



AKM Saifuddin Ahamed, deputy managing director of Jamuna Bank, and AKM Mahfuzul Alam, manager for sales and marketing of Novoair, exchange the signed papers of a deal at the head office of the bank in Dhaka. The employees of Jamuna Bank and JBL credit cardholders will be able to buy air tickets in instalment and get other corporate benefits from Novoair.

# Spain admits it will miss deficit targets

AFP, Madrid  
Spain, mired in political deadlock just as it emerges from a six-year recession, has admitted it will overshoot its budget deficit target next year.  
The finance ministry said it informed the European Commission that it provisionally forecast its budget deficit at 3.6 percent of gross domestic product (GDP) from a previous 3.1 percent target.  
It noted a backdrop of political instability after two inconclusive elections inside a year and eight years trying to haul itself back into shape following the 2008 economic crisis.  
Two months ago, Madrid just avoided an EU fine for repeated breaches of budget rules.  
Brussels let both Spain and neighbouring Portugal off the hook, judging that both were trying to get their house in order and close in on the official ceiling of 3.0 percent of GDP.  
But the EU told both countries to stay on a path of "fiscal consolidation" as the only way to

create a foundation for durable growth.  
Brussels did not immediately comment on the latest forecast for the eurozone's fourth largest economy.  
After six years in recession, Spain reported a 2015 budget deficit of 5.1 percent of GDP, way off the 4.2 percent target set by the Commission.  
For this year, Madrid must pare the deficit to 4.6 percent, and then 3.1 percent in 2017 -- which it will now miss -- then 2.2 percent in 2018.  
Conservative Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy is clinging on to power after his Popular Party retained its status as the largest party. His failure to win a majority has left Spain effectively rudderless, hampering attempts to finesse spending plans which could underpin a cautious economic upsurge.  
The budget report, seen by AFP, recognises that government plans to bolster revenue, including tax hikes for companies which it hopes can net eight billion euros (\$9 billion), will not suffice.

Growth is also fraying at the edges with the government now forecasting 2.9 percent for this year -- down from a central bank forecast of 3.2 percent. For now, Spain is sticking with the bank's 2017 prediction of 2.3 percent.  
The economic crisis wrought havoc with the job market, Spain's traditional weakspot, with unemployment peaking at 27 percent before falling back.  
Madrid now sees the jobless rate falling from 19.7 percent to 17.8 percent next year, still well above the eurozone average of 10.1 percent.  
All eyes are now on whether the political weather will clear as a divided opposition Socialist Party debates whether to abstain in a parliamentary vote of confidence to allow Rajoy to form a new government, the alternative being a third election in a year come December.  
The Socialists are to debate their strategy on October 23 before the expiry of an October 31 deadline to form a new government or hold fresh polls.



SM Nurul Hoque, president of Bangladesh Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry, along with a delegation of the chamber calls on Shajahan Khan, shipping minister, at the latter's office at the secretariat in Dhaka on Sunday.

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**দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

মহিলা ও শিশু বিষয়ক মন্ত্রণালয়ধীন, বাংলাদেশ শিশু একাডেমী পরিচালিত নিম্নবর্ণিত প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিবাসীদের খাদ্য ও আনুষঙ্গিক এবং বিবিধ মালামাল সরবরাহের উদ্দেশ্যে ২০১৬-২০১৭ অর্থ বছরের জন্য সরবরাহকারী নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে প্রকৃত ব্যবসায়ী/সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে সীলমোহরযুক্ত খাম ফরমাভিত্তিক দরপত্র আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

১। প্রতিষ্ঠানের বিবরণ (নাম, ঠিকানা এবং যে ফরমের জন্য প্রযোজ্য)

ক্র. নং	প্রতিষ্ঠানের নাম	প্রতিষ্ঠানের ঠিকানা
ক.	শিশু বিকাশ কেন্দ্র	১। শিশু বিকাশ কেন্দ্র, বরুদা, মুসলিমাবাদ রোড, জয়দেবপুর, গাজীপুর। (ক, খ ও গ ফরম)

২। কাজের সংক্ষিপ্ত বিবরণঃ (দরপত্র শ্রেণি বিন্যাস)

ক্র. নং	সংক্ষিপ্ত বিবরণ	সিডিউলের মূল্য	দরপত্র জামানতের পরিমাণ
ক.	খাদ্য ও আনুষঙ্গিক (অপচনশীল ও পচনশীল)	১,০০০/-	সিডিউল মোতাবেক
খ.	শিক্ষা, স্বাস্থ্য, প্রসাধনী ও অন্যান্য	১,০০০/-	সিডিউল মোতাবেক
গ.	বিবিধ মালামাল	১,০০০/-	সিডিউল মোতাবেক

৩। দরপত্র সিডিউল প্রাপ্তির স্থানঃ

১। অতিরিক্ত জেলা প্রশাসক (সার্বিক), গাজীপুর।  
২। বাংলাদেশ শিশু একাডেমী, জয়দেবপুর, গাজীপুর।  
৩। অতিরিক্ত জেলা প্রশাসক (সার্বিক) কার্যালয়, গাজীপুর।  
৪। ০৯/১১/২০১৬খ্রিঃ দুপুর ১.০০টা।  
৫। অতিরিক্ত জেলা প্রশাসক (সার্বিক) মহোদয়ের কার্যালয়, গাজীপুর।  
৬। ০৯/১১/২০১৬খ্রিঃ দুপুর ২টা।  
ক) বৈধ সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠান।  
খ) সমরূপ ২টি সরকারি প্রতিষ্ঠানে কাজের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে।  
গ) সমরূপ কাজে একক কার্যদেশে কমপক্ষে ২০ (বিশ) লক্ষ টাকার কাজের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে।  
ঘ) দরপত্রের সাথে সিডিউল ক্রয়ের রশিদের মূলকপি, পূর্বে অনুরূপ কাজ করার অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র, হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ব্যাংক স্বাক্ষরিত সনদ, আয়কর সনদ এবং ভ্যাট প্রদান সনদ (হালনাগাদ) দাখিল করতে হবে।

৪। দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখঃ ০৮/১১/২০১৬খ্রিঃ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।

৫। দরপত্র দাখিলের স্থানঃ অতিরিক্ত জেলা প্রশাসক (সার্বিক) কার্যালয়, গাজীপুর।

৬। দরপত্র দাখিলের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়ঃ ০৯/১১/২০১৬খ্রিঃ দুপুর ১.০০টা।

৭। দরপত্র খোলার স্থানঃ অতিরিক্ত জেলা প্রশাসক (সার্বিক) মহোদয়ের কার্যালয়, গাজীপুর।

৮। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়ঃ ০৯/১১/২০১৬খ্রিঃ দুপুর ২টা।

৯। দরদাতার যোগ্যতাঃ ক) বৈধ সরবরাহকারী প্রতিষ্ঠান।  
খ) সমরূপ ২টি সরকারি প্রতিষ্ঠানে কাজের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে।  
গ) সমরূপ কাজে একক কার্যদেশে কমপক্ষে ২০ (বিশ) লক্ষ টাকার কাজের অভিজ্ঞতার সনদপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে।  
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১০। দরপত্র দাখিল ক্রয়ের সময় যে যেঃ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, আয়কর সনদ, ভ্যাট প্রদানের সনদসহ ব্যাংক স্বাক্ষরিত সনদপত্রাদি এবং অভিজ্ঞতার সনদের মূলকপি প্রদর্শন করতে হবে।

**শর্তাবলীঃ**

(১) পিপিআর ২০০৬ এবং পিপিআর ২০০৮ (সংশোধিতসহ) এ প্রদত্ত ক্রয় সংক্রান্ত পদ্ধতি মধ্যস্থভাবে অনুসরণ করতে হবে।  
(২) গৃহীত দরদাতার নিকট হতে উদ্ধৃতদরের ১০% পারফরমেন্স সিকিউরিটির অর্থ প্রাপ্তি সাপেক্ষে কার্যদেশ প্রদান করা হবে।  
(৩) কোন কারণে কার্যদেশ প্রদান সম্ভব না হলে দরদাতাগণ ক্ষতিপূরণ দাবি করতে পারবেন না। এরূপ কোন দাবি করা হলে তা আইনের দৃষ্টিতে অগ্রাহ্য হবে।  
(৪) বিশেষ নিদেশনা দরপত্র সিডিউলে বর্ণিত আছে।  
(৫) কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণে দর্শনো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ অথবা সকল দরপত্র বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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# Loan growth, trading boost Bank of America profits

AFP, New York  
Bank of America reported higher third-quarter profits Monday behind strong performance in trading and overall loan growth.  
Net income rose in all four of Bank of America's operating divisions, with the consumer banking business boosted by increased mortgage production and global markets lifted by strong performance in fixed income, currencies and commodities trading.  
Large US banks have responded to the low interest rate environment by cutting expenses, which fell 3.2 percent to \$13.5 billion. Banks have also benefited from moderate, but steady, growth in the US economy.  
"Strong client activity and good expense discipline combined to drive positive operating leverage as we continue to optimize and strengthen our balance sheet," said Chief financial officer Paul Donofrio.  
Net profit rose 6.6 percent to \$4.5 billion. Revenues increased 3.1 percent to \$21.6 billion.  
Profits translated into 41 cents per share, eight cents above analyst expectations. Shares of Bank of America rose 0.6 percent to \$16.10 in pre-market trade.

# Panasonic, Tesla consider solar tie-up

AFP, Tokyo  
Panasonic and US electric car maker Tesla have agreed to start working together on solar energy products, a spokeswoman for the Japanese firm said Monday.  
The pair have already teamed up on the world's biggest lithium-ion battery factory in Nevada, but said they plan to expand their collaboration.  
"We agreed to start talks on a tie-up in production of solar batteries in a factory in Buffalo, New York, run by a Tesla subsidiary," a Panasonic spokeswoman said.  
The Japanese company will supply technology used in solar cells and modules for products that are to be designed by Tesla, she added. The US firm said late Sunday that the partnership will help "accelerate production of high-efficiency, extremely reliable solar cells and modules at the best cost".  
The deal requires shareholders' approval of Tesla's planned acquisition of San Mateo, California-based solar-panel company SolarCity Corp, the US company said. The two companies have also collaborated on electric vehicles as well as the Nevada battery site.

# Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) For Short-listing of Individual Consultants for Institutional Assessment Specialist (International) (SD-33)

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- The Secondary Education Sector Investment Program (SESIP) was approved by Asian Development Bank's Board on 27 September 2013. Periodic Financing Request 1 (Tranche 1, 2013-2017) has a budget of \$90 million and Tranche 2 (2015-2017) has a budget of \$180 million. The government's Development Program Proposal (DPP) was approved by the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council in October 2013 and the Revised DPP was approved in November 2015.
- SESIP supports secondary education in Bangladesh over 10 years (2013-2022), using a multi-tranche financing facility (MFF). SESIP will support the implementation of key reforms envisaged in the National Education Policy, 2010 (NEP) in a phased manner. SESIP will also adopt a sector-wide approach that supports a government-led common secondary education program framework with enhanced harmonization of ADB and other development partner's assistance. The Ministry of Education (MOE) is the executing agency and the Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education (DSHE) is the implementing agency. Strengthened fiduciary oversight arrangement and management is one of the key features of the program.
- ADB is currently assisting the MOE and DSHE to develop the detailed design of the SESIP Tranche 2 (2015-2017) that strengthens existing programs under Tranche 1, and introduces new programs under Tranche 2 aligned with MoE National Education Policy 2010 priorities identified in the Secondary Education Sector Road Map approved by the MoE. It includes supporting the DSHE Planning & Development Wing (PDW), the Finance and Procurement Wing (FPW) and the SESIP Program Support Unit (SPSU) and co-implementing agencies to assist in the design, and build capacity for undertaking the preparation of key government planning and supporting documents in a timely manner to enable efficient implementation of Tranche 2.
- SESIP development is guided by the Secondary Sector Road Map approved by MOE in 2013 as the strategy for implementation of NEP. To build development capacity in government, the MOE has adopted a phased transition to a SWAp for development under a common, NEP-driven program framework. Secondary education development and implementation responsibility is being shifted into regular government agencies defined by programs identified in the framework, which will be regularly reviewed and revised through an annual Joint Sector Review (JSR) to meet the changing development priorities. DSHE, as the main secondary education implementing agency, has assumed the responsibility of the program development through the government financial and procurement systems.
- DSHE reorganization has begun under SESIP, most notably through the establishment of the Sector Program Support Unit (SPSU) and by establishing and staffing the new Finance and Procurement Wing assuming procurement and financial management responsibility for development activities. Additional staff is also provided for DSHE Planning and Development Wing, College and Administrative Wing, and Training Wing in addition to the field level staff.
- The SPSU will be phased out by the end of 2017, and DSHE will take full responsibility for SESIP development implementation. A comprehensive DSHE reorganization plan will be prepared and implemented that includes a transition strategy from project to program within DSHE. SESIP will further build on the on-going DSHE strengthening efforts in Tranche 2.
- A comprehensive DSHE Capacity Development Plan will be prepared and approved. A new DSHE handbook will be prepared and circulated that indicates terms of reference and performance indicators for each wing.
- Under Tranche 2 an institutional assessment of the MOE, DSHE, and co-implementing agencies prior to commencement of Tranche 3 design, and to support phased transition to SWAp, (in-line with the SWAp road map) will be carried out. The purpose of the assessment is to provide the MOE and development partners the necessary information for setting development priorities and implementation strategy under SWAp. The assessment will provide a baseline status of all agencies, and identify key challenges and gaps that impact quality improvement, with recommendations for redressing the issue. Tranche 2 will support one international and one national consultant with a total of 14 person-months. The consultants will be located in the DSHE's Planning & Development Wing.
- Therefore, one international consultant is to be recruited and engaged for a total of 6 person months to carry out an institutional assessment.
- The scope and scale: The International Institutional Assessment Specialist will support the PDW, DSHE and SESIP and relevant consultants to undertake the assessment, by developing an assessment framework, design, plan and consequently a report and related materials in support of a Capacity Development Plan for institutional development of DSHE to take full responsibility for SESIP and the SWAp after 2017.
- The consultant will report to the SESIP Team Leader and work closely with the national Institutional Assessment Specialist and other SESIP Specialists and experts in the SPSU. The government counterparts are mainly Planning and Development Wing (PDW), DSHE and SPSU and its consultants necessary to undertake the assignment.
- The qualification and experience required for the assignment is as follows:
  - Minimum a Master degree with a degree in Educational Management/ Governance. Ph.D will be preferred.
  - Minimum 12 years working experience in the field of Educational Management of which at least 3 years in the field of Institutional Assessment.
  - The specialist should have at least 3 years' experience as an international Educational Management/Governance expert.
  - Previous experience with ADB, working in Bangladesh, and in processing education development projects and programs would be an asset.
- Individual Consultants will be required to furnish information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services supported by a complete CV with other details as provided in ADB format.
- DSHE now invites eligible International Individual Consultants to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) for the consultancy services for SESIP under the financing agreement between the GOB and the ADB. Interested International Individual Consultants must prepare and submit their EOI in a standard form, "Template for Expression of Interest (Individual Consultant)", and the CV Format which can be downloaded from ADB's website <http://www.adb.org/site/business-opportunities/operational-procurement/consulting/documents#tabs-0-2>.
- The scope of work and detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Director (Finance and Procurement Wing) during regular office hours or can be downloaded from DSHE's/MOE's website (<http://www.dshe.gov.bd> or <http://www.moedu.gov.bd>).
- Eligible International Individual Consultants should submit their EOIs through ADB's consultant management system at <http://cms.adb.org>.
- The short-listing will follow the "Guidelines on The Use of Consultants by Asian Development Bank and Its Borrowers, March 2013" including revisions, if any. The Consultant will be selected using Individual Consultant Selection (ICS) Method. It is expected that the services will commence in January 2017 and will be completed in July 2017 for a period of 6 person months. The EOI from the Individual Consultants will be rejected if it has been debarred or declared ineligible by the GOB or the ADB.
- The EOI must be submitted as stated under Para 14 above by 11.59pm (Manila Time) on 1 November 2016. If the last date of submission falls on a government holiday or for some unavoidable circumstances the office of the undersigned cannot remain open, then the next working day shall be considered as the last day of submission of the EOI.
- The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOIs without assigning any reason thereof.

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