

# Hall-Mark chairman

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denied her bail.  
On Sunday, Senior Special Judge of Dhaka Mohammad Zahirul Haque cancelled her bail and asked her to surrender before the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court (CMM) of Dhaka within three days.  
The same court on February 7 had granted her bail on condition that she and her company would repay Tk 2,600 crore

swindled out of Sonali Bank.  
The High Court on Monday asked the law enforcers to arrest Jasmine, wife of the company's Managing Director Tanvir Mahmud, if she would not surrender to the CMM court within two days as per the trial court order.  
It also directed the government not to let Jasmine leave the country.  
The Anti-Corruption

Commission on October 4 last year had filed the cases against 27 top officials of the state-owned Sonali Bank and Hall-Mark Group for swindling Tk 2,600.  
According to a Bangladesh Bank investigation, Hall-Mark in connivance with some bank officials pocketed the amount from the Ruposhi Bangla branch of Sonali Bank on forged documents.

# Transmission

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Chaired by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, the Ecneec meeting yesterday gave nod to eight development projects involving Tk 7,882 crore. The meeting was held at the NEC auditorium of the planning ministry in the capital.  
On the increased budget, the power ministry told the meeting that the soaring cost of labour, construction materials and metal parts had pushed up the project cost. It also blamed devaluation of Taka against dollar for the cost rise.

at ensuring uninterrupted and reliable power supply in the Chittagong region.  
Four development partners of Middle-East origin (KSA, UAE, Kuwait and OPEC) will provide Tk 1,375 crore of the total project cost of Tk 2,022 crore.  
The executive committee also approved two projects worth Tk 794 crore to create large-scale employment and diversify exports in the ICT sector.  
One of the projects involve providing training to 10,000 graduates on software development and to another 20,000 on information and communication technology servicing, under the supervision of Bangladesh Computer Council.  
The project will also help expand the national data centre, set up a disaster recovery centre, introduce "cloud computing" and provide ICT training to government officials.  
The scheme, expected to take off this year and be

completed in January 2018, will cost Tk 572.48 crore, of which Tk 571.97 crore will be provided by the World Bank.  
The other project entails developing an IT park at Kaliakoir in Gazipur at a cost of Tk 222.36 crore. Of the total cost, the WB will give Bangladesh Tk 185.17 crore as loan while UK's Department for International Development will extend a grant of Tk 25.44 crore.  
Although the IT Park had been set up between 2006 and 2010 on 232 acres of land, it is yet to become operational due to a lack of amenities, said a planning ministry official.  
"The project is aimed at developing the support infrastructure of the park, such that an export-oriented IT industry can be set up through public-private partnership," the official said.  
The project is expected to be completed in June 2016.

# Govt focuses deep-sea port

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except carrying out feasibility studies. Experts say there is no alternative to building a deep-sea port as the capacity of the Chittagong Port would be exhausted by 2015.  
The high-profile committee has been formed on February 13 after the UAE placed formal proposals to the government on January 30 to construct the deep-sea port and container terminal in Chittagong and Gazipur.  
UAE Minister for Foreign Trade Sheikhha Lubna Bint Khaled Al Qasimi visited Bangladesh and talked to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina about financing the port. Dubai-based DP World, the world's third largest port operator, wants to invest between \$3 billion and \$4 billion for the deep-sea port.

remained silent about the matter and was apparently in a dilemma as to which country should be chosen.  
The 10-member high-profile committee headed by Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister Shaikh Md Wahid-uz-Zaman will start working soon on the proposals of the UAE, China and other countries.  
The committee has been asked to place specific recommendations to the prime minister within the shortest possible time as the government wants to start the first phase of construction within its tenure.  
The committee also comprises the secretaries of shipping, commerce,

finance division, foreign affairs ministries and Economic Relations Department (ERD), the director general-3 of the Prime Minister's Office (PMO), the chief executive officer (CEO) of the PPP Office at the PMO, and the CEO of the Deep-Sea Port Cell.  
The joint secretary-2 of the shipping ministry will work as the member secretary of the committee.  
Talking to The Daily Star, committee chief Wahid-uz-Zaman said they would hold a meeting within a week to formally start working on the issue. "As soon as possible, may be in two months, we will

be able to submit our report to the government," he added.  
Asked about China's proposal to construct the deep-sea port, the secretary said the government is considering building the port on the basis of government to government (G2G) involvement to maintain maximum fairness, transparency and accountability.  
"The G2G initiative will quicken implementation of the project," he said, adding that they would also consider China or the USA's proposal in this regard.  
"We will accept that proposal [of any country] which will uphold our country's interests most," the

principal secretary added.  
As per a Japanese study in 2009, Bangladesh could build this Tk 40,000 crore port in Sonadia in three phases. The first phase was supposed to start at the end of 2011 and be completed by 2015 at a cost of Tk 13,000 crore. The second and third phases would be implemented for another Tk 27,000 crore over the next four decades.  
The study estimated that the port would boost the country's GDP growth by 2 percent, as it would generate huge employment, increase export and import and raise the country's capacity to handle cargo.

power export-import with India would be implemented under the aegis of South Asian sub-regional cooperation.  
Ecneec yesterday also approved implementation of Shikalbaha 225MW Dual-Fuel Combined Cycle Power Plant on Power Development Board's land near the existing Shikalbaha Power Plant. The project is aimed

lead atrocities on Bangladeshis.  
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Earlier, in her deposition prosecution witness Sultana Kamal had said Ghulam Azam often used to meet with Tikka Khan [the then martial law administrator], Pakistani army officers and other leaders. They discussed ways of maintaining integrity of Pakistan and issued statements in this regard.  
As a continuation of his Monday's argument, the prosecutor in the morning session of his argument showed the tribunal how prosecution witnesses linked Ghulam Azam as a person of "superior status" in their testimonies.  
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Mentioning this, the prosecutor yesterday said such speech was only possible for a person with superior status.  
Citing that Ghulam Azam had met the Saudi King after the Liberation War and sought his help, prosecutor Simon argued that if Azam was not a man of superior status, he couldn't have met the king.  
The proceeding of the case was adjourned until today, when the prosecution will place arguments on rest of the charges.

China had earlier formally proposed financing and constructing the port several times and it remained open to partnership with other countries including India, Germany and the USA.  
But the government had

## Embracing

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21 and 22, 1952. On April 26, a non-communal organisation known as East Pakistan Students Union (EPSU) was formed. Sometime around mid-1952, a number of leading Bangalee intellectuals organised the Pakistan Shahitya Parishad.  
An especially important development after the tragedy of February 21 was the decision by the East Pakistan Muslim Students League to drop the term "Muslim" from its name and thereby turn itself into an inclusive and secular organisation. This step was taken in 1953.  
Earlier, from August 22 to 24, 1952, an East Pakistan Cultural Conference was organised in Comilla, its focus being the language issue. The eminent literary personality, Abdul Karim Shahityabisharod, presided over the conference and in his remarks made it clear that Bangla was and would remain the language of the people of East Bengal.  
There was a clear snowball effect of the shootings of February 21, particularly in the educational institutions of the province. Elections to the halls of Dhaka University showed groups that had so long had the patronage of the government losing to progressive, secular student bodies. On February 21, 1953, the first anniversary of the killings was observed in a peaceful manner, with reports suggesting that the authorities and the students had reached an agreement for the anniversary not to be marred by violence.  
But there were yet elements who refused to acknowledge the reality of Ekushey. Students at Eden College and Dhaka College ran into opposition from their teachers when they tried to set up memorials in honour of the 1952 martyrs. The teachers also opposed their programmes, which included patriotic songs intended to be sung on the anniversary.  
In March 1953, the rising young poet, Hasan Hafizur Rahman, brought out a collection of poetry he called Ekushey Shonkolon. A ban was clamped on it almost immediately and the journal would not reappear until 1965 and then again in 1968.

# Ghulam Azam plotted war crimes

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was brought against him based on six incidents, upon which different crimes against humanity had been perpetrated across Bangladesh.  
The prosecution's arguments were based on witnesses' testimonies, newspaper reports, documents and statements made by Ghulam Azam in 1971.  
Prosecutor Sultan Mahmud Simon made the reasoning while placing closing argument in the war crimes case against Ghulam Azam for the third day.  
Azam, ameer of East Pakistan Jamaat-e-Islami during the Liberation War, is facing five charges -- of conspiracy, planning, incitement, complicity, and torture and murder.  
Quoting two reports of Daily Azad, prosecutor Simon said Ghulam Azam had met then governor of East Pakistan Tikka Khan at

the latter's house in Dhaka on April 4 and April 6 in 1971. There he had proposed forming of the peace committee.  
During cross-examination on February 7, Brig Gen (dismissed) Abdullahil Aman Azmi, Ghulam Azam's son and also a defence witness in the case, said his father had met top authorities of Pakistan on April 4, 1971. He, however, claimed that no one knew what they had discussed in that meeting.  
The prosecution yesterday said Ghulam Azam had met then Pakistani president Yahya Khan on December 1, 1971 and gave a statement in support of the oppressors and termed the freedom fighters as terrorists and Indian intruders.  
Prosecutor Simon also mentioned of four other incidents saying Ghulam Azam had conspired to

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**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Police Headquarters  
Dhaka

Memo No. E&T/Arms/05-2013/919 Date: 17/02/2013

## International Tender Notice

Sealed tender is hereby invited from the manufacturers/suppliers/local agents in their official pad for purchase of the following item 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 Riding Horse.             |
| 5 | Invitation Ref No.    | E&T/Arms/05-2013/23(2012-2013).       |
| 6 | Date                  | 17 February 2013.                     |

**KEY INFORMATION**  
7 Procurement method Open Tendering Method (OTM).

**FUNDING INFORMATION**  
8 Budget and source of fund GOB Revenue.

**PARTICULAR INFORMATION**

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| 9  | Tender publication date                          | 18 February 2013.  |
| 10 | Tender selling last date                         | 01 April 2013.   |
| 11 | Tender closing date and time                     | 02 April 2013 at 14:00 hrs.  |
| 12 | Tender opening date and time                     | 02 April 2013 at 14:30 hrs.  |
| 13 | Name & address of the office(s)                  | Police Headquarters, Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.   |
|    | - Selling tender document                        | Add. DIG (Transport), 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Police Headquarters, Dhaka -1000.                             |
|    | - Receiving tender document                      | Add. DIG (Transport), 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Police Headquarters, Dhaka -1000.                             |
|    | - Opening tender document                        | Add. DIG (Transport), 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Police Headquarters, Dhaka -1000.                             |
| 14 | Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional) | Date- 7.03.2013 at 14.00pm. Operation Conference Room (1 <sup>st</sup> Floor), Police Headquarters, Dhaka. |

**INFORMATION FOR TENDERER**  
15 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 the tender document.

|                                   |                        |          |                                 |                                |                          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Brief description of goods</b> |                        |          |                                 |                                |                          |
| Item                              | Identification of item | Quantity | Tender security amount in (BDT) | Price of tender document (BDT) | Completion time in month |
| Item-1                            | Riding Horse           | 14 Nos.  | 1,50,000.00                     | 1,000.00                       | 4 months                 |

17 Name of official inviting tender Md Z A Morshed, ppm.  
18 Designation of the official inviting tender Addl. DIG (Transport).

**PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS**  
19 Address of official inviting tender Addl. DIG (Transport), Bangladesh Police, Police Headquarters, Dhaka.  
20 Contact details of official inviting tender Phone : +88 02 9564779, Fax: +88 02 7176129

21 Special instruction-  
a) No tender will be received after the deadline of submission.  
b) The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceeding without causing any reason.  
c) The procuring entity also reserves the right to omit, increase or decrease the quantity of tender items.  
d) The bidders must abide by the decision of the HOPE.  
e) The procurement will perform according to the Public Procurement Act-2006 & PPR-2008.

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**INVITATION FOR TENDER**

|   |                           |   |
|---|---------------------------|---|
| 1 | Ministry/Division         | Ministry of Science and Technology  |
| 2 | Agency                    | National Institute of Biotechnology   |
| 3 | Procuring Entity Name     | Director General, National Institute of Biotechnology, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka-1349 |
| 4 | Procuring Entity Code     | N/A   |
| 5 | Procuring Entity District | Dhaka   |
| 6 | Invitation for            | Tender; Goods; individual item  |
| 7 | Invitation Ref No.        | 39.701.007.03.00.00.2013  |
| 8 | Date                      | 17/02/2013  |

**KEY INFORMATION**  
9 Procurement Method NCT; Open

**FUNDING INFORMATION**  
10 Budget and Source of Funds Revenue Budget; GoB

**PARTICULAR INFORMATION**

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| 11 | Project/Programme Code              | N/A   |
| 12 | Project/Programme Name              | N/A   |
| 13 | Tender Package No.                  | G-07  |
| 14 | Tender Package Name                 | Supply, Installation & commissioning of Laboratory equipment  |
| 15 | Tender Publication Date             | 19/02/2013  |
| 16 | Tender Last Selling Date            | 12/03/2013  |
| 17 | Tender Closing Date and Time        | 13/03/2013 and 12.00 PM   |
| 18 | Tender Opening Date and Time        | 13/3/2013 and 12.15 PM  |
| 19 | Name and Address of the Office(s)   |   |
|    | Selling Tender Document (Principal) | Accounts Branch, National Institute of Biotechnology, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka-1349  |
|    | Selling Tender Document (Others)    | N/A   |
|    | Receiving Tender Document           | Tender should be dropped in the tender box kept at Administration Branch, National Institute of Biotechnology, Ganakbari, Ashulia, Savar, Dhaka-1349<br>Tender documents may be hand delivered or posted by mail or courier service within the specified date and time. |
|    | Opening Tender Document             | Meeting Room, National Institute of Biotechnology, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka-1349   |

**INFORMATION FOR TENDERERS**  
20 Eligibility of Tenderer While purchasing tender document attested copies of (i) Up to date trade licence, (ii) up to date income Tax clearance certificate, (iii) ten digit VAT registration certificate, (iv) financial solvency certificate, (v) at least three years experience supply and Installation of similar goods to different procurement entities should be shown and to be enclosed with tender document.

21 Brief Description of Goods or Works Research Laboratory equipment  
22 Brief Description of Related Services N/A  
23 Tender Document Price Tk. 500.00 (five hundred) only in cash payment (non refundable)  
24 Tender security Tk. 50000.00 (fifty thousand) only from any Schedule Bank of Bangladesh in the form of Crossed Bank Draft/Pay Order favouring Director General, National Institute of Biotechnology  
25 Time of completion 2.0 (Two) months

**PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS**  
26 Name of Official Inviting Tender Dr. Md. Saidul Islam  
27 Designation of Official Inviting Tender Director General, National Institute of Biotechnology

28 Address of Official Inviting Tender National Institute of Biotechnology, Ganakbari, Savar, Dhaka-1349  
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30 The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders  
31 If there is any transport disruption or Govt. holiday on the date for dropping/opening of the tender, the next normal working day will be considered valid date of dropping/opening of the tender. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders. Procurement items may be selected on priority basis. This tender shall be governed by "The Public Procurement Act" and "The Public Procurement Rules".