

# 3 top universities

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incumbent AAMS Arefin Siddique. Fayed was in office in 2002-09.

The situation is worse in Chittagong and Rajshahi. At Chittagong and Rajshahi universities, senate elections to the VC panel have not been held for the last 20 and 12 years.

The only public university that called a VC election during this Awami League government's tenure is Jahangirnagar University.

Prof Shariff Enamul Kabir on May 17 stepped down as the JU vice-chancellor, following a months-long standoff and unrest on the campus.

President and JU Chancellor Zillur Rahman appointed Prof Anwar Hossain, a senior teacher of Dhaka University, to replace Kabir.

As Prof Anwar fixed the date for the polls, a section of teachers launched an agitation demanding the senate election first.

Nevertheless, the polls were held on July 20 as per schedule. The High Court had directed the government to ensure a peaceful atmosphere at the first-ever election to the highest position of the university in the last eight years.

On July 24, the president appointed Prof Anwar as the JU vice-chancellor for the next four years, choosing him from an elected three-member panel.

Teachers say the practice over the last few decades of VCs getting appointed and dismissed with the change of government conflicts with the democratic process of public universities.

After the JU VC panel election, teachers of the three public universities expected the same in their respective universities.

The tenure of a number of senate members in these universities has already expired. If the authorities

call for senate elections, many teachers might protest demanding elections to the senate bodies first, leading to a chaotic situation, sources said.

Moreover, the incumbent VCs personally do not want any such move to provoke troubles.

Prof Arefin Siddique arranged elections of registered graduates' representatives and teachers' representatives -- the main bodies of the Senate -- soon after taking charge of DU in January 2009.

Senate members said they had expected the university authorities to hold the VC panel election. No initiative was taken to that end although the tenure of these two bodies expired in June this year.

The issue reached the High Court recently after Prof Wahiduzzaman Chan, general secretary of DU Teachers Association, filed a writ petition with the court seeking an order for holding a senate session immediately to select a VC panel.

Contacted, Prof Arefin Siddique said since the matter was sub-judice, it would not be proper to make a comment on it.

At Rajshahi University, the last election to the VC panel was held in 1998. Prof Sayedur Rahman Khan was the last elected VC. His tenure expired in 2001.

Incumbent RU VC Prof Abdus Sobhan, who took charge in February 2009, did not call for the VC panel election. Most teachers are sceptical about the holding of the polls soon.

Prof Moloy Kumar Bhoumick, one of the progressive teachers of RU, said, "The terms of most of the senate members expired many years ago. So, there should be elections of different categories to the senate first and then to the VC panel."

He told The Daily Star

the VCs had not held the polls as they did not expect to win in the old senate structure.

The RU VC hung up the phone immediately after this correspondent wanted to know whether he would hold the elections soon.

Among the three universities, the situation at Chittagong University is the worst as the last VC panel election was held in 1988.

The university is being run by an unelected senate for long; elections to other bodies also were held a long time ago.

The last election to the registered graduate representatives took place in 1986 and its term ended in 1989. On the other hand, the election for teachers' representatives was last held in 2001.

Prof Dr ANM Munir Ahmed, chairman of the CU political science department, said the senate was so old that some of its members were already dead. Most of the VCs do not take the initiative to hold the VC panel election for fear of not being appointed again.

CU VC Prof Anwarul Azim said there was no guarantee that an elected VC would remain in office with the change in power as there were instances of elected VCs being removed and unelected ones being appointed.

The situation and nature of JU and CU are not the same, he told The Daily Star. He admitted that it would definitely be good if elections were held. "But why didn't people say anything when there was no elected VC for around 25 years?"

"The government has appointed me for a four-year term and I will take the initiatives at the right time," he said.

# AL to take

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The AL will take to the streets and with the help of activists at the grassroots level in the districts and upazilas will mobilise support for the repeal of the caretaker government system and formation of an interim government comprising all party representatives to oversee the forthcoming general elections.

Ruling out the restoration of the caretaker government system, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina recently suggested that a "small cabinet" comprising elected representatives from all parties, including the opposition, be formed to oversee the polls.

A discussion could be held with all parties, including the main opposition, about how the next elections could be free and fair, members of the AL and its allies told The Daily Star.

They added that the BNP and its allies, under no circumstances, would be allowed to "carry out destructive activities to disrupt law and order in the name of anti-government movements".

But if they did so, action

would be taken against them, Matia Chowdhury, minister for agriculture and a top policymaker of the government and the ruling AL-led grand alliance, said.

The minister also said the AL would not change its stance on the issue because of the threats of the opposition. She, however, said the government would not do anything against the opposition if the BNP did not go for any destructive activities.

AL acting general secretary Mahbubul Alam Hanif urged the opposition to place its proposal on the interim government in parliament. He said the ruling party would accept any logical formula from the BNP in this regard.

Replying to a query about the BNP chairperson's threat to launch a harsher agitation after Eid, Hanif, a special assistant to Hasina, said the BNP would fail to wage any tougher movement against the government as the main opposition had been issuing such threats in vain from the very first day of the present government.

# Prices spiralling

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For instance, a dozen of eggs were selling at Tk 105 at different retail shops whereas the price was around Tk 90 just a week ago.

Abdul Hamid Sowdagar, an adviser of Reazuddin Bazar Poultry and Eggs Vendors' Association, cited "almost doubled demand" for the rise.

Mutton and beef were being sold at Tk 420 and Tk 320 per kg in different markets. But the butchers warned that the price of red meat might increase anytime before Eid as "the meat market is not stable".

Price of chicken was also on an upward trend since the beginning of Ramadan, said Yousuf Sowdagar, owner of Shah Amanat Poultry at Karnaphuli Market.

Price of broiler chicken was at Tk 140 per kg before

Ramadan, but now it is Tk 170 to 175, he said, adding that it was simply due to high demand.

Likewise, prices of some vegetables including tomatoes, green chilli, coriander leaves and cucumbers, have increased in the last couple of days by Tk 30-60 a kg.

Tomatoes were being sold at Tk 100 to Tk 120 per kg yesterday, which was around Tk 80 even two days ago. Cucumber was being sold at Tk 40 per kg, Coriander leaf at Tk 160, and green chilli at Tk 60.

However, the prices of most of these vegetables have not increased at the same rates in the wholesale market. At the Reazuddin Bazar wholesale market yesterday, tomatoes were being sold at Tk 90 per kg, cucumbers at Tk 20, coriander leaves at Tk 100 and green chilli at Tk 30.

# Prince Philip back in hospital

BBC ONLINE

The Duke of Edinburgh has been taken to hospital as a "precautionary measure", Buckingham Palace has said yesterday.

Prince Philip, who is 91, was driven by ambulance to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary while staying at Balmoral with the Queen, a spokesperson said.

He is not thought to be in a critical condition, the BBC's Peter Hunt says. It comes after he was taken to hospital with a bladder infection shortly before the Diamond Jubilee concert on 4 June.

# Police probe

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leg amputated from the thigh on March 27, 2011.

He secured bail from the High Court on May 5.

Sub-Inspector Abdul Halim, investigation officer for the case filed by Limon's mother, said he had filed the final report as he found no witnesses and evidence that could prove the allegation.

Meanwhile, the two cases Rab filed against Limon are progressing rather well. The cases -- one under the arms act and the other for obstructing the work of the law enforcers -- were filed the day Limon was shot.

On April 24 last year, Rajapur police submitted a charge sheet in the arms case against Limon and seven others -- Morshed Zamaddar, Zamal, Hatu Mizan, Jahangir, Halim Zamaddar, Labu Zamaddar and Sumon -- all allegedly members of "Mizan-Morshed gang".

After being deferred four times, the date for charge framing has now been set for September 16 this year.

In the obstruction-today case, police submitted the charge sheet against Limon and the seven on July 1 this year. The date for hearing on the acceptance of the charge sheet is September 2.

# In silent tears

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they tried finding solace in each other at the grave of their father. Holding on to each other, in tears and in agony, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Sheikh Rehana recalled Bangabandhu in Tungipara yesterday.

The two daughters of Bangabandhu, who survived the massacre of August 15, 1975, placed a floral wreath on the grave of the Father of the Nation, Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, as a symbolic offering of love for the parent they lost to the forces of darkness thirty seven years ago.

Then the two sisters together recited verses from the Holy Quran in silence and prayed for his departed soul. The heavy silence cast a pall of gloom all around. The heavens lapsed into silence.

The bereaved sisters left the capital for Tungipara in the morning by helicopter to pay homage to Bangabandhu on the anniversary of his martyrdom.

Members of the cabinet, the prime minister's advis-

ers, lawmakers, the three services chiefs, senior leaders of the ruling Awami League and senior government officials, among others, were present on the occasion.

The premier, her sister, cabinet members and party leaders joined a milad mahfil held at the mazar premises.

Earlier, in the morning, Sheikh Hasina placed a floral wreath at the portrait of the Father of the Nation at the Bangabandhu Memorial Museum at Dhanmondi-32.

Sheikh Hasina also visited the graves of the members of Bangabandhu's family and other martyrs of 1975 at Banani graveyard.

In the pre-dawn hours of August 15, 1975, Bangabandhu was assassinated along with nearly his entire family by misguided soldiers of the Bangladesh army. Bangabandhu's two daughters -- Hasina and Rehana survived the massacre as they were away on a visit to Germany.

# Govt knows

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are hiding," he said, adding, "The government will bring them back to the country and hand them down their sentences in due time."

Ashraf, also general secretary of the Awami League, was speaking to journalists at Banani graveyard after placing wreaths on the graves of Bangabandhu's family members who were killed by a group of disgruntled army officers on this day, 37 years ago.

"Bangladesh could ask the United Nations to help deport the fugitives," said barrister M Amir-Ul Islam, after placing wreaths below the portrait of Bangabandhu at Dhanmondi.

"However, the problem must be resolved through holding discussions with the

countries where the killers have taken refuge," he added.

On November 19, 2009, the Supreme Court upheld a High Court verdict that confirmed the death sentence of 12 killers of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and most of his family members on August 15, 1975.

On January 28, 2010, five convicts -- Syed Farooq Rahman, Sultan Shahriar Rashid Khan, Mohiuddin Ahmed, Bazlul Huda and AKM Mohiuddin Ahmed -- were executed following the Supreme Court verdict.

One of the convicted killers, Aziz Pasha, reportedly died in Zimbabwe, while the remaining six are hiding in different countries to avoid execution.

**Office of the CMES (Army) Chittagong**  
Chittagong Cantonment  
**Amendment of Tender Notice**

1. Notice of Tender for the following work appeared in The Daily Star on 27-06-2012 & The Daily Samakal on 30-6-2012:  
a) ক্যান্টনমেন্ট পাবলিক স্কুল এন্ড হালিশহর (চট্টগ্রাম) এ্যাডমিন উইং এবং লাইব্রেরী এর জন্য আসবাবপত্র সরবরাহকরণ (গ্রুপ-১)

2. The notice is amended as follows:  
Read:  
S/No. 09 Tender last selling date: 29-8-2012  
S/No. 10 Tender closing date & time: 30-8-2012 at 12.00 hrs  
S/No. 11 Tender opening date & time: 30-8-2012 at 12.30 hrs  
For:  
S/No. 09 Tender last selling date: 12-7-2012  
S/No. 10 Tender closing date & time: 15-7-2012 at 12.00 hrs  
S/No. 11 Tender opening date & time: 15-7-2012 at 12.30 hrs  
3. All other conditions in the original notice of tender will remain unchanged.  
Date: 07 August 2012 **CMES (Army) Chittagong**  
ISPR/Army/2012/1349 **GD-3178**

**বাংলাদেশ বিদ্যুৎ উন্নয়ন বোর্ড**  
Bangladesh Power Development Board  
Office:  
Central Secretariat  
BPDB, Dhaka  
Memo No. 1746-BPDB(Sect)/Dev-21/81 Date: 12-08-12  
**বিদ্যুৎ সশ্রয়ী বাতি ব্যবহার করুন**

**Time Extension Notice for Submission of Tender for Re-Powering Project of Ghorasal 3rd Unit**

Last date for submission of tender for Re-Powering Project of Ghorasal 3rd Unit (Tender Invitation No. 521-BPDB(Sect)/Dev-21/81 Date: 08/03/2012 is hereby extended as mentioned below:

| Sl No. | Reference clause of tender document | Item descriptions as per tender document   | Amendment  |
|--------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1.     | Tender Notice Sl. No. 16, 17, 18    | Last date and time for selling the tender document:<br>Date: 22-08-2012<br>Time: 17:00 hours (BST)<br>Last date and time for submission of tenders:<br>Date: 23-08-2012<br>Time: 11:00 hours (BST)<br>The tenders shall be opened at 11:30 hours (BST). Date: 23-08-2012 | Last date and time for selling the tender document:<br>Date: 24-09-2012<br>Time: 17:00 hours (BST)<br>Last date and time for submission of tenders:<br>Date: 25-09-2012<br>Time: 11:00 hours (BST)<br>The tenders shall be opened at 11:30 hours (BST). Date: 25-09-2012 |

All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged.  
Clarification reply including addendum on 02 the basis of queries sought from interested tenderers will be posted to BPDB website.

**Secretary**  
Bangladesh Power Development Board  
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GD-3197

**The Security Printing Corporation (Bangladesh) Ltd.**  
Gazipur  
Website: www.spcl.org.bd

**Local/International Tender for Supply of Consumables for MICR Cheque Printing Machine**

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the competent manufacturers/suppliers for supply of above materials as per under noted schedule. Tender document showing terms and conditions with specification will be available from the office of The Security Printing Corporation (Bangladesh) Ltd., Gazipur and its Liaison Office at Annex Building-1, 6th Floor, Bangladesh Bank, Dhaka-1000 during Sunday to Thursday between 10.00am to 1.30pm during the holy Ramadan and between 10.00am to 4.00pm during normal office days against an application in the letterhead pad from the respective firm against payment of Tk. 1000.00 (one thousand):

- Selling of tender : From 13.08.2012 to document 06.09.2012.
- Last date and time : 24.09.2012 up to for submission of 3.30pm.
- Date & time for : 25.09.2012 at opening of tender 11.05am.

Earnest money @ 3% (three percent) of the total quoted price shall have to be submitted in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order/Irrevocable Bank Guarantee from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh along with the tender in favour of the Managing Director, The Security Printing Corporation (Bangladesh) Ltd., Gazipur. Irrevocable Bank Guarantee may also be given from any international commercial bank abroad with a counter guarantee from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh. Tender without earnest money shall not be acceptable. The tender(s) addressed to the Managing Director, The Security Printing Corporation (Bangladesh) Ltd., Gazipur shall have to be dropped in the tender box kept at Corporation's Office in Gazipur and its above addressed liaison office but all the tender(s) to be received will be opened together at Corporation's Office, Gazipur in presence of tenderer(s) if any. Tender may also be sent through postal/courier services which must be reached on or before the scheduled deadline. 1 (one) tender schedule is applicable only for one local/international manufacturer/supplier for submitting one offer along with earnest money. The authority reserves the right to reject or accept any tender(s) without assigning any reason whatsoever. Submission of tender after the specified time shall not be acceptable under any circumstances.

**Md Kalimulla**  
General Manager (P&S)  
Phone: 9205116  
GD-3152

**বাংলাদেশ স্ট্যান্ডার্ডস এন্ড টেস্টিং ইনস্টিটিউশন**  
Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution  
মান ভবন  
১১৬/ক, তেজগাঁও শিল্প এলাকা, ঢাকা-১২০৮  
ফোনঃ ৮৮৭০২৭৫, ৮৮৭০২৭৭, ৮৮৭০২৯১, ৮৮৭০৮৮৭, ৮৮৭০২৯২  
Fax: 88-02-9131581 E-mail: [bsti@bangla.net](mailto:bsti@bangla.net) Website: [www.bsti.gov.bd](http://www.bsti.gov.bd)  
Ref. No. 36.095.014.15.00.042.2010 Date: 08.08.2012

**Invitation for International Tender (Goods)**

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| 1.                              | Ministry/Division  | : Ministry of Industries.  |
| 2.                              | Agency   | : Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution (BSTI).   |
| 3.                              | Procuring entity name  | : Director General, BSTI, 116/A, Tejgaon I/A, Dhaka-1208.  |
| 4.                              | Procuring entity code  | : 3905   |
| 5.                              | Procuring entity district  | : Dhaka  |
| 6.                              | Invitation for   | : Physical, Electrical & Metrology Laboratory Equipments.  |
| 7.                              | International tender notice No.  | : 36.095.014.15.00.042.2010  |
| 8.                              | Date   | : 07.08.2012   |
| <b>KEY INFORMATION</b>          |  |  |
| 9.                              | Procuring information method   | : Open tender method (OTM).  |
| <b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>      |  |  |
| 10.                             | Budget and source of funds   | : JDCF(GOB).   |
| <b>PARTICULARS INFORMATION</b>  |  |  |
| 11.                             | Project name (if applicable)   | : "Modernisation of BSTI through Procurement of Sophisticated Equipment & Infrastructure Development of Laboratories for Accreditation".   |
| 12.                             | International package No.  | : GD-6 and GD-3  |
| 13.                             | Tender publication date  | : 09.08.2012   |
| 14.                             | Tender last selling date   | : 19.09.2012   |
| 15.                             | Tender closing date & time   | : 20.09.2012 Time: 9:00am to 11:00am.  |
| 16.                             | Tender opening date & time   | : 20.09.2012 Time: 12.00 noon.   |
| 17.                             | Name and address of the office(s) selling tender documents (principal)                               | : Project Director (JDCF), BSTI, 116/A, Tejgaon I/A, Dhaka-1208.   |
| 18.                             | Selling tender documents (others)  | : Accounts Section, JDCF Project, Maan Bhaban, BSTI, 116/A, Tejgaon I/A, Dhaka-1208.   |
| 19.                             | Name and address of the offices receiving tenders  | : (1) Chairman, Tender Evaluation Committee, BSTI, Dhaka-1208.<br>(2) Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Segunbagicha, Dhaka.<br>(3) Joint Chief, Ministry of Industries (Room: 504), Motijheel, Dhaka.  |
| 20.                             | Pre-tender meeting date, time & place  | : Not applicable.  |
| <b>INFORMATION FOR TENDERER</b> |  |  |
| 21.                             | Eligibility of tenderer or their principal/manufacturer of Physical & Metrology Laboratory Equipment | : a) The tenderer/manufacturer shall have minimum 2 (two) years of experience in supply of goods and related services.<br>b) Up to tender date Vat/Income Tax certificate.<br>c) The tenderer shall have authorised local agent/distributor to follow up after sales services. |
| 22.                             | Brief description of goods or works  | : Physical, Electrical & Metrology Laboratory Equipments.  |
| 23.                             | Price of tender documents (Tk)   | : Tk 750.00 (seven hundred fifty) only.  |
| 24.                             | Identification   | : Location Tender security amount (Tk) Completion time in weeks/month/days   |
|                                 | Physical & Electrical Laboratory Equipments  | Dhaka 1,50,000.00 (one lakh fifty thousand) only 12 weeks  |
|                                 | Metrology Laboratory Equipments  | Dhaka 50,000.00 (fifty thousand) only 12 weeks   |
| 25.                             | Name of official inviting tender   | : Mohammad Ali.  |
| 26.                             | Designation of official inviting tender  | : Project Director, JDCF Project.  |
| 27.                             | Address of official inviting tender  | : Maan Bhaban, BSTI, 116/A, Tejgaon I/A, Dhaka-1208.   |
| 28.                             | Contact details of official inviting tender  | : +88 02 8870292   |
| 29.                             | Special instruction  | : The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders prior to acceptance.   |

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