

AL tickets trigger protests in several districts

Party men reject nominees for 18 JS seats in 8 districts

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Grassroots Awami League leaders in several districts yesterday expressed sharp reaction over nomination of candidates, saying that the party high command fielded candidates ignoring their suggestions and depriving dedicated and acceptable leaders.

Khulna
Nani Gopal Mandal has been given nomination from Khulna-1 (Dacope-Batiaghata), Mizanur Rahman from Khulna-2 (Sadar-Sonadanga) and Molla Jalaluddin from Khulna-4 (Rupsha-Terokheda-Digholia) constituencies.

But the three persons are new faces and they have not popularity enough to win in the seats, said BM Abdus Salam, a leader of Khulna district Awami League.

The old faces replaced in the nomination process by new candidates are President of Khulna District Awami League and ex-whip of six Jatiya Sangsad Sheikh Harun-ar-Rashid and ex-lawmakers Babu Panchanon Biswas and Kazi Sikandar Ali Dalim.

Batu Panchanon Biswas, president of Batiaghata Upazila AL and elected lawmaker in 1996 by-election and 2001 national elections from Khulna-1 constituency, collected a nomination paper on Sunday to file from Khulna-1 as an independent candidate.

Narail
A faction of Narail AL and its front organisations are strongly opposing district AL President advocate Subas Bose's nomination in Narail-1 (five unions of Narail Sadar and Kalia upazilas).

From a meeting jointly organised by Kalia upazila Jubo League and same unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League at Alpona auditorium in Kalia upazila headquarters yesterday, they demanded cancellation of Subas's nomination.

Declaring Subas Bose, who is not a voter of Narail -1 constituency, 'unwanted' in the upazila, they vowed to resist him. They also gave a 24-hour ultimatum to cancel his nomination and threatened to quit the party in case of failure. They demanded nomination of AL leader and Kalia municipality's mayor Kabirul Islam Mukti in the constituency.

Satkira
Local leaders and activists of Shyamnagar upazila Awami League (AL) have expressed dissatisfaction over party nomination to district AL leader Monsur Ahmed in Satkira-4 (Shyamnagar upazila and four unions of Kaliganj upazila) constituency.

The grassroots leaders at an extended meeting on November 9 unanimously selected former AL lawmaker AK Fazlul Haque as their party candidate to contest the election from the seat.

Fazlul Haque was elected from the seat defeating Jamaat candidate in 1996 election. **Mymensingh**
Leaders of upazila units of AL and its front organisations yesterday held a rally in front of Mymensingh Press club protesting central AL's decision to nominate Hayatur Rahman Khan Belal from Mymensingh-2 (Phulpur) constituency.

They demanded nomination for Sharif Ahmed, the son of veteran AL leader late Shamsul Haque from this constituency.

3 Allahr Dal men held in Nilphamari

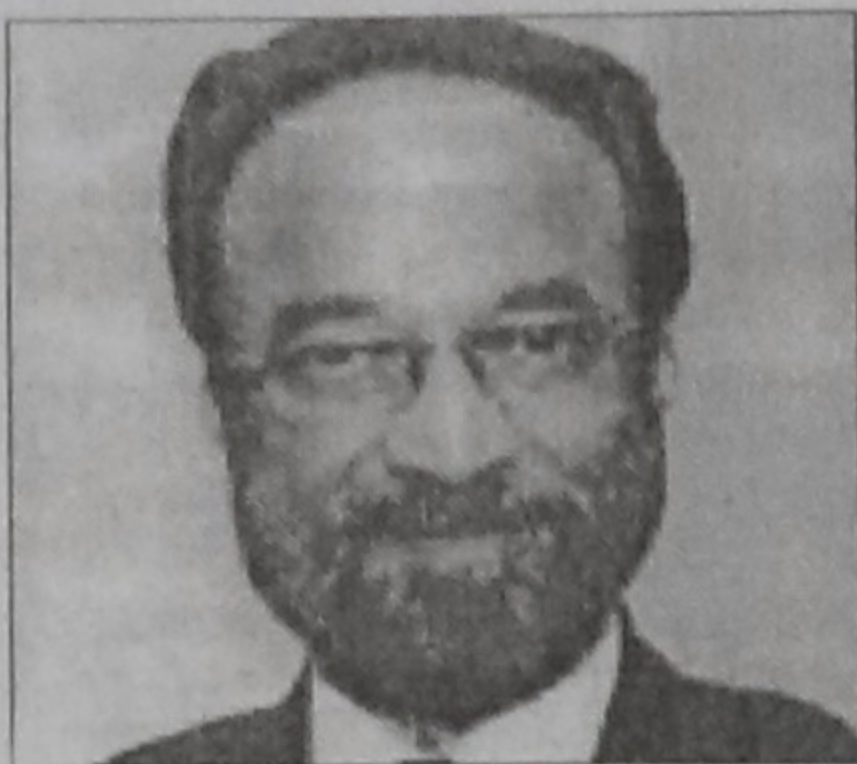
OUR CORRESPONDENT, Nilphamari

Police arrested three alleged activists of banned Allahr Dal at Domar bazar Monday night.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of Domar police arrested Ketabul Islam, 20, and Anul Islam, 16, both of Chhoto Routa village in Domar upazila and Mahbubur Rahman, 24, of Kolaroa upazila in Satkira district at about 10 pm.

Police recovered important documents from their possession.

They were being interrogated at Domar Police Station till filing of the report yesterday afternoon, said the OC.



Barrister Amirul Islam

Earlier a few thousand supporters of Sharif joined a human chain at Tarakanda Bazar. AL men will form a 15-kilometre human chain from Tarakanda to Phulpur upazila headquarters tomorrow.

Nilphamari
In Nilphamari-1 former lawmaker Hamida Banu Shova has been nominated, creating mixed reaction in the area as she was not included in the panel of candidates sent by grassroots AL activists.

In Nilphamari-4 (Saidpur and part of Kishoreganj upazila) Col (ret'd) Maruf Saqline got party nomination but his name was not in the panel of candidates chosen by party grassroots.

Kushtia
Grassroots leaders and activists of Awami League (AL) have demanded prominent lawyer veteran AL leader barrister Amirul Islam instead of Kushtia district AL President Rasiduzzaman Dudu as the party candidature in Kushtia-3 (Sadar) constituency.

Grass roots committees had recommended Amirul Islam alone for nomination from the seat.

Sylhet
Commotion among party men in at least six constituencies has been reported after the Awami League announced the list of its candidates for 17 among 19 constituencies in Sylhet division, reports our staff correspondent from Sylhet.

These are, Sylhet-2, Moulvibazar-2, Sunamganj-4, Habiganj-1 and Habiganj-3. However, names of candidates for Habiganj-3 and Sunamganj-1 constituencies are yet to be announced.

Nomination of UK AL Joint Secretary Shafiqur Rahman Chowdhury for Sylhet-sparked serious commotion as former upazila chairman Muhiur Rahman, who had a good fight against BNP-led four-party alliance leader M Ilyas Ali in 2001 polls, has been dropped.

A good number of grassroots level leaders at a press conference on Saturday had demanded fielding of Muhiur again.

Nomination for Sunamganj-1 (Tahirpur, Dharmapasha, Zamalganj) has remained suspended raising questions among the party men. Former lawmaker Syed Rafiqul Haque and former prime minister's parliamentary affairs adviser Suranjit Sengupta were elected there in the past. Both of them are aspirants here this time.

As AL central Organising Secretary and former lawmaker Sultan Mohammad Mansur Ahmed has been replaced by the USA AL's Organising Secretary advocate Ataur Rahman Shamim in Moulvibazar-2 (Kulaura and part of Komoiganj), there is

Road blocked for 4 time winner Roy

Hunger strike today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

Grassroots leaders of Awami League of Biral and Bochaganj upazila of Dinajpur blocked Dinajpur-Bochaganj highway for hours yesterday demanding nomination of Shatish Chandra Roy from Dinajpur-2 instead of Khalid Mahmud Chowdhury and threatened to resign from their party for non-compliance. Roy won from the seat four times since 1979.

Several thousand party men from 16 unions in the constituency also held a protest rally at Mongolpur Bazaar in Biral violating emergency protesting the party high command's decision.

At the rally, speakers said



Khalid Mahmud is an employee of Shudhashadhan and is isolated from party workers and people. He leads a party faction only to get ticket and creates confusion among local party men.

The rally declared Khalid Mahmud unwanted in Dinajpur-2, saying he joined hands with rival party and his men worked against AL in 2001 polls.

A different scene in B'baria

OUR CORRESPONDENT, B'baria

Awami League (AL) activists here expressed their happiness after learning the news of party nomination of six local AL leaders Monday evening for contesting the upcoming parliamentary elections from six constituencies of the district.

The AL leaders are former lawmaker Advocate Saydul Haque (Brahmanbaria 1), Kamal Ahmed (Brahmanbaria 2), Advocate Lutful Hi Satchu (Brahmanbaria 3), former lawmaker Advocate Md Shah Alam (Brahmanbaria 4), businessman Faezur Rahman Badal (Brahmanbaria 5) and former lawmaker Captain AB Tajul Islam (Brahmanbaria 6).

Moriarty launches IPAC project in Rangamati

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

US Ambassador James F Moriarty said ethnic communities in Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) contributed a lot to enriching Bangladesh's culture and tradition.

Despite massive destruction of forests resources in CHT, there are still huge potentialities to conserve and develop natural resources and wildlife, he said.

Moriarty was addressing the launching ceremony of IPAC (Integrated Protected Area Co-Management) project as chief guest at Rangamati Tribal Culture Institute yesterday evening.

Over 1,800 AL men resign in Patuakhali

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

Over 1800 leaders and activists of Awami League and its front organisations in its Galachipa unit yesterday tendered resignation en masse protesting the nomination of Golam Moulou Roni, a member of the party in ward no. 54 in Dhaka city, to contest the upcoming parliamentary election from Patuakhali-3 constituency (Galachipa-Dasmina).

Those who resigned are members of the parties' units in upazila, 16 unions all 144 wards committees.

Five hundred leaders of Jubo League, 200 of Mohila Awami League and 200 of Shechasebok League also resigned.

Earlier on Monday, 15 members of Galachipa upazila Awami League submitted their resignation letter to the district leaders.

Harun or Rashid, president of Galachipa upazila AL, confirmed the en masse resignation and gave photocopies of their letters to local pressmen.

Presidents and secretaries of the party units also resigned, he said.

In their resignation letters they said the central AL leadership selected candidate avoiding suggestion of the local body.

The local AL at a meeting on November 8 selected party central leader and former state minister AKM Jahangir Hossain as party candidate from Patuakhali-3.

AL offices locked at Jhenidah, Moheshpur

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

Angry leaders and activists of Awami League (AL) and its front organizations in Jhenidah yesterday staged demonstrations and locked the party's district office and its Moheshpur upazila office protesting nomination for Jhenidah 2 and Jhenidah-3 constituencies.

Police intervened to quell the violence and arrested five activists from in front of the district office. Police have been deployed there to stave off further violence, Jhenidah Sadar police station OC said.

As the news of nomination spread, hundreds of party men gathered in front of the AL offices at the district headquarters and at Moheshpur at around noon. They held spontaneous rallies in front of party offices demanding change in the nominations.

Those nominated are fair weather birds, who do not have contact with grassroots party men and people, speakers said at the rallies.

They rejected Awami League nomination of Shafikul Islam Apu in Jhenidah-2 and demanded ticket for Nur-e-Alam Siddique or Saidul Karim Mintu.

They also demanded ticket for Jumma Choudhary or Shafikul Azam Chansal instead of Principal Nabi News in Jhenidah-3.

Tension mounted in the AL rank and file in the district following the nominations.

Contacted, Shafikul Azam Chansal, nomination aspirant for Jhenidah-3, said he has been closely associated with party men in the area for long.

Principal Nabi News is an outsider as he is a resident of Kadbila village in Chowgacha upazila in Jessore district. Besides, he has no contact with local party men, he claimed.

Khulna Hardboard Mill closed

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

Khulna Hardboard Mill was closed Monday night due to severe crisis of furnace oil.

Production at the mill will remain suspended till December 16, managing director (MD) Khalilur Rahman said.

The decision of closure was taken following start of overhauling of Chittagong Eastern Refinery Limited which supplied fuel oil to the mill, the MD said.

Khulna Hardboard Mill requires 56,000 litre of furnace oil every week. When requested, authorities of local oil depots expressed their ability to supply only 27,000 litre of furnace oil.

Angry protests against AL tickets in Rajshahi-4,5,6

Rallies, token hunger strike: Nominees declared unwanted

ANWAR ALI, Rajshahi

Awami League leaders and activists burst into angry protests in three constituencies in Rajshahi yesterday against party nominations to businessmen newcomers, instead of senior party leaders suggested from the grassroots.

On the other hand supporters of the businessmen candidates also held meetings hailing the nominations, unleashing a flurry of protest programmes and tension between AL factions.

Hundreds of AL leaders and activists held protest meetings, formed human chain and observed token hunger strike. They declared the businessmen candidates unwanted in the areas and threatened to quit the party.

They demanded immediate cancellation of nomination of industrialist Enamul Haque in Rajshahi-4 (Bagmara), businessman Kazi Abdul Wadud Dara in Rajshahi-5 (Puthia-Durgapur) and industrialist Shahrar Alam in Rajshahi-6 (Bagha-Charghat) constituencies.

They demanded nomination of minister Sardar Amjad Hossain, Rajshahi district AL president Tajul Islam M Faruk

and former lawmaker Raihanul Haque in these Jatiya Sangsad seats.

These senior party leaders were selected through vote of grassroots leaders in party meetings but their opinions were ignored, they said.

The party leaders in protest meetings blamed Rajshahi Mayor AHM Khairuzzaman Liton for helping the businessmen to get nomination. They are not even party members, speakers at the meetings said.

AL chance of victory in the coming election, created by alleged crime and corruption by BNP-Jamaat, would evaporate if proper candidates are not selected, they said.

Rajshahi-4
Several hundred AL men held a protest meeting at Bhawaniganj in Bagmara and formed a 200-member citizens' committee headed by Abdus Samad to create resistance against nominee Enamul Haque.

The meeting held with the upazila AL secretary Zakirul Islam Santu in the chair demanded ticket for Sardar Amjad Hossain from the constituency.

"Out of 63-member upazila committee, only 13 support Enamul and he was not a party

member even a month ago. How can we abide by him if he gets party nomination", said Santu.

Rajshahi-5
Several hundred AL men formed a human chain and held token hunger strike at Puthia and Durgapur upazilas demanding nomination for Tajul Islam M Faruk.

They announced a seven-day protest programme and declared Abdul Wadud Dara unwanted in the area.

Following alleged threats, Dara along with some 50 people rushed to Rajshahi city and held a press conference at Miapara Central Public Library auditorium welcoming the nomination.

Dara vowed to recover the Rajshahi-5 seat that, he said, was lost to BNP four times for wrong selection of candidate.

Rajshahi-6
Shahrar Alam was also declared unwanted in Rajshahi-6.

At a protest meeting held at Charghat AL office with the upazila AL president Anwar Hossain in the chair, a number of party-men demanded nomination for Raihanul Haque.

They threatened to leave party en masse if the grassroots selection is neglected.

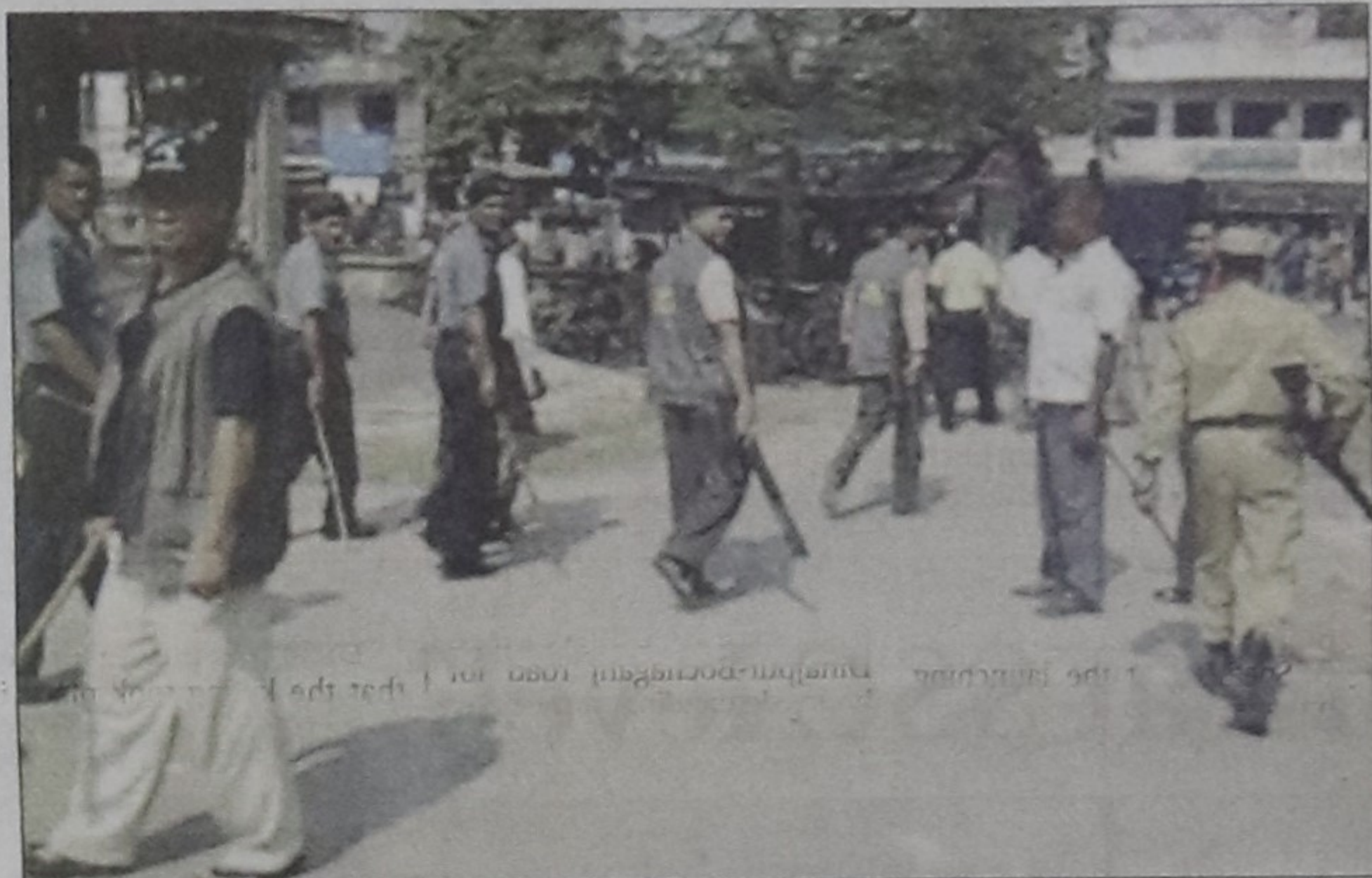


PHOTO: STAR

Police disperse agitating Awami League activists in front of party office in Jhenidah town yesterday.



Bangladesh Power Development Board Invitation for International Re-Tender

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Power Division.		
2	Agency	Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB).		
3	Procuring entity name	Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, Dhaka.		
4	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.		
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.		
6	Invitation for	Supply of CI Capitals for GT of Tongi 80 MW Gas Turbine Power Station, BPDB, Tongi, Gazipur.		
7	Invitation Ref No.	Pur-306/2008.		
8	Date	Date: 11-11-2008		
KEY INFORMATION				
9	Procurement method	Open tendering method		
FUNDING INFORMATION				
10	Budget and source of funds	Revenue budget (cash foreign exchange allocation) of BPDB.		
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Not applicable.		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
12	Project/programme code (if applicable)	Not applicable		
13	Project/programme name (if applicable)	Not applicable.		
14	Tender package No.	12 (FY 2008-2009).		
15	Tender package name	Supply of CI Capitals for GT of Tongi 80 MW Gas Turbine Power Station, BPDB, Tongi, Gazipur.		
16	Tender publication date	11-11-2008.		
17	Tender selling date	11-11-2008 to 22-12-2008 during office hours.		
18	Tender closing date and time	On 23-12-2008 at 11.00am (BST).		
19	Tender opening date and time	On 23-12-2008 at 11.30am (BST).		
20	Name & address of the office(s)	Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9 th floor), 12 Motiheel C/A, Dhaka.		
	Selling tender document (principal)	Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9 th floor), 12 Motiheel C/A, Dhaka.		
	Selling tender document (others)	Not applicable.		
	Receiving tender document	Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9 th floor), 12 Motiheel C/A, Dhaka.		
	Opening tender document	Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9 th floor), 12 Motiheel C/A, Dhaka.		
21	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	Not applicable.		
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER				
22	Eligibility of tenderer	As per tender document.		
23	Brief description of goods or works	Supply of CI Capitals for GT of Tongi 80 MW Gas Turbine Power Station, BPDB, Tongi, Gazipur.		
24	Brief description of related services	As per tender document.		
25	Price of tender documents (BDT)	Non-refundable BD Taka 8,000/- (eight thousand) only in the form of Pay-Order in favour of Director, Directorate of Purchase BPDB, Dhaka.		
26	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount	Delivery period (validity of shipment)
Lot-1	Supply of CI Capitals for GT	Tongi 80 MW Gas Turbine Power Station, BPDB, Gazipur	USD 29,500.00 or BDTk 20,61,063.00	120 days from date of L/C opening
27	Validity of tender and tender security	As per tender document.		
28	Name of official inviting tender	Md Abduhu Ruhullah.		
29	Designation of official inviting tender	Director.		
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS				
30	Address of official inviting tender	Directorate of Purchase, BPDB, WAPDA Building (9 th Floor), 12 Motiheel C/A, Dhaka.		
31	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: 7126144, Fax: 7126151.		
32	Special instruction	Any tender received by the purchaser after the deadline for submission of tenders shall be declared late, will be rejected and returned unopened to the tenderer. The purchaser reserves the right to accept any tender to annul the tender process or to reject any or all tenders, at any time prior to contract award.		
33	This tender will be performed according to "The Public Procurement Rules-2008".			
Biddyt/Jana-385(4)/13-11-08 GD-5324			Md Abduhu Ruhullah Director Directorate of Purchase	

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