

Jute price hike cheers up growers

BSS, Rangpur

The market prices of jute rose to Tk 2,200 per maund (every 40kg), bringing profits and smiles to its growers in the country's northern region, said officials and farmers.

They predicted yesterday a further rise in jute prices this season because of huge demand.

A week ago, jute sold at between Tk 1,600 and Tk 1,900 per maund, depending on variety and quality.

Meanwhile, the separation of jute fibre has been completed with excellent yield rates in northern Bangladesh.

The government distributed 4,196 cost-free ribboners and Tk 83.92

crore incentives among 4,19,600 farmers of Rangpur Agriculture Zone (RAZ) alone to ease fibre separation and upgrade quality using ribbon retting this season.

Officials in the Department of Agricultural Extension said farmers had cultivated jute on 1,99,833 hectares of land, which is 44 percent higher than the fixed target of 1,38,731 hectares, to produce 14,74,777 bales of jute in the region.

"The overall jute production might be around 22 lakh bales," according to the DAE.

Shafiqur Rahman, assistant director of the Directorate of Jute for Rangpur and Dinajpur zones, said the jute mills under Bangladesh Jute

Mills Corporation have so far purchased only 50 percent of their fixed purchasing targets.

Jute growers Mokbul Hossain, Abu Jafar and Abul Kalam of Rangpur said they are very happy to get excellent jute prices this season in the local markets because of demands for the 'golden fibre'.

Agri-scientist Dr MA Mazid forecast huge prospects for jute following the government's re-launching of closed jute mills. The nation is aiming to regain the past glory of jute in the wake of globally climate change.

Mohsin Ali, DAE's additional director, agreed that jute farming is regaining a stronger foothold.



A man works at a jute mill in the northern district of Panchagarh. Recent increases in jute prices have interested farmers in further cultivation of the 'golden fibre'.

Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) Invitation for International Limited Competitive Tender (ICT)

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh		
1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Communication/Roads & Railways Division.
2	Agency	Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC).
3	Procuring entity name	Project Director (Director-Technical, BRTC) "300 (three hundred) Dedicated CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) RHD Single Decker Buses for BRTC under EDCF loan in completely built-up (CBU) condition with spare parts, equipments and related services.
4	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
6	Invitation for	Procurement of "300 (three hundred) Dedicated CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) Right Hand Drive (RHD) Single Decker Buses for BRTC under EDCF loan in completely built-up (CBU) condition with spare parts, equipments and related services.
7	Invitation Ref. No.	
8	Date	

KEY INFORMATION		
9	Procurement method	Competitive Bidding (CB) among Korean suppliers. Goods (RHD Single Decker CNG Buses in CBU condition with spare parts, equipments and related services) should be supplied from Korea by Korean manufacturers.

FUNDING INFORMATION		
10	Budget and source of funds	Economic Development and Co-operation Fund (EDCF) of Republic of Korea.
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Economic Development and Co-operation Fund (EDCF) of Republic of Korea.

PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
12	Project/program name (if applicable)	Project name: "Procurement of Single Decker CNG Buses for BRTC under EDCF loan."
13	Tender package name	Procurement of "300 (three hundred) Dedicated CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) RHD Single Decker Buses for BRTC under EDCF loan in completely built-up (CBU) condition with spare parts, equipments and related services as specified in the schedule of delivery.
14	Tender publication date	08/09/2010.
15	Tender last selling date	24/10/2010.
16	Tender closing date and time	25/10/2010 & 12:00 noon BST.
17	Tender opening date and time	25/10/2010 & 12:30 noon BST.
18	Name & address of the office(s)	Address: Conference Room, BRTC Head Office, 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh.

No conditions is applied for sale, purchase or distribution of tender documents

19	-Selling tender document (principal)	Purchase Department, BRTC Head Office, 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh.
20	-Selling tender document (others)	None.
21	-Receiving tender document	Purchase Department, BRTC Head Office, 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000.
22	-Opening tender document	Conference Room, BRTC Head Office, 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh.
23	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting	BRTC Head Office Conference Room Date: 04/10/2010 Time: 11:00am BST
24	Eligibility of tenderer	As described in tender document.
25	Brief description of goods	Dedicated CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) RHD Single Decker buses in completely built-up (CBU) condition with spare parts and equipments as specified in the delivery schedule.
26	Brief description of related services	Local Training for 100 technical persons for one month & 100 operational staff for 2 weeks, and Foreign Training for 20 technical persons for one month on repair & maintenance and 10 operational persons for two weeks on fleet management in manufacturer's premises.
27	Price of tender document (Tk.)	BDT. 20,000.00 (twenty thousand) or US\$ 300.00 (three hundred US Dollar).

Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk.)	Completion time in weeks/months	
28	01	Dedicated CNG (Compressed Natural Gas) RHD Single Decker Buses in Completely Built-up (CBU) condition bus with spare parts, equipments and related services.	Integrated Central Workshop (ICWS), Gazipur, Dhaka, Bangladesh	US\$ 725,000.00 (seven hundred twenty five thousand US Dollar)	Over the period of 08 (eight) months in Three Deliveries (First Delivery to be completed in 06 months, Second Delivery to be completed in 07 months, Third Delivery to be completed in 08 months) from date of opening of letter of credit.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
29	Name of official inviting tender	Colonel Md. Aktar Kamal, psc.
30	Designation of official inviting tender	Director (Technical), BRTC.
31	Address of official inviting tender	BRTC Head Office, Paribahan Bhaban, 21, Rajuk Avenue, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh.
32	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: (88-02) 9557952 Fax: 08-02-9555788 E-mail: technical@brtc.gov.bd
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or assess the tender proceedings.	

GD-3864 Project Director & Director (Technical) BRTC

Salt growers to get loans at 4pc interest

STAR BUSINESS REPORT

Salt farmers in the southern coastal region will get bank loans at a subsidised rate of four percent during the farming season.

Bangladesh Bank, in a circular issued Thursday, asked the banks and financial institutions to provide loans to the farmers at the low rate.

Small and marginal farmers as well as sharecroppers in the coastal belt are entitled to this rate. The production of salt on an area

ranging from 0.5 bigha to 2.5 acres of land will be covered by this low lending rate.

The amount of loan for each acre is to be decided by individual banks, taking into account the rental cost of land, purchasing of polythene and the dam construction cost, the central bank circular said.

The banks will receive a subsidy from the central bank at the end of the year on loans to the salt farmers at a rate of six percent, provided these comply with the low lending rate conditions.

Fareast Islami Ins gets senior EVP

STAR BUSINESS DESK

Fareast Islami Insurance Company Ltd has appointed Apel Mahmud as senior executive vice-president (EVP), the insurer said in a statement yesterday.

Mahmud, a mathematics graduate from Dhaka University, has an ACII degree from Chartered Insurance Institute in England and an



AMII degree from Malaysian Insurance Institute.

In his 15 years of insurance career, he served Rupali Life Insurance, Meghna Life Insurance and Homeland Life Insurance.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Invitation for Tender

Bangladesh Police Rapid Action Battalion Forces Headquarters Admin & Finance Wing Kurmitola, Dhaka

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Home Affairs.
2.	Agency	Rapid Action Battalion (RAB) Forces.
3.	Procuring entity name	Director General, RAB Forces.
4.	Source of funds	GOB Revenue.
5.	Tender package No.	S(G)-03/2010-2011
6.	Tenders invitation Ref. No. & date	RAB HQ/Admin (Supply)/Computer Items/513/1075 Date: 08 Sep 2010.
7.	Tender name	Toner of Computer Printers, Cartridge, Ribbon and Various Items for RAB Forces Headquarters.
8.	Procurement method	Open Tender Method (OTM).
9.	Eligibility of tenderers	Two years experience in supply of above categories of items (those are mentioned S/I No.-7) to any govt./semi govt./autonomous organization or reputed agency with satisfactory performance in accordance with PPR-2008.
10.	Time for completion of delivery	As per work order.
11.	Price of tender document (non-refundable)	Tk. 1,000/-
12.	Amount of tender security (refundable)	Tk. 88,000/-
13.	Name and address of the office selling, receiving and opening tender documents	RAB Forces Headquarters (Admin & Finance Wing) Civil Aviation Cargo Admin Building, Kurmitola, Dhaka.
14.	Last date and time for selling tender document	07-10-2010 at 1700 hours.
15.	Last date and time for submission of tenders	10-10-2010 at 11.30 hours.
16.	Date and time for opening of tenders	10-10-2010 at 12.00 hours (tenderers or their authorized representatives may attend.)
17.	Place, date & time of pre-tender meeting	Conference Room, RAB Forces Headquarters, Civil Aviation Cargo Admin Building, Kurmitola, Dhaka. Date: 21-09-2010 at 11.30 hours.
18.	Brief description of items	Toner of Computer Printers, Cartridge, Ribbon and Various items.
19.	For more information please contact	Senior Assistant Director (Supply), RAB Forces Headquarters Tel: 8950150-55 Ext:513.
20.	Special instructions	a) To purchase the tender schedule interested supplier/contractors should apply in their respective pad. b) Up-to-date trade license, income tax clearance certificate, VAT registration etc. to be shown at the time of purchasing the tender schedule. c) Any tenderer may submit tender for all the groups or any number of groups. d) Separate envelope along with necessary certificates and documents to be submitted for each group. e) Suppliers will be selected on the basis of item wise (unit price) evaluation. f) Selected tenderer will supply the goods under a frame work contract for required quantities. g) The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof.

GD-3874 Md. Bakhtiar Alam Director (Admin & Finance) RAB Forces Headquarters Phone-8961107

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh International Tender

Memo No-E&T/MV/15-2009/4684 (6) Date: 05 September, 2010

Sealed tender is hereby invited from the manufacturers/suppliers/local agents in their official pad for purchase of the following items for Bangladesh Police-

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Home Affairs.
2.	Agency	Police Headquarters, Dhaka.
3.	Procuring entity name	Inspector General, Bangladesh Police.
4.	Invitation for	Purchase of Vehicle.
5.	Invitation reference No.	E&T/MV/15-2009/06 (2010-2011) (FY).
6.	Date	05 September, 2010.

KEY INFORMATION

7.	Procurement method	Open tendering method.
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FUNDING INFORMATION

8.	Budget and source of fund	GOB Revenue.
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

9.	Tender Lot No.	Lot-1 to 6, (2010-2011) (FY).
10.	Tender publication date	06 September, 2010.
11.	Tender last selling date	20 October 2010.
12.	Tender closing date and time	21.10.2010 at 14.00 pm.
13.	Tender opening date and time	21.10.2010 at 14.30 pm.
14.	Name & address of the office(s)	Police Headquarters, Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.
	Selling tender document	AIG (E&T), Room No-220 (1st Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka-1000.
	Receiving tender document	AIG (E&T), Room No-220 (1st Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka-1000.
	Opening tender document	AIG (E&T), Room No-220 (1st Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka-1000.
15.	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	Date-28.09.2010 at 11.30 am. Conference, Room (3rd Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka-1000.
16.	Eligibility of tenderer	(i) Up-to-date trade license (ii) Up-to-date Income Tax clearance certificate (iii) Up-to-date VAT registration certificate and (iv) Other documents described in tender document..
17.	Price of tender document (BDT)	Tk 500.00 (for each item).

Lot	Items	Identification of lot	Quantity	Tender security amount in (BDT)	Completion time
01	Item-1	Fork lift	06	5,00,000/-	16 weeks
02	Item-2	Armoured Personnel Carrier (APC)	25	32,00,000/-	16 weeks
03	Item-3	Double Cabin Pickup	72	9,00,000/-	16 weeks
04	Item-4	Garbage Truck	10	4,00,000/-	16 weeks
05	Item-5	Sewerage Truck	10	4,00,000/-	16 weeks
06	Item-6	Command Vehicle	05	2,00,000/-	16 weeks
19.	Name of official inviting tender	M Mahub Alam, ppm.			
20.	Designation of official inviting tender	AIG (E&T).			

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

21.	Address of official inviting tender	AIG (E&T), Bangladesh Police, Police Headquarters, Dhaka.
22.	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: 9564779, Fax: 7176129. E-mail: aige_t@police.gov.bd
23. Important Conditions-		
a.	Bangladesh police will establish framework agreement with the successful tender for supply of goods. Purchase will depend on UN demand for deployment of police unit.	
b.	Evaluation of tender will be item-wise.	
c.	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceeding.	

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