



Chairman of Social Marketing Company (SMC) and SMC Enterprise Ltd Muhammed Ali and Managing Director of SMC Enterprise Md Ali Reza Khan attend the annual company conference for 2015-16 at Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka on March 18.

US issues trade challenge at fraught G20

AFP, Baden-Baden, Germany
The United States on Saturday challenged long-standing global principles surrounding free trade, refusing to renew past anti-protectionist pledges and threatening to reopen negotiations on World Trade Organization deals.

In an early taste of what Donald Trump's "America First" push spells for the world, finance ministers from the G20 group of developed and emerging nations failed to get Washington to sign off on a pledge to reject protectionism in a closing

statement.
Commitments of support to the existing multilateral trade system, including the World Trade Organization (WTO), were also conspicuously missing from the final communique.

And an entire section on action against climate change was dropped, sparking dismay among America's partners as well as environmental activists.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin shrugged off the outcry, saying the "historical language" was not relevant.

"What is relevant is what we agreed as a group: to strengthen the contributions of trade to our economies," he said.

"We will strive to reduce excess global imbalances to promote inclusiveness and fairness and reduce inequality," he added, stressing that what Washington seeks is "free and fair trade" that is good for both Americans and the world.

But trade deals that currently exist are not always balanced, he said, warning that Washington will not hesitate to renegotiate them.

"We want to reexamine certain agreements, we have talked about reexamining NAFTA," he told journalists, referring to the North American Free Trade Agreement between Canada, Mexico and the United States.

"We think there are parts of the WTO that are not being enforced, and will look to aggressively enforce things in the interest of American workers," he added.

"To the extent the agreements are old agreements and need to be renegotiated, we'll consider that as well."

India hunts hidden cash in corruption blitz

AFP, New Delhi

Mansions owned by maids, gardeners and drivers until now have aroused little suspicion in India, where the wealthy have long hidden fortunes in the names of lowly-paid staff to avoid paying tax.

But as the government broadens its crackdown on corruption, a new law promises to end the widespread practice and hundreds of suspicious bank accounts are under investigation.

"There's been an overnight change in the system," real estate lawyer Naresh Gupta told AFP, describing the new rules as "very draconian".

"Investigators can question anyone and ask any government department for information about suspects."

The law banning so-called "benami" transactions, making it illegal for assets to be hidden in another's name, came into effect in November as part a twin strike by the government to flush out undeclared "black money" hoarded by tax evaders.

It followed a shock decision by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to withdraw high-value bank notes from circulation, compelling millions to join the formal banking sector for the first time. Previously, around 90 percent of everyday transactions in India were in cash.

Holding real estate in someone else's

name has been a particularly popular avenue for those seeking to legitimise black money and dodge their tax dues.

Those caught out could have their wealth seized, face a seven-year jail term and pay hefty fines equivalent to 25 percent of the asset's value.

Government officials say 235 suspicious accounts were under investigation for alleged benami activity in mid February, with more than half frozen and properties seized.

But Modi, who was elected in 2014 on a pledge to wipe out corruption and kickstart the economy, has promised more scalps as the dragnet widens.

"It has some very tough provisions. Those holding such property should start consulting their (accountants)," he said in a February speech.

"They will go after everything" - The law was in step with November's controversial "demonetisation", which forced Indians to turn in their old, devalued banknotes in exchange for new ones.

Those declaring suspiciously-large sums were red flagged for audit by the tax department, which often uncovered complex and implausible webs of benami holdings.

In one case, the department said 33 million rupees (\$500,000) were hidden in the name of a woman who wasn't even aware the account existed.

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তুলা উন্নয়ন বোর্ডের একেজো ঘোষিত ০১ (এক)টি কার, ০২ (দুই)টি জীপ, ০১ (এক)টি মাইক্রোবাস ও ০৫ (পাঁচ)টি ট্রাক নিলামে বিক্রয়ের জন্য অগ্রহী প্রতীষ্ঠান/ক্রোতা সাধারণের নিকট হইতে সীলমোহরকৃত নিলাম দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে।

ক্রঃ নং	গাড়ির বিবরণ	গাড়িসমূহের বর্তমান অবস্থান	সিডিউলের মূল্য (এক হাজার টাকা)	দরপত্র জামানত
১।	ক) মারুতি কার নং-ঢাকা-মেট্রো-ভ-৮৭০২ খ) জীপ নং-ঢাকা-ঘ-৭৭৯২, জীপ নং-যশোর-ক-০৪৭৮ গ) মাইক্রোবাস-নং-দিনাজ-ব-৯২৩৪ ঘ) ট্রাক নং-বগুড়া-ট-৩৮৪০, ট্রাক নং-দিনাজ-ট-৮৮১৮, ট্রাক নং-দিনাজ-ট-৬০২৬, ট্রাক নং-ঢাকা-মেট্রো-ন-৯৫০০ ও ট্রাক নং-ঢাকা-মেট্রো-ন-৪৯০০	তুলা উন্নয়ন বোর্ডের সদর দপ্তর গ্যারেজ, ফার্মগেট, ঢাকা। তুলা গবেষণা কেন্দ্র, শ্রীপুর, গাজীপুর ও সদরপুর, দিনাজপুর। তুলা উন্নয়ন বোর্ড, বগুড়া, যশোর ও খাগড়াছড়ি জেনের গ্যারেজে	১,০০০/-	উদ্ধৃত মোট মূল্যের ২৫% হারে টাকা (ফেরতযোগ্য) ব্যাংক ড্রাক্ট/পে-অর্ডার আকারে। দরপত্রের সাথে জমা দিতে হবে।

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০১।	দরপত্র সিডিউল প্রাপ্তির স্থান	ঃ তুলা উন্নয়ন বোর্ড, খামারবাড়ি, ফার্মগেট, ঢাকা।
০২।	দরপত্র সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ	ঃ ১১/০৪/২০১৭ইং তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
০৩।	দরপত্র জমা দেওয়ার স্থান	ঃ তুলা উন্নয়ন বোর্ড, খামারবাড়ি, ফার্মগেট, ঢাকা।
০৪।	দরপত্র জমা দেওয়ার তারিখ	ঃ ১২/০৪/২০১৭ইং তারিখ সকাল ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
০৫।	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	ঃ ১২/০৪/২০১৭ইং তারিখ বেলা ১২.১৫ ঘটিকায় দরপত্রদাতাদের সম্মুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হবে।
০৬।	দরদাতাগণ দরপত্র প্রস্তাব দাখিলের পূর্বে অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে গাড়িসমূহ Pre-inspection করতে পারবেন।	
০৭।	দরপত্রের বিস্তারিত তথ্য সিডিউলে পাওয়া যাবে।	
০৮।	কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিলের ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন।	

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Beijing shuts last coal power plant in switch to natural gas

AFP, Beijing

The last large coal-fired power plant in Beijing has suspended operations, with the city's electricity now generated by natural gas, the state news agency reported as smog enveloped the Chinese capital this weekend.

The shuttering of the Huangneng Beijing Thermal Power Plant comes on the heels of China's annual legislative sessions, where Premier Li Keqiang promised to "make our skies blue again" in his state-of-the-nation speech.

According to Xinhua, Beijing has become the country's first city to have all its power plants fuelled by natural gas, an objective laid out in 2013 in the capital's five-year clean air action plan.

The Huangneng plant is the fourth to be closed and replaced by gas thermal power centres between 2013 and 2017, cutting nearly 10 million tonnes in coal emissions annually.

Xinhua reported the move the night before municipal authorities issued a blue alert for heavy air pollution on Sunday. Smog has cloaked the capital for several days and is expected to continue through the week.

Since last Wednesday's closing of the National People's Congress, the annual meeting of China's rubber-stamp parliament, PM2.5 (harmful particulate) levels have remained between 200 and 330 micrograms per cubic metre -- well above the World Health Organization's recommended maximum average exposure of 25 micrograms per cubic metre in a 24-hour period.

The pollution often vanishes during prominent events like the legislative sessions and the 2008 Summer Olympics as authorities order factories to halt activity and force cars off the road.

During the 2014 gathering of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation in Beijing, this clear air phenomenon was dubbed "APEC blue."

Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF)

(A Company under the Ministry of Finance, Govt. of Bangladesh)

Vacancy Announcement

The Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF) is a company under the Bank & Financial Institutions Division of the Ministry of Finance. It carries out infrastructural development of the Municipalities and City Corporations of the country. BMDF invites applications from Bangladeshi Nationals for the position of **Engineer Infrastructure**.

Qualification: B.Sc. in Civil Engineering from a reputed University.

Experience: At least 07 years practical experience on similar nature of job is required. Computer literacy on MS Office tools is a must. Good oral and written ability in Bengali and English are essential. Experience on operating CAD will be treated as an added advantage. Working experience with International Agency, Donor Funded Project, and NGOs will get preference.

Age: Maximum 40 years as on 16 April, 2017.

Job Responsibilities:

The main job of Engineer Infrastructure will be to assist the Program Section of BMDF in different activities, maintaining proper liaison with other sections. Other responsibilities are as below:

- Overall responsible for reviewing, checking and suggesting measures on activities for preparation of bidding documents in the light of sub project appraisal reports of fund seeking ULBs.
- Develop future strategies for infrastructure development.
- Monitor, coordinate and liaison the activities of consultants for planning, design, preparation and implementation of urban development works.
- Review, check and update drawing, design, estimate etc as and when required.
- Review and check the technical aspect of appraisal report for ULBs.
- Assist Program Manager in taking appropriate decisions for the dispute/issues during implementation of physical infrastructures in the ULBs.
- Advise, monitor and check the activities like planning, identification, preparation & implementation of infrastructures/facilities in the ULBs at field level.
- Monitor, Co-ordinate and Liaison the ongoing/completed infrastructure works activities, quality assurance and timely implementation of works at ULB level through regular field inspection and inform the development to MD accordingly.
- Prepare periodical progress report and ensure timely submission to concerned office, including World Bank.
- Direct and coordinate the consultants, liaison with the ULB officials and Donor officials on different aspect of sub-project activities.
- Reviewing, checking and suggesting measures for SPAR & BER as and when required.
- Preparation of papers, related to works, for WB Review Mission and implementation of agreed decisions including follow-up Aide Memoire.
- Support in any other Program related activities as required.
- Any other duties assigned by the Managing Director.

Salary:
As per BMDF salary scale starting basic at 58,500.00 (58,500-61,016-63,639-66,376-69,230-72,207-75,312-78,550-81,928-85,451-89,125). Other allowances admissible as BMDF's Service Rules.

Application Procedures:

- Candidates fulfilling the above requirements are requested to apply with details CV, one copy of passport size colour photograph, attested photocopies of all academic and work experiences related certificates and National Identity Card within 17.00 hours of 16 April, 2017 to the Managing Director, Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF), Grameen Bank Bhaban, Level-13, Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1216.
- Employees of GoB/Autonomous bodies and other organizations may also apply through proper channel.
- Please mention the position name at the top of the envelop.
- A non-refundable Bank Draft/Pay Order of TK 500/- should be enclosed in favour of **Bangladesh Municipal Development Fund (BMDF)** while submitting the application.
- Any attempt to influence the selection procedure in favour of any candidate will result in automatic disqualification of that candidate. Only short-listed candidates will be called for test/interview.

Nasir Uddin Ahmed Chowdhury
Company Secretary

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e-Tender Notice

e-GP Tender Notice Number : 05/2016-2017

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the Procurement of following works given below.

No	Package No	Tender ID No	Description of work	Tender Last Selling (date & time)	Tender closing (date & time)	Tender Opening (date & time)
1	e-Tender/ PEDP-III/SLT/GOW/2016-17/W1.0599-RW	91150	Construction of additional class room of (a) Parbatpur & (b) Ghoramara primary School (Remaining works) under Gowainghat Upazila, District. Sylhet.	10- April-2017 at 12.00pm	10- April-2017 at 14.00pm	10-April-2017 at 14.00pm

This is an online Tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP System Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted.

To submit e-Tender, please registration in the National e-GP system (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender Documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited on line through any registered bank's branches up to 12.00 noon on 10-April -2017. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System portal and from e-GP help desk(helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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AMENDMENT FOR TIME EXTENSION OF PRE-QUALIFICATION

"Invitation for expression of interest for design, supply, installation, testing & commissioning of approximately 295,000 pre-payment electricity meters and of related communication and IT equipment including vending terminal infrastructure, and including system operation in the cities of Comilla & Mymensingh and in Dhaka in Bangladesh."

Ref:- Memo No: 87.234.104.00.00.001.2016.43 Dated: 08/02/2017.

Item of PQ Notice	Item Description as per Pre-qualification Notice (Existing)	Amended as
Price of document, time and place of submission	The last selling date of PQ document is 19 March, 2017 (During office hour).	The last selling date of PQ document is 3 April, 2017 (During office hour).
	The deadline of application submission is 20 March, 2017 at 11:00 am (Bangladesh Time).	The deadline of application submission is 4 April, 2017 at 11:00 am (Bangladesh Time).

All other terms and conditions shall remain unchanged.

(A. H. M. Mohiuddin)
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Pre-Payment Metering Project for 6 NOCS
DPDC, Dhaka.