

# Fayyad unveils plan for Palestinian state

## Three brothers killed in Israeli raid on Gaza tunnel

AFP, Ramallah

Palestinian Prime Minister Salam Fayyad yesterday unveiled his government's plans to create a de facto state in two years as international efforts to restart Middle East peace talks grind on.

The Palestinian government is determined to build state institutions without waiting for the outcome of peace talks with the Israelis, Fayyad said at a news conference in the occupied West Bank's political capital of Ramallah.

"The Palestinian government is struggling determinedly against a hostile occupation regime... in order to establish a de facto state apparatus within the next two years," he said.

"This can and must happen within two

years," he said, calling on Palestinians -- deeply divided since the June 2007 Hamas takeover of Gaza, the smaller part of their promised state -- to rally behind the plan.

"We must confront the whole world with the reality that Palestinians are united and steadfast in their determination to remain on their homeland, end the occupation and achieve their freedom and independence," he said.

"The world should also know that we are not prepared to continue living under a brutal occupation and siege that flouts not only the law, but also the principles of natural justice and human decency."

"This government seeks to involve all sectors and segments of society in the national drive to develop and advance

our institutions."

Among the priorities listed were disentangling the economy's dependence on Israel and foreign aid, trimming the size of the government, increasing the use of technology and implementing a performance-based system in the public sector.

Meanwhile, three Palestinian brothers were killed and nine other people were wounded on Tuesday when Israel bombed smuggling tunnels between the Hamas-run Gaza Strip and Egypt, medics said.

Rescue services were digging through the rubble to try to find another man who was reported missing after the first Israeli air strike against the tunnels in more than two weeks.



PHOTO: AFP

A group of prominent former statesmen and business leaders, including (from L to R) former Brazilian President Fernando Henrique Cardoso, former Irish president Mary Robinson, South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Brundtland Ela Bhattand, Gro Harlem and former US president Jimmy Carter address the press before their meeting with Israeli youths in Beit Yehudit, the International Cultural Centre for Youth, in Jerusalem yesterday. The delegation from the group known as "The Elders" kicked off a visit to Israel and the Palestinian territories in a bid to encourage Middle East peace efforts.

### News in Brief

#### Iraq recalls envoy to Syria

AFP, Baghdad

Iraq on Tuesday ordered its ambassador to Damascus to return home and demanded that Syria hand over two senior Baathist leaders alleged to have ordered last week's deadly truck bombings in Baghdad.

"The cabinet demands the Syrian government hand over Mohammed Younis al-Mohammed and Saddam Farhan," said a statement quoting Iraqi government spokesman Ali Al-Dabbagh, announcing the ambassador's recall.

#### Storms delay Discovery liftoff

AFP, Cape Canaveral

The space shuttle Discovery remained firmly on the ground Tuesday after NASA scrapped a first launch attempt due to thunderstorms.

The US space agency called off the launch minutes before the shuttle was due to blast off for the orbiting International Space Station, saying it would make another attempt Wednesday at 1:10 am (0510 GMT).

#### ETA explosives caches found

AFP, Paris

French police found two more ETA explosives caches on Monday and Tuesday, taking to 12 the number discovered since three suspected Basque militants were arrested in the Alps last week.

# Uighur leader airs prison killing allegation

AFP, Washington

Rebiya Kadeer, the leader of China's Uighur minority in exile, has highlighted a report that nearly 200 inmates were "tortured" to death in prison.

The allegations came as a war of words intensifies between Beijing and the 62-year-old former businesswoman. China has accused her of instigating recent unrest in northwestern Xinjiang region, charges she adamantly denies.

Kadeer, who lives in the Washington area, said Monday she received a fax from a Uighur policeman who fled to nearby Kyrgyzstan and gave a grim account of Urumqi prison south of the city of Urumqi.

The policeman said that 196 Uighurs detained in a campdown in the region "were tortured and

killed" at the detention centre, according to Kadeer.

"One of the Uighurs, named Erkin, couldn't stand the torture and killed himself," she said during a recording of a segment on the current affairs cable network C-Span about her memoir, "Dragon Fighter," which was published in May.

Kadeer, leader of the World Uighur Congress, said it was impossible to verify the account as phone lines had been cut.

"I'm sure that as soon as this is made public, China will say that it's not true," she said. "We cannot prove it because everything is down."

China's worst ethnic violence in decades broke out on July 5 in Urumqi, pitting Han Chinese against Uighurs, a Turkic-speaking and predominantly Muslim people. At least 197 people died, according to official figures.

# Prachanda talks with Koirala on joining govt

PTI, Kathmandu

In what is being seen as a fence-mending meeting, Maoist chief Prachanda and top NC leader G P Koirala have explored ways to include the former rebels in the ruling coalition and discussed setting up of a consultative mechanism to take forward the fragile peace process, including the Constitution-drafting.

Prachanda, the leader of the opposition CPN-Maoist, met Koirala, whose party is a major constituent of the CPN-UMML coalition government, at the residence of the Nepali Congress (NC) leader at Maharajgunj Monday.

# US prosecutor to probe alleged CIA abuses

## CIA interrogators threatened to kill children of Sept 11 plotter

AFP, Washington

New political fury hit President Barack Obama's White House Monday over Bush-era anti-terror policies, after Attorney General Eric Holder named a prosecutor to probe alleged CIA prisoner abuse.

CIA interrogators threatened to rape women, execute children, shoot suspects, even to torture one with an electric drill, official documents showed Monday.

The revelations came in a de-classified 2004 report by then-CIA inspector general John

Helgeson, which catalogued the harsh tactics used against prime terror suspects at secret overseas prisons.

Officials meanwhile announced that Obama had set up a new team of elite interrogators to grill suspects under White House supervision, absolving the CIA of a duty that few senior officers wanted in the first place.

The moves were the latest attempt by the administration to purge the politically corrosive legacy of anti-terror measures pursued during the presidency of George W. Bush, which are now outlawed.

# Four US soldiers killed in Afghanistan unrest

AFP, Kabul

Four US soldiers operating under Nato were killed yesterday in a bomb blast in southern Afghanistan, the alliance said.

The troops were operating under Nato's International Security Assistance Force (Isaf) and were killed in a region of Afghanistan where a Taliban-led insurgency is at its most virulent, Isaf said in a statement.

It did not disclose the exact location of the incident.

"Four International Security Assistance Force members were killed today as a result of an improvised explosive device (IED) detonation that occurred in southern Afghanistan," the statement said.

Quoting Navy Chief Petty Officer Brian Naranjo, the statement said the soldiers were Americans.

The troops were on a patrol "in one of the most violent areas of Afghanistan" when the incident took place, the statement said.

# 11 dead in China mine blast

AFP, Beijing

At least 11 workers were killed and three were missing in a gas explosion at a coal mine in north China's Shanxi province, a spokeswoman for the local government said yesterday.

The accident took place on Monday at a colliery in Jinzhong city, according to the spokeswoman for the Heshun county government, Li Yuanzhen.

Eleven bodies were recovered, but three remained in the mine, she told AFP. Two workers who were working near the entrance to the mine shaft escaped unharmed.



PHOTO: AFP

Protesters hold banners and shout slogans during a rally against the Visiting Forces Agreement (VFA) near the US embassy in Manila yesterday. The protesters were voicing their opposition over the mutual defence treaty between the US and the Philippines.

# Soon solar cells might be printed like newspaper or painted on rooftops

ANI, Washington

If scientists have their way, solar cells could soon be produced more cheaply using nanoparticle "inks" that allow them to be printed like newspaper or painted onto the sides of buildings or rooftops to absorb electricity-producing sunlight.

For the past two years, Brian Korgel, a University of Texas at Austin chemical engineer and his team have been working on this low-cost, nanomaterials solution to photovoltaics - or solar cell - manufacturing.

Korgel uses the light-absorbing nanomaterials, which are 10,000 times thinner than a strand of hair, because their microscopic size allows for new physical properties that can help enable higher-efficiency devices.

The inks could be printed on a roll-to-roll printing process on a plastic substrate or stainless steel. And the prospect of being able to paint the "inks" onto a rooftop or building is not far-fetched.

"You'd have to paint the light-absorbing material and a few other layers as well," Korgel said. "This is one step in the direction towards paintable solar cells," he added.



PHOTO: AFP

Thai bomb squad members examine the site of a car bomb blast triggered by suspected separatist militants in Thailand's restive southern province of Narathiwat yesterday.

# PROJECT DIRECTOR "EXPANSION OF BANGLADESH JATIYO ANDHA KALYAN SAMITY HOSPITAL, COMILLA"

District Social Services Office, Police Line, Comilla.

## RE-TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from contractors in accordance with the Public Procurement Regulations-2008 for the under mentioned work:

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Social Welfare, Bangladesh
2	Agency	Department of Social Services and Bangladesh Jatiyo Andha Kalyan Samity, Comilla.
3	Procuring entity Name	Project Director, District Social Services Office, Comilla
4	Name of work	1. Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 200KVA (Prime) Diesel Generator for expansion of BJKS Eye Hospital at Alekharchar, Comilla. 2. Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Vertical Transportation system (Hospital lift) expansion of BJKS Eye Hospital at Alekharchar, Comilla. 3. Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 200KVA distribution Sub-Station for expansion of BJKS Eye Hospital at Alekharchar, Comilla.
5	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method
6	Time for Completion of the work	13 (Thirteen) weeks from signature of contract agreement.
7	Eligibility of tenderer's	Contractor/Supplier enlisted with any Govt. Semi Govt. and Autonomous Organization for the financial year 2008-2009 having Previous experience for similar nature of works.
8	Budget and source of funds	Budget: - Revenue fund: GOB.
9	Price of tender document	Each Tk. 1000/- (One thousand) only by Treasury challan (Code No. 1293100002366)
10	Tender Security/ Earnest Money	Generator Sub-Station Lift 50000/- 35000/- 80000/-
11	Performance Security	10% (Ten percent) of the tender amount.
12	Name and address of the offices selling tender document	1. Deputy Director, District Social Services Office, Police line, Comilla. 2. Bangladesh Jatiyo Andha Kalyan Samity Office at Shankarpur, Alekharchar, Comilla.
13	Name and address of the office receiving tender document	1. Deputy Commissioner Office, Comilla.
14	Name and address of the office for opening	2. Deputy Director, District Social Services Office, Police line, Comilla. Deputy Commissioner Office, Comilla.
15	Date for selling tender documents	25.08.2009 to 08.09.2009 during Office hours
16	Tender Submitting date & time	09.09.2009 Up to 12-00 PM
17	Tender opening date & time	09.09.2009 at 12-30 P.M (Intending tenderer or their authorized representatives are allowed to attend. (If any.)

N. B: Procurement Entity reserves the right to accept any Tender or to reject all tenders without assigning any reasons whatever.

Project Director

Expansion of Bangladesh Jatiyo Andha Kalyan Samity Hospital, Comilla.

# Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd.

ZIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, KURMITOLA, DHAKA-1229, PHONES: 8914771-9, 8914730-4, www.bimanair.com

# Motor Transport Department, ZIA, Dhaka Tender Notice for Hiring A/C Microbus

Tender No: 01/2009-10

Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd hereby invites sealed tenders from actual proprietors/transport companies/ legitimate owners of the vehicles for hiring 10 (ten) unit A/C Microbus for 01 year basis for pick-up/drop of Biman crew. Details are given in the schedule which will be available on all working days from 27-08-2009 to 17-09-2009 in Cash and Banking Section of Biman Bangladesh Airlines Ltd, Biman Head Office, Balaka, Kurmitola, Dhaka and Office of the Manager Accounts, Biman Sales Office, Motijheel, Dhaka on payment of Tk 500/- (five hundred) only (non-refundable) by submitting an application on own letterhead.

Date of dropping of the tender is on 17-09-2009 from 0900-1200 hrs (LT). The tender will be opened on the same day at Biman MT Department, ZIA at 1400 hrs (LT) in presence of the bidders (if any).

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Manager (MT)

## বেসিক ব্যাংক লিমিটেড

শতভাগ মালিকানাধীন ব্যাংক  
প্রধান কার্যালয়, ১৯৫ মতিঝিল বা/এ, সেনাক্যান্ডা ভবন, ঢাকা।

### গাড়ী ক্রয়ের দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

০১। বেসিক ব্যাংকের জন্য গাড়ী ক্রয়ের লক্ষ্যে নিম্নোক্ত স্পেসিফিকেশন ও সিডিউলে বর্ণিত শর্তনামায়া বাংলাদেশী প্রকৃত পরিবেশক, ডিলার ও সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সীল মোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাচ্ছে:

1. Nature of Car (J) 1300cc EFECT Engine
2. Country of origin- Japan.
3. Right Hand Drive
4. Built in Catalytic converter with CNG Cylinder 60 (Italy & Brazil) with stapes.
5. All power, power door lock.
6. Rear Head Rest
7. Built in Audio-Radio AM/FM, CD changer & 4SPK
8. Standard Accessories of a modern car
9. Latest Model-2009 (Brand New)

গাড়ীর বিবরণ সম্বলিত সংযুক্ত বিবরণী মোতাবেক দাখিল করতে হবে।

০২। যানবাহন বিবরণ ও অন্যান্য শর্ত/নিয়মাবলী সম্বলিত দরপত্রের সিডিউল ০৩/০৯/২০০৯ তারিখ পর্যন্ত যে কোন কার্য দিবসে অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে সিডিউল মূল্য বারদ বেসিক ব্যাংক লিমিটেড প্রধান কার্যালয়, ঢাকায় অনুকূলে নগদ টাঃ ১০০০/- (অক্রেডিটযোগ্য) এর বিনিময়ে প্রধান কার্যালয়ের ৫ম তলায় অবস্থিত Establishment Division হতে সংগ্রহ করা যাবে।

০৩। দরপত্রের সাথে নিম্ন বর্ণিত ডকুমেন্টস দাখিল করতে হবে:

(ক) আনেষ্ট মানি হিসেবে বেসিক ব্যাংক, প্রধান কার্যালয়, ঢাকায় অনুকূলে দরপত্রে উল্লেখিত মোট মূল্যের ৩% হারে যে কোন তফসিলী ব্যাংক হতে পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট (যেবা সময়ে ফেরতযোগ্য)।

(খ) ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ভাউচ রেজিস্ট্রেশন সনদ, টি.আই.এন সনদ, চলতি বসেরের কর পরিশোধের সনদপত্র।

(গ) দরপত্রের সাথে শিপিং ডকুমেন্টস (বিল অফ লেডিং/বিল অফ এন্ড্রিং/ইনভয়েস ইত্যাদি) অবশ্যই দাখিল করতে হবে।

০৪। সীল মোহরকৃত বন্ধ বামে দরপত্র আগামী ১০/০৯/২০০৯ ইং তারিখ বিকাল ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত বেসিক ব্যাংক প্রধান কার্যালয়ের ৫ম তলায় রক্ষিত সীল মোহরকৃত তৈয়ারি বাক্সে দাখিল করা যাবে। একই তারিখ বিকাল ১২.৩০ ঘটিকার দরপত্র দাতাদের অথবা তাদের প্রতিনিধিদের সম্মুখে (কেউ উপস্থিত থাকলে) খোলা হবে।

Mohammed Mosharraf Hossain  
Deputy General Manager  
Branch Control & Establishment Division.

### প্রকল্প পরিচালক

বাংলাদেশ জাতীয় অন্ধ কল্যাণ সমিতি হাসপাতাল সম্প্রসারণ, কুমিল্লা  
জেলা সমাজসেবা কার্যালয়, পুলিশ লাইন, কুমিল্লা।

### পুনঃ দরপত্র আহবান বিজ্ঞপ্তি

"বাংলাদেশ জাতীয় অন্ধ কল্যাণ সমিতি হাসপাতাল সম্প্রসারণ, কুমিল্লা" প্রকল্পের অধীনে ২০০৯-২০১০ অর্থ বৎসরে মেডিকেল চিকিৎসা যন্ত্রপাতি এবং মেডিকেল যন্ত্রপাতির সহিত ব্যবহৃত ইলেকট্রনিক সামগ্রী সংগ্রহ/ক্রয়ের উদ্দেশ্যে প্রকৃত বাংলাদেশী দরপত্রদাতা/বৈধ লাইসেন্স প্রাপ্ত সরবরাহকারী/হস্তান্তরকার/আমদানী ও রপ্তানীকারক টিকাদারদের নিকট হইতে স্টোরে হতে প্যাকে সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে।

দরপত্রের সহিত জমাদানের জন্য প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্র ও শর্তাবলী:

- ১। মহাপ্রাণ/অধিদপ্তর/সংস্থের নাম
- ২। প্রতিষ্ঠানের ঠিকানা
- ৩। ফ্যাক্টর উল
- ৪। দরপত্র দাতার যোগাযোগ
- ৫। দরপত্র বিক্রয় অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা
- ৬। দরপত্র সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের তারিখ ও সময়
- ৭। দরপত্র বাজারে জমাদানের স্থান, তারিখ ও সময়
- ৮। দরপত্র বাজার খোলার তারিখ ও সময়
- ৯। কাজের সফলতার বিবরণ
- ১০। বিশেষ নির্দেশাবলী

কাজের নাম	সরবরাহের স্থান	দরপত্র দাখিলের মূল্য (অক্রেডিটযোগ্য) টাকা	দরপত্র বিক্রয়/প্রাপ্তির তারিখ
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১০। বিশেষ নির্দেশাবলী: সন্ধ্যাক সত্তা যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

প্রকল্প পরিচালক  
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