

DIVERSION OF 10 MMCFD TO PRIVATE POWER PLANT

Ctg city faces serious gas crisis for over a month

SHAHIDUL ISLAM, Chittagong

Diversion of 10 million cubic feet per day (mmcf) gas from Chittagong Bakhraabad Gas Systems Limited (BGSL) to a private rental power plant in Daudkandi has put domestic and commercial consumers in many areas of the port city in a serious gas crisis for more than a month.

Shortage of gas supply is affecting production in 832 industrial units, 104 captive power plants and 23 CNG refueling stations, sources said.

The BGSL authorities on August 24 diverted 10 mmcf gas from Kutumbpur bypass line in Comilla to American Electric Supply (AES), a private rental power plant located at Meghnaghat in Daudkandi, to ensure uninterrupted power generation by AES.

This is causing a sharp fall in gas supply in the port city mainly during peak hours—4:00pm to midnight—every day. Consumers also complain of fre-

quent fall in pressure in their gas connections.

The worst affected areas include Askar Dighir Par, Halishahar, Love Lane, Ghat Farhadbeg, Firoze Shah Colony, Rangipara, Eidgah, Colonel Hat and Muradpur.

To address the gas shortage, the authorities recently asked two major gas-based enterprises --Karnaphuli Fertiliser Company Limited (Kafco) and Raozan Thermal Power Plant-- to reduce their daily consumption of gas, sources said.

"Two units (each having 210 MW capacity) of Raozan plant are now running with 58mmcf gas while their requirement is 90mmcf. We asked the plant authorities to consume 50mmcf gas now. We also requested Kafco to run their factory with 50mmcf gas instead of the required 63mmcf," said an official seeking anonymity.

Contacted, BGSL General Manager

(marketing) Khan Ashraf Ali admitted the shortage of gas supply in different areas of Chittagong city due to diversion of Kutumbpur gas to the AES.

"We have been getting complaints from consumers in many areas of the port city about frequent disruption in gas supply and reduced gas pressure since August 24," he said.

He said Chittagong is now facing a shortage of around 100 mmcf gas on an average. Earlier, Chittagong Urea Fertiliser Factory was forced to stop production on April 26 for diverting over 50 mmcf gas to power plants, he mentioned.

BGSL sources said Chittagong consumers now get 216 - 220 mmcf gas against the demand for 330 mmcf. They get 46 mmcf gas from Sangu and the rest from the Gas Transmission Company Limited (GTCL). Gas consumers (domestic and commercial) in the port city total more than two lakh.

12 rescued from traffickers

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sakhira

Members of the Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) yesterday rounded up 12 people from Bhomra and Taluigachha bordering areas in Sadar upazila while being trafficked to India.

The group comprises five men, five women and two children, BDR and police sources said.

They were identified as Litu Mia, 25, Beauty Begum, 22, Rozina Khatun, 28, Rabbi, 4, Matiar Mollah, 35, Emdadul, 25, Saiful, 24, Yunus Ali, 29, Shefall Begum, 32, Mina Khatun, 35, Kabori, 19, and Nayan Moni, 6 and hail from Sakhira, Khulna and Bagerhat districts, police said.

Quoting locals BDR and police said, acting on a secret information, a BDR team picked them from Bhomra and Taluigachha border areas while being trafficked to India. However, the traffickers managed to flee.

UPDF activists block roads

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachari

Members of the United People's Democratic Front (UPDF) yesterday blocked roads in Laxmichhari upazila protesting attack on indigenous people Friday evening.

Talking to The Daily Star, Ratan Chakma, president of Pahari Chhatra Parishad of the district, alleged that the leaders and activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and Bangalee Chhatra Parishad (BCP) attacked the indigenous people at about 7:00pm, leaving six injured.

He identified the injured as Mascon Chakma, 20, Protul Chakma, 20, Mong Sagai Marna, 25, Minati Chakma, 15, Joya Chakma, 14, and Dipu Chakma, 25. However, till filing of this report at 4:00 pm yesterday none was admitted to the hospital or clinic.



Hundreds of people join a procession at Garaganj bus stand in Shaikupa upazila under Jhenidah district on Friday afternoon demanding punishment to the rapist of a mentally challenged girl.

Hundreds protest rape of mentally challenged girl

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jhenidah

Hundreds of people, including the physically challenged, formed a human chain at Garaganj bus stop under Shaikupa upazila of Jhenidah district on Friday demanding arrest and exemplary punishment of an influential person who allegedly raped a mentally retarded girl at Chandipur village recently.

Protibodhi Bahumukhi Kalyan Samity Jhenidah unit organised the human chain and also held a rally at the venue.

Locals and family sources said Sariful Islam, a local leader of the ruling party, intercepted the girl at Chandipur village when she along with her father was returning home at Mohepur village under the upazila from

a local fair on the night of September 26.

Victim's family said Sariful picked up the girl, took her to a nearby field and raped her.

As Sariful is an influential person, victim's father Momtaz Mondal did not dare open his mouth. When the matter came to the notices of the local people, Momtaz filed a case against Sariful with Shaikupa Police Station on October 4.

Police later sent the girl to Jhenidah Sadar Hospital for medical test. After check-up, doctors at the hospital confirmed that the girl was raped.

Chaired by Protibodhi Bahumukhi Kalyan Samity Jhenidah unit President Nurul Islam, Shaikupa Upazila Parishad Chairman Nayeb Ali Joarder attended the rally as chief guest.

Fisherman survives tiger attack

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sakhira

A fisherman yesterday survived an attack by a tiger after a half an hour battle in the deep forest of the Sundarbans.

Critically injured Shahidul Islam Kha, 35, son of Ishaque Ali Kha is now undergoing treatment at Shyamnagar Upazila Health Complex.

The victim received serious injury in head, chest, hands and back, doctors said.

Family sources said, Shahidul went to the Arpangashia canal under Burigoalini Forest Range with three other fishermen for catching fish fry on Friday.

Yesterday when they were fishing in the canal in Muragachhi area in the Sundarbans at about 10 am, a tiger all of a sudden swooped on them.

Shahidul struggled with the tiger while his three fellow fishermen ran for safety.

BCL, Sramik League men held on charge of extortion

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Ansar members in the bordering Bholaganj area caught three leaders of Chhatra League (BCL) and Sramik League Wednesday for demanding Tk10,000 illegal toll. Later they were handed over to the police.

The arrestees are general secretary of Companiganj upazila BCL Golzar Hossain, BCL activist Abdul Quddus and Sramik League leader Jamshed Miah.

Sources said, Golzar Hossain along with eight others went to the restricted ropeway area of Bangladesh Railway where a few parties were extracting stones violating government ban.

The BCL men allegedly asked the Ansar members for the toll money saying they were allowing the illegal stone collection.

The extortionists were instantly rounded up by the on-duty security men.

The ropeway is used for transporting stones to the railway's concrete slipper plant.

However, the Chhatra League men claimed that they went there to stop the illegal stone extraction. Police said, the matter is under investigation.



Members of a family wade through water near their flooded house at Mahishkhocha in Aditmari upazila of Lalmonirhat district as around 10 thousand families have become marooned following recent downpour and onrush of water from upstream.



Shahjalal University of Science & Technology, Sylhet
Engineering Office

Invitation for Tender (OTM)

Sealed tenders are hereby invited as per Public Procurement Regulation-2003 and Public Procurement Act-2006 for the undermentioned work as per terms and conditions stated below:

1. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Education.
2. Agency	: Shahjalal University of Science & Technology (SUST), Sylhet.
3. Procuring entity name & district	: Office of the University Engineer, Engineering Office, SUST, Sylhet.
4. Invitation for	: Supply of Telephone & Electrical Goods.
5. Invitation reference No. & date	: Eng/154(09)/33/09-10 Date-05/10/09.
6. Procurement method	: Open Tendering Method (OTM-PG-2).
7. Budget and source of funds	: Revenue fund.
8. Tender package No.	: 01 (one).
9. Tender package name	

Package No.	Description of work	Tender security (Tk)	Value of tender schedule (Tk)	Completion time (working days)	Value of work done in single order within last 5 years (Tk)
01.	Supplying of telephone & electrical goods for yearly maintenance work	7,000/- (seven thousand)	400/- (four hundred)	15 (fifteen) days from agreement	2.00 (two) lac

- Tender publication date : Within 05 (five) days.
- Tender last selling date & time : Date: 25/10/2009, Time: During bank hour.
- Tender received date & time : Date: 26/10/2009, Time: 12:00 noon.
- Tender opening date & time : Date: 26/10/2009, Time: 12:10 pm.
- Name and address of the office(s) selling tender document : a) Sonali Bank, SUST Branch, Sylhet.
- Name, designation and address of the office(s) inviting, receiving & opening tender document : Al-Nasir Khaled, University Engineer, Engineering Office, SUST, Sylhet.
- Contact details of official inviting tender : Phone No-0821-716123, 717850/Ext 216 Fax No-0821-715257.
- Eligibility of tenderer: Tenderer must meet the following qualifying and other eligibility criteria stated in the tender documents:
 - General experience of similar works not less than 5 (five) years.
 - List of works in hand with photocopy of the work order of the works to be enclosed along with completion certificates (in case of completed works).
 - Current year trade license.
 - VAT registration certificate (10 digit) and up-to-date Income Tax clearance certificate up to 30.06.2007.
 - All others as stated in the tender documents.
 - Original money receipt of schedule purchase from bank.
 The tenderer with a consistent history of litigation or a number of arbitration awards against it and or black listed tenderers by this university or any other department/organization shall not be eligible to tender.
- Special instructions:
 - The tenderer should submit the tender document in sealed condition, writing the name of work on the top of envelope.
 - The tenderer is to submit a declaration that he is and was not involved with the tender preparation.
 - This tender notice is brief and the details of the tender can be seen/know from the office of the undersigned during office hours.
 - All other terms and conditions as stated in the Public Procurement Rules-2008 and Public Procurement Act-2006 will remain valid.
 - If the tender not be submitted within the mentioned day and time, it will be directly rejected. Due to unavoidable circumstances, if the tender can't be received and opened in the schedule date and time, the same will be received and opened on the next working day respectively at the same time as mentioned office(s).
 - Any Contender (if any) will also be an integral part of the tender document and it will be binding upon the bidders/tenderers.
 - The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Al-Nasir Khaled
University Engineer

BNP rivals hold separate rallies in Magura

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Magura

Internal feud in BNP Mohammadpur upazila unit surfaced anew as two rival factions took out separate processions and held rallies yesterday.

Intra-party conflict in the unit first surfaced in July this year over formation of a full-fledged convening committee, party insiders said. Yesterday, a faction led by upazila unit joint Secretary Mohammad Akteruzzaman organised a meeting on the premises of upazila sports office at round 11:00 am while the other faction led by convener of the unit Mohammad Alimuzzaman called a separate meeting on Kazi Salima Huq College ground at the same time to demonstrate their strength.

The law enforcers, however, barred both the factions from holding rallies at the two scheduled places.

Akteruzzaman faction later held its rally in front of the local BNP office, which was presided over by another joint convener Principal Motiur Rahman.

Speakers at the meeting accused district BNP's Convener Kabir Murad of forming "pocket committees" at upazila and union levels. They also demanded his removal from the post of district convener for his alleged anti-organisational activities.

Alimuzzaman and his supporters held their programme at Dhoail Bazar, about 2 kilometers from the upazila headquarters. Chaired by joint convener of the upazila BNP Golam Rabbani, district BNP joint convener advocate Rokonzaman Khan, upazila BNP leaders advocate Firoz Shikder, Zahangir Alam Bachchu and Mahmud Hossain, among others, addressed the rally.



Dhaka Ahsania Mission
House # 19, Road # 12(New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka -1209

Invitation for Tender

1. Sponsoring Ministry	Ministry of Social Welfare.
2. Executing Agency	Department of Social Services & Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM)
3. Procuring Entity Name	Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM)
4. Procuring Entity Site	Plot No. 3, Embankment drive Way, Sector -10, Uttara Model Town, Dhaka-1230
5. Invitation for the project	Construction of Ahsania Mission Cancer and General Hospital (AMCGH)

KEY INFORMATION	
6. Procurement Method	Open Tender Method (OTM)

FUNDING INFORMATION	
7. Budget and Source of Funds	Department of Social Services & Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM)

PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
8. Tender Publication Date	11/10/2009
9. Tender selling Date	18/10/2009 to 02/11/2009.
10. Tender submission Date & Time	06/12/2009, 3.00 PM
11. Tender Opening Date & time	06/12/2009, 4.00 PM
12. Pre-tender Meeting (Place, date & time)	Engineering Division, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, House # 19, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka -1209. 05/11/2009, 3.00 PM
13. Name & Address of the office for selling the tender document	Director, Engineering Division, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, House # 19, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka -1209.
14. Name & Address of the offices for receiving the tender document	Director, Engineering Division, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, House # 19, Road # 12(New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka -1209 & Director General, Department of Social Services (DSS), E-8, B-1, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.
15. Name & Address of the office for opening the tender document	Director, Engineering Division, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, House # 19, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka -1209.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	
16. Eligibility of Tenderer	a. That they have been registered on or before the year 1999 as Builder and Engineers from Joint Stock Company. b. That they have the capability of completing the total work within the estimated time and that only for this work they have the capability to engage sufficient amount of steel shuttering and steel props which is not less than 60 (sixty) thousand sft and scaffolding of 50 (Fifty) thousand sft, minimum 4 (Four) running mixture machines of 14 cft hopper, minimum 8 (Eight) Electrical Vibrators in/c 2.5" to .75" nozzle, 1(one) 50 KVA diesel generator, minimum 3 (three) high speed Tower Hoist of height 150ft with hopper capacity 14cft. c. That they have completed the similar types of work amounting not less than Taka 15 crore in a single work order within last five years.
17. Brief Description of Works.	a. Remaining works of 8th and 9th floors, Construction works up to 12th floor and roof top including related finishing works, internal Electrical, Sanitary & water supply works. b. Construction of Radiotherapy and Brachithrapy Vault Buildings & its related Sanitary & Electrical works. c. Parapet, Roof top RCC water tank, Under Ground water Reservoir, Road, Drain.
18. Brief Description of related services.	Civil, Electrical, Sanitary & Plumbing works.
19. Price of tender document	Tk. 5,000.00 (Five Thousand) only (Non-refundable)

PROCUREMENT ENTITY DETAILS	
20. Name of Official Inviting Tender	M. A. Kashem Masud
21. Designation & address	Project Director, Ahsania Mission Cancer and General Hospital (AMCGH), 4/A Eskaton Garden Road, Dhaka.
22. Name, designation, address and contact details of official for any further information or clarification regarding this tender	Chowdhury Ziaur Rasul, Director, Engineering Division, Dhaka Ahsania Mission, House # 19, Road # 12 (New), Dhanmondi, Dhaka -1209. Tel: 8119521-22 Ext: 132, Fax No: 02-8113010, 8118522. e.mail : z.rasul@ahsaniamission.org
23. This tender notice may also be viewed in the web site	a. www.cptu.gov.bd b. www.advertisementbd.com c. www.ahsaniacancer.com
24.	a. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any/all Tender without assigning any reason, what so ever. b. Furnishing of any false, fraud and misleading document by the tenderer shall result in rejection of his/her tender. c. Authority reserves the right not to accept the lowest tender.