

NEWS IN brief

Acid attack on woman

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A young woman suffered acid burns on her legs after an alleged unidentified person clad in a burqa threw the corrosive liquid on her yesterday evening at a kitchen market of Mirpur-11 in the city.

Doctors at the burn unit of Dhaka Medical College Hospital said the victim, Suborna Akhter, 22, suffered around four percent burns.

Suborna, owner of a Mirpur beauty parlor, suspects that the attack was carried out by her ex-boyfriend against whom she had filed a case some months ago for threatening her.

‘Make TCB corruption-free’

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The state-owned Trading Corporation of Bangladesh (TCB) should be made a corruption-free institution while its authority should be strengthened to keep prices of essentials stable, said speakers at a human chain yesterday.

Addressing the programme organised by Khadda Adhikar O Samajik Nirapatta Andolan before the city’s National Museum, the speakers said TCB should be kept above political influence and provided with the human resources and budget it requires.

Ruhin Hossain Prince, Razekuzzaman Ratan, Abul Hossain, Zakir Hossain, Aminur Rasul, Sharifuzzaman Sharif and Zahanara Begum spoke at the programme, says a press release.

Legal notice for Ducusu polls

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A legal notice has been served on the Dhaka University authorities for taking an immediate step to hold election to Dhaka University Central Students’ Union (Ducusu).

On behalf of the 31 university students, Supreme Court lawyer Manzill Murshid yesterday sent the notice to the vice chancellor of the DU, its proctor and treasurer.

The notice said a writ petition would be filed in the High Court against them, if the DU authorities fail to take steps in a week to hold the election.

The notice said thousands of students of the university are being deprived of their democratic rights for not holding Ducusu polls in the last 20 years.

10 Hizb-ut-Tahrir men remanded

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Ten members of the banned outfit Hizb-ut-Tahrir were placed on a two-day remand each yesterday in a case on charge of creating anarchy across the country.

Metropolitan Magistrate MA Salam ordered the remand after Sub-Inspector (SI) Motlubur Rahman, also the investigation officer (IO) of the case, produced them to the court with a seven-day remand and prayer for interrogation.

The detainees are Zayem Abdullah, his brother Nayeem Abdullah, Robin Miah, Sohel Rana, Parvez Sikder, Towfiq Ashraf, Zahid Hasan, Mahmudul Alam Anik, Nurul Amin Emon and Tanveer Hossain.

In the forwarding report, Motlubur said the arrestees were involved with creating anarchy across the country. So, they need to be remanded to find out whereabouts of their accomplices who were also involved with the activities, he said.

Members of the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) arrested them during a raid near IPH Jam-e-Mosque at Mohakhali in the city on Saturday.



Mahir Sarowar Megh, son of murdered journalist couple Sagar Sarowar and Meherun Runi, takes part in a human chain organised by his parents’ colleagues of satellite television channels ATN Bangla and Maasranga before Jatiya Press Club in the city yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

THE DAILY STAR ODOMMO CHATTAGRAM 2-day history conference begins March 16

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A two-day “The Daily Star-Heritage Chatgram History Conference” will begin at Theatre Institute Auditorium in Chittagong on March 16.

The conference, part of “The Daily Star Odommo Chattagram” festival scheduled to be held from March 30 to April 6, aims at disseminating the port city’s history.

The conference will begin at 3:30pm on March 16 with a welcome speech by Mahfuz Anam, Editor and Publisher of The Daily Star.

It will be followed by “The Daily Star-Abdul Karim Sahityavisharad Lecture” by Prof Ranabir Chakravarti of Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India.

He will then present a keynote paper on Chittagong and the Bay of Bengal.

Dr Shamsul Hossain, moderating the day’s session, will present a PowerPoint presentation on Andarkilla area at 5:15pm.

A cultural programme will be staged by “Raktakarabi” at 6:00pm as The Daily Star’s tribute to Rabindranath Tagore on his 150th birth anniversary.

Chittagong University Vice Chancellor Anwarul Azim Arif will be in the chair with AK Khan Foundation Vice Chairman Salahuddin Kasem Khan as special guest.

The second day of the conference, titled “Pre-historic and pre-mediaeval Chittagong”, comprises three sessions and will begin at 10:00am.

Chaired by Prof Ranabir Chakravarti, the first session will witness presentations on research papers by a number of noted

academics.

They include Prof Jayanta Sinha Roy, Department of Archaeology, Jahangirnagar University; Shariful Islam, assistant keeper of Bangladesh National Museum; Associate Prof Suchandra Paul of Ancient Indian History and Culture, Calcutta University, India; and Shahnaz Husne Jahan, Department of General Education, University of Liberal Arts, Bangladesh.

The second session, “Mediaeval Chittagong”, to be chaired by Premier University Vice Chancellor Prof Anupam Sen, will start at 2:00pm with some more research paper presentations.

The academics are Associate Prof Supta Sinha of Islamic History and Culture, Calcutta University, India; Prof Mohammed Ali Chowdhury and Prof Showkat Ara Begum of Department of History, Chittagong University; and Dr Shamsul Hossain, retired deputy curator of Chittagong University Museum.

The third session, “Chittagong in the Colonial and Bangladesh Period”, will start at 4:00pm with Prof Mofakharul Islam of Dhaka University in the chair.

The keynote papers in this session will be presented by Associate Prof Golam Mustafa of Department of Bengali, Chittagong University; Assistant Prof Mahbulul Huq of Department of History, Chittagong University; and journalist Shamsul Huq of the daily Prothom Alo.

A cultural programme will follow through paying tributes to National Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam.

6 die in Mymensingh road accident

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Six people died and seven others were injured as a cement-laden truck fell into a roadside ditch in Boroitala on Mymensingh-Kishoreganj road in Gouripur upazila of Mymensingh yesterday.

The victims were riding on the back of the truck. Only one of the deceased, Manu Miah, 32, of Kulkandi village in Dewanganj of Jamalpur district, could be identified immediately.

Stop extra-judicial punishment: HC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday directed the inspector general of police (IGP) to issue a notification to all police stations for taking action against extra-judicial punishments taking place in the name of arbitration.

During the hearing of a rule, the court asked the IGP to mention in the notification that the police would have to record cases without any written allegation of such punishments.

It ordered the LGRD secretary to issue another notification to inform all local government bodies, including union parishads and municipalities, that their representatives cannot punish anybody in arbitration which is a punishable offence.

The HC bench of Justice AHM Shamsuddin Choudhury Manik and Justice Jahangir Hossain Selim also asked the information secretary to broadcast the directives through media.

The bench had issued the rule on February 22 following a report published in Prothom Alo stating that a woman and her husband’s friend were lashed a total 101 times in an arbitration in Naogaon for “having an extramarital affair.”

President urges EC to work neutrally

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

President Zillur Rahman yesterday urged the newly formed Election Commission (EC) to work independently and neutrally.

He was talking to the five-member Election Commission, in Bangabhaban on a courtesy call, the first since their formation on February 8, led by Chief Election Commissioner Kazi Rakibuddin Ahmad.

On his return to the Secretariat, Election Commissioner Shahnewaz said, “We informed the president about the ongoing activities of the Election Commission” and holding polls to the bifurcated Dhaka City Corporation in the last week of May.

On the use of electronic voting machines (EVM) in national and local polls, he said, “The president encouraged the EC to use the EVM.” However, he said the EC was yet to take a decision on the use of EVMs in the next parliamentary polls.

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১। বিষয় বা কাজের নাম	ক) গোপালগঞ্জ গ্রীড উপকেন্দ্রে ১টি ১৩লা আনসার ব্যারাক নির্মাণ কাজ। খ) জিএমডি, ফরিদপুরের জন্য ২টি ৩৩/০.৪ কেভি, ২০০ কেভিএ নতুন অক্সিলিয়ারী ট্রান্সফরমার সরবরাহের কাজ।
২। জামানতের টাকা (ফেরত যোগ্য)	ক কাজের জন্য টাকা ৫০,০০০/- এবং খ কাজের জন্য টাকা ৪০,০০০/- মাত্র যে কোন তফসীলি ব্যাংক কর্তৃক পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট আকারে পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ এর অনুকূলে দেয়।
৩। দরপত্র দাখিলের মূল্য	ক কাজের জন্য টাকা ২,০০০/- এবং খ কাজের জন্য টাকা ১,৫০০/- মাত্র হারে (অফেরতযোগ্য) পাওয়ার গ্রীড কোম্পানী অব বাংলাদেশ লিঃ এর অনুকূলে তফসীলভুক্ত ব্যাংক এর পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট এর মাধ্যমে দেয়।
৪। দরপত্র প্রাপ্তিস্থান	ক) মধ্যবাহুপক (সম্মেলন-২), পিজিসিবি, এনএলডিসি কমপ্লেক্স, অফডাব নগর, ঢাকা। খ) কোম্পানী সচিব, পিজিসিবি লিঃ প্রধান কার্যালয়, আইইবি ভবন, রমনা ঢাকা। গ) উপ-মধ্যবাহুপক, গ্রীড সার্কেল-খুলনা, পিজিসিবি, টাউন খলিশপুর, খুলনা। ঘ) নিম্ন স্বাক্ষরকারীর দপ্তর।
৫। ঠিকাদারের যোগ্যতা	১) ক নং কাজের জন্য পিজিসিবিতে পূর্ত কাজ করার অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন অথবা বিউবো/ডিপিডিসি/ওজোপাডিকো/পিডরিউডি/এলজিইডি/আরইবি এর হালনাগাদ তালিকাভুক্ত ক শ্রেণীর অভিজ্ঞ পূর্ত ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠান। ২) খ নং কাজের জন্য অভিজ্ঞ ট্রান্সফরমার উৎপাদনকারী/আমদানীকারক প্রকৃত প্রতিষ্ঠান অথবা অভিজ্ঞ সরবরাহকারী যাদের সরল দরপত্র কাজে ৫ বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা রয়েছে এবং এবিসি ইলেকট্রিক্যাল লাইসেন্স থাকতে হবে।
৬। দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	২৯/৩/২০১২ইং বিকাল ৫:০০ ঘটিকা।
৭। দরপত্র এহশের শেষ তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	১/৪/২০১২ইং দুপুর ১২:০০ ঘটিকায় ক্রমিক নং ৪-এ উল্লিখিত ‘ব’ ব্যতীত যেকোন দপ্তরসমূহে দরপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে।
৮। দরপত্র বাস্তব খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	১/৪/২০১২ইং দুপুর ১২:৩০ ঘটিকা।
৯। দরপত্র খাম খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	৪/৪/২০১২ইং দুপুর ১২:০০ ঘটিকায় (দাখিলকৃত সমস্ত দরপত্র প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে) নিম্ন স্বাক্ষরকারীর দপ্তরে সকল দরপত্র একত্র করে দরদাভাগের সম্মুখে (যদি কেউ উপস্থিত থাকেন) সকল দরপত্রের খাম খোলা হবে।

১০। দরপত্র ক্রয়ের পূর্বে দপ্তর প্রধানের নিকট ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের হালনাগাদ তালিকাভুক্তি ও মালিকানা দলিল, ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট, আয়করের হালনাগাদ সার্টিফিকেট, VAT রেজিস্ট্রেশন ও হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স প্রদর্শন এবং দপ্তর প্রধানের অনুমতি গ্রহণ করতে হবে। সিভিউলে উল্লেখকৃত অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী এই ক্ষেত্রে প্রযোজ্য হবে। কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা পিজিসিবি কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করে।

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Major responsibilities

To prepare and to execute new business development strategy and plans in business and financial targets set for sustainability of UCEP Programs. To oversee and prepare budgets of Income Generating Activities (IGA) projects of UCEP. To develop a marketing branding and promotional plans for UCEP. To guide, plan and monitor the activities of Employment Support Services (ESS) Component. To advise and report to the Executive Director on all matters and activities of Business Development and Employment Support Services (ESS) Components.

Summary of the main tasks

- To take ownership to prepare, develop and achieve the targets for new business development strategy and plans for the sustainability of UCEP programs.
- To provide timely management information that supports the business strategy and objectives of the organization.
- To assess and determine UCEP’s fundraising goals and ways of achieving the targets.
- To analyze, improve and oversee all Income Generating Activities (IGA) projects of UCEP and prepare required budgets.
- To develop and maintain strategic relationships with Corporate Houses, foundations, sponsors, business houses, individual donors and employers.
- To study trends in employment demand from market demands for development of skills training by UCEP.
- To improve marketing strategy for job placement of UCEP graduates in better salary and employers.
- To carry out any other relevant tasks assigned by the UCEP Authority as and when required.

Experience and Educational Qualification

- 14 years experience in marketing/business development sector.
- Must have experience in marketing of products/services, branding and promotional services.
- Ability to negotiate business deals.
- Masters / MBA in Marketing / Business Development / Entrepreneurship with good academic background.
- Possess leadership qualities to lead the Business Development team.

Age: Maximum 55 years.

Salary and Benefits: Attractive salary and benefits to commensurate with talent and experience.

Director, Human Resource Management

Major Responsibilities

To plan, develop and implement strategies and policies for HR Management. To implement best practices in selection, growth and retention of employees of the organization. To ensure HR policy, career planning and training are in practice. To efficiently maintain personal files and other records of UCEP personnel as per policy. To establish and maintain appropriate system for measuring necessary aspects of HR development for the mutual benefit of UCEP and its employees.

Summary of the main tasks

- To assist and advise the Executive Director in all matters related to human resource management of the organization.
- To identify, analyze and define current and future training needs of the staff and teachers. To ensure implementation of the approved annual training plans with reference to the needs generated by the UCEP programs at any time.
- To develop and implement plan for increased employee satisfaction and methods to address employee grievances.
- With reference to UCEP’s mission and plans, to ensure effective system of monitoring, validating and evaluating HRM component for required HR functions, including but not limited to -
 - Staff performance and salary appraisals; Job descriptions.
 - Financial control as per the approved budget and policies.
 - Market and other research on improvements HRM.
- To ensure and suggest on regular basis improvements for all HR policies and practices.
- To assist the management on any other relevant tasks as and when required from time to time.

Experience and Educational Qualification

- 14 years experience of managing Human Resource Department of a medium size, preferably international organization.
- Masters / MBA in Human Resources Management with good academic background.
- Possess leadership qualities to lead the HR team.

Age: Maximum 55 years.

Salary and Benefits: Attractive salary and benefits to commensurate with talent and experience.

Manager, Marketing & Business Development

Major responsibilities

To support and assist Director Business Development in all Marketing plans including branding and promotional activities.

Summary of the main tasks

- To take leadership and ownership, with the Director, Business Development, UCEP -
- For all Marketing and related plans and executions, to meet the business and financial targets set for sustainability and improved employment of the under privileged children. This includes but not limited to -
 - Achieve and maintain strategic relationships (Corporate Houses, foundations, sponsors, business houses, individual donors and employers).
 - Assist the Director, Business Development to prepare, develop and review the business development strategy and plan for implementation.
 - To assist the Director for the assessment and determination of UCEP’s fundraising goals and achieving the fund raising targets.
 - Organize and execute Marketing branding, promotional programs and events.
 - To develop and monitor ‘revenue generation’ business projects and plan.
 - To carry out any other relevant tasks assigned by the UCEP Authority as and when required.

Experience and Educational Qualification

- Minimum 7 years experience in marketing/business development sector.
- Must have experience in marketing of products/services, branding and promotional services.
- Ability to negotiate business deals.
- Masters / MBA in Marketing / Business Development / Entrepreneurship with good academic background.
- Possess leadership qualities to lead the Business Development team.

Age: Maximum 40 years.

Salary and Benefits: Attractive salary and benefits to commensurate with talent and experience

Manager, Integrated General and Vocational Education

Major Responsibilities

To support and assist Director Programs in all respects of planning, implementation and managing the UCEP Integrated General and Vocational Education.

Summary of the main tasks

- To assist the authority in development and implementation of UCEP Integrated General and Vocational Education program.
- To develop and review UCEP curricula, syllabi and lesson plans periodically and suggest measures for improvement.
- To identify, develop and implement new initiatives for strengthening UCEP program.
- To ensure that approved IGVE programs are implemented properly.
- To prepare work plan, monitor implementation, critically analyze and evaluate quality the IGVE program, apply data in decision making, and innovate further improvement in IGVE program.
- To supervise the day-to-day management of the IGVE program and implementation in regions.
- To take initiative for development of educational materials and implementation.
- To prepare budget for implementation of educational program.
- To manage, supervise and undertake staff development activities.
- To Carry out other relevant tasks assigned by the UCEP authority as and when required.

Experience and Educational Qualification:

- 7/8 years experience in analyzing quality of work/using data for decision-making/managing implementation of development programs, preferably education programs in NGO sector.
- Must have experience in development of curriculum and teaching aid.
- Masters in Business Administration/English/Mathematics/any subject of Social Sciences preferably with B. Ed./M.Ed. from any recognized university with good academic background.
- Proven leadership qualities and demonstrated capabilities in data based management

Age: Maximum 40 years

Salary and Benefits: Attractive salary and benefits to commensurate with talent and experience

Please e-mail your CV with telephone number and a cover letter addressed to the Executive Director, UCEP Bangladesh at the email address: ucep@ucepbd.org on or before 20 March 2012. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted. The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any application without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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