

Journalist remains missing for 2 days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A journalist remains missing for two days after he left his duty station at Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) on Sunday, said his family and colleagues.

Awrangzeb Sajib, 48, a DMCH correspondent of several print and electronic media, was seen in the hospital area till 8:30am on Sunday, said his colleagues.

Around 10:30am, a passenger from a Chandpur-bound launch phoned another DMCH correspondent using Sajib's mobile phone and informed that Sajib had jumped into the river from the launch near Moktarpur Bridge in Munshiganj leaving his money, ID cards, and two mobile phones, Sajib's cousin Nizamul Amin told The Daily Star quoting his colleague. The launch staff later handed over his belongings to the Navy police outpost at Chandpur.

Three divers from fire service station could not trace him in the river till filling of this report last night.

Abu Bakar Siddique, officer-in-charge of Shahbagh Police Station, said they started investigation into the incident tracking Sajib's cell phone records.

A general diary was filed yesterday.

BGB honours 57 gallant freedom fighters

BSS, Dhaka

Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) accorded a reception to 57 gallantry award winning freedom fighters in Bir Uttam Fazlur Rahman Khandker auditorium in the capital yesterday, on the occasion of BGB Day.

Liberation War Affairs Minister AKM Mozammel Huq was present as chief guest, while Director General of BGB Maj Gen Aziz Ahmed presided over the function, said a press release.

Besides, family members of the gallantry award recipients outside Dhaka city were given receptions under the management of the respective sector commanders of BGB.



From left, Pro-Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Dr Nasrin Ahmed and Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique receive 16 Braille books and audio versions of those from founder of Sparsha Braille Prakashana Nazia Jabeen and visually impaired student Ripa Tabassum at the VC's office yesterday. The publication house Sparsha donated those to DU Central Library. PHOTO: PALASH KHAN

Liberation War stories reach the blind

Sparsha Braille Prakashana donates 16 newly converted volumes to DU Central Library

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

"If you do not look at her hands it is hard to believe that she reads the book in such spontaneity," said Dhaka University Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, who was among her audience.

The reading was part of a ceremony at the VC's office where publication house Sparsha Braille Prakashana handed 16 different Braille books over to the DU authority.

Ripa Tabassum, a fourth-year student of political science at Eden Mohila College, was reading from the first page of Muhammed Zafar Iqbal's "Muktijuddher Itihash". It was obvious she was overwhelmed with joy. But she cannot see.

A Braille version made the small book on the Liberation War accessible by Ripa.

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SENDING UNSKILLED MANPOWER TO UAE Bangladesh still has to wait some more

Govts redesigning recruitment process; new consular section opens in Gulshan

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh will have to wait some more to send unskilled manpower on a large scale to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) with the two governments still to finalise deals on redesigning a recruitment process.

This was indicated by top officials from both sides during the opening of UAE's new "consular section" at Gulshan 2 in the capital yesterday afternoon.

The UAE imposed stringent measures in August 2012 and stopped issuing entry permits from October 2012 after its concerns over fake documents and date-expired passports and visas went unheeded.

However, it has gradually relaxed visa restrictions, issuing those concerning residency and tourism, and recruited skilled manpower.

Talking to journalists at yesterday's inauguration, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Md Shahrar Alam, the chief guest, said the new consular section was an indication of the opening up of the labour market.

Asked if this was true, Assistant Undersecretary for Consular Affairs, UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ahmed Alhan Al Dhaheri said, "It's under process."

There is no ban on issuance of visas for Bangladeshis, he said, adding that the new "5 star" consular section's digital facilities and services would help all visitors and labourers from Bangladesh enter through "e-gates" in their airports.

Shahrar, on availing opportunities centring World Expo, to be hosted by Dubai in 2020, said, "This is an opportunity (as many jobs are being created) that does not come always. Everything is being done keeping the Dubai Expo in mind."

Some 6,00,000 Bangladeshis are now living in the UAE, entering with visas before the ban.

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement

Published on: 22 December 2015
Deadline for Application: 03 January 2016

The FAO Representation in Bangladesh is inviting applications from qualified candidates to the following vacant position for its project "Institutionalization of Food Safety in Bangladesh for Safer Food (GCP/BGD/054/USA)" to be filled as soon as possible:

- Food Safety Scientist (National Consultant) (Un Salary scale and benefits for similar positions apply)

Interested qualified candidates will find the post descriptions, the link to the Personal Profile Form (PPF) and the information on how to apply in the following web link: <http://www.fao.org/bangladesh/fao-in-bangladesh/employmentprocurement/en/>. All applicants must submit their PPF to: FAOBD-Vacancies@fao.org only by close of business on 3 January 2016.

Invitation for Tender (IFT) for Generator, IT Equipment & Bicycle

Date: December 22, 2015

Name of Procuring Entity	Suchana Consortium funded by DFID & EU.
Procurement Information	Tender Package Name: Procurement of Generator, IT Equipment & Bicycle. Lot 1: Generator (50 KVA & 22KVA; IFT/SCI/BDCO/FY-15/00009) Lot 2: IT Equipment (Laptop, Projector & Printer; IFT/SCI/BDCO/FY-15/00010) Lot 3: Bicycle (IFT/SCI/BDCO/FY-15/00011)
Working Experience	Experience in supplying similar goods of at least 2 (two) contract(s)/purchase orders successfully completed within the last three (3) years. Detailed can be seen in Tender Document.
Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (Goods)
Tender document price, Selling date, Time & Place	Tender Document: Taka 500 (Five hundred Taka) only (Non-refundable) per lot except lot 3 (which can be collected at free of cost) in the form of Pay Order/DD in favor of "Save the Children International". Tender document will be available from Dec 22, 2015 to Jan 10, 2016 during office hours 10:00am - 3:00pm from Sunday to Thursday (except public holidays) at following contact address.
Tender Security	Tender security as mentioned in tender document should be submitted in the form of Pay Order/Demand Draft in favor of "Save the Children International".
Pre-tender Meeting Time & Place	December 29, 2015 at following time: Lot 1: Generator at 11:00 AM , Lot 2: IT Equipment at 12:00 Noon and Lot 3: Bicycle at 2:00 PM Save the Children Dhaka office, House No. CWN (A) 35, Road No. 43, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh. (Meeting minutes will be available at http://procurement.scibd.info on Dec 30, 2015)
Tender dropping Date, Time & Place	Sealed tender document should be dropped into tender box - 1 kept at following contact address from Dec 22, 2015 to Jan 11, 2016. Last date & Time for Submission: on or before 2:30 PM on Jan 11, 2016
Tender Opening Date, Time & Place	Jan 11, 2016 at 3:00 PM at following contact address in presence of tenderer (if any)
Note	- If date specified for Tender receipt and opening being declared as a holiday, or other unavoidable circumstances, the due date for submission and opening of Tenders will be the following working day at the same time. - Tender document can also be viewed at: http://procurement.scibd.info/ under tender notification, but the downloaded document will not be accepted except Lot 3.
Contact Details	Senior Manager, Procurement & Supply Chain Save the Children International, House No. CWN (A) 35, Road No. 43, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh, +88 02 9861690 / Ext 1204

Management reserves the right to accept or reject part/whole of any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Death anniversary

CITY DESK

Today is the 20th death anniversary of Abdul Haque, a renowned leader of the country's large left movement during 1960s and 70s.

On this occasion, the national committee to observe the death anniversary will put wreath on his grave at 8:00am and will hold a discussion at 4:00pm at the National Press Club, said a press release.

Govt plan to reacquire

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workers who transformed the barren and treacherous region into livable and fertile lands through hundreds of years of toil, they said.

Citing newspaper reports, ASK said the government was making arrangements to take back 511 acres from tea manufacturer Duncan Brothers Bangladesh Ltd.

Although any development scheme by the government should take into account the opinion of locals, the tea workers were not consulted, added the statements.

ASK demanded that the government consider how the people affected by the economic zone can be rehabilitated.

Expressing solidarity with the tea workers, the two leftist parties urged all to wage a tough movement to force the government to abandon its plan.

Local govt should get

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government revenue," she informed.

Prof Tofail Ahmed, local government expert, and director, Manusher Jonno Foundation, who chaired the event, said besides local government, the comptroller and auditor general should also be empowered.

Other recommendations that came up in the report and the discussion included establishing internal audit mechanism in local government bodies, giving emphasis on a comprehensive audit taking both compliance and performance into account, training of local government bodies on the subject, modernisation of OCA's audit methods, and use of digitalised accounting methods by local government bodies.

Md Mahatah Uddin, director general of Local and Revenue Audit Directorate, OCA, also spoke.

President Petrochemical & Refiners Association of Bangladesh

Irshad Hossain, President Petrochemical & Refiners Association of Bangladesh (PRAB) presenting a bouquet of flowers to Mr. Nazimuddin Chowdhury, Secretary Energy & Mineral Resources Division, Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources.

"Open Call" for a Roster of National and International Consultants, ILO Bangladesh

International Labour Organization (ILO) Bangladesh seeks applications from interested candidates in order to establish a Roster for National and International Consultants to provide services for projects it implements.

Details about the areas of expertise required and how to submit resumes can be found at: www.ilo.org/dhaka

The deadline for applications is 24th January 2016.

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"Invitation For International Tenders"

01. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources/Power Division
02. Agency	: Ashuganj Power Station Company Ltd. (APSCCL)
03. Procuring Entity Name	: Managing Director, APSCCL
04. Procuring Entity Code	: Not used at present.
05. Procuring Entity District	: Brahmanbaria.
06. Invitation for	: Condenser tubes for unit 3 of Ashuganj Power Station Company Limited.
07. Invitation Ref No	: Memo No. APSCCL/Pro-01/2015/2008
08. Date	: 21 December, 2015.

KEY INFORMATION

09. Procurement Method	: Open Tendering Method (International)
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FUNDING INFORMATION

10. Budget and Source of Funds	: APSCCL's Own Fund.
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

11. Tender Package Name	: Condenser tubes for unit 3 of Ashuganj Power Station Company Limited.
12. Tender Last Selling Date	: 03 February, 2016 during office hour.
13. Tender Closing Date and Time	: 04 February, 2016 at 12.00 BST.
14. Tender Opening Date and Time	: 04 February, 2016 at 12.15 BST.

Name & Address of the Offices:

Selling Tender Document (Principal)	: Manager (Finance), APSCCL, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh.
Selling Tender Document (Others)	: Director (Purchase), Bangladesh Power Development Board, WAPDA Bhavan (9th floor), Motijheel C/A, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
Receiving Tender Document	: Office of the Manager (Procurement), APSCCL, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh.
Opening Tender Document	: Office of the Manager (Procurement), APSCCL, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh.

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

17. Eligibility of Tenderer	: Renowned Manufacturer/Supplier having similar experience of supplying condenser tubes as specified in the Tender Document.
18. Brief Description of Supply:	: Condenser tubes (Size: 23.0x1.0x7270mm, Quantity 13,800 pcs & Size: 23.0x1.50x7220mm, Quantity 1,200 pcs) for unit 3 of Ashuganj Power Station Company Limited.
19. Brief Description of Related Services	: Custom Clearance (C&F Agency) & Transportation.
20. Tender Document Price	: BDT 2,000.00 in the form of Pay order/DD in favor of Ashuganj Power Station Company Limited from any schedule Bank of Bangladesh (Non-refundable).

21. Identification of Lot	Location	Tender Security Amount	Completion time
Condenser tubes for unit 3 of Ashuganj Power Station Company Limited.	At APSCCL Store, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh.	BDT 7,00,000.00 or USD 9,000.00	120 days from the date of L/C Opening.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

22. Name & Designation of official Inviting Tender	: Md. Rafiquddaula, Manager (Procurement), APSCCL, Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh.
23. Address of official Inviting Tender	: Ashuganj Power Station Company. Ltd., Ashuganj, Brahmanbaria, Bangladesh.
24. Contact details of official Inviting Tender	: Tel: +88 08528 74033 Fax: +88 08528 74044, E-mail: procurement@apscl.com , Website: www.apscl.com
25.	: The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the Tender proceedings.

কম্বল ক্রয়ের জন্য দরপত্র আহ্বান

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