

Leader of India's parliamentary opposition Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Lal Krishna Advani (L), and BJP national president Rajnath Singh (R) gesture as they greet delegates during the inauguration of BJP's three-day long National Executive Meeting in Bangalore yesterday. The meeting was organised to discuss political strategies for the forthcoming four state assembly elections and the 2009 general elections.

Myanmar junta grants Suu Kyi new rights

AP, Yangon

Detained opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi was expected to stop shunning food deliveries after the junta approved several requests, including the right to receive regular mail deliveries and certain foreign news publications, her lawyer said Friday.

The apparent concessions came amid growing concerns that Suu Kyi was on a hunger strike to protest her ongoing detention. The 63-year-old Nobel Peace Prize winner has refused daily food delivered to her home for over three weeks.

"She will most probably accept her food deliveries as some of the conditions she had asked for were smoothed out," her lawyer, Kyi Win, told The Associated Press.

The junta made no immediate comment. Among the conditions were Suu Kyi's request to be allowed regular mail deliveries from her two sons, who live in Britain, and other family members, Kyi Win said. Until

now, delivery was spotty with some mail permitted and some blocked, he said.

Suu Kyi was also granted permission to read foreign publications, "including Time, Newsweek, etc.," her lawyer said.

He did not give details about how long Suu Kyi has been denied access to foreign news publications.

Suu Kyi has been held in detention by Myanmar's notoriously xenophobic ruling junta for 13 of the past 19 years, mostly under house arrest. She relies on food delivered by her opposition National League for Democracy for sustenance.

She lives in a lakeside home in Yangon, Myanmar's biggest city, with two female companions who help take care of the house.

Suu Kyi had demanded greater freedom of movement for the two women, who were previously barred from leaving the home but will now be allowed out during the daytime, the lawyer said.

Tiger chief honours suicide bombers

AFP, Colombo

Sri Lanka's Tamil Tiger chief has paid tribute to 10 suicide bombers who killed at least 15 people in an attack on a northern military base, a pro-rebel website said yesterday.

The elusive Velupillai Prabhakaran, 53, garlanded photographs of the "Black Tiger" suicide bombers at an undisclosed location in the northern Wanni region on Thursday, Tamilnet.com website reported.

Five women were among the group that struck the Vavuniya military complex, 260km north of Colombo on Tuesday, the rebels said.

The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) also used light aircraft to drop bombs on the base. The rebels are believed to operate five Czech-built Zlin-143 aircraft smuggled into the island in pieces and re-assembled.

The Sri Lankan government said it had shot down a Tamil Tiger aircraft, a charge the rebels denied.

10 Taliban, 5 Afghan guards killed in ambush

AFP, Kabul

Dozens of Taliban attacked an international military logistics convoy in Afghanistan yesterday, kicking off a fierce battle that left 10 rebels and five Afghan guards dead and three missing, an official said.

The militants ambushed the convoy as it travelled through the southwestern province of Farah to deliver supplies to a base for soldiers in the Nato-led International Security Assistance Force, governor Ruhul Amin told AFP.

They attacked vehicles of a US-based security company, USPI, which made up the rear escort of the large convoy, he said.

"Ten Taliban were killed and five USPI security men were killed. Four of guards were

wounded and three were abducted at the spot of clash," he said. Police found the bodies of the dead at the scene of the hours-long battle, he said.

Two four-wheel-drive vehicles were destroyed in rocket fire and the militants took two away with them, along with the missing men, he said. The front end of the supply trucks, were able to drive away.

The fighting was in the Bala Buluk district which has in recent months seen several attacks by militants who say they are aligned with the extremist Taliban movement which was in government between 1996 and 2001.

Militants and bandits regularly attack convoys supplying the thousands of international troops in Afghanistan.

US Congress vows to examine nuclear deal with India

AFP, Washington

The US Congress said Thursday it would examine a landmark civilian nuclear agreement with India sent for approval by the White House, as leaders of the two countries prepared to meet this month.

Democratic vice-presidential candidate Joseph Biden, who heads the Senate foreign relations committee, said the key panel "will act promptly to review the agreement in a hearing, as soon as next week."

Howard Berman, the chairman of the House of Representatives foreign affairs committee, "wants to study" the various documents on the nuclear deal submitted by the White House on Wednesday, his spokeswoman Lynne Weil said.

Berman "voted for the Hyde Act and supports civilian nuclear cooperation with India," she said, referring to a US law adopted in December 2006 laying the foundation for the deal.

The nuclear agreement, signed by President George W. Bush and Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh in July 2005, offers India access to Western technology and cheap atomic energy as long as it allows UN nuclear inspections of some of its nuclear facilities.

If Congress endorses the agreement it would lift a three-decade-old ban on nuclear trade with India.

The Nuclear Suppliers' Group, a regulator of sale of nuclear fuel and technology, approved the deal last week after some countries, includ-

ing China and New Zealand, expressed reservation about opening up nuclear commerce with India, which is not a member of the nuclear Non Proliferation Treaty (NPT).

The White House said Thursday that Bush would welcome Singh on September 25 for talks on bilateral relations, including the nuclear deal.

Singh's visit will "strengthen the strategic partnership and build upon our progress in other areas of cooperation, such as agriculture, education, trade, and defence," Bush spokeswoman Dana Perino said in a statement.

"The president looks forward to working with Congress to ensure passage on the agreement this year," she said.

Thousands return home in flood-hit north India

AP, Patna

More than 10,000 flood victims rushed back to their homes from state-run relief camps as water receded from nearly 250 villages more than three weeks after a monsoon-swollen river flooded northern India's vast plains, officials said yesterday.

The villagers, eager to return to their houses, ignored official advice to stay longer at the relief camps, where free food and health care are available, said state disaster management official Prataya Amrit.

Authorities began spraying insecticide to kill mosquitoes in the villages, Amrit said. The villagers set out for their homes from the relief camps on Thursday.

Flood water has drained out of nearly 250 villages, Amrit said, adding that 750 other villages were still under up to four feet of water in the five worst-hit districts of Bihar state.

Authorities have set up 189 health centres and 1,640 toilets for

more than 300,000 flood victims living in 326 state-run relief camps, he said.

Diarrhoea is the most common complaint among the flood victims in the relief camps, but doctors have been able to prevent any epidemics through immunization drives, said Deepak Kumar, the state health secretary.

"Availability of medicines is not an issue," Amrit said.

More than 1.2 million people were driven from their homes by the flooding and have been living in relief camps or with friends or relatives, Amrit said.

Authorities have confirmed 42 deaths, but it is widely believed the final toll from the floods will be much higher.

On Aug. 18, the Kosi River, a Ganges tributary that flows from Nepal to India, burst its banks on the Nepali side of the border and flowed into a channel it had abandoned a century earlier.

The water flooded more than 1,000 villages in India's Bihar state and 370,650 acres of farmland, Amrit said.



A young Indian girl stands in front of her home, which has been inundated by floodwaters on the outskirts of Hyderabad yesterday. Heavy rains have damaged in some 13 districts of the southern state of Andhra Pradesh, whose officials have appealed to the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) for assistance in the restoration of essential services.

ঢাকা সিটি কর্পোরেশনে বাদ পড়া ভোটারদের জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র বিতরণের সময়সূচী

গত ২২ হতে ২৪ আগষ্ট ২০০৮ তারিখের মধ্যে ঢাকা সিটি কর্পোরেশন এলাকার বাদ পড়া ভোটারদের নিবন্ধিত করা হয়। এ সময়ে নিবন্ধিত ভোটারগণ নিম্নে উল্লেখিত প্রযোজ্য কেন্দ্রসমূহ থেকে ১৫ হতে ২০ সেপ্টেম্বর ২০০৮ তারিখের মধ্যে জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র সংগ্রহ করতে পারবেন। কেন্দ্রগুলো প্রতিদিন সকাল ৯টা হতে বিকাল ৩টা পর্যন্ত খোলা থাকবে।

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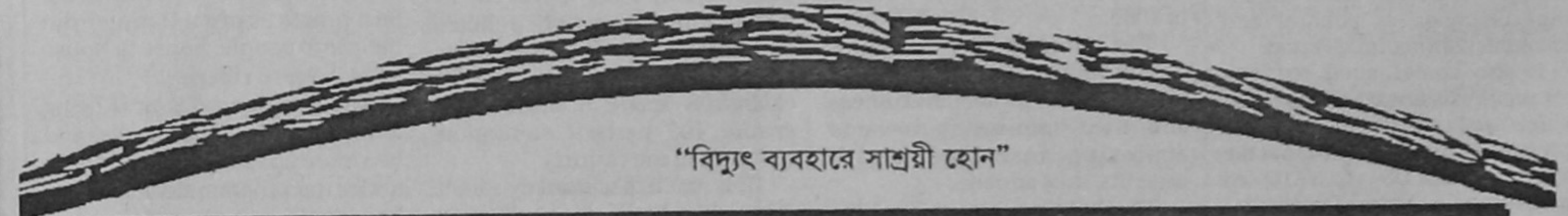
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মোহাম্মদপুর	৪২, ৪৪ এবং ৪৫	মোহাম্মদপুর মডেল স্কুল ও কলেজ, তাজমহল রোড
	৪৬ এবং ৪৭	গ্রাফিক্স আর্টস ইনস্টিটিউট, সাত মসজিদ রোড
আদাবর এবং মোহাম্মদপুর	আদাবর - ৪৩ এবং মোহাম্মদপুর - ৪১	পিসি কালচার হাউজিং পার্বলিক স্কুল, আদাবর
মিরপুর, পল্লী, শাহ আলী	২, ৩, ৫, ৬, ৭, ৮, ৯, ১০, ১১, ১২, ১৩, ১৪ এবং ১৫ (আর্থিক)	মিরপুর ১০ নং ওয়ার্ড কমিউনিটি সেন্টার, মাজার রোড মিরপুর
কোতোয়ালী	৬৮, ৬৯, ৭০, ৭১, ৭২ এবং ৭৩	সুব্রাপ্ত, ওয়ারী আব্দুর রহিম কমিউনিটি সেন্টার
সুব্রাপ্ত	৭৪, ৭৫, ৭৬, ৭৭, ৭৮, ৭৯, ৮০, ৮১ এবং ৮২	
যাত্রাবাড়ী	৮৪, ৮৫ এবং ৮৬	পরায়তে কমিউনিটি সেন্টার, যাত্রাবাড়ী
শ্যামপুর	৮৩, ৮৭, ৮৮, ৮৯ এবং ৯০	
সবুজবাগ	২৭, ২৮, ২৯ এবং ৩০	সবুজবাগ বাসাবো কমিউনিটি সেন্টার, সবুজবাগ
মতিঝিল	৩০, ৩১, ৩২, ৩৩, ৩৪ এবং ৩৫	
পল্টন	৩৬	
বান্দুকা	৪, ১৪, ১৫ এবং ১৬	সেনপাড়া আদর্শ বিদ্যালয়
তলশান	১৮, ১৯ এবং ২০	বনানী কমিউনিটি সেন্টার
এয়ারপোর্ট	১	হাজী কাম্প, উত্তরা, ঢাকা
উত্তরা	১	
বাতা	১৭ এবং ২১	
চান্দা ক্যান্টনমেন্ট	১৫ নং ওয়ার্ড এবং ক্যান্টনমেন্ট রোড	আর্সি স্টেডিয়াম, বনানী, ঢাকা
খিলক্ষেত	১৭	
ধানমন্ডি, নিউ মার্কেট এবং হাজারীবাগের ওয়ার্ড নং ৪৮	৪৮, ৪৯, ৫০, ৫১ এবং ৫২	ধানমন্ডি সরকারী উচ্চ বালিকা বিদ্যালয়, ধানমন্ডি আবাসিক এলাকা, রোড নং - ১১/এ, ওয়ার্ড নং - ৪৯
লালবাগ এবং হাজারীবাগের ওয়ার্ড নং ৫৮	৫৮, ৫৯, ৬০, ৬১, ৬২, ৬৩, ৬৪, ৬৫, ৬৬ এবং ৬৭	হাজী জুমন কমিউনিটি সেন্টার, বংশাল, ওয়ার্ড নং - ৬৮, কোতোয়ালী, ঢাকা
শাহবাগ	৫৬ এবং ৫৭	শাহবাগ নাট্যশালা, রমনা গ্রীন হাউজ ওয়ার্ড নং - ৫৬
রমনা	৫৩, ৫৪ এবং ৫৫	টিএলটি হাই স্কুল, মগবাজার ওয়ার্ড নং - ৫৫
তেজগাঁও শিল্প এলাকা	২০ এবং ৩৭	শহীদ মনু মিয়া হাই স্কুল, উত্তর-পশ্চিম তেজগাঁও শিল্প এলাকা ওয়ার্ড নং - ৩৭
তেজগাঁও	৩৮, ৩৯ এবং ৪০	রাজধানী হাই স্কুল, পশ্চিম রাজাবাজার ওয়ার্ড নং - ৪০
খিলগাঁও	২২, ২৩, ২৪, ২৫ এবং ২৬	মহাখালী কমিউনিটি সেন্টার, তলশান ব্রাক ইউনিটার্সিটির পাশে

ভোটার নিবন্ধন এবং জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র বিতরণ সম্পর্কিত অথবা অন্য সাপ্তাহিক ও সরকারী ছুটির দিন ছাড়া প্রতিদিন সকাল ৯টা থেকে বিকাল ৩.৩০ টা পর্যন্ত 'হিসহ ভোটার তালিকা প্রণয়ন এবং জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র প্রদানে সহায়তা প্রদান প্রকল্পের' ভোটার নিবন্ধন তথ্য কেন্দ্র ৯১১৬৯৭১ অথবা ০১৭৩০-০২০৫০৪ নম্বরে যোগাযোগ করা যাবে।

হিসহ ভোটার তালিকা প্রণয়ন এবং জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র প্রদানে সহায়তা প্রদান প্রকল্প



বাংলাদেশ নির্বাচন কমিশন



Invitation for Tender (Local) Rural Electrification Board, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

1	Ministry/Division	Power Division, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources.						
2	Agency	Rural Electrification Board.						
3	Procuring Entity Name & District	Director, Procurement, Rural Electrification Board, Dhaka.						
4	Invitation for Tender Name	Electrical Line Construction Materials. (Line Hardware, Single Phase Meter, Connector, SPC Pole, Distribution Transformer, Insulator, Conductor & Guy Accessories, Conductor, Sectionalizing Devices, Airbreak Switch, Off-load Isolator,).						
5	Invitation Ref No. & date	REB/DP/GAF-228 (10 Lac)/ 2008/187, Date : 10-09-2008						
KEY INFORMATION								
6	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method / NCB.						
FUNDING INFORMATION								
7	Budget and Source of Funds	Local fund (GOB)						
8	Development Partners (if applicable)	N/A						
PARTICULAR INFORMATION								
9	Project / Programme Name (if applicable)	10 (Ten) Lac New Consumers Connection Under Existing PBSs Distribution System, & Construction of 33KV Source Line For PBS's Sub-station						
10	Tender Package No.	7-8.10 Lac(GOB)-01/2, 7-8.10Lac (GOB)-06/2, 8-9.10Lac(GOB)-09, 8-9.10Lac(GOB)-10, 8-9.33KV.69-01 & 8-9.33KV.69-02,						
11	Tender Publication Date	14-09-2008						
12	Tender Last Selling Date	12-10-2008 up to office time						
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13	Tender Closing Date and Time	13-10-2008						
14	Tender Opening Date and Time	13-10-2008						
15 Name & Address of the office								
- Selling Tender Package		Directorate of Procurement (7 th floor), Rural Electrification Board, Nikunja-2, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.						
- Receiving & Opening Tender Package		Central Auditorium (1 st floor), Rural Electrification Board, Nikunja-2, Dhaka- 1229, Bangladesh.						
INFORMATION FOR BIDDER								
16	Eligibility of Tender	Bangladeshi Manufacturers/Bidders.						
17	Price of Tender Package (Tk.)	Tk. 3,000.00						
18	Brief Description of Related Services	N/A						
19	Brief Description of Goods and amount of Bid Security :							
Tender Package No.	Sub-Package No.	Description	Tender Security Amount in Tk.	Delivery Period & Place				
7-8.10 Lac(GOB)-01/2	7-8.10 Lac(GOB)-001/2	Line Hardware	4,00,000.00	As per Delivery Schedule				
7-8.10 Lac(GOB)-06/2	7-8.10 Lac(GOB)-006/2	Single Phase Meter	24,000,000.00					
8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-009	8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-009	Connector	1,00,000.00					
8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-09	8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-010	Single Phase Meter	44,000,000.00					
8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-10	8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-011	SPC Pole	13,000,000.00					
8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-10	8-9.10 Lac(GOB)-012	Distribution Transformer	4,00,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-01	8-9.33KV.69-01-001	Line Hardware	2,75,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-01	8-9.33KV.69-01-002	Insulator	1,96,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-01	8-9.33KV.69-01-003	Conductor & Guy Accessories	1,75,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-01	8-9.33KV.69-01-004	Conductor	6,00,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-02	8-9.33KV.69-02-005	Sectionalizing Devices	9,00,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-02	8-9.33KV.69-02-006	Airbreak Switch	1,90,000.00					
8-9.33KV.69-02	8-9.33KV.69-02-007	Off-load Isolator	1,55,000.00					
20	Regarding Tender Package	Tender Package in English, may be purchased by the interested tenderers on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Tk. 3000.00 (Taka Three Thousand). The method of payment will be by Pay Order / Bank Draft in favour of Rural Electrification Board, Dhaka, Bangladesh. No tender will be sent by courier or mail. One tender package can not be used for submission of bid proposal (s) by more than one tenderer. One tenderer, however, may submit tenders against any number of sub-packages included in the tender package by purchasing only one copy of the tender package.						
21	Payment Mode	Payment will be made directly to the suppliers in Local Currency (Taka).						
22	Delivery Period	Delivery Periods shall begin with effect from the 15 th day of award notification or from the date of signing of contract whichever is earlier.						
23		The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders						



পল্লী বিদ্যুতায়ন বোর্ড
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