

Market for skilled workers opening up in Canada, Poland, Russia

UNB, Dhaka

The opportunities for employment of skilled Bangladeshi workers are opening up in North American and European countries such as Canada, Poland and Russia, according to latest official disclosure.

Foreign Adviser Dr Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury, also in charge of the Ministry of Expatriates Welfare and Overseas Employment, expressed his happiness at the good news.

He said: "We are pleased, because this is in line with our 9-Point labour-export policy. These numbers for Canada, Poland and Russia are as yet small, but still a new beginning has been made."

According to a Foreign Ministry's release, as of now, 1,156 skilled workers have been pre-selected for recruitment for Poland, two engineers have already been selected and some others' recruitment is expected by BOESL, the official recruiting agency for overseas jobs.

Currently, it said, a high-power delegation is visiting Russia to explore market opening.

So far this year, 365,000 emigration clearances have been issued for overseas employment. At this rate, the number could even reach a million this year, ministry officials hoped.

During the past year, 832,000 workers found employment cleared--an "all-time record", said the release.

Remittances received last year amounted to US\$ 6.56

billion, also a record. This year already US\$ 3 billion has been received during the first four months.

"However, I have always asserted that our workers are not a remittance-generating machine. Their welfare is a priority," the foreign adviser said.

"I would also urge them to abide by host-country rules and regulations. The tragic incident in Bahrain is an example that must be avoided," he added.

Bangladesh single country trade fairs in Malaysia, S'pore in June

UNB, Dhaka

Two Bangladesh single country trade fairs will be held in Malaysia and Singapore in June next.

In Malaysia, the fair will be held at Putra World Convention Centre in Kuala Lumpur on June 19-22 while at Sheraton field near Mostafa Plaza in Singapore on June 27-29, said a press release of Dhaka International Exhibition Company.

Sri Lanka to sell \$200m bonds

AFP, Colombo

Sri Lanka plans to sell 200 million dollars worth of bonds to foreign and local investors shortly, the island's central bank said Wednesday.

The issue, known as Sri Lanka Development Bonds, will be sold in maturities ranging from two to five years, C.J.P. Siriwardena of the bank's public debt department said.

The issue will be open for subscription from June 16 to 23.

The latest issue comes as the island is in the process of raising another 300 million dollars through a syndicated loan from Standard Chartered Bank and Deutsche Bank to pay for a raft of infrastructure projects.

Last October, the island raised 500 million dollars through a five-year sovereign bond issue, with the assistance of HSBC, JP Morgan and Barclays.

Sri Lanka, battling ethnic Tamil Tiger rebels since 1972, is pouring in a record 1.5 billion dollars into the war effort this year, hoping for a quick end to the conflict that has left tens of thousands dead.

Japan pledges to help Africa double rice production

AFP, Yokohama, Japan

Japan vowed Wednesday to use its technological prowess to help African nations double rice production within a decade and ease the burden of soaring food prices.

Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda also pledged to double aid to the continent and offered billions of dollars in loans as he opened a three-day summit here of African leaders.

The gathering in Yokohama, near Tokyo, is seen as a bid by Japan to expand its clout in Africa, where China has been rapidly sealing political alliances and business deals.

Fifty-two African nations are taking part in the summit, 40 of them represented by senior leaders -- including South

African President Thabo Mbeki, who faced criticism for going abroad amid anti-immigrant violence at home.

Fukuda opened the conference by pledging to double aid by 2012 and offering four billion dollars in low-interest loans to develop infrastructure.

Amid spiralling food prices that have triggered unrest in some parts of the world, Fukuda also promised to devote Japanese technology to help Africa double rice production over the next 10 years from the current 14 million tonnes.

"If I were to liken the history of African development to a volume of literature, then what we are about to do now is to open a new page entitled 'the century of African growth,'" Fukuda said.

"In the future, Africa will become a powerful engine driving the growth of the world," he said.

World Bank president Rob Zoellick also gave an upbeat assessment of Africa's potential.

"I believe Africa can become a new pole of global growth, just as we have seen over the last 15 years China and India and others have become complementary poles of growth to the developed countries," Zoellick said.

The summit, called the Fourth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD IV), comes little more than a month before Japan hosts the annual Group of Eight summit of the world's top industrial powers.

Sarkozy calls for fuel tax cut

AFP, Paris

European leaders are struggling to defuse growing anger over soaring fuel prices, as fishermen and truck drivers staged protests in several countries, with more strikes planned in coming days.

The protests came as French President Nicolas Sarkozy called for a Europe-wide cut in oil taxes to help consumers and European ministers appealed for direct EU economic aid to help the hard-hit fishing industry.

Fishermen and truck drivers were in the vanguard of the protests across western Europe over rising fuel costs, amid recent record global oil prices over 130 dollars a barrel.

French riot police cleared blockading fishermen from an oil depot at Fos-sur-Mer near Marseille, but off the north coast of France, fishing fleets resumed blockades of ports and cross-Channel ferries over high fuel prices.

In London meanwhile, hundreds of angry haulage truckers, horns blaring, drove their lorries in a rolling protest through the centre of the capital.



Abdus Sattar, chairman of GMG Airlines Limited, and PK Halder, deputy managing director of IIDFC, sign a memorandum of understanding for raising syndicated working capital facility of Tk 70 crore comprising of funded facility of Tk 50 crore and non funded facility of Tk 20 crore from the local financial market. Chairman of the Industrial and Infrastructure Development Finance Company Limited (IIDFC) M Matul Islam was also present.

Future IMF chief economist upbeat on global economy

AFP, Washington

The International Monetary Fund's future chief economist, Frenchman Olivier Blanchard, says he is "relatively optimistic" about the global economy, despite a financial crisis and surging oil prices.

"I am relatively optimistic," Blanchard said Tuesday in a phone interview with AFP after being named the top IMF economist by his compatriot,

IMF managing director Dominique Strauss-Kahn.

"I have the impression that the problems facing us are little understood," he said, citing the collapse of the US housing bubble, the credit squeeze and skyrocketing commodity prices.

"After the initial phase which lasted during the second half of last year, during which time one was a bit lost... I believe that policies were put in place that were appropriate," said this specialist in macroeconomics, an economics professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Blanchard is to take up his position at the 185-nation institution on September 1.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives
Local Government Division
Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

Invitation for Tenders for Goods (Single Lot)

Memo No. LGD/Admin-1/T-5/2000/875 Dated: 25/05/2008

KEY INFORMATION	
1. Procurement method/document	NCT-National Competitive Tendering (Open Tendering Method-OTM).
FUNDING INFORMATION	
2. Source of funds	Revenue Budget (GOB).
3. Development partner	NA
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
4. Project/programme code	NA
5. Project/programme name	NA
6. Tender package No.	NA
7. Tender package name	Supply and Installation of Router.
8. Tender publication date	On or before 01/06/2008.
9. Tender last selling date	14/06/2008.
10. Tender closing date and time	15/06/2008, 2:00pm
11. Tender opening date and time	15/06/2008, 2:30pm
12. Name and address of the office(s)	
-Selling tender document (principal)	Senior Assistant Secretary (Admin-1), LGD (Room No. 610/A, Bldg. No. 7), Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
-Selling tender document (others)	PD, Sylhet Division Rural Infrastructure Development Project, LGED Bhaban, Level-6, Agargaon, Dhaka.
-Receiving tender document	Senior Assistant Secretary (Admin-1), LGD (Room No. 610/A, Bldg. No. 7), Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
-Opening tender document	Conference Room (Room No. 601), Local Government Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
13. Place/date/time for pre-tender meeting	
Pre-tender meeting shall not be held.	
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	
14. Eligibility of tenderer	Tenderers from all countries except Israel.
15. Brief description of goods or works	Supply and Installation of Router.
16. Brief description of related services	Supply and Installation of Router.
17. Tender document price	B. Taka 500.00
18. Lot Identification	
1. Supply and Installation of Router	Local Government Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
Tender security amount in Taka	4,000.00
Completion time in weeks/months	2 weeks
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS	
19. Name of official inviting tender	Saleh Ahmed Mujaffor.
20. Designation of official inviting tender	Senior Assistant Secretary (Admin-1)
21. Address of official inviting tender	Local Government Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
22. Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel. No. 7169179, Fax: 7169179
The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	
Senior Assistant Secretary (Admin-1) Local Government Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka	

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার
অধিনায়কের কার্যালয়
১০ম আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন
সিলেট

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১০ম আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, সিলেট ও তার-৯, সিলেট ফোর্সের ২০০৮-২০০৯ অর্থ বৎসরের ১ম কোয়ার্টারের (১ জুলাই/২০০৮খ্রিঃ হইতে ৩০ সেপ্টেম্বর/২০০৮খ্রিঃ পর্যন্ত) ভোজা তেল (সয়াবিন) সরবরাহের চিকানার নিয়োগের নিমিত্তে প্রকৃত বাংলাদেশী ব্যবসায়ী/চিকানার/সরবরাহকারীদের নিকট হইতে "The Public Procurement Regulations-2008" এর বিধি অনুযায়ী সীলমোহরকৃত বামে কাজের নামসহ দরপত্র আবেদন করা হইবে।

ক্রমিক নং	সম্প্রদায়িক সত্তা ও তথ্যাদির বিবরণ	অমরী দরদাতাদের জাতকো ও যোগ্যতার বিবরণ
১.	মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	সরকারি মন্ত্রণালয়/পুলিশ বিভাগ।
২.	দরপত্র আবেদনকারী দপ্তরের নাম	অধিনায়কের কার্যালয়, ১০ম এপিবিএন, সিলেট।
৩.	দরপত্র আবেদনকারী	১০ম এপিবিএন, সিলেট।
৪.	ইউনিটের নাম	পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার হইতে অর্থ বরাদ্দ প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে।
৫.	দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নম্বর	এপিবি(১০)/প্রশা-১৭৩০ তারিখ-২৫/০৫/২০০৮খ্রিঃ।
৬.	দরপত্র পদ্ধতি	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (Open Tender Method)।
৭.	কাজের নাম ও সময়সীমা	ভোজা তেল (সয়াবিন) সরবরাহ। ২০০৮-২০০৯ অর্থ বৎসরের ১ম কোয়ার্টার (১ জুলাই/২০০৮খ্রিঃ হইতে ৩০ সেপ্টেম্বর/২০০৮খ্রিঃ পর্যন্ত)।
৮.	দরপত্র সিডি/সেলের মূল্য	৭৫০/- (সাতশত পঞ্চাশ) মাত্র অফারযোগ্য।
৯.	দরপত্র নিরাপত্তা জামানত	৭৫,০০০/- (পঁচাত্তর হাজার) মাত্র অফারযোগ্য।
১০.	দরপত্র সিডি/সেল প্রাপ্তির স্থান	১। অধিনায়কের কার্যালয়, ১০ম আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, সিলেট। ২। ডিআইবি, আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন এর কার্যালয়, উত্তরা, ঢাকা।
১১.	দরপত্র দাখিলের স্থান/দপ্তর	অধিনায়কের কার্যালয়, ১০ম এপিবিএন, সিলেট।
১২.	দরপত্র সিডি/সেল বিক্রয় শুরু এবং শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	পরিকল্পিত প্রকল্পের অর্থ হইতে ২৯/০৬/২০০৮খ্রিঃ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়।
১৩.	দরপত্র দাখিলের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	৩০/০৬/২০০৮খ্রিঃ দুপুর ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১৪.	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	৩০/০৬/২০০৮খ্রিঃ দুপুর ১২.০০ ঘটিকা। দরদাতা অথবা তার প্রতিনিধির সমুপস্থিতিতে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) দরপত্রসমূহ খোলা হইবে।
১৫.	চিকানার যোগ্যতা (শর্ত ও নির্দেশাবলী)	দরপত্র সিডি/সেল প্রাপ্তির সময় নিম্নলিখিত সনদপত্রের মূলকপি (হালনাগাদ নবায়নকৃত) অবশ্যই প্রদর্শন করিতে হইবে এবং নিম্নলিখিত ফর্মের ন্যায় আবেদনের মাধ্যমে দরপত্র সিডি/সেল ক্রয় করিতে হইবে। (১) হালনাগাদ নবায়নকৃত ব্যবসায়িক বৈধ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স। (২) যে কোন স্বাক্ষরিত বাণিজ্যিক ব্যাংক হইতে হালনাগাদ অর্থিক স্বাক্ষরিত সনদপত্র (বিলকপি)। (৩) ডিআইবি/ডিআইএন নম্বর স্বাক্ষরিত হালনাগাদ পরিচিতি আকের সনদপত্র। (৪) চাকরি বৈধতা সনদপত্র। (৫) বাংলাদেশের নাগরিকত্ব সনদপত্র। (৬) মালিকানা সনদপত্র। (৭) দরপত্রদাতা কোনো জালিয়াতকর্তা নহেন মর্মে গোপনীয়/অস্বীকারনামা ১ম শ্রেণীর সরকারি কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক প্রত্যক্ষকর করাইয়া দাখিল করিতে হইবে। (৮) সরকারি কোম্পানি/প্রতিষ্ঠানে প্রকল্পের ১৫,০০,০০০/- টাকার ভোজা তেল (সয়াবিন)/মালমাল সরবরাহের অভিজ্ঞতা সনদপত্র। (৯) সনদপত্র ০২ (দুই) কপি দাখিলে সাইজের সত্যায়িত ছবি এবং ০৩ (তিন)টি নমুনা স্বাক্ষর। (১০) কোন ফর্ম/প্রতিষ্ঠান সম্পর্কে কোন প্রকার সমস্যা হইলে যথাযথি তদন্তের মাধ্যমে নিশ্চিত না হওয়া পর্যন্ত কর্তৃপক্ষ সিডি/সেল প্রদান করিতে বাধ্য নহে।

কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা নিম্নলিখিতকারী সংরক্ষণ করেন। দরপত্র কমিটি সর্বনিম্ন দরদাতার দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করেন।

মোঃ জোহাউল কবির
অধিনায়ক (পুলিশ সূত্র)
১০ম আর্মড পুলিশ ব্যাটালিয়ন, সিলেট
☎ ০৮২১ ৮১০৪৬ ☎ ৮২৮০১৪০৬
E-mail: apbnsyl@btb.net.bd

জিডি-২৪৪৩

16th Annual General Meeting 2008
১৬তম বার্ষিক সাধারণ সভা

Chittagong Stock Exchange Ltd.

ABQ Chowdhury, chairman of Eastern Bank, presides over the 16th AGM of the company. Among others, directors Ahmed Jamal, Mahbuba Hossain, Aneela Haque and Asif Mahmood, Managing Director and CEO Ali Reza Iftekhar and Company Secretary Safiar Rahman were present.

Chittagong Stock Exchange Ltd.
MEMBERSHIP FOR SALE

The Board of Directors of Chittagong Stock Exchange Ltd. has decided to sell three (three) Membership through open bidding system.

Sealed Applications from Corporate Entities are invited as per terms and conditions given in the tender schedule, available from the CSE's following addresses on payment of non-refundable Pay Order/Demand Draft of Tk. 15,000/- (Fifteen Thousand Taka) only in favour of Chittagong Stock Exchange during the CSE office hours 9.00 a.m to 3.00 p.m from June 2, 2008 to July 3, 2008.

The application should be made in "two-envelope" system. One envelope should contain a Completed application form for membership, information and documents required as per schedule and an earnest money of Tk. 5.0 Million (Taka Five Million) only in the form of Pay Order/D.D favoring Chittagong Stock Exchange Ltd., and the other envelope should contain a price offer in the form of a letter. The envelopes should be sealed and be marked as "Membership offer as per Schedule" and "Membership Price Offer" respectively on the top left corner of the face of the envelope. Both the envelopes (stapled together or put together in a large envelope, sealed and marked as "Application/Bid for Membership"), addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, CSE Building, 1080, Sk. Mujib Road, Agrabad, Chittagong, must reach CEO on or before 4.00 p.m of 3rd July, 2008.

The membership bids will be opened in presence of applicants, or their authorized representatives, if any, on the same day i.e 3rd July, 2008 at 4.30 p.m at the Head Office of CSE in Chittagong.

The Board of Directors reserves the right of accepting or rejecting any application/bid without showing any reasons whatsoever.

CSE Registered Office CSE Building 1080, Sk. Mujib Road, Agrabad Chittagong, Bangladesh Tel: 88 031-714632-3, 720871-3 726976-7 Fax: 88 031-714101	Dhaka Regional Office BSEC Bhaban (7th floor) Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215 Tel: 88 02-9123023, 8125381 8125384-5, Fax: 88 02-9123022	Sylhet Regional Office R.N. Tower (3rd floor) Chowhatta, Sylhet-3100 Tel: 88 0821 721213-4 722493 Fax: 88 0821 721214
---	---	---

By order of the Board
Abu Bakar Siddique
Chief Executive Officer