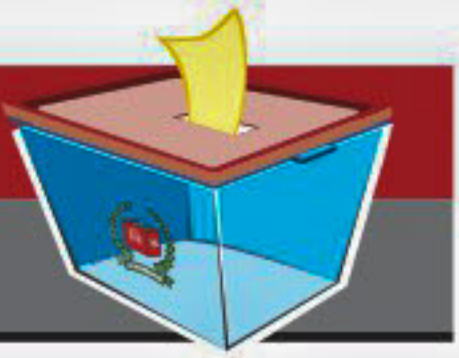




CITY CORPORATION ELECTIONS 2015



Election race takes shape

60 mayoral candidates in Dhaka, Ctg; BNP leaders facing several dozen cases submit nomination papers thru' representatives on last day

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Fearing arrest and harassment by law enforcers, three BNP-backed mayoral aspirants yesterday sent their representatives to the office of returning officer to submit nomination papers for contesting the polls to the two Dhaka city corporations.

The representatives of BNP leaders Mirza Abbas, Abdul Awal Mintoo and Abdus Salam submitted the papers on their behalf, as the deadline for filing nomination expired yesterday.

The BNP leaders might appear in public after scrutiny of the papers is completed by April 2. In the meantime, their lawyers would move PHOTOS ON PAGE 5, 16 SEE PAGE 2 COL 1

	DHAKA NORTH CITY CORPORATION	DHAKA SOUTH CITY CORPORATION	CHITTAGONG CITY CORPORATION
MAYORAL	21 (against 1 post)	26 (against 1 post)	13 (against 1 post)
GENERAL WARD COUNCILLOR	494 (against 36 posts)	636 (against 57 posts)	288 (against 41 posts)
RESERVED WARD COUNCILLOR	135 (against 12 posts)	153 (against 19 posts)	71 (against 14 posts)

13 vie for Ctg city mayor

Nasir, Manjur accuse each other of violating polls code of conduct

PRANABESH CHAKRABORTY and SHAHADAT HOSSAIN, Ctg

Bringing allegations of violating electoral code of conduct against each other, AJM Nasir Uddin and M Manjur Alam Manju, the Awami League- and BNP-backed mayor aspirants, yesterday submitted their nomination papers to run for mayor in the forthcoming Chittagong City Corporation polls.

A total of 372 forms had been submitted by mayoral and ward councillor aspirants at the Election Commission Office on Jubilee Road in the city. Of them, 13 for mayor, 288 for ward councillors and 71 for reserved women councillors.

The deadline for submission of nomination papers ended yesterday.

A total of 674 aspirants collected nomination forms for the posts in the CCC. Of them, 18 for mayor, 561 for ward councillor and 95 for reserved women councillors.

"We have got allegations from both sides. We have been busy in form distribution and collection. From tomorrow [today], we will closely monitor whether any aspirant breaches electoral code of conduct," said Returning Officer Abdul Baten.

"If anyone violates the code of conduct, we will take necessary action as SEE PAGE 8 COL 5



THE CLASS OF 2015: Australia cricketers party with the ICC Cricket World Cup trophy after beating trans-Tasman rivals New Zealand in the final in Melbourne yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

Kamal questions ICC role



SPORTS REPORTER

Amidst Australia's magical moments in Melbourne yesterday, the International Cricket Council (ICC), in an anti-climax, allowed its chairman Narayanswami Srinivasan to hand over the World Cup trophy to Michael Clarke, a task supposed to be undertaken by its sitting president AHM Mustafa Kamal.

As per the ICC constitution it is the president who is supposed to give away the trophy to the winning captain.

The practice is one that has been followed since the 1999 World Cup. However to the dismay of many in Bangladesh's cricketing fraternity, that opportunity was taken away from the president allegedly due to the ill-advised comments Kamal, a SEE PAGE 8 COL 5

Cup goes Gold

Captain Clarke leads Australia to fifth title

AFP, Melbourne

Michael Clarke hit 74 in his last one-day international to lead Australia to their fifth World Cup title with a seven-wicket win over New Zealand in a disappointing final on Sunday.

A record crowd of 93,013 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground saw power-packed Australia bowl out the Black Caps for 183 and then gallop to victory in the 34th over.

Clarke, who announced his retirement from the one-day format on the eve of the final, added 112 runs for the third wicket with his likely successor Steve Smith, who returned unbeaten on 56.

The emphatic win was set up by the left-arm fast bowling trio of Mitchell Starc, James Faulkner and Mitchell Johnson who shared eight wickets after the Kiwis elected to bat on a good pitch.

New Zealand messed up their maiden appearance in the title clash of cricket's showpiece event, falling like nine pins against the hostile Australian bowling.

Inspirational captain Brendon McCullum fell off the fifth ball of the innings for a duck and two other frontline batsmen, Corey Anderson and Luke Ronchi, also failed to score.

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South Africa-born Grant Elliott top-scored with 83, sharing a fourth-wicket stand of 111 with Ross Taylor (40) after New Zealand had been reduced to 39 for three in the 13th over.

The massive crowd, which broke the MCG record of 91,112 on the opening day of the Boxing Day Test against England in 2013, saw New Zealand lose their last seven wickets for 33 runs. There was a 'Go Gold' march for Australian supporters to the MCG before the game.

New Zealand crumbled after going into the final as the only unbeaten team in the 14-nation tournament, their eight wins including a one-wicket success over Australia in a low scoring pool stage thriller.

Australia's previous titles came in 1987, 1999, 2003 SEE PAGE 8 COL 2



TOP QUOTE

"This victory is dedicated to our little brother Phillip Hughes. Hughes used to party as good as any of them so I guarantee we'll celebrate hard tonight."

AUSSIE SKIPPER
MICHAEL CLARKE
AFTER WINNING CRICKET WORLD CUP 2015

Mass promotion awaits officials

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government is set to promote around 700 civil servants to the ranks of deputy, joint and additional secretary although an excessive number of government officials is already holding mid-level positions in the civil administration.

The Ministry of Public Administration on Tuesday sent a summary to the Prime

Minister's Office, suggesting names of the officials for promotion.

"Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who is in charge of the ministry, is expected to approve the summary anytime soon. Circulations on the promotion are also supposed to be issued soon," said a senior official of the ministry.

"The prime minister may be scrutinising SEE PAGE 2 COL 3

কোটি গ্রাহকের আস্থার প্রতীক

৩২ তম প্রতিষ্ঠা বার্ষিকী

- সুদযুক্ত, উন্নয়নধর্মী, সামাজিক দায়বদ্ধ ও কল্যাণমুখী ব্যাংক-ব্যবস্থার প্রবর্তক
- দেশের উন্নয়নের দুই স্তর তৈরি পোশাক খাতে অর্থায়ন ও প্রবাসী রেমিট্যান্স আহরণে পথিকৃৎ তৈরি পোশাক শিল্পে মার্কেট শেয়ার ২১% এবং রেমিট্যান্সে ২৭%
- শিল্প ও বাণিজ্যে সর্বোচ্চ বিনিয়োগকারী ব্যাংক
- ইসলামী ব্যাংকের অর্থায়নে পরিচালিত হচ্ছে প্রায় ৪ হাজার শিল্প-কারখানা। দেশের মোট বিনিয়োগে বস্ত্র ও স্পিনিং শিল্পে ২৫%, লৌহ ও ইস্পাত শিল্পে ২১%, পরিবহণে ১৫%, কৃষি ও কৃষিভিত্তিক শিল্পে ১৩%, আবাসনে ১১% এবং এসএমইতে ১৬% মার্কেট শেয়ার
- সর্বোচ্চ বৈদেশিক বাণিজ্য সহায়ক ব্যাংক
- আমদানিতে ১১% এবং রপ্তানিতে ১০% মার্কেট শেয়ার। বেসরকারি খাতে সার আমদানিতে শীর্ষে
- কর্মসংস্থান সৃষ্টিতে অগ্রণী
- সরাসরি বিনিয়োগের মাধ্যমে ২৫ লক্ষাধিক লোকের কর্মসংস্থান
- শ্রেষ্ঠ মুদ্রা উদ্যোক্তাবাণ্যক ব্যাংক
- সাপ্তে ১৮ হাজার গ্রাহকের ৯ লাখ পরিবারকে স্বাবলম্বী করেছে; যা বিশ্বের মোট ইসলামী মুদ্রা বিনিয়োগের ৫০%
- জনস্বাস্থ্য ও পরিবেশের জন্য ক্ষতিকর খাতে বিনিয়োগ না করা
- ৩২ বছরে তামাকসহ পরিবেশ ও জনস্বার্থ পরিপন্থী কোন খাতে বিনিয়োগ করেনি
- দেশের সর্বোচ্চ করদাতা ব্যাংক
- সকল শাখায় অনলাইনসহ প্রযুক্তিভিত্তিক উন্নত সেবা
- পৃথিবীর সেরা এক হাজার ব্যাংকের মধ্যে বাংলাদেশের একমাত্র ব্যাংক
- ২০১২ সালে ১০০০তম, ২০১৩ সালে ৯৮৪তম এবং ২০১৪ সালে ৯৭০তম অবস্থান
- সত্যতা, স্বচ্ছতা ও পরিপালনের সংস্কৃতি অনুসরণে জাতীয় ও আন্তর্জাতিক পুরস্কার অর্জন

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