

Kader Siddique applies to run for Tangail-4 JS seat

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Tangail

Krishak Sramik Janata League President Abdul Kader Siddique and nine others yesterday submitted nomination papers to contest Tangail-4 by-election to be held on November 10.

Of the 10, three others -- Kader's wife Nasrin Kader Siddique, Joint Secretary Iqbal Siddique, and Kalihati upazila unit president Hasmot Ali of KSJL -- submitted nomination papers, said Returning Officer Mohammad Alimuzzaman.

Other aspirants are Hasan Imam Khan Sohel Hazari (Awami League), Syed Mostaq Hossain (Jatiya Party-Ershad), Sadek Siddique (JP-Manju), Imrul Kayes (National Peoples Party), Aatur Rahman Khan (BNF) and independent candidate Abdul Alim.

The papers' scrutiny will be held on October 13 and the deadline for withdrawal of candidature is October 21.

The parliamentary seat has remained vacant since AL lawmaker Abdul Latif Siddique resigned after he was expelled from the party over his controversial remarks on religion in the US.



While the city dwellers are exposed to the mosquito-borne dengue fever, the fountain in front of Bangabhaban, the president's residence and the highest office of the country, has turned into a breeding ground of mosquitoes. This simply reveals how nonchalant the authorities are to the public health hazards. Requesting anonymity, a traffic constable said the fountain remained non-operational for the last several days. When contacted, the city corporation officials said they changed the water every one or two months but there was no way mosquitoes would breed there because the fountain was operated twice a day.

PHOTO: MAHBUBUR RAHMAN KHAN

Talks work better than punishment in disciplining children

Save the Children workshop told

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Punishing children for their mistakes only make them confused and anxious. Rather providing them with information to make good decisions would make children confident, competent and independent, said speakers yesterday.

Methods of how parents could bring up their children through positive disciplines were discussed at a four-day workshop on "Positive Discipline in Everyday Parenting (PDEP)" organised by Save the Children, Bangladesh, at the capital's Lakeshore Hotel.

Laila Khondkar, director (Child Protection) of the organisation, said violence in the form of physical punishment and humiliation of children is taking place everywhere -- at homes, schools and public places -- in the world.

In many cases, parents and teachers do not really want to hit children and also feel bad after doing so. Later, they look for alternative ways of disciplining children, she added.

Save the Children, Bangladesh, through its Child Protection programme aims to train parents on positive parenting and thus end physical punishment and humiliation of children which leads to serious violation of child rights. Advocating for laws against corporal punishment in all spheres of life is also needed to ensure child rights, said Laila, adding that there are 46 countries which have banned corporal punishment.

The programme was developed by Dr Joan E Durrant of the University of Manitoba, Canada, in partnership with Save the Children in 1997, said Prof Christine Ateah, faculty of nursing, the University of Manitoba, one of the master trainers of the programme.

Prof Christine mentioned how the media in Canada played a role in shaming parents who punished their children in public and thus helped change social attitude towards negative punishment of children.

About 17 participants from different government departments and NGOs participated in the training on the first day.

200 new schools, 6,000 classrooms this fiscal

Goal set by Directorate of Primary Education

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Directorate of Primary Education (DPE) has set a target to construct 6,000 classrooms in fiscal 2015-16 for expanding education.

The other targets that DPE will meet include setting up 6,000 tube-wells at schools and supplying 14,678 laptops with multimedia projectors, appointing 15,672 teachers, setting up 200 new schools at the villages which has no such institution, and increasing the percentage of "competency-based" questions in primary terminal exams from 25 to 50, according to a press release.

The targets were fixed under the annual performance agreement (APA) which was signed by the primary and mass education ministry and its four subordinate departments yesterday in the ministry's conference room as part of its quarterly performance

assessment.

Director generals of DPE, the Bureau of Non-Formal Education (BNFE), the National Academy for Primary Education (NAPE), and Compulsory Primary Education Implementation Monitoring Unit (CPEIMU) signed the deals.

In the APA, the BNFE has set targets to provide basic literacy and life skills-based education to 11.52 lakh people between 15 and 45 years in 64 districts. NAPE will take measures to upgrade Primary Training Institute offering "Certificate in Education" (C-in-Ed) training while CPEIMU will work to finalise the formalities for providing financial benefits to 3,000 teachers who either retired or died before December 31, 2012.

The move has been taken in line with the government's recent emphasis on promoting a performance-based work culture and improved governance.

JnU teacher removed for supplying answers to admission seeker

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Jagannath University authorities yesterday suspended a teacher of political science for providing answers to one of his relatives during first year admission test held on Friday.

Mejbah-ul-Azam Sawdagar, an assistant professor, was suspended based on a preliminary investigation of the allegation, Prof Mizanur Rahman, vice-chancellor, told The Daily Star.

The next syndicate meeting will take a decision on his final punishment, the VC added.

Prof Sarkar Ali Akkas, chairman of B Unit admission test committee, told The Daily Star that "On Friday night, an invigilator of the room no 408 at Science Building submitted a written complaint to me alleging that another invigilator (Mejbah) from Social Science Building entered the room around ten minutes before the end of the test and provided answers to the admission seeker."

Mejbah was not available over the phone for his comment.

Prisoner flees from custody in Sylhet

3 guards suspended

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

An accused in a case filed under women and children repression prevention act fled from police custody at MAG Osmani Medical College and Hospital in Sylhet city early yesterday.

Three prison guards were suspended for negligence of their duty.

Samad Rabbani, 26, who was arrested a month ago, had a surgery to remove his appendix on Friday.

He escaped through the ventilation opening of a bathroom, said jail police.

NEWS IN brief

UNDP extends CHT Development Facility project till Sept next year

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Facility (CHTDF) project of the UNDP has been extended till September 2016 to continue its support in confidence building in the hill tracts and for its development.

The project, which commenced on July 1, 2014 in partnership with the embassies of Sweden and Denmark, will now be extended with support from Swedish embassy, said a press release yesterday. The project is being implemented in partnership with the Ministry of Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs, CHT Regional Council, Hill District Councils, and Circle Offices.

BPICC celebrates World Egg Day

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To mark the World Egg Day, a discussion was held at Jatiya Press Club in the capital on Friday, said a press release.

Bangladesh Poultry Industries Coordination Committee (BPICC) organised the discussion moderated by Nitish Chandra Debnath, national consultant of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

Question leak protesters

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discussion in the presence of journalists," he told The Daily Star.

He added, "A National Security Intelligence (NSI) official also asked us for the evidence of the question paper leak in order to send those to the prime minister. Hopefully, we will be able to send our evidence through the official to the honourable prime minister on Monday."

The admission seekers have been demonstrating since the test was held on September 18.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
National Malaria Control Program
Disease Control Unit
DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212

Memo No: DGHS/DC/GFATM-MAL/Expert-2/2015/1151 Date: 8/10/2015

Job Vacancy

Title, Reporting Structure and Location:
Job Title: Procurement Assistant
Number of Vacancy: 01
Duration: Thirty months initial contact as regular basis and renewable based on performance and availability of Fund.
Location: National Malaria Control Program Office, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
Salary: As per project salary structure.
Age: 30-40 years.
Supervisor: Deputy Program Manager, Malaria, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.

Job Profile:

- To provide support to the National Malaria Control Programme in implementing the Global Fund Malaria Proposal and assist in procurement of drugs, diagnostics, mosquito nets and other commodities as specified in the GFATM Malaria Proposal;
- To maintain in routine correspondence and liaise with NGOs and partners in GFATM malaria proposal related to Procurement and Supply Management (PSM) system;
- To provide support for organizing staff training in PSM and reporting including quarterly and annual stock-taking and verification;
- To support monthly inventory reports collection and compilation;
- Support to plan and implement LMIS in the malaria endemic areas and tracking;
- To perform any other relevant tasks as assigned by the supervisor.

Required Qualifications and Experience:

- Graduate with Commerce background.
- At least four years of progressively responsible support experience including at least two years in the field of procurement and logistics.
- Previous experience in working with development partners would be an added advantage.
- Experience in the usage of computers and office software packages (MS word, Excel and PowerPoint etc.) and advance knowledge of web-based management systems.
- Experience in working with Government will be an added advantage;
- Good written, spoken communication skill in English is essential.

Title, Reporting Structure and Location:
Job Title: Entomological Technician.
Number of Vacancy: 03 (three).
Duration: Thirty months initial contact as regular basis and renewable based on performance and availability of Fund.
Location: National Malaria Control Program Office, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.
Salary: As per project salary structure.
Age: 25-35 years.
Supervisor: Deputy Program Manager, Malaria, DGHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.

Job Profile:

- Collection, preservation, identification of larvae and adult mosquitoes in the laboratory and field.
- Performing the bio-efficacy and insecticides resistance monitoring including other entomological activities.
- Collection and preliminary analysis of the entomological data and reporting on entomological findings.
- Preservation of the mosquito specimen and maintenance of the insect laboratory (if any).
- Performing other relevant duties as required by the supervisor.
- Undertake any other activities as assigned by the Director, DC and Line Director, CDC, and DPM, Malaria, DGHS and the Supervisor.

Required Qualifications and Experience:

- B.Sc with Zoology or equivalent degree.
- At least four years experience in the relevant field.
- Previous experience in working with development partners would be an added advantage.
- Experience in the usage of computers and office software packages (MS word, Excel, etc.) and advance knowledge of web-based.
- Experience in working with Government will be an added advantage.
- Good written, spoken communication skill in English is essential.

Last date of application submission is 29 October -2015 with cover letter with CV, two recent PP size colour photo, all attested copies of academic and experience certificates along with recommendation from duly signed in the following address: Director, Disease Control, and Line Director, Communicable Disease Control (CDC), National Malaria Control Program, House No-240, Road No-17, Lake Road, New DOHS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1206.

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31/10/2015

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Morning dews on blades of grass in Shaghata of Gaibandha say that the advent of winter in northern Bangladesh is not very far away, although the capital is yet to see any sign of that. The photo was taken on Friday.

PHOTO: BANGLAR CHOKH

Cop team

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from Police Headquarters.

The team is expected to be back with Kamrul in the middle of this month.

Interpol is helping to extradite Kamrul. The other two members of the team are ADC (Media) of SMP Md Rahmatullah, and Senior ASP AFM Nizam Uddin.

Md Samiul Alam Rajon, 13, was tortured to death by a group of brutes who were "punishing" him in Kumargaon Bus Stand area of Sylhet on July 8. Rajon's "crime", the accused claimed, was theft.

On September 22, a Sylhet court framed charges against 13 people, including Kamrul.

Ten accused were arrested, while the others, including Kamrul, remained absconding. Kamrul fled to Saudi Arabia soon after the incident and was later detained by Saudi police.

Meanwhile, a Sylhet court yesterday recorded testimonies of three witnesses on the 5th day of Rajon murder case trial.

The ten accused were produced before the court yesterday. Seventeen witnesses gave testimonies till yesterday.

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3rd Corrigendum to Invitation for Bids (IFB)

Name of Country: Bangladesh
Name of Project: Third Primary Education Development Program (PEDP-III)
Credit number: 4999-BD
IFB Title: Procurement of Laptop-3930 units
Package No. GD 308.01

Memo No. 38.151.180.007.113.00.374.2015-401 Dated: 23 September 2015

The Directorate of Primary Education (DPE)'s Invitation for Bids No. 38.151.180.007.113.00.374.2015-1858; Dated: 11 May, 2015 for procurement of 3930 units (Lot 1= 1175 units, Lot 2= 1346 units and Lot 3= 1409 units) Laptop under package No. GD 308.01 published in The Independent on 12 May 2015, The Daily Star on 14 May 2015 and The Dainik Amader Shomoy (দৈনিক আমাদের সময়) on 12 May 2015. The 1st corrigendum was published in The Independent on 25 June 2015, The Daily Star on 27 June 2015 and Dainik Amader Shomoy (দৈনিক আমাদের সময়) on 25 June 2015. The 2nd corrigendum was published in the Independent on 18 August 2015, The Daily Star on 19 August 2015 and Dainik Amader Shomoy (দৈনিক আমাদের সময়) on 18 August 2015 is hereby amended as follows:

Para No.	Conditions to be amended	Previous Provision	Amended Provision
09	The deadline for the submission of bid	Date: 06 October 2015 Time: 2:00pm Bangladesh Standard Time (GMT + 6 hrs)	Date: 17 December 2015 Time: 2:00pm Bangladesh Standard Time (GMT + 6 hrs)

All other aspects of the Invitation for Bids will remain unchanged. This corrigendum shall be an integral part of the bidding document.

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