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Children attend class in one of five damaged classrooms in an abandoned primary school building in Pabna's Bera municipality.

Kids still attend classes in bldg abandoned 3 yrs ago

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPI, Pabna

"When we sit in the classroom we feel scared the ceiling may fall on our heads, but we still attend classes every day despite the threat," said Md Riad Hossain, a Class V student of Bera BB Government Primary School in Bera municipality. Like him, over two hundred students of the school, established in 1899, are attending classes amid the threat of serious injury. Its a circumstance they have endured for the last three years due to a lack of suitable accommodation. The school has a newly built two-storeyed building that can accommodate 350

to 400 students in seven class rooms, but there are more than 600 students, forcing the school authorities to hold classes in the abandoned building as well. Municipal authorities, the upazila primary education department and the upazila engineering office declared the building constructed in 1969 as abandoned in 2013, yet students attend classes in the five damaged classrooms of the building, sources said. Most of the ceilings in the abandoned building are damaged and cracks have developed in many places. "Plaster fell from the ceiling two months ago and injured 10 students and a teacher," says Sara Zaman, a

Class V student. "Since that incident, we have been afraid to attend classes in the damaged rooms, but our teachers force us to do so," said. "Although the building has been declared risky, we have no other alternative to accommodate the students," says headmaster Md Shahdat Hossain. "We are concerned about the risk to the students but have to continue academic activities in the damaged classrooms to maintain regularity of classes." The upazila primary education officer and the upazila engineering officer appealed to the higher authorities to construct a new building, but no steps

have yet been taken, the headmaster added. Lawmaker of Pabna-1, advocate Shamsul Haque Tuku, sent a request to the ministry of primary education on November 22 to construct a new building under the PDP-3 project, but the ministry is reluctant to take the initiative. Contacted, Md Tofazzal Hossain, the upazila primary education officer, said construction of a new building depends on fund allotment. "We have already submitted official letters to the ministry of primary education. There is no repair work possible; it needs reconstruction, which needs a huge amount," Tofazzal

Not a single vote cast for AL candidate

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Thakurgaon

The Awami League nominated chairman candidate failed to get a single vote at Narayangoch Government Primary School polling centre in Buraburi union under Tentulia upazila of Panchagarh district during Tuesday's union parishad election. Assistant Presiding Officer of the polling centre Yunus Ali said there are 596 voters at the centre. Of them, 533 cast their votes while 19 votes were rejected. AL naomiated candidate Badsha Solaiman was unable to get a single vote at the centre while he bagged 99 votes in total at all polling centres of the union. The other candidates including the BNP nominated chairman candidate Kolim Uddin bagged 58 votes, AL(rebel) Tomib Uddin 0, BNP (rebel) Tareq Hossain 365, Independent candidate Kamruzzaman Kamu 71 and Mostofa Jamal 20 at the centre. BNP (rebel) Md Tareq Hossain was elected as chairman in the union bagging 2,776 while his nearest contestant Independent candidate Kamruzzaman Kamu got 2710 votes.

When contacted, Upazila unit President of AL Yasin Ali Mondol said I could not understand why not a single vote was cast for the AL nominated candidate at the centre. Replying to a query, he said ward AL, Jubo League, Chhatra League were active in that ward. Even the party employed two polling agents at the centre who did not give their votes in favour of the party candidate. AL nominated candidates won two seats and BNP candidates got also two seats while BNP (rebel) candidates snatched three seats.

Lalmonirhat's Govt Women's College faces teacher crisis

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

Academic activities at Mazida Khatun Government Women's College in Lalmonirhat town, the district's lone women's college, are being hampered due to an acute crisis of teachers. Students from different areas of the district study at the college, but the authorities concerned are not taking the necessary steps to appoint teachers to vacant posts. The college was established on 88 decimals of land on July 1, 1988, during HM Ershad's regime, and is named after his mother. It was nationalised on August 27, 1997.

College sources said there are 28 teaching posts at the college, but only 11 recruited teachers. There are 1,600 students in HSC and BA classes, and a good number of them reside at the college hostel. Asmani Akhter, a student of HSC first year, said academic activities are hampered due to the shortage of teachers. "Only a few classes are held, which is detrimental to education of the students," she added. "We want classes everyday, we want to learn, but we are deprived from getting regular teaching due to a lack of teachers," said Mohona Akhter, a student of BA second

year. "Most students come from poor families so they are fully dependent on class teaching as they cannot afford private coaching," she added. Zakir Hossain, a lecturer of the college, said they are trying to cope with the problems caused by the shortage of teachers, but it is very difficult to do so. "We are 11 teachers carrying the load of 28 teaching posts," he said. Prof Shamim Ara, principal of the college, said she has written several letters to the director general of education, seeking the appointment of teachers to vacant posts, but has not received any response yet.



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Mazida Khatun Government Women's College in Lalmonirhat.

Man strangles wife, son in Khagrachhari, 4 arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

A man killed his wife and six-year-old son over dowry in Barapilak area under Guimara upazila of the district on Tuesday. The deceased are Majeda

Begum, 20, and her son Mohammad Hridoy. Quoting family members, Mostafizur Rahman, officer-in-charge (OC) of Guimara Police Station, said Majeda and her husband Sabar Ali, 30, had an altercation over his demand for Tk 1 lakh as

dowry. At one stage, he strangled Majeda and Hridoy and fled the scene. On information, police recovered the bodies and sent them to Khagrachhari Adhunik Sadar Hospital for autopsy, the OC added. Victim's father

Mohammad Sahab Uddin filled a case with the police station concerned the same night. Police arrested Sabar Ali, his father Mahabub Alam, mother Raniwara Begum and brother Mohammad Shahjahan early yesterday.

Eastern Refinery Limited
(A Subsidiary of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation)
North Patenga, Post Box No. 35
Chittagong-4000
Bangladesh

Dated: 21 March, 2016

Invitation for International Tenders

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the bonafide manufacturers/suppliers/agents for supply of the following material as per specification, terms and conditions mentioned in the relevant tender documents:-

01 Ministry/division	Power, Energy & Mineral Resources.		
02 Agency	Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC).		
03 Procuring entity name	Eastern Refinery Limited (ERL).		
04 Procuring entity district	Chittagong.		
05 Invitation for	Goods		
	(a) ER/PUR/IT-09/2016(Re-tender) dt. 21-03-2016		
	(b) ER/PUR/IT-10/2016 dt. 21-03-2016.		
	(c) ER/PUR/IT-11/2016 dt. 21-03-2016		
	(d) ER/PUR/IT-12/2016 dt. 21-03-2016		
07 Procurement method	Open Tendering with International Competition (OTM).		
08 Budget and source of funds	ERL/Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation.		
09 Eligibility of tenderer	As stated in the tender document.		
10 Tender last selling date & time	(a) 18-04-2016 up to 16:00 hours BST (b), (c) & (d) 02-05-2016 up to 16:00 hours BST.		
11. Tender closing date & time	(a) 19-04-2016 up to 14:30 hours BST (b), (c) & (d) 03-05-2016 up to 14:30 hours BST.		
12 Tender opening date & time	(a) 19-04-2016 at 15:00 hours BST (b), (c) & (d) 03-05-2016 at 15:00 hours BST.		
13 Tender document selling address	(i) Accounts Department, Eastern Refinery Limited, North Patenga, Chittagong, and (ii) Manager (DLO), ERL, YMCA Bhaban (2nd floor, West side), 1/1, Pioneer Road, Kakrail, Dhaka.		
14 Tender dropping/submission place	(i) Purchase Department, Eastern Refinery Limited, North Patenga, Chittagong.		
15 Opening address of tender	Purchase Department, Eastern Refinery Limited, North Patenga, Chittagong.		
16 Brief description of Goods:			
Name of materials	Price of tender document	Tender security (Tk.)	Shipment validity
(a) CENTRIFUGAL PUMP (HORIZONTAL) COUPLED WITH ELECTRIC MOTOR & SPARES	Tk. 800.00/Set (non-refundable)	Tk. 1,00,000.00 (one lac)	90 days
(b) AERO CONDENSER FIN TUBES	Tk. 800.00/Set (non-refundable)	Tk. 1,00,000.00 (one lac)	90 days
(c) VARIOUS PIPES	Tk. 800.00/Set (non-refundable)	Tk. 1,00,000.00 (one lac)	90 days
(d) VARIOUS VALVES	Tk. 800.00/Set (non-refundable)	Tk. 1,00,000.00 (one lac)	90 days
17 Name of official inviting tender	Mollah Abul Kalam Azad.		
18 Designation of official inviting tender	Asstt. General Manager (Purchase).		
19 Address of official inviting tender	Eastern Refinery Limited, North Patenga, Chittagong.		
20 Contact details	PABX (Ctg): 88-031-2501261-67 Ext.-382 Dhaka (DLO): 88-02-8391991 Fax: 88-031-2501269 E-mail: purchase@erl.com.bd shafiq@erl.com.bd md-office@erl.com.bd Website: www.erl.gov.bd, www.erl.com.bd		
21 The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without showing any reason.			

Holiday

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purpose of science, business, and even tourism. Woerner describes the proposed Moon Village in a recent video released by the ESA. Roughly 50 years after humans first walked on the moon, Woerner says the next step is to establish a permanent base that can be used similarly to the International Space Station. The expert recommends settlement at the poles or in areas of constant daylight on the far side of the moon. At the South Pole, in a region of continuous darkness, humans could access water to produce hydrogen and oxygen. And in the shadow of the moon, he explains, settlers would be protected from incoming cosmic and solar radiation. These locations would also reduce risks of micrometeorites, and extreme temperatures. This would be a suitable location to build a radio telescope with the moon's natural resources, in lieu of bringing materials from Earth. The Moon Village idea aims to be a versatile facility that opens the door for deeper space exploration, while also acting as a hub for business or mining. And, the expert says it could be used recreationally for tourists.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Chief Engineer
Health Engineering Department (HED)
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
105-106, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000

Memo No. HED/HPNSDP/DDFP-Jamalpur/Tender-1219/2015/59 Dated: 21.03.2016

Invitation for Re-Tender

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from among the eligible tenderers for "Construction of Family Planning Office at Jamalpur". The details of the tender are shown in the table below.

1	Ministry	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW).					
2	Agency	Health Engineering Department (HED).					
3	Procuring entity name	Health Engineering Department (HED), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.					
4	Procuring entity code	None					
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka					
6	Invitation for	Works					
7	Invitation Ref. No.	Memo No. স্বাস্থ্য/স্বাস্থ্য-১/ PFD-2 (সংশ-২)/২০১২/৩০০					
8	Date	18.05.2015					
KEY INFORMATION							
9	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (National).					
FUNDING INFORMATION							
10	Budget and source of funds	GOB Development.					
11	Development partners	None					
PARTICULAR INFORMATION							
12	Project/programme code	5-2701-5480					
13	Project/programme name	Health, Population & Nutrition Sector Development Program (HPNSDP).					
14	Tender package No.	WP-523/SDP(GOB)-HED					
15	Tender package name	Construction of Family Planning Office at Jamalpur.					
16	Tender publication date	23.03.2016					
17	Tender last selling date and time	Date: 06.04.2016, Time: 16:00 hours.					
18	Tender closing date and time	Date: 07.04.2016, Time: 13:00 hours.					
19	Tender opening date and time	Date: 07-04.2016, Time 14:00 hours.					
20	Name & address of the office(s) for selling tender documents	i. Office of the Chief Engineer, Health Engineering Department, 105-106, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. ii. Office of the Director General, Directorate General of Family Planning Services, 6, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. iii. Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division. iv. Office of the Superintending Engineer, HED, Circle-1, Dhaka. v. Office of the Executive Engineer, HED, Tangail Division.					
21	Name and address of the office for receiving tender documents	i. Office of the Chief Engineer, Health Engineering Department, 105-106, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000. ii. Office of the Director General, Directorate General of Family Planning Services, 6, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. iii. Office of the Divisional Commissioner, Segunbagicha, Dhaka. iv. Office of the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, Ramna, Dhaka.					
22	Name & address of the office for opening of tenders	Office of the Chief Engineer, Health Engineering Department, 105-106, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000.					
23	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	Not applicable.					
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER							
24	Brief description of works	The work consist of- i. Construction of Four Storied Building with Five Storied Pile Foundation. ii. External work: Site Development, Surface Drain, internal Road (H.B.B) Deep Tube-well & External Electrification Work.					
25.	Eligibility of tenderers:						
Sl No.	Identification of Package No.	Name of work (Location)	Tender security (Taka in lac)	The minimum amount of liquid assets or working capital or credit facilities of the tenderer shall be (Taka in lac)	Required average annual construction turnover shall be greater than over the last 5 (five) years (Taka in lac)	Least value of works as experience of similar nature of works in a single contract successfully completed within last 5 (five) years (Taka in lac)	Completion time
1	WP-523/SDP (GOB)-HED	Construction of Family Planning Office at Jamalpur	Tk. 12.00	Tk. 150.00	Tk. 700.00	Tk. 325.00	12 months
26	Brief description of related services	Not applicable.					
27	Price of tender document (Tk)	Tk. 2000.00 (Taka two thousand) only in the form of Treasury Challan to Accounts Code No. 1-2717-0000-2366.					
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS							
28	Name of official inviting tender	Shah Mohammed Hannan.					
29	Designation of official inviting tender	Superintending Engineer (P&A) Health Engineering Department (HED).					
30	Address of official inviting tender	105-106, Motijheel Commercial Area, Dhaka-1000.					
31	Contact details of official inviting tender	i. Telephone No: 880-2-9587603 ii. Fax No. : 88-02-9587601 iii. e-Mail address: hedhg@yahoo.com					
32	Special instructions	i. All submittals must be signed by the tenderer, if not, the tender will be treated as non-responsive. ii. In case of submitting tender documents by secured post service must be addressed to Chief Engineer, HED, 105-106, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000 and it must be reached within the time mentioned in Sl. No. 18. iii. Tender submission letter (Form PW3-1) should be filled in & signed as per form attached with the tender document. If not, tender shall not be accepted. iv. Any less or discount/above on total quoted amount in the abstract of BOQ of tender document will not be accepted but modification as per ITT Clause 45.1 will be accepted. v. Notification of Award (NOA) will be issued to the successful tenderer after getting approval from the competent authority. vi. The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders prior to acceptance without assigning any reason whatsoever.					

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