



IFIC Bank Chairman Salman F Rahman, centre, presides over the bank's 40th annual general meeting at Officers' Club in Dhaka yesterday. The bank declared 12 percent stock dividend for 2016. Directors Monirul Islam, Jalal Ahmed, ARM Nazmus Sakib and Quamrun Naher Ahmed and Managing Director Shah A Sarwar were also present.

Ali Reza Iftekhhar, managing director of Eastern Bank, poses with the 'Best Bank in Bangladesh' award at the Finance Asia Country Awards for Achievement 2017, in Hong Kong on June 29.



Britain misses out as global manufacturing surges

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British factories were left out of a demand-driven surge in activity across much of Asia and Europe in June, as weakness in sterling failed to translate into export growth, surveys showed.

Factories in the euro zone rounded off the first half of 2017 by ramping up at the fastest rate for over six years while Asia's tech-manufacturing economies were helped by growing global demand for electronics products.

But British manufacturing grew more slowly than anyone polled by Reuters expected as consumers faced the double-hit of accelerating inflation - caused in large part by the fall in the pound since last year's vote to leave the EU - and slowing wage growth.

Monday's survey suggested the supposed silver lining of a weakened pound - more competitive exports - is proving elusive and could make Bank of England officials think twice about raising interest rates.

The Markit/CIPS UK Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index

(PMI) fell to 54.3 from a downwardly-revised 56.3 in May, a three-month low and below all forecasts in a Reuters poll of economists that pointed to a reading of 56.5. A reading above 50 indicates growth.

"The decline in the PMI in June robustly challenges hopes that manufacturing and exports will pick up and offset the consumer spending slowdown. Today's manufacturing report weakens the case for raising interest rates soon," said Samuel Tombs at Pantheon Macroeconomics.

June's manufacturing PMI for the euro zone rose to 57.4, its highest since April 2011 and up from May's 57.0.

Suggesting the bloc's momentum will continue into the second half, new orders rose at the fastest rate since early 2011, backlogs of work increased at the fastest pace in over 13 years, raw materials were depleted and factories increased headcount at a near-record pace.

The upturn came alongside factories increasing prices, as they have done for nine months, wel-

come news for policymakers at the European Central Bank who have been battling for years to get inflation back to their 2 percent target ceiling.

Inflation was a stronger-than-expected 1.3 percent in June, official flash data showed on Friday, and while still below target, recent strong economic data meant ECB chief Mario Draghi last week raised the prospect of policy tightening.

In Britain, central banker has started to signal that a first rate hike in a decade might be approaching to help curb the sharp rise in inflation.

BoE Governor Mark Carney says he is watching to see how the economy copes with the launch of Brexit talks and whether weakness among consumers could be offset by investment and exports.

Private sector surveys of manufacturers in Asia showed factories in China, South Korea, Japan and Taiwan picked up in June, driven largely by a recovery in exports.

But continued declines in energy prices, which weighed on manufacturing in Indonesia and

Malaysia, could hurt these two economies, while in India, sluggish domestic demand offset strong foreign demand and led to a slowdown.

Factory PMIs for South Korea, Japan, Taiwan Vietnam and India all remained above 50. And all of them, except for Japan and India, rose from May.

"But the ability for manufacturers to continue to accelerate, or to maintain sharp surges in production, is in question given underlying demand, apart from some bright spots, doesn't seem to have permeated more widely across the different sectors," said Vishnu Varathan at Mizuho Bank.

While manufacturing expanded at the fastest pace in three months in June in China, business confidence slumped to its lowest level this year amid a government crackdown on debt risks and tightening financial conditions.

"We believe cyclical momentum (in China) has likely peaked and will ease further due to tighter financial conditions," Yin Zhang and Helen Qiao at Merrill Lynch wrote in a note.

Gold hits 7-week low as dollar firms

REUTERS, London

Gold slid to a seven-week low on Monday as the dollar pared losses after its worst quarterly performance in seven years and 10-year U.S. Treasury yields climbed, weighing on appetite for non-interest bearing bullion.

Gold ended June with its first monthly loss of the year after the strength it saw in early 2017 ran out of steam in the second quarter, dampened by a rise in bond yields.

Spot gold was down 0.7 percent at \$1,233.16 an ounce at 1130 GMT, while U.S. gold futures for August delivery were down \$8.90 an ounce at \$1,234.40.

The metal is finding some chart support near its 200-day moving average. It rallied \$50 an ounce to a near seven-month high in the three weeks after breaking above that level in May, but has declined steadily ever since.

"On dollar-priced gold, we are currently testing the 200-day moving average," Saxo Bank's head of commodity strategy Ole Hansen said. "The political front is likely to attract continued demand, but (that is) currently not strong enough to offset the impact of rising yields."

European shares began the new quarter with solid gains, while the dollar lifted from

nine-month lows as U.S. Treasury yields hit their highest since mid-May.

Germany's 10-year government bond yield pulled back after last week's sharp selloff, but held near 3-1/2 month highs.

Gold failed to benefit from dollar weakness in the second quarter, as this was driven largely by expectations for tightening monetary policy outside the United States.

"Higher global rates would weigh on gold - as we have highlighted on several occasions, the potential for higher EUR rates and the upward pressure this might have globally is a key risk that we are watching," UBS said in a note. "Ahead today, U.S. inflation data comes into focus given the read-through to real rates."

U.S. Mint sales of American Eagle gold coins totalled 6,000 ounces in June, down 92 percent from June 2016 and bringing the tally for the first half of the year to 192,500 ounces.

Silver was down 0.7 percent at \$16.46 an ounce. Silver was the worst performer of the major precious metals in the second quarter, ending the period down 9 percent.

Palladium, the last quarter's biggest riser with a near 6 percent gain, was up 0.2 percent at \$842.75 an ounce, while platinum was 0.4 percent lower at \$917.40 an ounce.

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| ঢাকা মেট্রোপলিটন পুলিশ হেডকোয়ার্টার্স | |
| এস্টেট এন্ড ডেভেলপমেন্ট বিভাগ | |
| ৩৬, শহীদ ক্যাপ্টেন মনসুর আলী সরণী, রমনা, ঢাকা-১০০০ | |
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| ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি/নবায়নকরণ বিজ্ঞপ্তি | |
| ২০১৭-২০১৮ অর্থ বছরে "পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট আইন-২০০৬", "পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট (সংশোধন) আইন-২০০৯" এর বিধি-৫২ এবং পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট (সংশোধন) আইন, ২০১৬ মোতাবেক ঢাকা মেট্রোপলিটন পুলিশ কর্তৃক বিভিন্ন পূর্ত মেরামত ও সংরক্ষণ এবং ভবন ও অবকাঠামো নির্মাণ প্রকল্প বাস্তবায়নের নিমিত্তে ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি/নবায়নকরণের জন্য আগ্রহী ও সংশ্লিষ্ট কাজে অভিজ্ঞতাসম্পন্ন ঠিকাদারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের নিকট হতে নিম্নবর্ণিত ছকে শর্ত সাপেক্ষে দরখাস্ত আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে। | |
| ১. মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ | ঃ স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়। |
| ২. এজেন্সী | ঃ ঢাকা মেট্রোপলিটন পুলিশ, ঢাকা। |
| ৩. প্রকিউরিং এনটিটির নাম | ঃ ইন্সপেক্টর জেনারেল, বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ। |
| ৪. প্রকিউরিং এনটিটি কোড | ঃ প্রযোজ্য নহে। |
| ৫. প্রকিউরিং এনটিটি জেলা | ঃ ঢাকা। |
| ৬. দরপত্র আহ্বানের উদ্দেশ্য | ঃ ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি/নবায়নকরণ। |
| ৭. প্রকিউরিং পদ্ধতি | ঃ সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি (L.T.M)। |
| ৮. বাজেট এবং অর্থের উৎস | ঃ রাজস্ব বাজেটের আওতাধীন পূর্ত মেরামত ও সংরক্ষণ এবং অবকাঠামো নির্মাণ খাত। |
| ৯. আবেদনপত্র ক্রয়ের তারিখ ও স্থান | ঃ ০৬-০৭-২০১৭খ্রিঃ হতে ১৭-০৭-২০১৭খ্রিঃ তাং অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত ডিসি (ইএডডি), ডিএমপি, ঢাকার কার্যালয় (ডিএমপি সদরদপ্তর ভবন, ৫ম তলা, রুম নং-৫০৩)। |
| ১০. আবেদনপত্র জমা প্রদানের শেষ তারিখ ও সময় | ঃ ১৮-০৭-২০১৭খ্রিঃ তারিখ বেলা ১২.৩০ ঘটিকার মধ্যে ডিসি (ইএডডি), ডিএমপি, ঢাকার কার্যালয় (ডিএমপি সদরদপ্তর ভবন, ৫ম তলা, রুম নং-৫০৩)-এ রক্ষিত বাস্তব জমা প্রদান করতে হবে। নির্ধারিত তারিখের পরে কোন আবেদনপত্র গ্রহণযোগ্য হবে না। |
| ১১. আবেদনপত্র গ্রহণকারী অফিসের নাম ও ঠিকানা | ঃ উপ-পুলিশ কমিশনার (ইএডডি)-এর কার্যালয়, ঢাকা মেট্রোপলিটন পুলিশ সদরদপ্তর (রুম নং-৫০৩, ৫ম তলা), ৩৬, শহীদ ক্যাপ্টেন মনসুর আলী সরণী, রমনা, ঢাকা। |
| ১২. আবেদনপত্র খোলার তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান | ঃ ১৮-০৭-২০১৭খ্রিঃ তারিখ বেলা ১৪.০০ ঘটিকা ডিসি (ইএডডি) এর কার্যালয়, ডিএমপি সদরদপ্তর ভবন, ৫ম তলা, রুম নং-৫০৩, ঢাকা (আবেদনকারীদের সম্মুখে, যদি কেউ উপস্থিত থাকেন)। |
| ১৩. আবেদনকারীর যোগ্যতা (সকল কাগজপত্র প্রথম শ্রেণীর গেজেটেড কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সত্যায়িত করে নাম সন্মিলিত সীলসহ আবেদনপত্রের সাথে সংযুক্ত করতে হবে) | ঃ (ক) সিটি কর্পোরেশন/ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ কর্তৃক প্রদত্ত হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স; (খ) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সার্টিফিকেট; (গ) হালনাগাদ আয়কর সার্টিফিকেট; (ঘ) হালনাগাদ ব্যাংক সলভেন্সি সার্টিফিকেট-ন্যূনতম ১০ (দশ) লক্ষ টাকা (১৫-০৭-২০১৭খ্রিঃ পর্যন্ত ব্যাংক স্টেটমেন্ট); (ঙ) জাতীয় পরিচয়পত্র ভোটার আইডি কার্ড/নাগরিকত্ব সার্টিফিকেট; (চ) ০২ (দুই) কপি রঙিন ছবি; (ছ) গত ২ (দুই) বছরে যে কোন সরকারি সংস্থায় সর্বমোট ন্যূনতম ১০ (দশ) লক্ষ টাকা অথবা এর অধিক পূর্ত নির্মাণ ও মেরামত কাজ সম্পাদন সার্টিফিকেট; (জ) এলজিইডি/জেলা পরিষদ/গণপূর্ত বিভাগ/জনস্বাস্থ্য প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তর অথবা সরকারি যে কোন প্রতিষ্ঠানে পূর্ত নির্মাণ ও মেরামত (সিভিল, স্যানিটারী, বৈদ্যুতিক ও গ্যাস) কাজ সম্পাদনের অভিজ্ঞতা (বে-সরকারি কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা গ্রহণযোগ্য হবে না)। |
| ১৪. কাজের সংক্ষিপ্ত বিবরণ | ঃ ক. পূর্ত মেরামত ও সংরক্ষণ। খ. পূর্ত নির্মাণ। |
| ১৫. আবেদন ফরমের মূল্য | ঃ ৫০০.০০ (পাঁচশত) টাকা (অফেরতযোগ্য)। |
| ১৬. ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি ফি | ঃ ৫,০০০.০০ (পাঁচ হাজার) টাকা ভ্যাটসহ (অফেরতযোগ্য)। |
| ১৭. তালিকাভুক্ত ঠিকাদার নবায়ন ফি | ঃ ২,০০০.০০ (দুই হাজার) টাকা ভ্যাটসহ (অফেরতযোগ্য)। |
| বিঃ দ্রঃ কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন আবেদন গ্রহণ বা বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন। | |
| মোঃ সাইফুল ইসলাম, বিপিএম সেবা বিপি-৬৯০১১০৬৩৫ উপ-পুলিশ কমিশনার (ইএডডি) কমিশনারের পক্ষে ঢাকা মেট্রোপলিটন পুলিশ, ঢাকা ফোন- ৯৩৪২৭২০, ডিএমপি-২২২৫৫ E-mail: dcestate@dmp.gov.bd | |

Manufacturing growth of India cools in June

REUTERS

Activity in India's manufacturing sector eased to a four-month low in June amid a slowdown in output and new orders as softer domestic consumption partly offset strong foreign demand, a private business survey showed on Monday.

The Nikkei India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index, compiled by IHS Markit, fell to 50.9 in June from 51.6 in May, but still held above the 50 level that separates growth from contraction for a sixth straight month.

Factory activity has recovered since December, when it contracted for the first time in a year after Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Nov. 8 move to ban high-value currency notes crunched demand.

Manufacturing growth slowed last month largely as domestic consumption cooled even as external demand remained solid. The new orders sub-index - which takes into account both domestic as well as foreign demand - declined to 51.3, the lowest level since February, from 52.6 in May.

"For the third month in a row, production growth in India eased during June. The slowdown occurred due to weak client demand, with order books up at a slight and softer pace," said Pollyanna de Lima, economist at IHS Markit.

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Invitation for International Tender

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| 1 | Agency | Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited (DESCO) |
| 2 | Procuring Entity Name | Procurement, Inspection & Testing Division, DESCO |
| 3 | Procuring Entity District | Dhaka |
| 4 | Invitation for | Design, Manufacture, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 100,000 Nos. Smart Pre-Payment meter on Turnkey basis under Deferred Payment System |
| 5 | Tender No. | ICT-21/2017 |
| 6 | Invitation Ref No. | DESCO/Procurement/International Tender/2017/848 |
| 7 | Date | 21/06/2017 |

| KEY INFORMATION | |
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| 8 | Procurement Method |
| | Open Tendering Method (Single Stage Two Envelope) |

| FUNDING INFORMATION | |
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| 9 | Budget and Source of Funds |
| | DESCO's own fund |

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

| PARTICULAR INFORMATION | | | | | |
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| 10 | Tender Name | Design, Manufacture, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Smart Pre-Payment meter on Turnkey basis under Deferred Payment System | | | |
| 11 | Tender Selling Date, Closing & Opening Date and Time | Selling Starts from | Last Selling Date | Closing Date &Time | Opening Date & Time |
| | | July 10, 2017 | August 27, 2017 | August 28, 2017 12.00 Hr BST | August 28, 2017 12.30 Hr BST |
| 12 | Date & Time and Address of the office for Pre-tender Meeting | July 25, 2017; 10:30 Hr BST Conference Room, Office of the Managing Director, DESCO. House # 22/B (3 rd floor), Faruque Sarani, Nikunja#2, Uttara, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh. | | | |
| 13 | Name & Address of the office for selling Tender Document, receiving & opening tender | Selling | Receiving | Opening | |
| | | Office of Deputy General Manager (Accounts), DESCO. House # 22/B (6 th floor), Faruque Sarani, Nikunja#2, Dhaka-1229. | Office of the Superintending Engineer (P,I&T), DESCO. House # 22/B (1 st floor), Faruque Sarani, Nikunja#2, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh. | Office of the Superintending Engineer (P,I&T), DESCO. House # 22/B (1 st floor), Faruque Sarani, Nikunja#2, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh. | |

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

| 14 | | General Experience: |
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| Eligibility of Tenderer | | The Tenderer shall have a minimum of 05 (five) years of overall experience in the supply of goods and related services including the following requirement: a) The minimum general experience of the Tenderer/ Manufacturer in the Network building, Database oriented software, Hardware & Software integrated and interfaced software making of at least 02 (Two) nos. in operation or in supply and installation of pre-payment electric metering system in Electricity utility services within last 5 (Five) calendar years. b) The tenderer/ manufacturer shall have local establishment or local representative having proper establishment in Bangladesh for providing instant services as and when required. |
| | | Specific Experience: a) The manufacturer shall have Satisfactory completion of supply of minimum 16,000 single phase and 4,000 three phase electric Smart Pre-Paid/ Pre-Paid Meter under a single contract during last 5 (five) Calendar years. b) The Tenderer/manufacturer shall have Satisfactory Performance Certificate from the End User (must be a Utility of electricity) with at least 02 (Two) contracts of "Design, Manufacture, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Smart Pre-Payment/ Pre-Payment meter & Online Smart Pre-Payment Metering System" of at least 1 (one) from outside the manufacturers own country of the Smart Pre-Paid / Pre-Paid Meter during last 5 (five) calendar years. All end user certificates shall be in English in their letter head pad of the end users where detailed e-mail address, Telephone no., Fax no. will be furnished. c) Other qualification is also required as stated under specific experience requirement in Tender Data Sheet. |
| 15 | | Description of Goods & related Service |
| | | The Purchaser shall procure 100,000 (One hundred thousand) Nos. Smart Pre-payment meter (Single phase: 80,000 & Three phase: 20,000) on turn-key basis under deferred payment system in DESCO area. Details are described in Section 6: Schedule of Requirements and Section 7: Technical Specification of the tender document. |
| 16 | | Price of Tender Document |
| | | US\$ 100.00 (USD One Hundred) or BDT 8,000/- (Eight Thousand) only payable in the form of Pay Order/Bank draft from any scheduled bank in Bangladesh in favor of 'Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited (DESCO)'. |
| 17 | | Tender Security Amount |
| | | The amount of the Tender Security shall be: US\$ 275,000.00 (USD Two Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand) or BDT 22,000,000/- (Taka Twenty Two Million) only in the form of an irrevocable Bank Guarantee issued by any scheduled bank of Bangladesh or by any internationally reputable bank in favour of 'Dhaka Electric Supply Company Limited'. But in case of internationally reputable bank, the Bank Guarantee should be endorsed by its any correspondent bank located in Bangladesh. |
| 18 | | The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any/all tender(s) without assigning any reason whatsoever. |

Engr. Mohammad Kamruzzaman
Superintending Engineer (P, I & T) (Current charge), DESCO