



Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh (2R), Leader of the Opposition and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Prime Ministerial candidate Lal Krishna Advani (4R), Congress Party President Sonia Gandhi (2L), Communist Party of India (CPI) National Secretary A Raja (L) and Parliament Speaker Somnath Chatterjee (R) stand during a remembrance ceremony of the 2001 Parliament attack at the Parliament House in New Delhi yesterday. Indian parliament was turned into a virtual fortress as politicians gathered to observe the seventh anniversary of a bloody militant attack on the complex, which left 14 dead on December 13, 2001.

Media shows Kasab is a Pak national

CNN-IBN, New Delhi

Even though Pakistani government refuses to accept that Ajmal Amir Kasab, the lone terrorist arrested alive during Mumbai attack, is its citizen, evidences gathered by Pakistani and international media point to the fact that he is a Pakistani national.

Kasab's father has already come forward to claim him as his son and now residents of Faridkot, a village of about 2,500 people in Okara district of Punjab province where the terrorist's family lives, have been caught on camera admitting he is from their village.

"Yes, he is my son," Amir Kasab told influential Pakistani daily Dawn.

India to share Mumbai attack evidence once probe ends

PTI, New Delhi

Voicing scepticism over Pakistan acting decisively against terrorists operating from its soil, Pranab Mukherjee has said such elements have been "let off" in the past after some initial action.

"Therefore we shall have to see whether these (actions by Pakistan) are taken to their logical conclusion," he said, asking Islamabad to ensure that the terrorist infrastructure is dismantled completely.

Reacting to Islamabad's demand for evidence of the involvement of the Pakistan-based elements in the Mumbai attacks, Mukherjee said India was ready to do so but not at this juncture when investigations were yet to be concluded.

"We can make available whatever evidences we have. In this case, we are also investigating, we have not come to any conclusion. Therefore at this jun-

ture, perhaps, it would be premature to share the evidences," Mukherjee told a news channel.

He refused to comment on the current crackdown on terror groups in Pakistan, while noting that similar actions took place in the aftermath of the attack on Parliament in 2001.

"Almost similar actions were taken at the initial stage when the international pressure was mounted. After that it was let off," he said, adding that he was "waiting to see" that these steps are pursued seriously.

"I am waiting to see ... the infrastructure facilities available to terrorists are totally dismantled and the outlawed and banned organisations do not reappear in their new name with the new signboards but with the same old faces."

His remarks follow Prime Minister Manmohan Singh's statement in

Parliament on Thursday that the international community has to be galvanised into "dealing sternly and effectively with the epicentre of terrorism, which is located in Pakistan."

Mukherjee said the "non-state actors" Pakistan has been referring to as behind the terror attacks "live and function" within the territory of that country.

"That is why, repeatedly, I said elements from Pakistan. That is a phrase I have used meticulously. I would not like to be more specific unless definitive conclusion is arrived at by the investigating agencies," he said.

The minister's comments come amid a crackdown launched by Pakistan against the Jamaat-ud Dawa, the front organisation of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) blamed for the Mumbai attacks, after the UN Security Council designated the outfit as a terrorist group.

Lankan troops kill 10 rebels in fighting

AP, AFP, Colombo

Sri Lanka's military used snipers and artillery fire to kill 10 Tamil Tiger rebels as government troops continued their push toward the guerrillas' de facto capital in the north, the Defence Ministry said yesterday.

Fighter jets bombed six locations to the west and northwest of the Tamil Tiger rebel headquarters in Kilinochchi, the Defence Ministry said in a statement.

It did not give casualty details.

In the latest ground fighting, snipers killed four rebels west of Kilinochchi on Friday, the Defence Ministry said. Artillery strikes in the same area left another six insurgents dead, it said.

Government forces have been locked in intense battles with the rebels on the edge of Kilinochchi for weeks despite previously pre-

dicting the city's "imminent fall." But troops have been able to seize large swaths of rebel-held territory in recent months, forcing the guerrillas into an increasingly small stronghold in the northeast.

In the latest fighting, snipers killed four rebels at two locations west of Kilinochchi on Friday, the Defence Ministry said in a statement. Artillery strikes in the same area left another six insurgents dead, it said.

Rebel officials could not be contacted for comment because communication lines to guerrilla territory have been severed. Independent verification of government statements is difficult because most journalists are barred from the war zone.

Fighting continued in nearby Mullaitivu district on Friday, with troops inflicting "dozens of casualties" on the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), the ministry said.

Clashes disrupt Kashmir voting

AFP, Pulwama

One person was killed and 13 injured in restive Indian Kashmir yesterday as police opened fire and used teargas to break up anti-election protests during voting in state polls.

The 20-year-old man was killed in police firing in a village south of Srinagar, summer capital of the region racked by a nearly two-decade-old revolt against New Delhi's rule, police said.

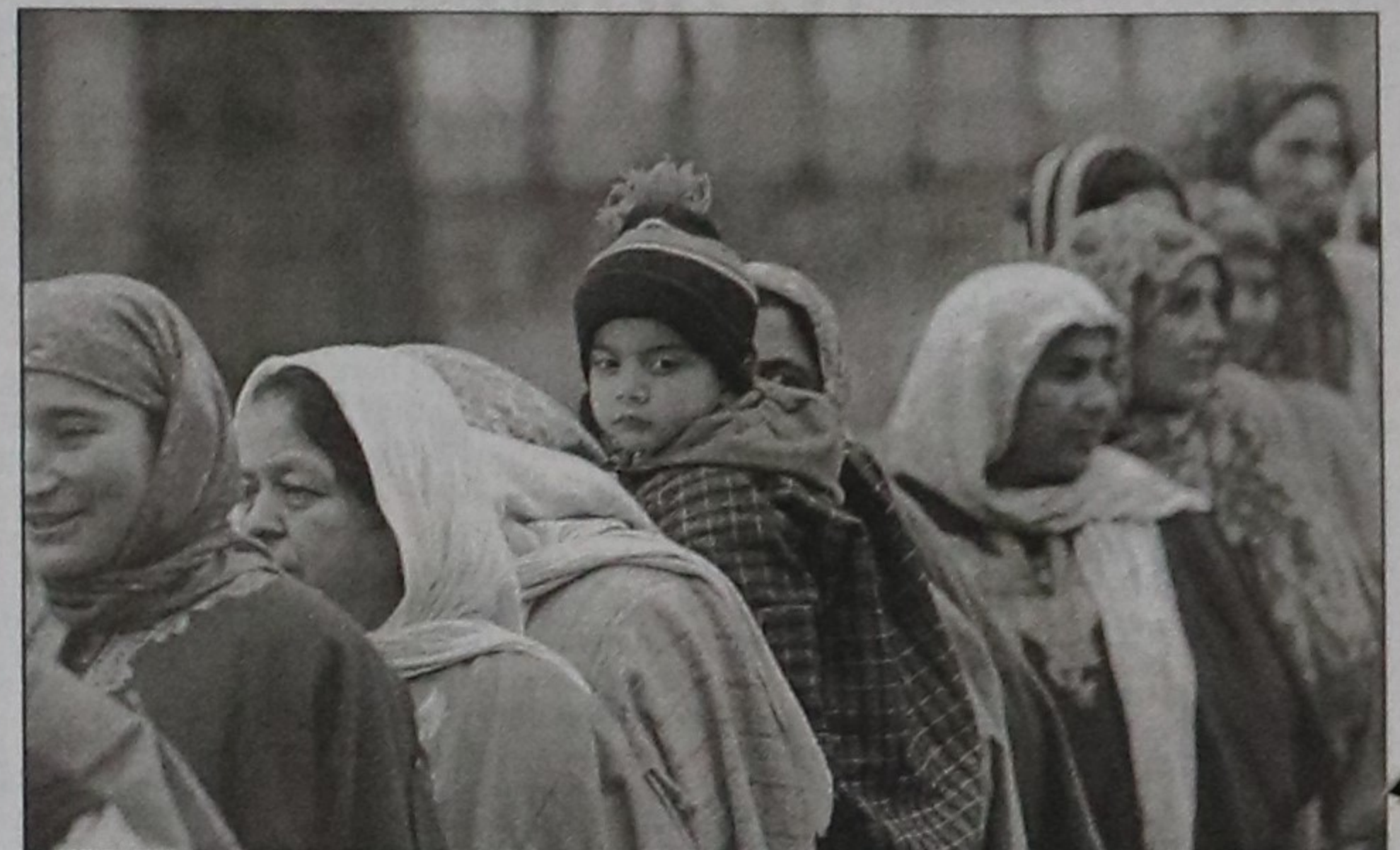
It was the first fatality during the elections, which are being held in seven stages. Saturday's balloting in the

southern districts of Pulwama and Shopian marked the fifth round of voting.

Four policemen and eight protesters were hurt in scattered demonstrations, said a senior district police officer, asking not to be named. Two were in "critical condition," according to doctor Asif Ahmed at Srinagar's main hospital.

Separatist politicians and rebels have called for a poll boycott, arguing elections strengthen New Delhi's hold over the disputed Muslim-majority region.

However, voters still turned up at polling booths.



Kashmiri Muslim women wait in a queue to cast their votes during the fifth phase of local elections in Kail, some 40km south of Srinagar yesterday. One person was killed and 13 injured in restive Indian Kashmir as police opened fire and used teargas to break up anti-election protests during voting.

Pakistan should go extra mile against terror

Says Nawaz Sharif

THE DAILY TIMES, Lahore

Pakistan should 'go the extra mile' to combat terrorism especially in the wake of last month's terrorist attacks in Mumbai, former prime minister Nawaz Sharif told India's Tehelka magazine in an interview published on Friday.

"Nobody should be prepared to spare [any] organisation" that is "playing havoc both here and in India," he said. "We should take serious action and we should let India know that... action is now being taken against such elements," he said.

"I think we should now set an example," Nawaz said it was very important for Indians and the rest of the world to see that Pakistan was sincere and be sympathetic.

He said that despite political differences, he was absolutely sure the government in Islamabad was not involved in the Mumbai attacks. "The political leadership of Pakistan has no such agenda," he said. Nawaz said Pakistan was fighting with "elements within our country" who he called "people who don't believe in democracy."

Afghan neighbours and allies to meet in Paris

AFP, Paris

Senior envoys from Afghanistan, its neighbours and the world's great powers are to meet today in Paris to discuss ways out of the war-torn country's seemingly permanent state of crisis.

French officials said the purpose of the meeting was to encourage the states around Afghanistan, in particular Pakistan and Iran, to play a more positive role in supporting Kabul's attempts to regain control.

But the talks will also be notable for bringing together senior officials from countries with disputes of their own to settle.

The meeting will put Pakistan's Foreign Minister

Shah Mehmood Qureshi in a room with Indian deputy foreign minister Anand Sharma, as the regional rivals continue to argue over fallout from last month's Mumbai attacks.

The United States will be represented by its assistant secretary of state for South Asian affairs, Richard Boucher, who will be across the table from arch-enemy Iran's Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki.

Franco-Iranian relations took a turn for the worse this week after President Nicolas Sarkozy criticised Tehran's threats against Israel, but diplomats said the meeting showed that the parties remained open to talks on regional issues.

Mumbai attacks spark upper-class calls for change

AP, Mumbai

In India, the elite stay above the fray. They live in walled compounds, have their own source of electricity, hire their own security guards and educate their children in private schools, avoiding the issues confronting the government and the masses.

But the 60-hour siege that struck the heart of India's financial and entertainment centre, killing 171 people, has fractured that secure existence, galvanising thousands of middle- and upper-class Indians to get involved.

A day after the assault ended, dozens turned out for a march along Mumbai's elegant Marine Drive. "I'm gonna vote!" shouted Shrenik Kenia, a

24-year-old engineering student. "We're all gonna vote!"

It's not something many affluent Indians bother with, but middle- and upper-class Indians are vowing to change that. Long considered apathetic about the political process, they have begun to take the fight for national security and government accountability into their own hands.

Since the attack, lawyers, corporate executives, engineers, and elite students have taken to the streets, as tens of thousands of protesters marched through Mumbai calling for change. They've filed an unprecedented lawsuit, organized petitions, called for a tax strike, and are even talking of starting a new political party.

Indian navy arrests 23 pirates in Gulf of Aden

AP, AFP, New Delhi/Nairobi

The Indian navy said it arrested 23 pirates who threatened a merchant vessel in the Gulf of Aden yesterday, the latest in a series of recent clashes with Somali pirates.

Indian forces repulsed the pirates as they were about to board the merchant ship, navy spokesman Commander Nirad Sinha said.

The pirates are from Somalia and Yemen, two countries surrounding the Gulf of Aden, Sinha said.

No further details were immediately available.

Last month, India's navy drew criticism after sinking a Thai fishing trawler that had been commandeered hours earlier by

pirates. The navy defended its actions, saying it had fired in self-defence.

Somali pirates have become increasingly brazen in recent months, seizing a number of vessels including a Saudi supertanker loaded with \$100 million worth of crude oil.

Somalia, an impoverished nation caught up in an Islamic insurgency, has not had a functioning government since 1991.

Meanwhile, Somali pirates have released a Greek chemical tanker seized in October but three crew members are feared dead, a Kenyan maritime official said Saturday.

"The MT Action was released by pirates," Andrew Mwangura, who heads the Kenyan chapter of the East African Seafarers Assistance Programme, said in a statement.

গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

নির্বাহী পরিচালকের কার্যালয়

শিও-মাতৃ স্বাস্থ্য ইনস্টিটিউট

মাতৃয়াইল, ঢাকা-১৩৬২

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স্বায়তশাসিত প্রতিষ্ঠান শিও-মাতৃ স্বাস্থ্য ইনস্টিটিউট, মাতৃয়াইল, ঢাকায় নিম্নে উল্লিখিত নিম্নবর্ণিত পদসমূহ চুক্তিভিত্তিতে পূরণের লক্ষ্যে প্রকৃত বাংলাদেশী নাগরিকদের নিকট থেকে দরখাস্ত আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

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১.	সহকারী রেজিস্ট্রার (শিও)	০৩ (তিন)	১২০৪০/-	অনুমোদিত প্রতিষ্ঠান হতে এমবিবিএস অথবা বিএমডিসি কর্তৃক অনুমোদিত সমমানের ডিগ্রি। বিএমডিসি কর্তৃক পূর্ণ রেজিস্ট্রেশনকৃত প্রাপ্ত। বয়স: অনূর্ধ্ব ৩২ বছর।
২.	সহকারী রেজিস্ট্রার (গাইনী)	০১ (এক)	১২০৪০/-	অনুমোদিত প্রতিষ্ঠান হতে এমবিবিএস অথবা বিএমডিসি কর্তৃক অনুমোদিত সমমানের ডিগ্রি। বিএমডিসি কর্তৃক পূর্ণ রেজিস্ট্রেশনকৃত প্রাপ্ত। বয়স: অনূর্ধ্ব ৩২ বছর।

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১. দরখাস্ত আগামী ৩০/১২/২০০৮ইং তারিখের মধ্যে ডাকযোগে নির্বাহী পরিচালক, শিও-মাতৃ স্বাস্থ্য ইনস্টিটিউট, মাতৃয়াইল, ঢাকা-১৩৬২তে পৌছাতে হবে। অসমাপ্ত, ক্রটিপূর্ণ ও বিলম্বে প্রাপ্ত দরখাস্ত বাতিল বলে গণ্য হবে।
২. বয়সের ক্ষেত্রে এক্ষেত্রে গ্রহণযোগ্য নহে। ৩০/১২/২০০৮ইং তারিখে প্রাপ্ত বয়স, মাস ও দিন সুনির্দিষ্টভাবে উল্লেখ করতে হবে। মুক্তিযোদ্ধার সন্তানদের ক্ষেত্রে বয়সসীমা সরকারি বিধি মোতাবেক শিথিলযোগ্য।
৩. মুক্তিযোদ্ধা/শহীদ মুক্তিযোদ্ধার সন্তানদের ক্ষেত্রে মুক্তিযোদ্ধা/শহীদ মুক্তিযোদ্ধা পিতা/মাতার স্বপক্ষে সরকারের সর্বশেষ নির্দেশ অনুসারে "বাংলাদেশ মুক্তিযোদ্ধা সংসদ, কেন্দ্রীয় কমন্ড কাউন্সিল" এর প্রমাণপত্রের সত্যায়িত অনুলিপি দরখাস্তের সাথে সংযুক্ত করতে হবে।
৪. প্রার্থীদের দরখাস্তের খামের উপর প্রার্থী পদ ও নিজ জেলার নাম অবশ্যই উল্লেখ করতে হবে।
৫. দরখাস্তের সাথে নিম্নলিখিত কাগজপত্রাদি দাখিল করতে হবে:- (ক) প্রার্থীর নাম, পিতার নাম, মাতার নাম, স্থায়ী ঠিকানা, বর্তমান ঠিকানা, শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতা, জন্ম তারিখ, বয়স, জনস্বাস্থ্য, জাতীয়তা, ধর্ম, অভিজ্ঞতা। (খ) ইউনিয়ন পরিষদের চেয়ারম্যান/পৌরসভার চেয়ারম্যান/সিটি কর্পোরেশনের ওয়ার্ড কমিশনার কর্তৃক নাপরিকল্প সনদপত্র। (গ) জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র। (ঘ) শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতার মূল সনদপত্র/সাময়িক সনদপত্রের কপি (সত্যায়িত)। (ঙ) প্রথম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক প্রদত্ত চারিত্রিক সনদপত্র। (চ) সদা তোলা পাসপোর্ট সাইজের ৩ (তিন) কপি সত্যায়িত ছবি। (ছ) অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র (প্রযোজ্য ক্ষেত্রে)। প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র অবশ্যই প্রথম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সত্যায়িত হতে হবে।
৬. সরকারি, আধা-সরকারি ও স্বায়তশাসিত প্রতিষ্ঠানসমূহে কর্মরত প্রার্থীদেরকে যথাযথ কর্তৃপক্ষের মাধ্যমে আবেদন করতে হবে।
৭. আবেদনপত্রের সাথে ৩০০ (তিনশত) টাকা মূল্যের ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার (অফেরতযোগ্য), নির্বাহী পরিচালক, শিও-মাতৃ স্বাস্থ্য ইনস্টিটিউট, মাতৃয়াইল, ঢাকা এর বরাবরে জমা দিতে হবে।
৮. আবেদনপত্র গ্রহণ ও বাতিলের বিষয় নিয়োগকারী কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করে। কর্তৃপক্ষের সিদ্ধান্তের বিরুদ্ধে কোন আপত্তি গ্রহণযোগ্য নহে।
৯. প্রাপ্ত আবেদনপত্রসমূহ থেকে কেবলমাত্র বাছাইকৃত প্রার্থীদের প্রয়োজনমত লিখিত ও মৌখিক পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণের জন্য ডাকা হবে।
১০. প্রার্থীদের নির্বাচনী পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণের জন্য কোন টিএ/ডিএ দেয়া হবে না।
১১. প্রার্থীদের অবশ্যই পদের নাম ও বর্তমান ঠিকানাসহ ৮.০০ (আট) টাকার অব্যবহৃত ডাক টিকেট সংযুক্ত একটি ফেরত খাম আবেদনপত্রের সাথে সংযুক্ত করতে হবে।
১২. নিয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে প্রকাশিত পদসংখ্যা কমনশী হতে পারে।

অধ্যাপক আবদুল হান্নান

নির্বাহী পরিচালক

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training

89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka-1000

No-Kallyan Tahbil-8759/2004/11899

Date: 4/12/08

Invitation for Tender (2nd Call)

1.	Ministry	Ministry of Expatriates Welfare & Overseas Employment.			
2.	Agency	Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training.			
3.	Procuring entity name	Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training.			
4.	Procuring entity district	Dhaka, Bangladesh.			
5.	Invitation for tender	Tender for Laser Printer, Fax Machine, Air Condition, Computer accessories & others.			
6.	Invitation Ref. No. & date	Kalyan Tahbil-8759/2004/ Date: 04/12/2008.			
7.	Procurement method	Open tendering method.			
8.	Budget and source of funds	Wage Earners Welfare Fund.			
9.	Tender package No.	1 Package, (Lot-2).			
10.	Tender package name	Tender for Laser Printer, Fax Machine, Air Condition, Computer accessories & others.			
11.	Tender last selling date	22/12/2008, Time: 2.30pm.			
12.	Tender closing date and time	23/12/2008, Time: 12.00 noon.			
13.	Tender opening date and time	23/12/2008, Time: 12.30pm.			
14.	Name & address of the office	Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training, 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka.			
	- Selling tender document	Accounts Section, Wage Earners Welfare Fund, 3 rd Floor, Briefing Center, 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka.			
	- Receiving tender document	Additional Director General (ES), 4 th Floor, BMET, 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka.			
	- Opening tender document	Additional Director General (ES), 4 th Floor, BMET, 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka.			
15.	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	21/12/2008, time: 11.30am (if necessary), Director (Welfare), 4 th Floor, BMET, 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka.			
16.	Eligibility of tenderer	The tenders should have the following requirements. 1. Valid trade license. 2. Experience of supplying similar types of goods (five years of overall experience & 3 years specific experience). 3. Up-to-date income tax certificate and VAT registration. 4. Bank solvency certificate & credit facilities certificate. 5. Affidavit in support of ownership of the firm. 6. Other conditions as per STD.			
17.	Brief description of goods or works	Tender for Laser Printer, Fax Machine, Air Condition, Computer accessories & others.			
18.	Price of tender document	Lot-1 Tk. 500/- (five hundred), Lot-2 Tk. 300/- (three-hundred).			
19.	Lot No.	Description	Location	Tender security amount (in Tk)	Completion time
	Lot-1	Laser Printer, Fax Machine, Scanner, Computer accessories	BMET Headquarter	5,000/- in the form of Bank Draft/Pay-Order	15 days from the date of notification of award
	Lot-2	Air Conditioner & Steel Almira	BMET Headquarter	3,000/- in the form of Bank Draft/Pay- Order	15 days from the date of notification of award
20.	Name of official inviting tender	Dr. Md. Kawsar.			
21.	Designation of official inviting tender	Director (Welfare).			
22.	Address of official inviting tender	Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training, 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka.			
23.	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: 9361820		Fax:	-
The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.					
Dr. Md. Kawsar Director (Welfare) Bureau of Manpower, Employment & Training 89/2, Kakrail, Dhaka-1000					

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