

BSF man faces trial for killing three Bangladeshis

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

Trial of a member of Indian Border Security Force (BSF) has begun for killing three innocent Bangladeshis by crossing the border in Tentulia upazila of Panchagarh district on November 16 last year.

The accused, BSF jawan RP Singh is being tried as per departmental rules, BSF sources said.

On Monday, two Bangladeshi doctors -- Dr Abdul Qaiyum, head of the Department of Surgery of Rangpur Medical College Hospital and Dr Baharam Ali, resident medical officer of Panchagarh Sadar Hospital -- went to Phulbari BSF camp through Banglabandha border and gave their statements before the trial court.

The two doctors gave treatment to the injured including RP Singh, who was caught by the villagers during the incident, and conducted autopsy of the killed persons.

Acting Commander of 25 Rifles Battalion Major Mozaffar Rahman, Tentulia Upazila Nirbahi Officer Monjur Alam and Operations

Officer of 25 Rifles Battalion Captain Hasibul Hossain Nobi also went to Phulbari camp with the doctors.

The same court on Saturday took statement of Sub-Inspector Abdul Latif, who was working at Tentulia Police Station during November 16 killings by BSF. Latif rescued RP Singh from villagers and rushed him to Panchagarh Sadar Hospital for treatment.

Eight to 10 drunken BSF personnel including RP Singh from Nayabari camp in India entered Mynaguri village of Tentulia near Majipara border on November 16 night and ransacked several houses.

When villagers protested, the BSF men entered the house of Shahidul Islam and fired indiscriminately, killing three people including a minor boy and injuring another person.

Villagers then caught RP Singh and gave him a good beating. He was handed over to BSF through a sector commander-level meeting several days later.

Following the incidents, the BSF authorities formed the six-member court headed by a deputy inspector general.



PHOTO: BANGLA CHOKH

Indian onion, imported in huge quantities almost regularly through Benapole land port, fails to reduce price of the common cooking ingredient in the country.

UPDF enforces roadblock in Khagrachhari today

OUR CORRESPONDENT,
Khagrachhari

Indigenous people of remote Laxmichhari upazila have stopped selling and buying goods at Laxmichhari Bazar protesting attack on some indigenous people and leaders of the United People's Democratic Front (UPDF) at the bazar allegedly by the activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) and Bangladeshi Chhatra Parishad (BCP) on October 9.

UPDF will enforce a day-long road blockade programme in Khagrachhari district today protesting the attack. UPDF announced the programme at a meeting at Mohazon Par Larma Square yesterday with its district unit member Batayon Chakma in the chair.

Leaders of the UPDF alleged that the activists of BCL and BCP jointly launched the attack on the indigenous people including the UPDF leaders at the bazar at around 7:00pm on October 9, leaving six injured. The injured were not admitted to any hospital or clinic fearing arrest, they said.

They urged the indigenous people, including all leaders and activists of UPDF and its front organisations, to make the road blockade programme a success.

The meeting was addressed, among others, by United People's Democratic Front (UPDF) district unit member Kalopriya Chakma, General Secretary of Hill Women's Federation district unit Swarna Chakma and President of Pahari Chhatra Parishad Khagrachhari unit Ratan Chakma.

IU medical centre limps for shortage of doctors, staff

BSS, Kushtia

The medical centre of the Islamic University (IU) in the district is limping due to acute shortage of doctors, medicine and nurses causing immense suffering to the patients there.

IU sources said the medical centre started in August 2003 to provide round-the-clock service. Authorities at that time promised to appoint adequate number of doctors and staff shortly to run it properly.

But the assurance is yet to be materialised. According to the sources, there are now only 10 doctors, nine officials and nine nurses to provide health services for 12,000 students, teachers and officials.

Of them, two doctors are on educational leave while four senior medical officers work only six hours a day and five days a week.

Five doctors are managing the day shift, two look after the evening shift and only one work at night shift, which is simply inadequate for dealing with the patients.

As a result, the centre is facing tremendous difficulties in providing required

health services, a senior medical officer said. "It is very difficult to run the centre with such a small number of staff," he lamented.

Moreover, there are only two pharmacists at the centre for serving medicine in three shifts a day forcing the authorities to engage peons

and computer operators to have the job done.

"We are waiting for steps in this regard," he said.

"However, we are trying our best to provide maximum health services to the patients with our small number of staff and limited resources," he added.

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Request for Expression of Interest for Engagement of Individual Consultant

- The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit (hereinafter called the "loan") from the International Development Association (IDA) toward the cost of Investment Promotion and Financing Facility (IPFF) project and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this fund to payments under the contract for the provision of consultancy services for the project.
- IPFF now invites eligible applicants to indicate their interest in providing the services for the following posts. The applicants are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (complete CV with other details as required as per the Application Forms). The contract package number, name of the post, experience and job responsibilities of the post are as follows:

Contract package number	Name of the post	(i) Required minimum qualification; (ii) Experience	Job responsibilities
S10	Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist	<p>(i) The consultant must have minimum Masters degree in economics/business administration/public administration or management from a reputable university.</p> <p>(ii) The consultant should have at least 5 years of experience and understanding on strategic planning and implementation, project monitoring and evaluation preferably with infrastructure projects.</p> <p>(iii) Must have communication and presentation skills in Bangla and English, computer skills including Word, Excel, PowerPoint.</p>	<p>(i) Develop project monitoring forms and templates based on certain criteria and milestones; (ii) Develop project evaluation forms and templates; (iii) Develop structure of computer based project monitoring system; (iv) Setting up the M&E system based on the project log frame and the project M&E plan and ensuring its efficient and effective implementation; (v) Develop the overall framework for project M&E in accordance to the guidelines; (vi) Identify sources of data, collection methods, persons collecting data, and frequency of data collection; (vii) Identify the core information needs of central project management, identify the requirements for collecting baseline data, prepare detailed M&E budget, prepare calendar of M&E activities; (viii) Prepare report based on the feed back received from the Executing Agencies; (ix) Prepare consolidated progress reports for project management including identification of problems, causes of potential bottlenecks in project implementation, and providing specific recommendations; (x) Compile all the monitoring and evaluation forms received from different Executing Agencies and line ministries; (xi) Coordinate preparation of progress reports. Guide executing agencies in preparing their progress reports in accordance with approved reporting formats and ensure their timely submission including quarterly progress reports, annual project report, and ad-hoc technical reports; (xii) Check that monitoring data are discussed in the review meeting and in a timely fashion in terms of implications for future action. If necessary, arrange discussion forums to fill the gaps; (xiii) Provide technical advice for the revision of performance indicators; (xiv) Undertake regular visits to the field to support implementation of M&E and identify where adaptations might be needed; (xv) Foster participatory planning and monitoring by training and involving primary stakeholder groups in the M&E of activities; (xvi) Monitor the follow up of evaluation recommendations; (xvii) Identify the need and draw up the ToRs for specific project studies. Recruit, guide and supervise consultants or organisations that are contracted to implement special surveys and studies required for evaluating project effects and impacts.</p>
S12	IT Specialist	<p>(i) The consultant must have at least Bachelor/Diploma in Computer Science/Information Technology from a reputable university/ institutions with at least 5 years experience after Bachelor/Diploma degree in software development.</p> <p>(ii) The consultant must have significant experience in programming language including C/C++, JAVA, SQL, troubleshooting, LAN system etc.</p> <p>(iii) Must have communication and presentation skills in Bangla and English. Computer skills including Word, Excel, PowerPoint</p>	<p>(i) Develop structure of an information system/software for PICOM secretariat to monitor and evaluate projects which has automatic link with inputs; (ii) Identify the input and output parameters of the monitoring software; (iii) Design input and output screens with user-friendly visual objects, satisfactory to the client; (iv) Frame codes and logics for the software; (v) Design input forms to match with input screens for future data input; (vi) Input in the software the data collected on different projects from Executing Agencies and Line Ministries; (vii) Develop and maintain all database related functions of PICOM secretariat; (viii) Provide on-the-job training to operate the software to the staffs of PICOM secretariat; (ix) Maintain and update the PICOM Website; (x) Maintaining network connections between systems; (xi) Hardware and software installation and troubleshooting; (xii) Perform LAN troubleshooting; (xiii) Look after on line server and internal LAN; (xiv) Configure LAN using workgroup/domain; (xv) Browser & mail software installation and troubleshooting; (xvi) Set up software configuration and troubleshooting; (xvii) Provide all sorts of computer related support for IPFF project; (xviii) Any other relevant tasks assigned from time to time.</p>

- A consultant will be selected using the selection of individual consultant sub-method in accordance with Public Procurement Act 2006 and Public Procurement Rules 2008 issued by the GoB. It is expected that for both packages the services will be commenced on 1 January 2010 and shall be completed on 31 March 2011.
- Interested consultants may obtain detailed TOR and further information from the office of the undersigned during normal office hours or from Bangladesh Bank website at www.bangladeshbank.org.bd.
- Interested consultants are required to submit their expression of interest in accordance with the Application Forms and may obtain the Request for Application document from the project office (Investment Promotion & Financing Facility Project, 24th Floor, 2nd Annex Building, Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka, Tel: 7126101-14/3129) during normal office hours.
- Expression of Interest shall be submitted on or before 12th November 2009 during normal office hours, in sealed envelop delivered to Mr. Md. Abul Quasem, Executive Director and Project Director, Investment Promotion and Financing Facility (IPFF) Project, Bangladesh Bank, Head Office, Dhaka-1000, and be clearly marked "Request for Expression of Interest", contract package number, name of the post applied for and name and address of the individual.
- Minimum remuneration will be provided to the selected consultant for both packages of Bangladesh Taka equivalent of US\$ 1700 per month. On the basis of excellent educational qualification and experience in relevant areas, remuneration may be given maximum of Bangladesh Taka equivalent of US\$ 1900 per month.
- Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the Expression of Interest without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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People taking risky ride on an overcrowded chander gari, a locally devised vehicle, on a village road in Rauzan upazila in Chittagong district. The photo was taken recently.

Bogra lawyers' ultimatum

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Members of the Bogra Bar Association will boycott courts until 1:00pm tomorrow if the persons involved in assaulting Additional Public Prosecutor (PP) Helalur Rahman Helal are not arrested by today.

The decision was taken at an emergency meeting of Bogra Bar Association's office yesterday with Advocate Anisur Rahman in the chair. Association's General Secretary Shahjahan Ali Khan, former general secretary Wazed Ali, Tabibur Rahman Tabi and Naresh Mukherjee spoke.

Helalur Rahman Helal filed a case with Bogra Sadar Police Station on Monday night, accusing five people including Zia Shahin and Salaiman Ali of assaulting him.

Salaiman Ali also filed a counter case against Helalur Rahman Helal the same night.

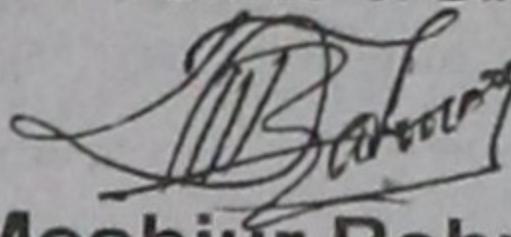
Investment Corporation of Bangladesh Head Office 8, DIT Avenue, Dhaka

NOTICE OF THE THIRTYTHIRD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Thirtythird Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Investment Corporation of Bangladesh (ICB) will be held on Saturday, 21 November, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. at the Auditorium of National Sports Council Tower (NSC Tower), 62/3, Purana Paltan, Dhaka-1000 to transact the following business:

- To place the minutes of the Thirtysecond Annual General Meeting held on 28 October, 2008 for information;
- To receive, consider and adopt the Annual Report and Audited Accounts of ICB for the year ended 30 June, 2009;
- To approve dividend as recommended by the Board; and
- Any other business with the permission of the Chair.

By Order of the Board of Directors,


Md. Moshiur Rahman
Secretary

Dated: 12 October, 2009

Notes:

- Record Date is fixed on 04 November, 2009, Wednesday.
- The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing and in the case of an individual shareholder under the hand of the shareholder or his / her attorney authorised in this behalf by a Power of Attorney and in case of an institution under its common seal or under the hand of its attorney authorised in this behalf.
- A proxy shall not be valid unless it is dated and properly stamped and unless it is lodged with ICB, Head Office at least 72 (seventy two) hours before the time fixed for the meeting.
- No person shall be appointed as a proxy nor shall any person act as such, who is not a shareholder qualified to vote at the general meeting in respect of which the proxy is given.