34 dead in

Rwanda after

At least 34 people died Sunday in western Rwanda after a strong earthquake shook several coun-

tries in Africa's Great Lakes region,

Twenty people were killed

Fourteen others were killed in

Rusizi and Nyamesheke districts

and some 250 wounded were

transported to various regional

port the wounded, a witness in

Public buses were used to trans-

The epicentre of the quake,

which struck at 0735 GMT and

measured six on the open-ended

Richter scale, was 20 kilometres (12

"straight away when a church

collapsed" in the Rusizi district of

Southern Province, the radio said.

earthquake

Radio Rwanda reported.

hospitals, the radio said.

Rusizi district told AFP.

AFP, Kigali

INTERNATIONAL

Egypt closes border with Gaza

AP, Rafah

Egyptian troops closed the last ments on nearby rooftops, and breach in Egypt's border with the dozens of Gazans looked on as the Gaza Strip on Sunday morning, Egyptians resealed the border. ending 11 days of free movement for Palestinian residents of the formed a human cordon at the borblockaded territory, witnesses and der wall's main gate. Dozens of cars Hamas security officials said.

Gazans and Egyptians to cross the on supplies before crossing. border to return to their homes on no immediate comment on the watch.

প্রস্তাব আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে

armoured personnel carriers and stood in sandbagged emplace-

About 100 Egyptian police and people lined up on either side of The troops were allowing the border, some having stocked up

Three Palestinians tried to jump the other side but prevented any over the border wall to enter Egypt new cross-border movement, to retrieve some merchandise they according to witnesses and Hamas had stored there. Hamas security, security officials in the border town which were patrolling the area in of Rafah. The Hamas officials spoke cars and on foot, beat them with on condition of anonymity batons and the backs of their weapbecause they were not authorized ons, then fired in the air to disperse to speak to the press. Israel issued the crowd that had gathered to dearest wishes,' said Abu Jazar,

Hamas militants blew up sec-Egyptian soldiers patrolled in tion of the Gaza-Egypt border wall Saturday after meeting with Hamas rule in Gaza.

seven-month blockade imposed on Gaza by Israel with Egypt's cooperation. The move allowed hundreds of thousands of Gazans June. to pour into Egypt to stock up on supplies and visit with friends and relatives they hadn't seen for years.

Egyptian woman who was waiting to leave Gaza on Sunday, had last seen her son and daughter who live there five years ago, and had never met their children.

"I am so happy because I saw my children and I enjoyed the warmth of the family gathering with them after so many years. "I'm a sick woman and this was one of my who is suffering from leukaemia.

on Jan. 23 in an attempt to end a Egyptian officials that Egypt would close the border in coordination with the militant group, which seized control of the territory in

But Mahmoud Zahar said the closure would be temporary while the Egyptians search for a way to Aisha Abu Jazar, a 65-year-old reopen the border. Egyptian officials were not available for comment on the Hamas claims. It was not clear whether Egypt was considering the group's demand for a say in running the Egypt-Gaza

Any role for the Islamic militants on the border would be sure to anger the international community and Hamas' archrival, the moderate Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, because it would A senior Hamas leader said amount to tacit recognition of



Egyptian and Hamas forces keep watch at the newly erected border fence between Egypt and the southern Gaza Strip town of Rafah as Palestinians use the one gate that remained open to return home yesterday. Egyptian and Hamas forces sealed off the border between Gaza and Egypt Sunday after reportedly agreeing to control the frontier, blown open nearly two weeks ago amid an Israeli blockade.

miles) north of Bukavu in neighbouring eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. At least two people were killed

and dozens injured in Bukavu, hospital sources said there.



Handout photo released by the ECPAD/French Defence Ministry shows a group of French and foreign nationals being evacuated by the French army from Ndjamena Saturday. New heavy fighting rocked the Chad capital yesterday as rebels surrounded President Idriss Deby Itno in his palace and hundreds of foreigners fled the country.

বিজ্ঞাপন চিত্র (TVC) ও বিলবোর্ড স্থাপনের জন্য প্রস্তাব আহ্বান

সোস্যাল ইনভেস্টমেন্ট ব্যাংক লিমিটেড-এর পক্ষে একটি হাইপ্রোফাইল বিজ্ঞাপন

❖ ঢাকা ও তৎসংলগ্ন এলাকা, চউগ্রাম, বগুড়া, সিরাজগঞ্জ, রাজশাহী, সিলেট, খুলনা ইত্যাদি

❖ যাদের নামে সিটি কর্পোরেশন, পৌরসভা বা অন্য ভূমি মালিকদের অনুমতিপত্র আছে বিলবোর্ড

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TENDER NOTICE

INTERIOR WORKS DESIGN & BUILD

For the NSU Campus @ Bashundhara

Sealed tenders are invited from specialized interior fit-out firms or joint ventures for

the design and construction of interior fit-out Works for the following listed areas

The intending bidders shall apply in their letterheads to the undersigned along with the

1) Attested copies of documents evidencing minimum 5 (five) years experience in interior

2) Attested copies of satisfactory completion certificates from the Employer for interior fit-

3) Attested copies of the up to date Trade License, Income Tax certificate and VAT

Tender document shall be available from the office of the undersigned on payment of non-

refundable cash of Tk. .5, 000 (Taka Five Thousand) between 4th February 2008 and 7th

February 2008, and is to be submitted by 16.30 hours on 7th March 2008. A Pre-bid

meeting shall be held on 9th Feb 2008 at 10.30 AM at the project site office in

out works of minimum Taka 1.0 crore in one single project in the last 3 years.

fit-out works for reputed corporate offices, Shopping Mall, Hospital, University

❖ প্রস্তাবের সঙ্গে হালনাগাদ টিন, ভ্যাট রেজিষ্ট্রেশন, ট্রেড লাইসেন্স ইত্যাদি দাখিল করতে হবে।

❖ যে কোন ধরনের তথ্যের জন্য ব্যাংকের জনসংযোগ বিভাগে যোগাযোগ করা যেতে পারে।

প্রস্তাব ব্যাংকের সাধারণ সেবা বিভাগে রক্ষিত টেন্ডার বক্সে জমাদানের অনুরোধ করা হল।

প্রস্তাবদাতাগণকে নিমুলিখিত শর্তাবলী পালন করতে হবে:

প্রনিধানযোগ্য স্থানে বিলবোর্ড স্থাপন করতে হবে।

স্থাপনের ক্ষেত্রে শুধু তাদের প্রস্তাবই গ্রহনযোগ্য।

❖ এই বিজ্ঞপ্তি কাজ পাওয়ার কোন নিশ্চয়তা প্রদান করে না।

(আনুমানিক ৫০ সেকেভের) একটি বিজ্ঞাপন চিত্র তৈরী করতে হবে

❖ বিলবোর্ড স্থাপনের প্রস্তাব প্যাকেজ আকারে বা খন্ত খন্ডভাবে হতে পারে।

❖ পূর্ব অভিজ্ঞতার বিবরণসহ কোম্পানী প্রোফাইল দাখিল করতে হবে।

tions reporting bodies in the streets and looting in the capital, anti-tank

heard around the presidential palace, where Deby has been holed up since Friday.

AFP, Ndjamena

Morin said the new fighting could be "crucial" in the battle for control of the former French colony in West Africa.

New heavy fighting rocked the

Chad capital yesterday as rebels

foreigners fled the country.

up a new conflict next to Sudan's strife torn Darfur region and the deployment of a planned European peacekeeping mission to African Republic has been sus- offerwould remain open. pended, Morin said in Paris. France sent an extra 150 troops

Germans, Belgians, Spanish, Portuguese, Egyptian and Armenian nationals out of Ndjamena in a series surrounded President Idriss Deby of night-time military flights, the telephone Deby. Itno in his palace and hundreds of French chiefs of staff said.

battle rocks Chad capital

Foreigners flee as more

With international aid organisa- three emergency assembly points in the city, a top military official in Paris added. The United Nations said it and automatic weapon fire was would evacuated all UN personnel.

the French military base at Ndjamena airport on Sunday to be French Defence Minister Herve flown out, military sources said.

China, a major investor in Chad's growing oil industry, was organising an airlift for 210 Chinese The rebel campaign has opened and two Taiwan nationals to Cameroon, China's official Xinhua news agency reported.

But Deby refused a French offer to help him leave the country, Chad and neighbouring Central though French officials insisted the

France airlifted 397 French, to help with the evacuations and French President Nicolas Sarkozy broke off from celebrating his wedding on Saturday to twice

No death toll from the fighting About 560 foreigners were still at has been given but a UN security official said there were a lot of bodies in the streets, "some burned, some just hacked" to death.

Military sources said Chadian US embassy staff were taken to army helicopters had taken off from their airport base and attacked a rebel column attempt ing to make a breakthrough in the south of the city where the national radio station is located.

> French Mirage jets were also flying over the city.

"We did not take the airport so as not to hinder the evacuation of foreign nationals and now the French army is letting these helicopters take off and attack us," a rebel spokesman, Abderaman Khoulamallah, told AFP.

Hillary, Obama virtually tied in new poll

AFP, Washington

Hillary Clinton and Barack their race for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination, while John McCain clearly leads among Republicans, according to a new national poll out yester-

The Washington Post-ABC News poll has Clinton, the senator from New York, with 47 percent support against Obama, senator from Illinois, with 43 percent.

The difference was within the poll's plus or minus four-point margin of error.

Neither Clinton nor Obama seem to have clearly benefited from Democrat John Edwards's dropping out of the campaign, according to a Post analysis of the January 30-February 1 poll of 1,249 adults.

However McCain, senator

from Arizona, had a commanding lead -- 48 percent against 24. percent -- over former Obama were virtually tied in Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney. His gains follow victories in Republican primaries in South Carolina and Florida, and come after one-time front runner Rudolph Giuliani dropped out of the race. Former Arkansas governor

> Mike Huckabee is a distant third among Republicans with 16 percent, while Representative Ron Paul is in the single-digits at seven The poll appears two days

> before "Super Tuesday," in which voters in 24 states cast ballots for their candidates ahead of each party's respective nominating convention.

Once formally nominated, the Democratic and Republican candidates will face off in the November 4 general election.

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AFP, Guangzhou

Millions of Chinese workers battled for a precious train ticket home yesterday as authorities struggled to keep order here following a stampede for seats that left a

woman trampled to death. The savage winter snows and freezing temperatures that have brought much of the nation to a standstill have transformed the southern city of Guangzhou in particular into a seething mass of

Hopelessly outnumbered, some 2,000 riot and army police fought to hold back crowds of hundreds of thousands of mainly migrant workers surging forward at the merest hint of an opening to a train

As Premier Wen Jiabao urged

to reach Hunan province, said people were pushing out of sheer

a stampede," he said. "I just try to walk slowly but people keep pushpeople and can hardly move or breathe.

deadat

A gunman fatally shot five women terrified customers watched.

The victims, including at least one employee, were killed at a Lane Bryant clothing store at the Brookside Marketplace, police

Officers found the victims at the

Millions battle China struggles with weather

frustrated humanity.

For many, the Lunar New Year holiday is the only chance to escape to their families from their toil in the factories of southern

people to be brave amid the worst winter in 50 years, they waited exhausted and desperate amid growing piles of rubbish and

human waste. Li Kuochun, a 28-year-old trying

"I'm quite worried there will be ing. You're squeezed between

5 women shot Chicago store

AP, Tinley Park

in a robbery at a store in a suburban Chicago strip mall before fleeing Saturday, leading police to sweep through neighbouring shops as

Chief Mike O'Connell said. back of the store after getting a 911 call around 10:45 am. Police said a bystander told them that a man came out of the store and gave them a description.

A global development firm based in the U.S. seeks qualified candidates for an anticipated donor-funded project in Bangladesh. This project seeks to promote and institutionalize an integrated protected area co-management system for sustainable natural resource management and biodiversity conservation that results in responsible, equitable economic growth and good environmental governance. All positions require the ability to speak and write effectively in English, strong interpersonal and communication skills, and knowledge of MS Office computer software.

Policy and Governance Coordinator

- 10 or more years of experience working with national and district level policy and governance issues 10 or more years of experience working in natural resource management and/or natural resource economics
- Master's degree in a relevant field
- Demonstrated ability to creatively mobilize communities for improved livelihoods Experience in ensuring that assistance is beneficial to women and girls

Sustainable Finance Specialist

- 5 or more years of experience in sustainable finance for development Master's degree in business or related field
- Demonstrated skills in identifying and implementing businesses and revenue-generating opportunities in Bangladesh, and in developing and
- applying strategies for pro-poor market development.
- · Expertise in setting-up and operation of small business and
- Preferred: Experience in community mobilization in relevant key sectors such as alternative income generation, microfinance, etc. Policy Analysis Specialist

- 5 or more years of experience in institutional development and natural resource economic policy Master's degree in economics, public policy, or other relevant field
- Demonstrated ability to creatively work with communities and diverse constituents in implementing field activities
- Preferred: Experience in the analysis of gender as a cross-cutting issue

Forestry Expert

- 5 or more years of experience in community-based sustainable forestry Experience in protected area conservation and participatory management is highly desirable
- Master's degree in a related field
- Strong field-oriented extension skills and the ability to work across key sectors that overlap under the community forestry banner such as agriculture and land use planning

Climate Change Expert

- 5 or more years of experience in climate change adaptation with particular emphasis in climate change risk assessment and design and implementation of climate change adaptation measures.
- Experience in protected area conservation and participatory management is highly desirable
- Master's degree in a relevant field • Strong field-oriented extension skills and the ability to work with diverse constituents such as government actors, civil service organizations, and
- community leaders

Wetlands Expert

- 5 or more years of experience in wetlands conservation, restoration and sustainable management Experience in protected area conservation and participatory management is highly desirable
- Master's degree in a related field
- Strong field-oriented extension skills and the ability to work with diverse constituents such as government actors, civil service organizations, and community leaders

Community Outreach Coordinator

- 5 or more years of experience in community mobilization, advocacy, group facilitation, and consensus-building Master's degree in a related field
- Strong field-oriented extension skills and the ability to work with diverse constituents such as government actors, civil service organizations, and community leaders
- Ability to work collaboratively in a team environment Preferred: Management experience and demonstrated increased levels of professional responsibility

Executive Training Coordinator

Site Level Capacity Building Coordinator

- 10 or more years of experience in policy analysis Master's degree in economic policy, governance, or international relations
- Demonstrated effectiveness in skills transfer through trainings
- Demonstrated ability working with diverse constituents such as government actors, civil service organizations, and community leaders
- Curriculum Development Coordinator 10 or more years of experience in teaching and curriculum development design and implementation
 - Knowledge and understanding of adult learning principles, instructional design, and experience with blended learning
 - Ability to provide guidance to staff on training coordination and management Demonstrated experience in program coordination and/or education sector programming
 - PhD or Master's Degree in education or relevant field Preferred: Demonstrated ability working with diverse constituents such as government actors, civil service organizations, and community leaders
 - 10 or more years of experience in community outreach, including women and girls Institutional development experience required
 - Demonstrated effectiveness in skills transfer through training and capacity building activities Demonstrated ability working with diverse constituents such as government actors, civil service organizations, and community leaders Master's degree in relevant social science field
- Candidates should send chronological CV and short cover letter to info@ipac-bangladesh.org by February 13, 2008. Final candidates will be contacted.



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