



Farid Masmoudi, a director of the Islamic Corporation for the Development of the Private Sector (ICD); Md Rafiqul Islam, managing director of Green Delta Capital Ltd; and Syed Afsor H Uddin, CEO of the Public Private Partnership Authority Bangladesh, attend the signing of a deal. ICD, the private sector arm of Islamic Development Bank Group, will work with Green Delta Capital for sourcing, structuring and implementing various financing transactions in Bangladesh.

Uber president Jeff Jones quits, deepening turmoil

REUTERS, San Francisco
Ride services company Uber Technologies Inc has been thrust deeper into turmoil with the departure of company president Jeff Jones, a marketing expert hired to help soften its often abrasive image. Jones quit less than seven months after joining the San Francisco company, an Uber spokesman said on Sunday. In a statement to Reuters, Jones said he could not continue as president of a business with which he was incompatible. "I joined Uber because of its mission, and the challenge to build global capabilities that would help the company mature and thrive long term," Jones said. "It is now clear, however, that the beliefs and approach to leadership that have guided my career are inconsistent with what I saw and experienced at Uber, and I can no longer

continue as president of the ride sharing business," he added. Jones wished the "thousands of amazing people at the company" well. Jones' role was put into question after Uber earlier this month launched a search for a chief operating officer to help run the company alongside Chief Executive Travis Kalanick. Jones had been performing some of those COO responsibilities. He joined Uber from Target Corp, where he was chief marketing officer and is credited with modernizing the retailer's brand. "We want to thank Jeff for his six months at the company and wish him all the best," an Uber spokesman said in an emailed statement. Uber's vice president of maps and business platform, Brian McClendon, said separately he plans to leave the company at the end of the month to explore politics. "I'll be staying on as an adviser," McClendon said in a statement to

Reuters. "This fall's election and the current fiscal crisis in Kansas is driving me to more fully participate in our democracy." Jones and McClendon are the latest in a string of high-level executives to leave the company. Last month, engineering executive Amit Singhal was asked to resign due to a sexual harassment allegation stemming from his previous job at Alphabet Inc's Google. Earlier this month, Ed Baker, Uber's vice president of product and growth, and Charlie Miller, Uber's famed security researcher, departed. Technology news site Recode first reported Jones' departure on Sunday. Uber, while it has long had a reputation as an aggressive and unapologetic startup, has been battered with multiple controversies over the last several weeks that have put Kalanick's leadership capabilities and the company's future into question.



Suebsak Danboonrueng, minister counsellor (commercial) at the Thai embassy in Dhaka, and Sazzatuj Jumma, president of Bangladesh Thai Chamber of Commerce, attend a press meet at the National Press Club in Dhaka yesterday for an annual trade fair, Thailand Week. The four-day expo will begin tomorrow at Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka.

Dubai harvests desert sun at vast solar plant

AFP, Dubai
Dubai on Monday completed a solar plant big enough to power 50,000 homes as part of a plan to generate three-quarters of its energy from renewables by 2050. The 200 megawatt plant sprawls over 4.5 square kilometres (1.73 square miles) of desert and includes some 2.3 million photovoltaic panels. It is the second phase of the Mohammed bin Rashid Al-Maktoum Solar Park, which is set to pump out a total of 1,000 megawatts by 2020, the Dubai Electricity and Water Authority said. The \$326 million (300 million euro) second phase was built by a consortium including Saudi Arabia's ACWA Power and Spain's TSK.

World Bank announces \$57b in financing for Africa

AFP, Washington
The World Bank on Sunday announced \$57 billion in financing for sub-Saharan Africa over the next three fiscal years. Of that total, \$45 billion will come from the International Development Association, the World Bank fund that provides grants and interest-free loans for the world's poorest countries. The package will also feature an estimated \$8 billion in private sector investments from the International Finance Corporation, a private-sector branch of World Bank, and \$4 billion will come from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the bank's unit for middle-income nations, World Bank president Jim Yong Kim said in a statement. Germany, which hosted a meeting of the G20 countries Friday and Saturday, said that a partnership called "Compact with Africa" would be a priority of its presidency this year of that club of powerful nations. Of all the countries in Africa, only South Africa is a G20 member. "This represents an unprecedented opportunity to change the development trajectory of the countries in the region," Kim said. "With this commitment, we will work with our clients to substantially expand programs in education, basic health services, clean water and sanitation, agriculture, business climate, infrastructure and institutional reform," he added. Kim left for Rwanda and Tanzania on Sunday in a show of World Bank support for the entire region. The new financing from the International Development Association will target 448 projects that are already underway in sub-Saharan Africa. The region accounts for more than half of the countries eligible for this kind of financing from the IDA, the bank said.



Sayed H Chowdhury, chairman of ONE Bank, and M Fakhru Alam, managing director, attend the 26th branch managers' conference of the bank at Radisson Blu Dhaka Water Garden Hotel on March 18.

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EDCL Essential Drugs Company Limited (EDCL)
395-397, Tejgaon Industrial Area
Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh
Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd Plant), Gopalganj

Invitation for Tender (International)

Warehouse Equipment

(Powered Stacker, Hand Pallet Truck, Reach Truck, Drum Carrier, Fork Lift, Metal Rack, Plastic Pallet etc.)

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
2.	Agency	Essential Drugs Company Limited (EDCL), Dhaka, Bangladesh
3.	Procuring Entity Name	Essential Drugs Company Limited
4.	Procuring Entity District	Gopalganj
5.	Invitation For	Supply, Erection, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Warehouse Equipment
6.	Invitation Ref. No.	EDCL/PD-Gopalganj/ICT/WE/2017/25
7.	Date	12 March, 2017

KEY INFORMATION

8.	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)
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FUNDING INFORMATION

9.	Budget & Source of Funds	GOB (Government of Bangladesh)
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

10.	Project Code	5-2701-5220
11.	Project Name	Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd Plant), Gopalganj
12.	Location of the Project	Gopalganj Sadar, Gopalganj.
13.	Tender Package No.	GD: 09
14.	Tender Package Name	Laboratory, Packaging, Warehouse and Ancillary Equipment
15.	Tender Publication Date	21 March, 2017
16.	Tender Last Selling Date	Date : 27 April, 2017, Time : 05:00 PM (Local Time)
17.	Tender Submission Date and Time	Date : 03 May, 2017, Time : 03:00 PM (Local Time)
18.	Tender Opening Date and Time	Date : 03 May, 2017, Time : 03:30 PM (Local Time)
19.	Name & address of the Office (Selling, Receiving and Opening of Tender Document)	Office of the Project Manager, EDCL (3rd Plant), Gopalganj C/O: Essential Drugs Company Limited (EDCL) 395-397, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh
20.	Pre-Tender Meeting (Place/Date/Time)	Conference Room of Managing Director (MD) Essential Drugs Company Limited 395-397, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh. Date: 13 April, 2017 Time: 11:30 AM

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

21.	Eligibility of Tenderer	Minimum 10 (Ten) years of general experience for supplying of Warehouse Equipment
	General Experience	The satisfactory completion of Supply, Erection, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Warehouse Equipment with minimum value of Tk.7.50 Crore (Seven crore fifty lac taka) only or equivalent USD. 943000.00 (Nine hundred and forty three thousand US dollars) only in Government/Semi-Government/ Autonomous/Private Sector work through contractual agreement under not more than 03 (Three) contracts within the last 05 (Five) years. (i.e. years counting backward from the date of IFT Publication)
	Specific Experience	The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit facility is Tk. 9.00 Crore (Nine crore taka) only or equivalent USD 1.131 Million (One million and one hundred thirty one thousand US dollars) only.
	Liquid Asset	
	Other Criteria	Full filling all other terms and conditions mentioned in the tender documents.
22.	Brief Description of Works	Supply, Erection, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Powered Stacker, Hand Pallet Truck, Reach Truck, Drum Carrier, Fork Lift, Metal Rack, Plastic Pallet etc.
23.	Tender Validity Period	180 Days after submitting the tender
24.	Price of Tender Document	Tk. 20,000.00 (Twenty thousand taka) only or equivalent USD 251.00 (Two hundred and fifty one US dollar) only in the form of Pay Order in favor of the "Project Director, Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd Plant), Gopalganj."
25.	Bank Guaranty for Tender Security	The Tender Security shall be Tk. 25.00 Lac (Twenty five lac taka) only or Equivalent USD 31419.00 (Thirty one thousand and four hundred nineteen US dollars) only. (The Tender Security shall be in the form of an irrevocable bank guarantee issued by an internationally reputed bank and shall require to be endorsed by its any correspondent bank located in Bangladesh, to make it enforceable in favor of "Project Director, Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd plant) Gopalganj.")

Lot No.	Identification of Lot	Location	Completion Time
26.	03 Warehouse Equipment: (Powered Stacker, Hand Pallet Truck, Reach Truck, Drum Carrier, Fork Lift, Metal Rack, Plastic Pallet etc.)	Gopalganj	09 (Nine) Month

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

27.	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Prof. (Dr) Ehsanul Kabir	
28.	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Project Director Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd Plant), Gopalganj	
29.	Address of Official Inviting Tender	395-397, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh.	
30.	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Phone : 8151080,8113463, 9130036 9130489-9130490 (PABX) Fax.: 8119697 E-mail: 3rdplant@edcl.gov.bd Website: www.edcl.gov.bd	
31.	Tender Notice can also be found at	www.edcl.gov.bd and www.cptu.gov.bd	
32.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all Tenders without assigning any reason thereof.		

(Prof. (Dr.) Ehsanul Kabir)
Project Director
Establishment of Essential Drugs Company Limited (3rd Plant) Gopalganj