

# Remit more to help

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community in her honour at Park Plaza Westminster Hotel on Saturday.

Hasina told the expatriates that the government must construct the multibillion-dollar Padma bridge. "We're holding the trial of war criminals... can't we build a bridge? This bridge must be constructed," she asserted.

The premier arrived here on July 25 to attend the inaugural ceremony of London Olympics. She also attended a reception hosted by the Queen, Elizabeth II.

Hasina said she was delighted seeing the huge response from the people of all strata after the government declared that the bridge would be constructed with its own funds. "The government has earmarked financial provisions to kick off the construction work on the bridge during this fiscal year," she told her audience.

Presided over by Awami League UK chapter

President Sultan Mahmud Sharif, the programme was also addressed by LGRD Minister Syed Ashrafu Islam, Foreign Minister Dipu Moni, British MP Michael Burns, Labour Party MPs Villeroy Vague and Mike Gapes, former British minister Gerald Kaufman and Sylhet Awami League General Secretary Shafiqur Rahman.

Elders grandson of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and only son of Hasina, Sajeeb Wazed Joy, London councillor and PM's niece Rezwana Siddiqui Tulip were also present on the occasion.

The prime minister recalled the contributions of the UK-based expatriates to the War of Liberation and in all democratic movements.

She mentioned that the UK expatriates had appointed a lawyer collecting money for Bangabandhu to fight the "Agartala conspiracy case" in 1969.

She also recalled that the

first movement seeking the trial of the killers of Bangabandhu had begun from London.

Hasina expressed her gratitude to the Bangladeshi nationals living in London for their movement against her arrest during the last caretaker government. "Your movement helped Bangladesh restore democracy from the hands of dictators," she said.

The prime minister also voiced her government's firm commitment to complete the trial of the war criminals as stated in their election manifesto.

About the power supply situation in the country, Hasina said the demand for power was on the rise with the country's growing population and changing economic and living patterns of people.

In this connection, she mentioned that the government had added more than 3500MW power to the national grid when total

power generation was 6,300MW.

She urged the expatriates to invest in small and medium industries, and said the expatriates could invest in the seven Special Economic Zones (SEZs) set up in seven divisions.

About Biman's Sylhet-London direct flight, she said this could have started many years back had the BNP-Jamaat alliance government continued the development works of the Sylhet Airport undertaken by her government during its previous tenure.

"We can't start the direct flight without having a refilling system in the Sylhet Airport," she said assuring that her government would take necessary steps to operate flights on the route within the shortest possible time.

Ending her five-day official tour, the prime minister will arrive in Dhaka today by a special flight of Bangladesh Biman.

# Witness tells of torture

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Helal said he was on duty at Bangla Motor in Dhaka on August 19, 2005 when some plainclothes detectives took him to an office of the Detective Branch. From there Rab personnel took him to the Rab Intelligence Wing's office in Uttara, he added.

Sergeant Alauddin, the then OC of Bandar police outpost who also took part in the seizure, was also taken to the Rab office the same day. Helal said Rab Intelligence Wing Commanding Officer Lt Col Gulzar interrogated him about the seizure.

The two police officials were taken to the Rab-7 office at Patenga in Chittagong the next day and were produced before COL Col Emdad.

Helal said, "As we entered the CO's room, he asked who Sergeant Helal was. When I introduced myself, he slapped me so hard that I fell on the floor. The CO then started beating me with an

iron rod. My left leg was broken due to the beating. The CO even threatened me with death in crossfire."

Helal submitted an X-ray report to the court as evidence of his broken leg.

"I cried and asked the CO what my crime was. He blamed me for the country's situation at the time," stated Helal. He later told the CO that he had gone to the jetty on the orders of his superior officials. The CO later ordered his treatment and he was given three injections, Helal added.

Helal was subsequently shown arrested in an arms case filed on August 19, 2005 with Sudharam police station in Noakhali in connection with the theft of two AK-47 rifles from the arms cache. He was also sent to Noakhali jail, said prosecution lawyer and Chittagong Metropolitan Public Prosecutor (PP) Advocate Kamal Uddin Ahmed.

The prosecution submitted a petition on August 26

praying for a recall of the two witnesses -- Sergeant Helal and Sergeant Alauddin.

The defence yesterday filed a petition against the prosecution's move for recall and requested the court to cancel their names as witnesses in the cases.

Advocate Kamrul Islam Sazzad said they opposed the petition as the two sergeants had given statements to the court earlier and had also been cross-examined.

The court, however, rejected the opposition and started recording Helal's deposition. The PP said he had recalled the two witnesses according to Section 540 under the Penal Code since the two had fresh and vital information regarding the cases.

**CROSS-EXAMINATION OF EX-CID DIG FARRUKH ENDS**  
Earlier, the cross-examination of another prosecution witness and former deputy inspector general of CID Farrukh Ahmed

was completed at 1:30pm yesterday.

Farrukh's cross-examination could not be held on the last scheduled date on July 10 due to his absence. Farrukh told the court he fell ill immediately after reaching Dhaka from Chittagong following a three-day cross-examination.

He told the court he had informed the prosecution about his illness on July 10, but the court proceedings had ended before he made the call.

The prosecution had already termed the witness absence an "abnormal incident" as Farrukh could not be traced since July 9.

The former DIG later said he had switched off his phone as someone was repeatedly asking him over phone about his court appearance.

Farrukh was part of the five-member probe body formed by the home ministry immediately after the arms seizure.

# Cops let mob

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Two committees were formed following the incident -- one by the police and, later, another by the ministry. Police filed a case against 150-200 unnamed people, while the brother of the victim filed another against rivals of Mamun, who was a sand trader.

The police committee, headed by the Gazipur additional SP, in its investigation report blamed negligence of duty by two policemen and an Ansar member for the death of Mamun, who hailed from Baragan village in Kaliganj.

According to that committee, criminals "snatched" Mamun when he was being taken to the police station by a CNG-run auto-rickshaw, and beat him to death.

The home ministry probe body has found that Nripen, who made the arrest, violated both criminal codes and

police rules by conducting the arrest as he had neither a warrant of arrest nor was he an investigation officer of the case against the victim.

Nripen went on to make the arrest in plainclothes and without taking service arms and walky talkie with him which was also a violation of service rules, said sources close to the probe body of the home ministry.

However, it has found no guilt of the two other personnel -- one constable and one Ansar member -- who accompanied SI Nripen during the arrest. Nripen was holding charge of the police station and made them accompany him.

Following the killing, the source said, Nripen fabricated a story that the incident occurred after he along with a police constable and an Ansar member had arrested Mamun at Ramchandrapur village that

evening and was on way to Kaliganj Police Station.

However, the ministerial panel has found that following the arrest, Nripen and his team along with the arrestee were heading for the police station in an auto-rickshaw.

Pretending to be lost on their way to the police station, Nripen asked the auto-rickshaw driver to change direction. After going ahead to the direction shown by Nripen, the rivals attacked Mamun and killed him in the presence of the police, according to Nripen, who was later suspended and closed to Gazipur Police Lines.

The source said Nripen did not take his service arms and walky-talkie with him even though he was going to a remote place during the night to arrest Mamun.

During an interview with the probe body, Nripen said he could not contact the police

station for help during the attack as his cellphone went off.

But the probe committee after scrutinising his phone's call list found that Nripen made several calls and received calls during the incident.

The probe body also noticed that Nripen had put the handcuffs off the victim after his death was confirmed, and left the place.

This one-member investigation panel was formed with a deputy secretary of the home ministry on July 3 and was asked to submit its report on August 2.

The probe body has completed its report and it will be submitted in scheduled time, said the source.

The probe body found that Nripen had exercised undue powers by holding charge of the police station since, on that day, the officer-in-charge joined the police station but Nripen did

# Dhaka wants

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were made seriously, similarly those should be implemented urgently," Foreign Secretary Mijarul Quayes has said.

Speaking at a press briefing yesterday on his return from the annual Foreign Office Consultation (FOC) in New Delhi, he said Bangladesh had requested India for a fast-track implementation of the agreement on land boundary demarcation and exchange of

**HC directive**  
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Technology (Buet).  
Meanwhile, Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid sits today with the senior officials of his ministry and University Grants Commission (UGC) to discuss the ongoing crisis at the university.

Education Secretary Kamal Abdul Naser Chowdhury, UGC Chairman Prof AK Azad Chowdhury and State Minister for Science and Technology Yeafesh Osman, among others, will attend the meeting.

Sources in the education ministry said the meeting would discuss the demands and allegations of the Buet Teachers' Association and formation of a judicial enquiry commission to probe the allegations.

The teachers' association which is spearheading the movement for the removal of the vice-chancellor and his deputy, will also hold its general meeting today to review the overall situation.

"We will discuss the overall situation including today's [yesterday's] writ petition at our meeting," Prof Mujibur Rahman, the association chief, told The Daily Star yesterday.

He said they will continue their two-hour-long sit-in today.

"We still believe that the government will take a logical decision soon. We hope the government would consider the teachers' demand as the solution to the crisis is not possible keeping the VC and Pro-VC in position," Prof Mujibur added.

Earlier on July 21, the agitating teachers postponed their en masse resignation programme to "facilitate" government efforts in resolving the ongoing crisis at the university.

The anti-VC agitation began on July 11 after the authorities shut the institution for 44 days in advance for Ramadan and Eid-ul-Fitr. The same day, the heads of all faculties, institutes and departments of Buet announced resignation.

In yesterday's petition, advocate Younus Ali Akond said the 44-day closure from July 11 in the name of summer vacation has obstructed the students' study and examination procedures and will subsequently create session jam.

He also prayed to the court to direct the Buet authorities to start the admission process for the fresh students as the results of the Higher Secondary Certificate exams have already been published.

Younus Ali told The Daily Star that the HC bench of Justice Naima Haider and Justice Muhammad Khurshid Alam Sarkar will hear the petition today.

Eight government high-ups including education secretary, Buet VC, Pro-VC, Buet teachers' association president and general secretary have been made

adversely-held enclaves and land, signed during Prime Minister Manmohan Singh's visit to Dhaka on September 6 last year, "as it is important to deliver on it".

The foreign secretary said: "We have been assured by the Indian side that efforts are on to implement the land boundary agreement."

In this context, he stated that the Indian Cabinet Committee on Security on Thursday cleared the agreement which would be placed in parliament for ratification on completion of other legal formalities.

Quayes said a host of issues of cross-border crimes, border killings, extradition treaty, import of power, implementation of projects under an Indian loan of \$1 billion, connectivity, Tipaimukh dam and Indian river-linking scheme figured prominently at the consultation held on July 24.

On border killings, he said Dhaka had reiterated its concerns over the killing of civilians in firing by BSE. His counterpart Ranjan Mathai, who led the Indian side at the consultation, assured Dhaka that the BSF would maintain maximum restraint so that no Bangladeshi was killed at

the border.

The foreign secretary said illegal activities in the border had been reduced significantly and the number of deaths had also declined. He made it clear, however, that "not a single death at the border is acceptable to us."

Quayes said there had been a highest level commitment from India to bring down the killing at the border to zero level, which needs to be implemented. Mathai assured him that he would sit with the Indian Border Security Force to make it happen.

On the killing of two Bangladeshis recently at the border by the BSF, he said once the foreign ministry came by the details of the incidents from Border Guard of Bangladesh (BGB), the government will raise the matter with the Indian authorities.

He said during the meeting he had stressed an early conclusion of the Teesta water sharing deal and the protocol to the Land Boundary Agreement by settling internal disputes by India.

On the Teesta accord, which was scuppered by West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's last-

minute objections, the foreign secretary said: "From the discussions I have had so far the sense I get is that India is serious to sign the agreement sooner than later."

"Things appear to be moving forward to the agreement and Bangladesh wants to give space to India to finish its internal consultations on the Teesta issue," he added.

On the Tipaimukh dam project, he said the joint experts' group would hold its first meeting in New Delhi on August 27-28 to study its impact.

Speaking about the Indian river-linking project, Quayes said India reiterated that it would not involve the river system of the Himalayan component; it would rather be based on rivers originating in India.

The foreign secretary said the two sides had agreed to develop infrastructure at the land custom stations. A team from India will visit Bangladesh to carry out feasibility studies on infrastructure development at Ashuganj.

Foreign ministry directors general Masud Md Khandaker (SAARC, BIMSTEC and

# 5 workers

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22, and Nazmul, 27, of Kurigram.

The five labourers had gone to sleep in a tin-shed warehouse where a pile of cement bags was kept for the construction work of the park, RK Greenland, at Godnail of Siddhirganj.

As they did not join the work in the morning, other labourers went out to search for them. At one stage, the labourers entered the warehouse and found the workers buried under a pile of sacks of cement around 8:30am,

police and witnesses said.

On information, police recovered the bodies from the park, being constructed by RK Group, and sent those to Dhaka Medical College Hospital morgue for autopsies, said Kamrul Alam Mollah, officer-in-charge (OC) of Siddhirganj Police Station.

Getting to sleep in the middle of piles of cement bags is very risky. The labourers died due to the negligence of the owner of the firm which is responsible for the construction work of the park, the OC

alleged.

There are some tin-shed houses for night time stay of the workers. As those were not sufficient for a large number of labourers, many used to sleep inside the warehouse, fellow workers said.

They also claimed that Noor Alam, a security guard, resisted their entering the warehouse when they were searching for the missing labourers.

Abdul Hye, another security guard, said 1,050 sacks of cement and other

construction materials including rods, hammers have been kept inside the warehouse.

The workers used to sleep in rows by the side of the piles of cement bags at night, he added.

Expressing sorrow over the incident, Abul Hossain, assistant general manager of RK Group, said though there were sufficient rooms for the labourers they went to sleep in the warehouse.

Sheikh Nazmul Alam, district police super, said legal actions will be taken

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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh  
Disaster & Climate Risk Management in Agriculture (DCRMA) Project  
(CDMP II/ DAE Part)  
Department of Agricultural Extension  
Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215**

Data: 23-07-2012

**DCRMA/DAE/Tender/2012/018(A)**

### Invitation for Tender

Due to missing some information in our tender notice no. DCRMA/DAE/Tender/2012/018 dated 23-07-2012 published in the daily Janakantha and The Daily Jangoran on 28-07-2012, is hereby amended as follows:

1	Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Agriculture (MoA)			
2	Agency	: Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE)			
3	Procuring Entity Name	: Dr. Abu Wali Raghob Hassan, Project Director			
4	Procuring Entity Code	: Not used at present			
5	Procuring Entity District	: Dhaka			
6	Invitation for	: Procurement of Computer and Accessories (26 Desktop Computers, 26 Modems, 26 BW Laser Printer, 26 Flatbed Scanner, 26 UPS for PC) for 26 DD offices under DAE Control Room Strengthening programme.			
7	Invitation Ref No	: DCRMA/DAE/Tender/2012/018			
8	Date	: 23-07-2012			
<b>KEY INFORMATION</b>					
9	Procurement Method	: Open Tender Method/National Competitive Bidding			
<b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>					
10	Source of Funds	: CDMP II			
11	Development Partners (if applicable)	: UKAid, European Union, Norwegian Embassy, Sida, Australian AID, UNDP			
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>					
12	Project/ Programme Code (if applicable)	:			
13	Project/ Programme Name (if applicable)	: Disaster & Climate Risk Management in Agriculture Project (CDMP II/DAE Part)			
14	Tender Package No.	:			
15	Tender Package Name	: Procurement of Computer and Accessories			
16	Tender Publication Date	: 28-July-2012			
17	Tender Last Selling Date	: 08-August-2012			
18	Tender Closing Date and Time	: 09-August-2012 12:00 noon			
19	Tender Opening Date and Time	: 09-August-2012 2:00 pm			
20	Name & Address of the office(s)	Address			
	- Selling Tender Document (Principal)	Room No. 726, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Building, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka			
	- Selling Tender Document (Others)	Not applicable			
	- Receiving Tender Document	Room No. 726, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Building, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka			
	- Opening Tender Document	Room No. 726, 7 <sup>th</sup> Floor, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Building, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka			
21	Place / Date / Time of Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)	Not Applicable			
	Date	Time			
	Not applicable	Not Applicable			
<b>INFORMATION FOR TENDERER</b>					
22	Eligibility of Tenderer	General: Manufacturers/Sole Agents/Sole Distributors/Reputed Firms/Tenderers shall have: (i) Current year's Trade License, (ii) VAT Registration Certificate, (iii) Income Tax Clearance Certificate, (iv) Authorization letter from the Manufacturer (v) Bank Solvency Certificate from any scheduled Bank, (vi) Experience Certificate of similar nature of works, and (vii) Others as per TDS.			
23	Brief Description of Goods or Works	: Procurement of Computer and Accessories (26 Desktop Computers, 26 Modems, 26 BW Laser Printer, 26 Flatbed Scanner, 26 UPS for PC).			
24	Brief Description of Related Services	: 3 (three) year warranty with after sale services with installation for Computer and 1 (one) year warranty with after sale services with installation for UPS and Printer.			
25	Price of Tender Document (Tk.)	: 1000.00 (One thousand) only			
	Lot No	Identification of Lot	Location	Tender Security Amount (Tk)	Completion Time in Weeks / Months
26		Procurement of Computer and Accessories	Project Districts (To be attached with tender schedule)	Tk. 65,000.00	10 weeks
<b>PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS</b>					
27	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Dr. Abu Wali Raghob Hassan			
28	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Project Director			
29	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Disaster & Climate Risk Management in Agriculture Project (CDMP II/ DAE Part), Khamarbari, Dhaka			
30	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Tel: 880 2 9104007	Fax: 880 2 9104007	e-mail: <a href="mailto:info@dcma-dae.gov.bd">info@dcma-dae.gov.bd</a> web: <a href="http://www.dcrma-dae.gov.bd">www.dcrma-dae.gov.bd</a>	
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders				

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Project Director