

All but MKA

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Besides, State Minister for Cultural Affairs Promod Mankin has been given charge of the social welfare ministry to cooperate with its ailing minister Enamul Hoque Mostofa Shaheed.

The Cabinet Division issued a notification to this effect yesterday.

After taking over the charge from his predecessor Abul Kalam Azad, who has been made cultural affairs minister, new Information Minister Inu said his challenge will be to ensure that people get correct information and discourage unethical journalism.

Inu, also president of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal, said he would provide all possible support to the home ministry for investigation into the killing of journalist couple Sagar-Runi.

After taking the charge of the railways ministry, Mujibul Haque voiced a hard-line stance against corruption and laziness of the officials and employees of his ministry.

"No one will be spared if we remain engaged in corruption. Those who will not expend

effort will not be able to stay in this ministry," he said adding that his main target will be to ensure trains running on schedule and tickets are not sold on the black market.

The newly appointed Disaster Management and Relief Minister AH Mahmood Ali called for everyone's support to maintain the government's "success" in the sector.

Information and Communication Technology Minister Mostofa Faruque Mohammad went to his office at the BANSDOC building at Agargaon around 10:30am.

Two newly made state ministers -- Abdul Hye and Omar Faruk Chowdhury went to their ministries of fisheries and livestock, and industries respectively.

In an interview with BBC Bangla Service on Saturday, Home Minister Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir said his prime responsibility would be to ensure trials of war criminals and all political killings.

The minister also said he would not let Bangladesh become a safe zone for criminals, reported BBC

US pulls embassy staff

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But Sudanese Foreign Minister, Ali Karti, on Saturday flatly rejected a US request to send special forces to protect the Khartoum embassy, the official SUNA news agency said, quoting his office.

US officials hours later announced Washington would evacuate all non-essential staff and family members from Sudan and Tunisia and warned US citizens against travel to the two countries.

FIRST PHOTO
Nakoula Basseley Nakoula -- also known as Sam Bacile -- was last week named by the FBI as the maker of Innocence of Muslims, which ridicules the prophet Muhammad.

The Mail yesterday has exclusively obtained this on-set image of him with the film's star Anna Gurji, who says she was duped by the 55-year-old director.

Nakoula is an Egyptian-born Coptic Christian. Now living in California, he is a convicted drug dealer and conman who was last released from jail in June last year.

US officials have said authorities were not investigating the film project itself, and that even if it was inflammatory or led to violence, simply producing it cannot be considered a crime in the United States, which has strong free speech laws.

Two attorneys visited Nakoula's home hours before he was taken in for questioning. They said they were there to consult with him.

Nakoula, whose name has been widely linked to the film in media reports, pleaded guilty to bank fraud in 2010 and was sentenced to 21 months in prison, to be followed by five years on supervised probation, court documents showed.

He was released in June 2011, and at least some production on the video was done later that summer.

But the terms of Nakoula's prison release contain

behaviour stipulations that bar him from accessing the Internet or assuming aliases without the approval of his probation officer.

A senior law enforcement official in Washington has indicated the probation investigation relates to whether he broke one or both of these conditions. Violations could result in him being sent back to prison, court records show.

BLOCKED IN INDIA
Yesterday, India said Google had blocked access in the country to the anti-Islam film as it condemned the "offensive" movie, reports AFP.

"Google India has, in compliance with Indian law, blocked access to the offensive material," foreign ministry spokesman Syed Akbaruddin said.

A Google executive, speaking on condition of anonymity, said on Friday that it had blocked access to Internet users trying to watch the movie via YouTube which it owns.

More than 80 people were arrested in the southern city of Chennai on Friday after an attack by Islamists on the US consulate during a protest against the film.

KILLING UNJUSTIFIED
Despite Tehran's hostility to Washington and its own condemnation of the movie, Iran's Revolutionary Guards commander General Mohammad Ali Jafari said the killing of the US ambassador to Libya last Tuesday was unjustified.

In the worst violence sparked by the film, the US ambassador to Libya, Chris Stevens, and three other Americans died when suspected Islamic militants fired rocket-propelled grenades at the US consulate in the eastern city of Benghazi.

In cities across the Muslim world protesters have since vented their fury at the "Innocence of Muslims" -- an amateur film produced in the United States -- by targeting symbols of US influence ranging from embassies and schools to fast food chains.

Although the US government itself has condemned the film, protests erupted again yesterday with hundreds of students pouring into the streets of Kabul

shouting anti-American slogans.

Muslims also took to the streets of Australia's largest city, some throwing rocks and bottles in clashes with police, adds Reuters.

About 80 Islamist militants were arrested in Paris while trying to demonstrate outside the US embassy near the Champs Elysees, French police sources said.

Libyan authorities said they had identified 50 people who were involved in the attack in which ambassador Christopher Stevens died.

In an interview aired on Saturday on NBC's "Nightly News," Libyan President Mohammed Magarief was quoted as saying that foreigners along with Libyans were involved in the attack on the consulate in Benghazi.

Saudi Arabia's Grand Mufti, Sheikh Abdulaziz bin Abdullah Al al-Sheikh, denounced the attacks. He described the short film as "miserable" and "criminal," but said attacks on the innocent and on diplomats were "a distortion of the Islamic religion and are not accepted by God".

With Muslim anger boiling, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) Saturday issued a call for more violence against US diplomatic missions in the Middle East and Africa, and urged attacks on US interests in the West, the SITE Intelligence Group said.

AQAP, al-Qaeda's Yemeni offshoot, did not claim direct responsibility for the deadly attack in Benghazi.

But it said the killing of al-Qaeda deputy leader Sheikh Abu Yahya al-Libi in a June drone strike in Pakistan "increased the enthusiasm and determination of the sons of (Libyan independence hero) Omar al-Mukhtar to take revenge upon those who attack our Prophet," according to SITE.

Meanwhile, US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton undertook a round of telephone diplomacy Saturday, calling her counterparts in Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Britain and France, as well as the prime minister of Libya and the Somali president, in a bid to rally support, State Department spokeswoman Victoria

Govt relaxes

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Bangladesh (TCB), chicken eggs were sold at Tk 42 per four pieces in the city market yesterday.

Eggs were sold at Tk 32 per four pieces a month ago.

The decision to allow egg imports without prior permission from the ministry was taken considering the interest of people, Commerce Secretary Ghulam Hussain told The Daily Star over the phone.

"But all other previous conditions related to import of all kinds of eggs will remain in force. Businessmen will not be able to import eggs from any bird flu-prone country," Hussain said.

For importing eggs, the importers will have to collect certificates from both the bird flu-free countries and the livestock department of Bangladesh.

"The imported eggs will be checked strictly at the customs stations," Hussain added.

Earlier on June 4, the government relaxed the condition for importing eggs, and the businessmen were allowed to import the item without prior permission from the ministry until August 31.

Before June 4, the commerce ministry used to permit the import of eggs in some selective cases.

The daily demand for eggs across the country is 2 crore while the production of eggs in the country is 1 crore a day, according to data from Bangladesh Poultry Industries Association.

Govt moves

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will be considered illegal.

Non-material and non-existent commodities and services saleable in future will also be banned.

Only commodities and services approved by the government can be sold through direct sale only. The government or firms authorised by the government can change the list of saleable commodities and services.

The draft law contains a list of commodities and services which MLM companies can sell directly. They will not be able to recruit people by selling products.

Household utensils, electrical and electronics, home appliances, toiletries, and herbal products are on the list attached to the draft law.

Any sub-standard goods without wrappers cannot be sold, and if the rule is violated, fines and jail terms of different tenures have been proposed.

Shady MLM companies are cheating people across the country by offering them double return on deposits in less than a year, high monthly returns and huge profits from product sales.

These companies hire fancy offices and create eye-catching websites to lure people into their traps and then disappear after swindling people out of crores of taka.

According to the Joint Stock Companies and Firms registrar, some 70 MLM companies are operating in the country. Nearly two-thirds of them are involved in

banking, which is illegal. The rest offer very few products.

Both concepts charge between Tk 1,000 and Tk 10,000 for membership.

The home ministry in May sent a report to the finance ministry, Bangladesh Bank and other ministries concerned.

The report mentioned the pyramid-like and circle-like methods MLM companies use in Bangladesh and said such methods had been banned elsewhere in the world.

The report said the existing MLM companies were creating obstacles to enacting the law by using their influence.

The home ministry report said the MLM companies sponsored different sports events and cultural functions like Bangladesh Premier League T20 in the name of social responsibility. They invite politically influential people to their events, including ministers and advisers to attract people and cheat them.

Several companies of Destiny Group allegedly embezzled a huge amount of money but only Tk 190.04 crore was found in its frozen bank accounts, according to a central bank report.

Last week, Bangladesh Bank sent a report on Destiny Group to the finance ministry.

Of the 37 firms of the group, the central bank found Tk 5,132.46 crore was deposited in 282 bank accounts of three firms -- Destiny 2000 Ltd, Destiny Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd and Destiny Tree Plantation.

Later Tk 5,113.95 crore

Stop screening

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"No Muslim can tolerate such defamation of Prophet (SM)," she said while inaugurating this year's hajj programme organised by the religious affairs ministry in the capital's Ashkona Hajj Camp.

"We have already taken necessary steps so that the film cannot be screened in Bangladesh," she said.

Saying that the Awami League would not support or condone any activities which undermine the spirit of Islam, Hasina urged the US government to hand down exemplary punishment to the filmmaker for demeaning Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (SM).

Shahjahan Mia, minister of state for religious affairs, presided over the function. Civil aviation Minister Faruk

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh International Tender Notice

Memo No. E&T/MV/109-2012/5007(6) Date: 13 September 2012
Sealed tender is hereby invited from the manufacturers/principal/local agent for purchase of the following items for Bangladesh Police. Manufacturers/principal/local agent must read and fill up the tender documents cautiously, so that the offered package complies with the tender documents. Conditional or alternative offer shall not be evaluated.

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Home Affairs.
2.	Agency	Police Headquarters, Dhaka.
3.	Procuring entity name	Inspector General, Bangladesh Police.
4.	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
5.	Invitation for	Equipments for FPU.
6.	Invitation reference No.	E&T/MV/109-2012/13 (2012-2013) (FY).
7.	Date	13 September 2012.

KEY INFORMATION
8. Procurement method: Open Tendering Method (International).

FUNDING INFORMATION
9. Budget code: 6868 Formed Police Unit (FPU).

10.	Tender publication date	15 September 2012.
11.	Tender selling last date	28 October 2012.
12.	Tender closing date and time	29 October 2012 at 12.00 noon.
13.	Tender opening date and time	29 October 2012 at 12.30pm.
14.	Name & address of the officer	AIG (E&T), Room No. 220 (1 st Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka.
15.	Selling, receiving & opening tender document	AIG (E&T), Room No. 220 (1 st Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka.
16.	Place, date & time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	Date-01 October 2012 at 03.00pm, Operation Conference Room, Police Headquarters, Dhaka.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER
17. Eligibility of tenderer

(i) Up-to-date trade license (ii) Vat registration certificate (iii) Up-to-date Income Tax clearance certificate (iv) Manufacturer shall have minimum ten (10) years of overall experience in the supply of this items (v) Manufacturer shall have successfully completion of minimum one (01) supply contract of similar goods and related services within last five (05) years (vi) Manufacturer shall have a minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit facility is US\$ 1.00 million or equivalent BDT (vii) Manufacturer/bidders/local agent shall have a dedicated workshop or service centre in Dhaka (viii) Manufacturer or local agent shall not be blacklisted by any other organization in home and abroad (ix) Manufacturer/local agent must enclose user lists with contract phone number and address against the contract of similar successful supply.

19. Brief description of goods: Equipments for FPU.

20. Tender document price: Tk 2,000.00 (two thousand) only.

21.	Identification of goods	Quantity	Tender security amount in Taka	Completion time
	Night Vision Binocular	35	350000.00	120 days
	Water Treatment Plant (2000 Liter)	05	400000.00	

22. PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

23. Name of official inviting tender: Md Shafiqul Islam.
24. Designation of official inviting tender: AIG (E&T), Bangladesh Police, Police Headquarters, Dhaka.

25. Contact details of official inviting tender: Tel: 88 02 9564779, Fax: 88 02 7176129
E-mail: aige_t@police.gov.bd

26. a. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.
b. If is not possible to receive/open the tender on the schedule date for any unavoidable circumstance, the same will be received/opened on the next working date at the same time & same venue.
c. The procuring entity also reserves the right to omit, increase and/or decrease the quantity of any item(s) from the tender.
d. The bidders must abide by the decision of the HOPE.
e. The procurement will perform according to the Public Procurement Act-2006 and Public Procurement Regulation 2008.

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3rd Climate

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climate change.

The launch of the annual awards was announced at a media briefing at Sonargaon Hotel in the capital.

The awards aim to encourage individuals and organisations who are actively working to preserve the environment and tackle the risks of climate change through green business, environment-friendly operations, community investment and knowledge management.

Speaking at the press briefing, Steve Ball, chief financial officer of HSBC, Bangladesh, said the country would face challenges in mitigating the impact of climate change.

"The government, non-government organisations and the media are working to address the issue. So, we are working with The Daily Star and Waste Concern to honour the initiatives of companies and individuals in saving the environment," he said.

Waste Concern was the knowledge partner in this programme and would adjudicate the process and select winners, said Talukdar Noman Anwar, head of marketing, communications and corporate sustainability of HSBC, Bangladesh.

Mahfuz Anam, editor and publisher of The Daily Star, said climate change in Bangladesh was not a remote issue although many would like to think in that direction.

"Rains do not happen in Bangladesh in the seasons they used to happen in the past. The sea level has gone up. Rivers are being polluted."

He said nothing could be done to protect the rivers of the country in the last three and a half years despite various government initiatives, suo moto rules of the High Court and the prime minister's personal commitment.

"The time will come

when we will have to buy water from distant places. So, we will have to learn to live with nature," Mahfuz Anam said. Otherwise, the rebounding effects will be much higher.

He urged HSBC, one of the leading international banks, to conduct campaigns at district levels to raise awareness among people about river protection.

AHM Maqsood Sinha, executive director of Waste Concern, said that though the award programme would recognise a few initiatives, its main objective was to present role models before society so that others could follow them.

He added that changing the mindset of businesses and industries -- who were the main polluters -- was another goal of the project, as businesses could still make profit and become sustainable while adopting green practices.

HSBC-The Daily Star Climate Awards, 2012 will be given out in four categories: climate champion in green business, climate champion in green operations (companies with 100 percent Bangladeshi ownership and companies with full or partial foreign ownership), climate champion in knowledge management, and climate champion in community engagement.

Details of the categories and nomination forms of the awards are available at www.hsbc.com.bd or www.thedailystar.net. Once they are filled in, nomination forms have to be sent to Waste Concern office on or before October 31, 2012.

The award programme will be adjudicated by a panel of eminent jury members comprising experts in the fields of nature preservation and climate change. Five winners will be awarded at a ceremony in the capital in the

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Job Title:	National Information Management Officer for Food Security Cluster
Place of Work:	Dhaka (with field work as and when required)
Reports to:	Food Security Cluster Co-management Team (FAO-WFP)
Entry on Duty:	To be filled immediately (06 Month Contract with possible extension)

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<http://www.fao.org/asiapacific/bangladesh/vacancies/en>

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All applicants must submit their CV to: FAOBD-Vacancies@fao.org only.
Subject line must refer to: Food Security Cluster Information Management Officer

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আনসার ও গ্রাম প্রতিরক্ষা বাহিনী সদর দপ্তর, খিলগাঁও, ঢাকা

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১৭	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর ঠিকানা	সদর দপ্তর, আনসার ও গ্রাম প্রতিরক্ষা বাহিনী, খিলগাঁও, ঢাকা।	
১৮	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর বিস্তারিত যোগাযোগের ঠিকানা	ওয়েবসাইট: www.ansarvdp.gov.bd ই-মেইল- dq@ansarvdp.gov.bd ফোন নং-৭২১৪৯৫১-৬ এক্স-১২৪, ১২৭।	
১৯	কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন/সকল দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল ও পণ্যের পরিমাণ হ্রাস/বৃদ্ধি করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।		

১. **শর্তাবলী:**
ক) রেশন স্টোর কর্তৃক প্রদত্ত নমুনা অনুযায়ী জমাটি মালামাল সরবরাহ করতে হবে।
খ) কর্তৃপক্ষ নিম্নতর দরপত্র গ্রহণে বাধ্য নয় এবং যে কোন অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।
গ) দরপত্র সিডিউল ক্রয়ের সময় অবশ্যই বিডি দাখিল করতে হবে।