

NEWS IN brief

Lanka grills Rajapakse brothers over graft

Two brothers of former Sri Lankan president Mahinda Rajapakse faced questioning by anti-corruption investigators yesterday as the new government stepped up its crackdown against the old regime. Hours after the former leader's youngest brother Basil was arrested on his return from a trip abroad, another sibling, Gotabhaya, was hauled before the country's main anti-corruption body over claims of kickbacks he allegedly received while he

Pak military kills 47 Taliban insurgents

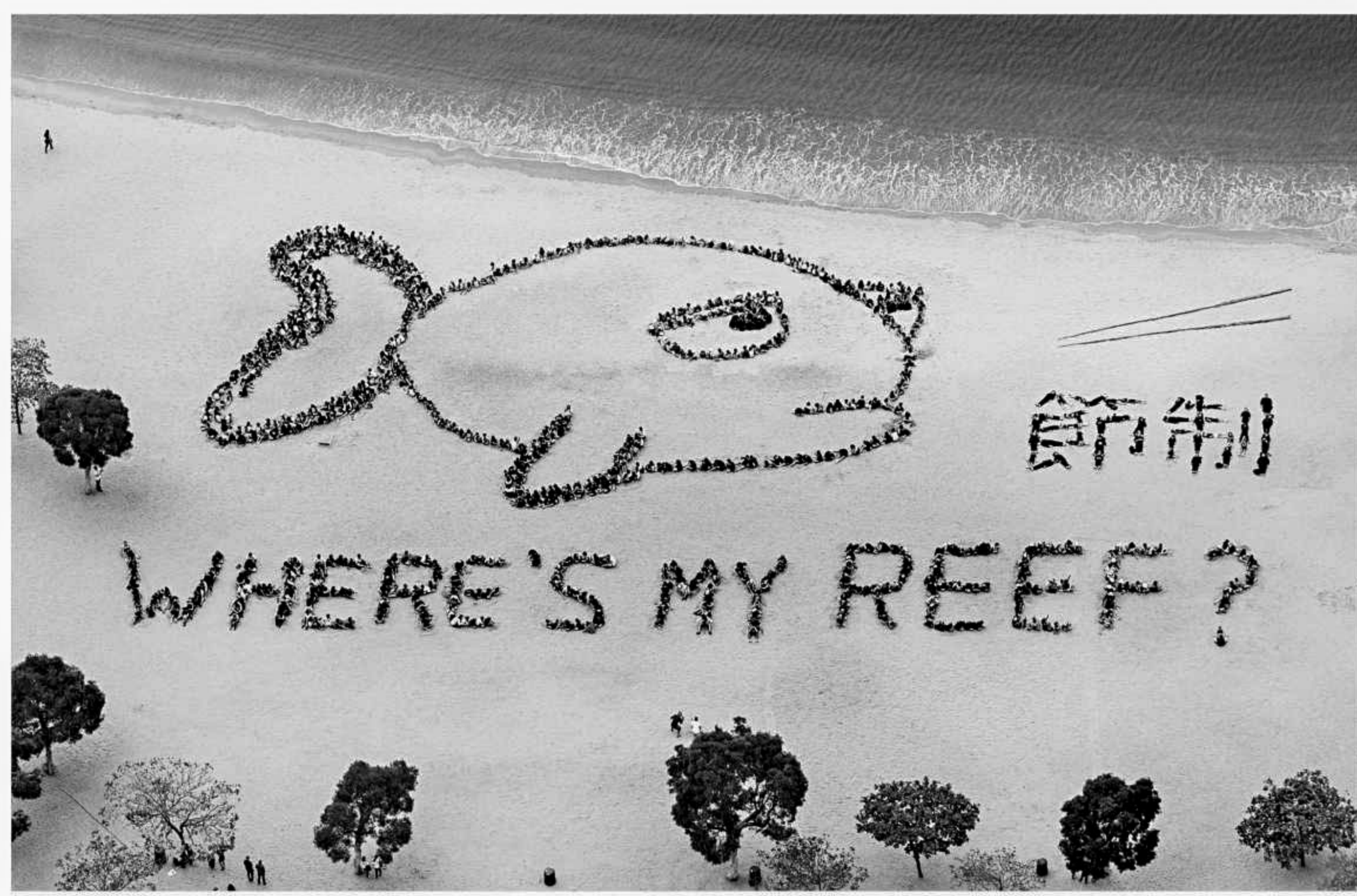
Pakistan's military yesterday claimed to have killed at least 47 Taliban fighters in two days of airstrikes in the restive northwest as part of anti-insurgent offensives that began last year. The latest strikes hit the Datta Khel area of North Waziristan tribal district, close to the Afghan border, considered a stronghold of

China ex-governor tried for graft

The former deputy Communist chief of China's Sichuan province was tried for graft yesterday, a court said, the latest senior figure prosecuted in President Xi Jinping's high-profile anti-corruption campaign. Li Chunsheng, who spent the past 15 years in various government positions, was accused of accepting bribes and abuse

21 killed in China coal mine flood

A total of 21 Chinese coal miners were killed after a shaft they were working in flooded with water, an official told AFP yesterday. Water from a "ground-level reservoir" flooded the mine in Datong in the northern province of Shanxi, where 247 people were working, the official Xinhua news agency said, citing China's work safety regulator.



Children form a reef fish on a beach in Hong Kong on the occasion of the 3rd annual Kids Ocean Day, yesterday. The event is aimed at raising awareness about the protection of seas and the conservation of coral reef worldwide. The world's oceans are awash in riches, with output rivaling that of some of the world's largest economies, but over-fishing, pollution and climate change are rapidly eroding those resources, WWF warned yesterday.



Can Indian elephant take on China dragon?

Chinese President Xi Jinping and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi are two dynamic leaders at the helm of the world's two most populous nations. And one is particularly vocal about making his mark on history. When India successfully placed a spacecraft into orbit around Mars last year, Modi reveled in the moment. "The success of our space program is a shining symbol of what we are capable of as a nation," he said. And all along, Modi has issued his call to "Make in India," encouraging companies all over the world to manufacture their products in India where there is a vast talent pool and low-cost production. While Modi's India is out to put its economy on the fast track, China's economy is slowing after over 25 years of breakneck growth. President Xi is managing the slowdown with efforts to boost domestic spending, while cracking down hard on corruption. And it's been predicted that India could outpace China as the world's fastest growing economy as soon as this year. So is the world's largest democracy primed to overtake the world's biggest single party state as the next economic miracle? Not so fast, says China watcher and India Today correspondent Ananth Krishnan. China's economy may be slowing down but India faces a longer list of economic challenges including higher unemployment, chronic inflation and an overwhelming lack of basic infrastructure. Despite Modi's big pro-business push, India simply can't size up against China's raw economic might. "After 30 years of dedicated efforts in building China into a manufacturing powerhouse, it would take a long time for India to build that kind of manufacturing capability," said Haiyan Wang, Managing Partner of the China India Institute. "When you ask if India could compete with China, I don't think that is going to be happening -- not in the next 20 years." The Indian elephant may be charging ahead, but the sinewy dragon has the muscle to stay ahead. China has the capacity, the connectivity, and the capital to throw its weight around. So when Modi touches down in Beijing next month for his second meeting with Xi, can both leaders cast aside areas of political tension to get down to business? "As pragmatic as President Xi is, as pragmatic as Prime Minister Modi is, economic integration is going to happen regardless of 100% trust or not," said Haiyan Wang. Eased by the pragmatism of two ambitious leaders, the elephant and the dragon could together leap at the opportunity for a strong economic alliance. "If these two countries come together, 40% of the world's people are going to be prosperous," said Vellamore. "If they are able to come together, there can be a new kind of world order in the entire region which is going to benefit all of Asia."

Attacks, intimidation on rise in Maldives Says Amnesty International

Protesters are being frequently beaten up while the media faces a growing number of death threats in the Maldives, Amnesty International said yesterday, after a fact-finding mission to the honeymoon islands. Peaceful demonstrators were often doused with petrol in the capital Male by criminal gangs known to police in an escalating and violent campaign of intimidation against critics of the government, the group said. "The international community must wake up and realise that behind the facade of a tourist paradise, there is a dark trend in the Maldives where the human rights situation is rapidly deteriorating," Abbas Faiz, Amnesty's Maldives researcher, told reporters in New Delhi. The UN and Western nations expressed concern last month when former president Mohamed Nasheed was jailed for 13 years on anti-terror charges in what his party said was a politically motivated move to silence him. Faiz said harassment and attacks as well as denial of justice by the courts were increasingly common against anyone voicing dissent against the government. Faiz stopped short of urging foreign tourists to boycott the country, instead calling on neighbouring giant India to pressure the Maldives government to halt the campaign. Some 140 protesters have been arrested since February and later released without charge, while attacks, threats and arrests of journalists were rising, the researchers found. Vigilante groups linked to Muslim associations were attacking known atheists and breaking up social activities, such as music events, perceived to be anti-religious, Faiz said. Criminal gangs were violently attacking the small, peaceful political protests taking place almost daily in Male, with police turning a blind eye, he said.

Thai junta govt holds talks with politicians, activists

Thailand's military government yesterday held reconciliation talks with the leaders of the Puea Thai party it toppled from power nearly a year ago, along with other politicians, academics and student activists. The talks, held at the site of the May 2014 coup staged by the army, come as Thailand debates a draft constitution that the junta says will help heal the country's deep divisions, but which parties from both sides of the political spectrum have criticized as undemocratic. Members of the conservative Democrat Party also attended the meeting. Some of the participants called for the draft charter to be put to a referendum. Thailand needs to reach a constitution acceptable to all, said Jatuporn Prompan, a leader of the opposition 'red shirt' movement and a former lawmaker of Puea Thai. "If the public does not agree, we have to amend the constitution," Jatuporn, who attended the meeting, told Reuters. "Even if it means wasting another year or two, it is better than moving forward to where problems will be waiting." Thailand's military rulers have said a general election will be held in 2016 but warned a return to democracy could be pushed back if the country held a referendum. Critics say a provision in the charter for proportional representation would lead to weak coalition governments. They say the charter is an attempt to ensure limited powers for any future government allied to ousted former Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra. The constitution also includes a curb on populist-style policies, such as those favored by Thaksin and his sister Yingluck, who was the leader of Puea Thai. Yingluck's administration was toppled in the 2014 coup, while Thaksin was the victim of another coup in 2006.

India bans cow slaughter, but leads in beef exports

India is racing ahead in the export of buffalo meat, ironically, as more states in the country are enforcing a strict ban on slaughter of cows and bullocks. A latest report by the United States department of agriculture (USDA) states India has widened lead over Brazil as the top global beef exporter. Revising its October prediction by 3 per cent, the report released this month forecasts that global beef exports will touch a record 10.2 MT in 2015. With Russian market opening up to Indian buffalo meat export, the shipments are expected to increase in the current fiscal. Russia has approved four companies in India for supply of meat and the first consignment has already been shipped. India's export entirely comprises water buffalo meat or carabeef unlike other countries, which include meat of cows, bullocks and calves. The recent ban on slaughter of bullocks and calves in Maharashtra, the meat exporters say, will not affect the buffalo meat exports. "It could bring an end to illegal slaughter and raise the price for buffalo meat, thus proving to be beneficial for companies like us who are engaged in legal slaughter and export of buffalo meat," said Priya Sud, partner of Delhi-based Al Noor Exports.

Saudi prince offers Bentleys to bombers!

A wealthy Saudi royal attracted criticism on social media after he apparently offered luxury cars to fighter pilots participating in a bombing campaign in Yemen. Earlier this week Saudi Arabia announced the end of the first phase of its military campaign in Yemen. And in a celebratory gesture Prince Al-Waleed bin Talal, one of the country's richest men and a member of the Saudi royal family, tweeted to his 3m followers on Twitter: "In appreciation of their role in this operation, I'm honoured to offer 100 Bentley cars to the 100 Saudi [fighter] pilots". The offer immediately split opinion. More than 28,000 people shared his post and over 5,000 liked it. The prince was hailed for his "generosity" and several Saudis commented that the pilots deserved luxury automobiles - and much more - for their military service. But many outside Saudi Arabia, particularly in Yemen, found his offer outright offensive - and so an online backlash began. "100 Bentley cars to 100 pilots who bombed Yemen. Not single ambulance to its hospitals they devastated" remarked one Yemeni on Twitter. Others pointed to the disparity between people's lives in Yemen, one of the world's poorest countries, and those who live in relatively rich Saudi Arabia. "So that's what it's all about, what was it 100 or 200 lives for a Bentley, that's how cheap human life is," a Jordanian tweeted.

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টঙ্গী অঞ্চল, গাজীপুর

সংশোধনী বিজ্ঞপ্তি
টেডার বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং- ০৮/২০১৪-২০১৫ (Works)

এতদ্বারা সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, গত ২২/০৪/২০১৫ইং তারিখে জাতীয় সৈনিক ভোজের কাগজ, জাতীয় সৈনিক ডেইলি স্টার এবং স্থানীয় দৈনিক গণমুখ পত্রিকায় প্রকাশিত পত্রিকায় টেডার বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং-০৮/২০১৪-২০১৫/২৩৬ তার-১৯/০৪/২০১৫ এর প্যাকেজ নং- GCC/Z-1/08/14-15/114 এর প্রকল্পের নাম অনিচ্ছাকৃতভাবে ভুল ছাপানো হয়েছে। উক্ত প্যাকেজের নাম নিম্নরূপভাবে প্রতিস্থাপনপূর্বক সংশোধন করা হলো।

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জিডি-১৫১১

Inspectorate of General Stores & Clothing
Dhaka Cantt

Invitation for Tender

1. Sealed tenders are hereby invited from reputed importer firms or their authorised supplier enlisted in Bangladesh army for construction of the following shed:

Ser No.	Nomenclature	Qty	Date of selling tender documents		Opening date of tender	Currency
			From	To		
a.	Double Storied Pre-Fabricated Shed (Length 88' & Width 32')	01	29-04-15	13-05-15	13-05-15	Local

2. Tender documents showing technical specification with terms and conditions may be collected by Taka 750.00 during working day within 0830 to 1330 hours up to last date of selling tender from IGS&C, Dhaka Cantt. Offer can be submitted by 1200 hours in the tender box at the office premises of IGS&C, Dhaka Cantt. on the date of opening and tender box will be opened at 1330 hours on the same date in presence of intending bidders or their representatives (if any).

3. Authority reserves all the rights to accept or reject any or all the offers against the tender without assigning any reason thereof.

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22/04/15
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Chief Inspector
IGS&C
Dhaka Cantt

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Bangladesh Police
Police Telecom & Information Management Headquarters
Police Telecom Bhaban, Rajarbagh, Dhaka

Invitation for International Tenders

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Home Affairs.		
2.	Agency	Bangladesh Police.		
3.	Procuring entity name	DIG (T&I) (Bangladesh Police) Police Telecom & Information Management.		
4.	Procuring entity code	Not used a present.		
5.	Procuring entity district	N/A.		
6.	Invitation for Tender	Goods	Multi lot	
7.	Invitation Ref No.	P-653/02-2006/2014-2015/FPU(Part)/1433/Betar		
8.	Date	21-04-2015.		
KEY INFORMATION				
9.	Procurement method	ICT (International)	Open	
FUNDING INFORMATION				
10.	Budget and source of funds	GOB.		
11.	Development partners (if applicable)	N/A.		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
12.	Project/programme code (if applicable)	N/A.		
13.	Project/programme name (if applicable)	N/A.		
14.	Tender package No.	G6-FPU-2014-2015.		
15.	Tender package name	HF Manpack, VHF Digital Repeater, Walkie-Talkie & Fixed, Mobile Transceiver.		
		Date		
16.	Tender publication date	23-04-2015.		
17.	Tender last selling date	04-06-2015.		
		Date	Time	
18.	Tender closing date and time	07-06-2015 11:00		
19.	Tender opening date and time	07-06-2015 11:30		
20.	Name & address of the office(s)	Address		
	- Selling tender document (principal)	Addl. SP (Admin & Telecom), Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.		
	- Selling tender document (others)	AIG (Supply), Police HQ, Dhaka. DC (Logistic & Procurement), DMP, Dhaka.		
No conditions apply for sale, purchase or distribution of tender documents				
	- Receiving tender document	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.		
	- Opening tender document	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.		
21.	Place/date/time of Pre-tender meeting (optional)	Date	Time	Place
		29-04-2015	11.30am	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER				
22.	Eligibility of tenderer	The bidders should have valid trade license, should be financially solvent, Income Tax payee, should have the legal capacity to enter into the contract, qualified staff and equipment, shouldn't be blacklisted and bankrupt, other terms and conditions as per tender document.		
23.	Brief description of goods or works	Supply of HF Manpack, VHF Digital Repeater, Walkie-Talkie & Fixed/Mobile Transceiver for (FPU) Bangladesh Police.		
24.	Brief description of related services	N/A.		
25.	Price of tender document (Tk)	3000.00 (three thousand) only.		
	Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk)
	1	Supply of HF Manpack Transceiver with necessary accessories	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217	Tk. 2,75,000/-or US\$ 3,500.00
	2	Supply of VHF Digital Repeater, Walkie-Talkie & Fixed/Mobile Transceiver with necessary accessories		Tk. 3,00,000/-or US\$ 3,800.00
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS				
27.	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Nawsher Ali, PPM.		
28.	Designation of official inviting tender	DIG (T&I), Bangladesh Police, Dhaka-1217.		
29.	Address of official inviting tender	Police Telecom & Information Management, Rajarbagh, Dhaka-1217.		
30.	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: 9349461	Fax: 9344504	digtm@police.gov.bd
31.	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceedings.			

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