

SC upholds dismissal of judge Shahidur

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday upheld the 2004 dismissal of Syed Shahidur Rahman from the post of additional judge at the High Court.

The then president Iajuddin Ahmed ordered his removal as recommended by the Supreme Judicial Council for receiving Tk 50,000 in bribe to grant bail to an accused in a case under the Women and Children Repression Prevention Act.

A four-member bench of the apex court headed by Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha scrapped an HC verdict declaring the removal of Shahidur illegal. The SC judgment came after lawyer Idrisur Rahman appealed against the HC verdict.

The grounds on which the SC made the judgment will be mentioned in its full text to be released later.

Shahidur had not been given the post back because of a 2005 stay order on the HC verdict. Following yesterday's order, he will not be able to perform duties as a judge, advocate Idrisur Rahman told The Daily Star.

Shahidur who is now practising law at the apex court could not be reached for comments.

He was appointed to the HC as additional judge in April 2003 despite objections from the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) and senior lawyers who reportedly alleged that he had embezzled funds as an office

bearer of the association.

At a lawyers' meeting in October the same year, SCBA president Rokonuddin Mahmud brought allegations against Shahidur of granting bail for money.

The first ever Supreme Judicial Council headed by chief justice KM Hasan opened an investigation into the alleged misconduct.

The council comprising three most senior judges of the SC on a presidential order heard depositions of eight people, including Shahidur, Rokonuddin and Nasim Sultana Kona who had informed Rokonuddin of the bribe exchange. Shahidur reportedly cross-examined all the witnesses during the council sittings.

The inquiry report was handed over to the president in January 2004, recommending action against Shahidur.

He later filed a writ petition with the HC, challenging his removal order.

The HC in February 2005 declared the removal of Shahidur illegal.

Responding to a petition filed by Idrisur Rahman, the Appellate Division stayed the HC verdict two months later and allowed him to move an appeal before it as public interest litigation challenging the HC verdict.

Idrisur filed the appeal the same year, on which the apex court cancelled the HC verdict.

Dr Kamal Hossain appeared for Idrisur while Shahidur argued for

MILITANT FUNDING Businessman gives confessional statement

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

An apparel businessman, who was arrested for his alleged involvement in financing militant outfit Shahid Hamza Brigade, gave his confessional statement before a Chittagong court yesterday.

After recording the statement of Enamul Haque, Senior Judicial Magistrate Farhana Yasmin sent him to jail, said Public Prosecutor (PP) Abul Hasem.

The lawyer claimed that in his statement the arrestee confessed to have wired Tk 16 lakh to a bank account in Chittagong from the capital.

The account is owned by Maniruzzaman Don, a key operative of the outfit, and the money was used to train some of its members, according to Rapid Action Battalion.

The PP, however, refused to disclose details of the statement for "the sake of investigation."

The Rab arrested the 39-year-old at Turag in Dhaka on September 5 in an anti-terror case filed after a training centre of the brigade was unearthed in Banshkhali of Chittagong in February.

On August 18, the Rab also arrested three lawyers in the capital for allegedly financing the outfit and later the lawyers gave confessional statements before a court in Chittagong.

The lawyers allegedly had deposited Tk 1.08 crore in the same bank, claimed the Rab.

Mother, son reunite

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men welcomed Khaleda at the airport, journalist Mahbubur Rahman said in an e-mail to this newspaper.

However, she also had to witness protests outside by the UK Awami League men who chanted slogans against Khaleda and her party with banners, festoons and placards portraying images of the destructive activities during the three-month-long blockade enforced by the BNP-led 20-party alliance early this year.

From the airport's VIP lounge, Tarique drove her mother to Sofitel Hotel. Seating beside her son, Khaleda waved to the cheering BNP men.

BNP's UK chapter leaders including its President MA Malek and General Secretary Kaiser M Ahmed greeted Khaleda at the hotel and had a brief discussion with her.

After staying there for a few hours, she went to Tarique's residence in East London where his wife Zubaida Khan Rahman, daughter Zaima Rahman, and Koko's wife Syeda Sharmila Rahman and daughters Zafira Rahman and Zahiya Rahman were waiting for her.

Koko's family had flown in from Malaysia where they have been living since 2008.

The BNP chief left for London on Tuesday night for, the party said, eye treatment and celebrating the Eid-ul-Azha with her family.

According to party insiders, the BNP chairperson's visit is also politically significant as she would discuss crucial political issues with Tarique, also senior vice chairman of the party.

The UK chapter leaders of the party are maintaining secrecy on Khaleda's schedules during her two-week stay there, saying they were doing it for fear of protests by AL activists.

This is the first time she is going to celebrate the Eid outside the country with her full family. The last time they spent an Eid together was in 2007 and it happened in Dhaka.

Khaleda's adviser Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury, personal assistant Abdus Sattar and Tabitha Awal, son of her adviser Abdul Awal Mintoo, accompanied her from Dhaka.

TARIQUE HAS UK ASYLUM Tarique, who has been staying in London since 2008 along with his wife

and daughter, got political asylum in the UK last year, BNP and diplomatic sources in Dhaka and London said.

Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan too recently confirmed this to The Daily Star.

Indicted at home in a number of cases including the one over the August 21 grenade attack, Tarique had applied for the asylum a few years before his Bangladeshi passport expired in 2013. His wife and daughter too got the permission to live with him.

According to the UK asylum rules, Tarique and his family will be allowed to stay there initially for five years. "And if the situation in their home country has not improved after those five years, they can apply to stay permanently," says the rules.

Political asylum, as stated on the UK immigration website, is the protection granted by a nation to an individual who has fled from his native country as a refugee. The individuals seeking political asylum typically have suffered persecution or fear for their life as a result of political opinion.

World adopts new goals on Sept 25

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Diplomatic sources said this bold and ambitious agenda aims to end poverty and promote prosperity and people's well-being while protecting the environment over the next 15 years.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is expected to leave here for New York on September 23 to attend and address the UN Sustainable Development Summit, which represents a key milestone in this year of global action.

The world leaders in the SDGs summit will be taking an in-depth look at the first goal: "End poverty in all its forms everywhere by 2030."

On September 25, countries will have the opportunity to adopt a set of global goals to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure prosperity for all as part of a new sustainable development agenda. Each goal has specific targets to be achieved over the next 15 years.

According to UN sources, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) - the predecessors to today's goals - mobilised the world to act. Since 1990, more than 1 billion people have been lifted out of extreme poverty, cutting it in half worldwide.

There are still 836 million people around the world living in extreme poverty, with one in five in developing regions living on less than \$1.35 per day, the sources said.

2015 is the year when countries will shape and adopt a new development agenda that will be built on the Millennium Development Goals

(MDGs). The MDGs were established in the year 2000 and include eight anti-poverty targets to be accomplished by 2015.

Since then, enormous progress has been made towards achieving the MDGs: Global poverty continues to decline, more children than ever are attending primary school, child deaths have dropped dramatically, access to safe drinking water has been greatly expanded, and targeted investments in fighting malaria, AIDS and tuberculosis have saved millions.

"In 2015, ending poverty isn't some idealistic dream. We've seen global goals work, and we're taking the new goals even further to address the root causes of poverty. We have the means and experience to finish this fight -- but only if people everywhere understand how close we are," said Susan Myers, senior vice-president of United Nations Foundation. The 17 proposed Sustainable Development Goals:

1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere
2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture
3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages
4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all
9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation, and foster innovation
10. Reduce inequality within and among countries
11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts (taking note of agreements made by the UNFCCC forum)
14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification and halt and reverse land degradation, and halt biodiversity loss
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এতদ্বারা "পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট আইন-২০০৬ এবং পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮" তদীয় সংশোধিত-২০১০ অনুযায়ী ইন্ডাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, সেক্টর নং-১০, রোড নং-১০, বাড়ি নং-০২, উত্তরা, ঢাকা জন্মা ২০১৫-২০১৬ অর্থ বছরের জন্য নিম্নোক্ত গবেষণাকার্য সম্পাদনের লক্ষ্যে আত্মসি গবেষণা প্রস্তাবাদানের নিকট থেকে গবেষণা প্রস্তাব আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

১.	মঞ্জুরাধিকার/বিভাগ	স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়।
২.	সংস্থার নাম	বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ।
৩.	সম্প্রদায়িক সনদের নাম	ডাইরেক্টর জেনারেল, ইন্ডাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, বাড়ি নং-০২, রোড নং-১০, সেক্টর নং-১০, উত্তরা, ঢাকা।
৪.	দরপত্রের বিষয়	গবেষণা কাজের জন্য গবেষণা প্রস্তাবাদানের নিকট থেকে আর্থিক ব্যয় বিভাজনসহ "Role of Industrial Police in Maintaining Workplace Environment and Industrial Growth: An Empirical Analysis" বিষয়ক গবেষণা প্রস্তাব আহ্বান।
৫.	দরপত্রের পদ্ধতি	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (OTM)।
৬.	বাজেট ও অর্থনৈতিক যাত	বাজেট খাত- (জিওবি)।
৭.	দরপত্র তফসিল বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১১/১০/২০১৫খ্রিঃ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
৮.	দরপত্র গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১২/১০/২০১৫খ্রিঃ দুপুর ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
৯.	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	১২/১০/২০১৫খ্রিঃ দুপুর ১২.৩০ ঘটিকায়। দরপত্রাদা বা মনোনীত প্রতিনিধিদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকে) খোলা হবে।
১০.	দরপত্র প্রাপ্তি ও দাখিলের স্থান	ডাইরেক্টর জেনারেল এর কার্যালয়, ইন্ডাস্ট্রিয়াল পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স, বাড়ি নং-০২, রোড নং-১০, সেক্টর-১০, উত্তরা, ঢাকা।
১১.	দরপত্রের যোগ্যতা	আর্থ-সামাজিক গবেষণা কাজে কর্মকর্তা ০৩ (তিন) বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা থাকতে হবে।
১২.	শর্তাবলী	১। নিম্নোক্ত শর্তাবলী/প্রমাণপত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি সিডিডিস্কের সাথে জমা দিতে হবে। ব্যক্তিগত ক্ষেত্রে (ক) শিক্ষাপত্র যোগ্যতা (খ) বয়সের প্রমাণপত্র (গ) গবেষণাকাজে নিয়োজিত থাকার সময়সীমা (ঘ) প্রশাসিত প্রবন্ধনাম (স্বাক্ষরিত) (ঙ) উচ্চতর শিক্ষার সনদ (চ) সহযোগী গবেষণা/গবেষণাকাজের (যদি থাকে) উক্ত গবেষণাকাজে অংশগ্রহণের সম্মতিপত্রসহ তাঁর/তাদের সম্মতিপত্রসহ তাঁর/তাদের জীবনবৃত্তান্ত (ছ) বিষয়ের সাথে সামঞ্জস্যপূর্ণ গবেষণা প্রস্তাব (নির্ধারিত ছকে)। প্রতিষ্ঠানের ক্ষেত্রে (ক) প্রতিষ্ঠানের বৈধতার প্রমাণপত্র (খ) গবেষণা কাজে অভিজ্ঞতার প্রমাণপত্র (গ) প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রধান নির্বাহীর গবেষণা কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা (ঘ) প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রধান নির্বাহীর শিক্ষাপত্র সনদ (ঙ) সহযোগী গবেষণা/গবেষণাকাজের (যদি থাকে) উক্ত গবেষণাকাজে অংশগ্রহণের সম্মতিপত্রসহ তাঁর/তাদের জীবনবৃত্তান্ত (চ) প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রকাশনাসমূহ (বেই, প্রবন্ধ/গবেষণা প্রবন্ধ) (ছ) প্রতিষ্ঠানের সক্ষমতা (অবকাঠামো লজিস্টিক- যেমন: যানবাহন, মটোকিপয়ার, স্ক্যানার ইত্যাদি) গবেষণাকাজের সংস্থা, কর্মকর্তা/কর্মচারী (জ) বিষয়ের সাথে সামঞ্জস্যপূর্ণ প্রস্তাব। ২। যোগ্যতা এবং এর সংশ্লিষ্ট সকল কর্মকর্তা অবশ্যই ২০১৫-২০১৬ অর্থ বছরের মধ্যে সমাপ্ত করতে হবে এবং গবেষণা প্রস্তাবাদানের সময় বিভাজন উল্লেখ করতে হবে। ৩। গবেষণা আত্মসি বাড়ি/প্রতিষ্ঠানকে সনদ ক্ষেত্রে "বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ গবেষণা নীতিমালা-২০১৪" অনুসরণ করতে হবে। ৪। কোন প্রকার কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে কর্তৃপক্ষ যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।
১৩.	দরপত্র দাখিলের মূল্য	৫০০/- (পাঁচশত) টাকা মাত্র (অফেন্ডভোগ্য)।
১৪.	দরপত্র জামানত	২২,৫০০/- (বাইশ হাজার পাঁচশত) টাকা মাত্র (যে কোন তফসিলভুক্ত ব্যাকের পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট)।

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Pak Senate chief warns against military takeover

PTI, Islamabad

Pakistan's Senate chief has warned that constitutional checks to prevent yet another military takeover have become redundant in the country which has seen army rule for nearly half of its 68 years of independence.

Raza Rabbani was winding up the debate in the upper house to commemorate the International Day of Democracy on Tuesday.

Opposition leaders had raised fears of increasing disconnect between the powerful military and the government.

In the past, the army had toppled the civilian government four times to directly rule the country and the military interventions continued despite Article 6 of the 1973 constitution which criminalises the abrogation of the constitution by declaring it as "high treason", which is punishable with death.

"I believe that Article 6 has become redundant. Our weaknesses have made it redundant. In my eyes, no constitutional clause can protect democracy," Rabbani said.

He said that only people of the country can stop the army from seizing power.

"Only the people can protect democracy provided they are given ownership of the system," he observed adding that Pakistan could not afford another military intervention.

Invitation for Bids (IFB)
16 September 2015
Bangladesh
Financial Sector Support Project
Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Implementation and related services of Server and Software
Credit Number: 56640

IFB Title: Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Implementation and related services of Server and Software for Information Systems
IFB Number: BB(G)IT-4

1. This Invitation for Bids (IFB) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in UNDB online on **09 July 2015**.
2. The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received a credit from the International Development Association toward the cost of **Financial Sector Support Project**, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the agreement(s) resulting from this IFB: **Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Implementation and related services of Server and Software for Information Systems, IFB Number: BB(G)IT-4**.
3. The Bangladesh Bank serves as the implementing agency for the project and now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for **Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning, Implementation and related services of Server and Software for Information Systems**.
4. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, edition of **Procurement of Goods, Works, and non-consulting services under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers dated January 2011 (revised July 2014)**, and is open to all bidders eligible as defined in these Guidelines that meet the following minimum qualification criteria:
 - (a) **The bidder and the agent/subcontractor must have been in business for the last five (05) years;**
 - (b) **The bidder must have completed minimum one successful contract involving supply, installation, testing, commissioning, integration and related technical support services for information systems involving data center and disaster recovery sites in last five (05) years;**
 - (c) **The bidder must demonstrate present minimum average annual turnover of US\$ seven (07) million equivalent calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed within the last five (05) years;**
 - (d) **The bidder must demonstrate minimum US\$ five (05) million equivalent present liquid asset and/or line of credit, net of current commitments;**
 - (e) **The agent and the subcontractor of the bidder must have at least three years proven experience in providing warranty support services. The local agent and the subcontractor's relationship with the principal/manufacturer shall be at least two (02) years.**
5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from **Bangladesh Bank** and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from **11:00am to 5:00pm Bangladesh Standard Time (GMT+6:00) on all working days**. A pre-bid meeting which potential bidders may attend will be held on **Wednesday 07 October 2015 at 11:00am Bangladesh Standard Time (GMT+6:00)**.
6. A complete set of bidding documents in **English** may be purchased by interested bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **Bangladesh Taka twenty thousand (BDT 20,000)** or in **US Dollar two hundred sixty (US\$260)**. The method of payment will be **Pay-Order or Bank Draft**. The document will be sent by **courier service or may be collected in person**. No bidding documents would be sold on the day of bid opening.
7. Bids must be delivered to **Jahangir Alam Conference Hall, Fourth Floor, Main Building, Bangladesh Bank, Head Office** at or before **02:00pm Bangladesh Standard Time on Wednesday 04 November 2015**. **Bids need to be secured by a bid security**. The amount of bid security required is: **Bangladesh Taka ten million (BDT 10,000,000/-) or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency**. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below at **02:10pm Bangladesh Standard Time on Wednesday 04 November 2015**.
8. The attention of prospective bidders is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the bidder and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which can result in ineligibility to be awarded World Bank-financed contracts.
9. The attention of prospective bidders is also drawn to the fact that at the time of receipt of the bidding documents, they carefully check that they have received all sections and attachments of the bidding documents. The bidder may note that his IFB is a part of the information systems to be procured by the purchaser.

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