al Deen was a bright star in the history of the country's theatre movement and his death has caused an irreparable loss to the country's literature. Remembering his contribution to education, research and cultural activities in Bangladesh, they prayed for salvation of the departed soul and conveyed deep sympathy to his bereaved family members. RU Anushilon drama group President Prof Moloy Kumar and different culture organisations also condoled death of the drama prodigy.

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১। পদবী : অস্থায়ী অফিসার/সফটওয়্যার ইঞ্জিনিয়ার
শিক্ষণত যোগ্যতা : কম্পিউটার সায়েন্সে বিএএসসি অথবা এমএএসসি ডিগ্রী।
অভিজ্ঞতা : Oracle ও Developer দিয়ে কাঠমাইক সফটওয়্যার তৈরী ও চালিশা অনুযায়ী পূর্ণাঙ্গ সম্পদন, ডাটাবেজ ম্যানেজমেন্ট, ইত্যাদিতে দক্ষতাসহ সফটওয়্যার কাজে কমপক্ষে ৩ বৎসরের বাস্তব অভিজ্ঞতা থাকতে হবে। তথ্যচিত্র ও যারা সদা পাশ করছেন বা ৩ বৎসরের কম অভিজ্ঞতা রয়েছে এমন ব্যক্তিও আবেদন করতে পারবেন-যাহাও বিবেচনা করা যাবে পায়ে।
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বয়স : ২৫-৪০ বছরের মধ্যে হতে হবে।
২। পদবী : সিস্টেম ইঞ্জিনিয়ার
শিক্ষণত যোগ্যতা : কম্পিউটার সায়েন্সে বিএএসসি অথবা এমএএসসি ডিগ্রী।
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BANGLADESH Social Investment Program Project (IDA Credit no. 3740-1- BD) Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) For Providing Service for supplying Workforce (Specialists) in The Social Investment Program Project (SIPP) Package no. S 6.22 (For Gaibandha) Package no. S 6.23 (For Jamalpur)
1. The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of the Social Investment Program Project (SIPP). The Project aims to develop effective and efficient financing and institutional arrangements at the local level for improving access to local infrastructure and basic services through the implementation of community-driven small-scale socio-economic infrastructure, social assistance and income generating programs. (For more details on the Project please visit www.sdfbd.org)
2. The Project intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit towards eligible payments under the contract with the Service Providers/ Agencies (hereon referred as Service Provider in this project) for Supplying Workforce to the Social Development Foundation (SDF) as Specialists to deliver tasks as outlined in paragraph 3 below, for Social Investment Program Project (SIPP). The specific services required from the Service Providers are to identify potential candidates as specialists, based on the criteria stipulated in paragraph 3 below, and provide CVs of these candidates to SDF for final selection followed by appointment by the Service Providers under each contract. A Service Provider should be able to recommend at least 1 (one) District Team, with the required skill mix (ref: paragraph 3 below), for selection against each package (S6.22 and S6.23).
3. The project requires 1 District Team in each of the contract packages No. S6.22 and S6.23. Each District Team would comprise of 5 (five) Specialists on various disciplines including livelihoods, institutional building, community financing, accountability, monitoring and led by one District team leader. Each team will be supported by 5 support staff (2 Data Entry Operators, 1 Office cum Accounts Assistance and 1 Peon & 1 Guard). The District Teams are expected to coordinate the project and guide, supervise and monitor the cluster teams in organizing the poor into groups for access to credit, livelihoods and other services. The teams would be located at the District level working directly with the Regional Team of SDF and would support the field teams. The SDF is looking to recruit committed, dedicated, self motivated persons in (indicate the specialist areas) disciplines as Specialists who will work with the grass root poor. Preference would be given to those with experience of five years in similar projects. District Team leader / Specialist should have a post graduate degree preferably in rural development/ management/ social work, with a minimum experience of seven years in similar projects.
4. Now SDF intends to invite Service Providers for providing the District Team of Specialists and support staff with required skill mix. The contract packages are:
a. Package No. S6.22 (for Gaibandha district)- 1 District Team;
b. Package No. S6.23 (for Jamalpur district)- 1 District Team
5. SDF would enter into a contract with the Service Provider for an initial period of 18 months against each package. During this period, the Service Provider is expected to ensure that the selected candidates in the team continue to work with Project, or in case they leave, refresh and recommend fresh candidates for selection by SDF.
6. Social Development Foundation (SDF) now invites eligible organizations to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested organizations must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform these services (description of similar assignments, experience in similar activities on supplying workforce / manpower etc.). This includes: (a) evidence of legal establishment for about five years; (b) availability of appropriate skills among the staff; (c) evidence of the organization's bank account; (d) copies of recent external audit reports & annual reports; (e) proven track record of at least three years experience in implementing social development activities or on providing services for supplying workforce / manpower in different levels or similar assignment.
7. Organizations will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, January 1997 (revised September 1997, January 1999, May 2002).
8. Interested Organizations may obtain further information, if any, from the office of the Managing Director of SDF, at the address given below during 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on all working days.
9. Expressions of Interest must be delivered to the address on or before 5th February, 2008.
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BANGLADESH Social Investment Program Project (IDA Credit no. 3740-1- BD) Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) For Providing Service for supplying Workforce (Facilitators) in The Social Investment Program Project (SIPP) Package no. S 6.17 & S 6.18 (For Gaibandha) Package no. S 6.19 & S 6.20 (For Jamalpur) Package no. S 6.21 (For Pilot districts)
1. The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of the Social Investment Program Project (SIPP). The Project aims to develop effective and efficient financing and institutional arrangements at the local level for improving access to local infrastructure and basic services through the implementation of community-driven small-scale socio-economic infrastructure, social assistance and income generating programs. (For more details on the Project please visit www.sdfbd.org)
2. The Project intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit towards eligible payments under the contract with the Service Providers/ Agencies (hereon referred as Service Providers in this project) for Supplying Workforce to the Social Development Foundation (SDF) as Facilitators, to deliver tasks as outlined in paragraph 3 below, for Social Investment Program Project (SIPP). The specific services required from the Service Providers are to identify potential candidates as facilitators, based on the criteria stipulated in paragraph 3 below, and provide the CVs of these candidates to SDF for final selection followed by appointment by the Service Providers under each contract. A Service Provider should be able to recommend at least 5 CFTs for Package no. S 6.17 to S6.20 and 4 CFTs for Package no. S6.21.
3. The project requires 5 Cluster Facilitation Team (CFT) in each of the 4 contracts no. S6.17 thru' S6.20, and 4 CFTs in Contract no. S6.21. Each CFT would consist of 7 (seven) facilitators on various disciplines including livelihoods, institutional building, community financing, accountability, monitoring, youth/ gender and productive infrastructure, and would be led by one team leader. The teams would be located at the cluster (Upazila/Union) / block level working directly with the poor in the villages. They are expected to organize the poor into groups for access to credit, livelihoods promotion, capacity building, monitoring, and other services. The SDF is looking to recruit young and motivated youth with a minimum Graduate level degree in any discipline with at least two years experience as facilitators through the Service Providers/ Agencies. Preference would be given to those with experience in similar projects. In case of similar experience for more than two years, academic qualification can be relaxed. Team leaders, who would guide the project at the grassroots, should have a graduate degree preferably in rural development/ management/ social work, with a minimum experience of at least three years in similar projects.
4. Now SDF intends to invite Service Provider for supplying those workforces. The contract packages are:
a) Package no. S 6.17 : 5 CFTs;
b) Package no. S 6.18 : 5 CFTs
c) Package no. S 6.19 : 5 CFTs
d) Package no. S 6.20 : 5 CFTs
e) Package no. S 6.21 : 4 CFTs
5. SDF would enter into a contract with the Service Provider for an initial period of 18 months against each package. During this period, the Service Providers are expected to ensure that the selected candidates in the team continue to work with Project, or in case they leave, refresh and recommend fresh candidates for selection by SDF.
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