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Children play at the Croix Glorieuse orphanage in Port-au-Prince on Friday. Quake-ravaged Haiti needs at least a decade of painstaking efforts for reconstruction, aid chiefs and donor nations warned as homeless, scarred survivors struggled to rebuild their lives.

Disease stalks quake survivors

AFP, Port-au-prince

Haiti's government and UN agencies yesterday prepared for a mass vaccination drive as potentially deadly diseases such as diarrhoea sprung up at squalid camps housing desperate quake survivors.

The vaccination campaign against measles, tetanus and diphtheria will start next week, World Health Organisation spokesman Paul Garwood said, amid heightened efforts to prevent a potential public health calamity.

A vast foreign aid effort is struggling to meet survivors' needs more than two weeks after the disaster, which killed around 170,000 people and left one million homeless and short of food, water and medical attention.

"Several medical teams report a growing caseload of diarrhoea in the last two to three days," Garwood told reporters in Geneva.

"There are also reports of measles and tetanus, including in resettlement camps, which is worrisome due to the high concentration of people," he said, adding that just 58 percent of Haitian infants were immunized before the quake.

He highlighted a "critical" need for sur-

geons, with an estimated 30 to 100 amputations being carried out every day in some hospitals, while supplies of anaesthetics and antibiotics were also needed.

The 7.0-magnitude quake on January 12 decimated Haiti's already meagre health system, creating conditions for disease to thrive in the cramped refugee camps.

Only one person in two among the Haitian population of more than nine million people has access to clean drinking water, and only 19 percent have decent sanitation.

In a further blow Port-au-Prince's iconic Iron Market, built in 1889, was ravaged by fire on Friday and left to burn for hours by overstretched firefighters -- leaving looters to scramble over rubble mountains that were once streets, carting off metal scraps and wood beams.

One travel guide for Hispaniola, the Caribbean island that includes both relatively prosperous Dominican Republic and neighbouring Haiti, describes the red-metal market as a structure seemingly out of "Arabian Nights," with proudly detailed minarets and 19th century train station clock tower.

Iran puts 16 protesters on trial

AP, Tehran

Iran put 16 people detained during anti-government protests last month on trial yesterday on charges of rioting and conspiring against the ruling system, Iran's state media reported.

The official IRNA news agency and state Press TV said the defendants, who appeared in a Tehran courtroom Saturday, face charges ranging from plotting against the establishment to violating security regulations.

Five of those on trial, including two women, were accused of "Moharebeh," or defying God, a charge that could carry the death penalty; the semi-official ISNA news agency reported.

New ideas on Iran nuclear fuel raised at Davos: FM

US pressures China on sanctions

AFP, Tehran/ Paris

Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki has said "new ideas" on the supply of nuclear fuel to Iran were raised in talks with French and Brazilian officials in Davos, reports said yesterday.

Mottaki also said that Tehran's own ideas on the exchange of its low-enriched uranium for higher-enriched fuel remain on the table, Iranian media reported from the World Economic Forum in the Swiss resort.

"Following discussions with French and Brazilian officials, new ideas with regard to supplying fuel for the Tehran (research) reactor have been raised," the ISNA news agency quoted the foreign minister as saying.

Talks between Iran and world powers

on a UN-brokered deal for the supply of fuel for the reactor have been deadlocked over Western objections to Iranian calls for amendments.

The original draft calls for Iran to enrich most of its stockpile of low-enriched uranium before any deliveries of nuclear fuel to assuage Western concerns it might otherwise covertly further enrich the uranium to weapons grade.

But Iran has said it will only ship out the uranium in phases as it receives the fuel from France and Russia, and Mottaki said that idea remained on the table.

"We hope that the other side (the Western powers) will be realistic, so that a clear result can be achieved," he said.

Iran's atomic chief Ali Akbar Salehi, meanwhile, said that Iran accepts the

broad "significant principle of a fuel swap."

"But it is still waiting for strong and reliable guarantees for this swap," the IILNA news agency quoted him as saying.

He said Iran hoped to discuss the details of those guarantees in further talks with world powers.

Iranian officials have repeatedly voiced suspicion of the West's intentions in the proposed nuclear deal. Tehran has had no diplomatic relations with Washington since the aftermath of the 1979 Islamic revolution and there is an abiding legacy of mistrust. The head of the UN nuclear watchdog, Yukio Amano, was also in Davos on Friday and said that negotiations were not over on the proposed fuel deal.

US backs away from 9/11 trial in Manhattan

AFP, Washington

The White House looked likely to reverse course on plans to bring the alleged plotters of the September 11 attacks to trial at a Manhattan courthouse, amid mounting and bipartisan opposition.

The Obama administration "was considering other options," an administration official told AFP, speaking on condition of anonymity.

"Conversations have occurred within the administration to discuss contingency options should the possibility of a trial in lower Manhattan be foreclosed upon by Congress or locally."

The plan, controversial since its announcement, united a range of critics who opposed bringing high-profile alleged

terrorists to a court steps from Ground Zero, citing emotional distress, security risks and the projected price tag.

Several alternative locations have already been floated, including towns outside New York City, a federal prison in Otisville and Stewart Air National Guard Base.

But each comes with its own logistical problems, meaning a quick solution is unlikely.

The prosecution the self-described mastermind of the 2001 attacks, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, and four co-accused in a Manhattan federal court is at the centre of President Barack Obama's plans to close the Guantanamo Bay, where the men are currently held.



PHOTO: AFP

Palestinian demonstrators run to take cover from teargas fired by Israeli troops during a protest in the West Bank village of Nabi Saleh against the expansion of Jewish settlements on Friday.

VEHICLE SALE NOTICE

Japan International Cooperation Agency invites offer of BID for used Vehicle addressed to Head of Administration from the interested buyer for the following vehicles.

1. 4WD Vehicle: 2700 C.C, Model:1999, Fuel: Octane, Seat-9, 122700km.
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The bidder can inspect the vehicle on 15 February 2010 from 10:00 hours to 16:00 hours at House # 9, Road No. 10, Baridhara, Dhaka.

The bid will be accepted on the following conditions:

1. Offers are invited from Diplomatic Organization / Diplomat / Passport holders and any other persons. Offers will also be considered from non-privileged persons provided that all local duty and taxes against the vehicle will be paid by the buyer.
2. The offer has to be sealed in an envelope for each vehicle along with TK. 25,000.00 as a guarantee deposited by Pay order / Bank Draft in favour of "Japan International Cooperation Agency".
3. The seller reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without assigning any reason whatsoever.
4. Date, Time and Place of submission of offer: 22 February 2010 at 9:00 hours to 15:00 Hours. Uday Tower(7th Floor), 57 & 57-A Gulshan south Avenue, Dhaka-1212.
5. Other conditions, BID Form and any information's (query) should be provided to bidder from the officers in charge before 21 February 2010.

Head of Administration
Japan International Cooperation Agency
Tel. 9891897, 9891899

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) is responsible for Japanese Official Development Assistance. JICA Bangladesh Office invites application for the following position (contractual):

Position	Requirements
Clerk (administrative assistant)	The candidate should have the following qualifications: Education: Bachelor degree Experience: Work experience for a few years will be preferable. Language: Proficient in writing and speaking English. Computer: Operation of Word processing and Excel. Age: Should be under 30 years old.

Interested candidates are requested to send their CVs with contact Tel. number, one copy of passport size photograph, copy of certificate relating to academic results, language, computer, etc. to: JICA Bangladesh Office, Uday Tower, 7th floor, 57&57A Gulshan Avenue(South), Circle-1, Dhaka-1212 by 10 February, 2010 (4:30PM).

Only short listed candidates will be contacted.

Warning over HR situation in Somalia

The UN independent expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia, Dr Shamsul Bari, issued a strong warning on the security, human rights and humanitarian situation in Somalia, says a press release issued from Geneva.

Dr Bari described as "extremely serious" the situation in South and Central Somalia, where civilians continue to bear the brunt of the fighting between forces of the Transitional Federal Government forces (TFG) and Islamist armed groups.

At the end of his fourth monitoring mission to the Horn of Africa, the UN expert shared reports about grave violations of women and children's rights, including the recruitment and use of children by several parties to the conflict. He added that "corporal punishment in the name of Sharia law by Islamist

groups, including floggings and amputations following summary proceedings, arbitrary detention, death threats and intimidation are reportedly taking place."

"The Islamist forces fighting to topple the TFG are reported to have carried out extrajudicial executions, planted mines, bombs and other explosive devices in civilian areas, and used civilians as human shields," said Dr Bari, adding that "fighters from both sides are reported to have fired mortars indiscriminately into areas populated or frequented by civilians."

The UN expert stressed that "journalists and human rights defenders in all parts of Somalia continue to face severe restrictions, increasing death threats and are often become victims of targeted killings for their work."



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G4S Security Services Bangladesh (P) Ltd, a multinational company, is inviting applications from qualified candidates for the following positions for immediate appointment:

1. Manager Manned Services, Number of Position: Dhaka-02 & Narayanganj-01

Major Job Responsibilities: Business Development; Meet clients on regular basis to get feed back on service problems and resolve client complains; Provide client feedback reports to Head office; Roster Management; Guards man management to include responsibilities to oversee guards barrack issues and Management of financial issues of the branch

Job Requirements: Minimum Graduate, MBA or Masters will be preferred; Minimum 10 years of experiences preferably relating to man management organization; Should be willing to work in team environment; Good communication skills (both verbal and written) in English and Bengali; Dexterity on MS Office especially on MS word, MS excel, email and internet

2. Assistant Manager Manned Services, Number of Position: Dhaka-05 & Narayanganj-01

Major Job Responsibilities: Assist in business development; Meet clients on regular basis to get feed back on service problems and resolve client complains; Provide client feedback reports; Assist in roster management; Ensure guards accommodation facilities and Assist in branch financial issues

Job Requirements: Minimum Graduate, MBA or Masters will be preferred; Minimum 5 years of experiences preferably relating to man management organization; Should be willing to work in team environment; Good communication skills (both verbal and written) in English and Bengali; Dexterity on MS Office especially on MS word, MS excel, email and internet

Job Facilities: Company has excellent working environment & career growth opportunity and will offer competitive compensation package to the deserving candidate

Application Procedures: Candidates are requested to send Applications along with detailed Resume stating contact telephone/mobile number and a recent passport size photograph to the following address on or before February 11, 2010:

Assistant Vice President (HR & Administration), G4S Security Services Bangladesh (P) Ltd, Head Office: G4S Dhaka House, 22 Pragati Sharani, Block-J, Baridhara, Dhaka-1212 or E-mail your Applications along with detailed Resume to: jobs@bd.g4s.com

Please mention name of position applied for on top of the envelop
Only short listed candidates will be called for selection process

TENDER NOTICE

IT Equipment

United Commercial Bank Limited, Information Technology Division, Head Office, CWS (A)-1, Road-34, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka-1212, Phone: 028852500, www.ucbl.com

In order to procure, United Commercial Bank Limited is inviting Sealed Quotations from the reputed Dealers/Distributors/Resellers for supplying and installation of computer, laptop, rack server, printer (Dot Matrix & Laser), UPS, Network Equipment (VPN Router, Switch, Rack & UTP Cable etc) as per our terms and conditions. Short details of the items are described as follows:

Product Name	Preferred Brand	Product Name	Preferred Brand
Computer (Desktop)	Dell	VPN Router	Linksys
Laptop	Vendor Specify	32U Standard Rack (Closed)	Net Link & Rexxes
Server Rack Mount	Dell	600 mm(W) X 32U X 900 mm(D)	
UPS Offline & Online	Vendor Specify	9U Wall Mount Rack	Panduit & Systemax
Printer (Dot & Laser)	Vendor Specify	600 mm(W) X 9U X 450/550 mm(D)	
External Dat Drive	Vendor Specify	UTP CAT 6 Cable, 305 Meter	D-Link/Linksys/3-Com
Monitor (LCD)	Vendor Specify	Printer (Dot & Laser)	
		External Dat Drive	
		Monitor (LCD)	

Collection of Schedule: Tender Schedule may be collected from the IT Division, United Commercial Bank, Head Office, CWS (A)-1, Road-34, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka-1212 on all working days during office hours from 1st to 4th February, 2010 on payment (non-refundable) of Tk. 1,000/= as PO/DD for each schedule (listed above) in favor of "United Commercial Bank Limited".

Submission of Schedule: Sealed tender Schedule is to be dropped in the Tender Box kept at the IT Division, United Commercial Bank, CWS (A)-1, Road-34, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka-1212 mentioning "Quotation for Computer, Server, Laptop, Printer, UPS or Network Equipment" in the top of the Envelope within 12.00 noon on 14th February, 2010. The tender will be opened on the same day at 12:30 pm in presence of the indenting bidder(s) (If remain present).

The United Commercial Bank Limited authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers, in part or full without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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