

## Manikganj voter list updating begins today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

Updating of voter list will begin in the district today.

Those who were born on January 1 in 2000 or earlier and those who have not already been included in the voter list, the information will be collected from July 26 to August 9 from their houses for their enlistment in the voter list.

In the voter list update process, there will be a move to remove names of deceased and shifting of voters from one area to another.

Manikganj district election office formally began their programme yesterday.



Cross sections of people join a human chain at Satmatha Intersection in Bogra town yesterday, demanding steps to save the Karatoa river and maintain its normal flow.

## 'Save Karatoa, bring back navigability'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Speakers at a human chain in Bogra town said people of Bogra will be saved if the Karatoa river is saved and urged people from all walks of life to work together to save the river.

About three hundred people under the banner of "Bhenge Felo Dokholer Sima, Ferao Karatoa Nodir Mohima" formed the human chain at Satmatha Intersection in the town demanding immediate steps to keep the flow of the river by bringing back its navigability.

Organised by Sushashoner Jonno Procharojan and Sacheton Nagorik Committee, two non governmental organisations, teachers, lawyers, leaders of different political parties, students and cultural activists participated in the programme which was presided by freedom fighter Masudur Rahman Helal, also district unit president of Sectors Commanders' Forum.

They also submitted a memorandum to the deputy commissioner's office in the afternoon.

Among others, Prodip Bhattacharya Shankar, KG Mostafa, Sheikh Abu Hasnath Shaheed, Bobita Rani Barman, Swapan Kumar Mistry, Kaniz Reza, Fazlul Haque and Babul Robi Das, also spoke.

# Physical challenge no bar to his success

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Masum Parvez, 38, from BDR Hat Road area of Lalmonirhat town is a successful businessman. In his diversified fertiliser, pesticide, cement and transport businesses he employs 32 people. He supports his wife and three children. He regularly contributes to the welfare of orphans and children with disabilities in the area. That's quite a resume for someone who only studied up to class two. It's an achievement of note for somebody who is physically challenged.

"I didn't continue in school because the other students used to call me names due to my impairment," Masum recalls, whose disability stems from faulty treatment of typhoid when he was just seven-months-old. "Instead, I started spending more time with my father in our small fertiliser shop. Gradually I learned how to run a business properly."

In 1996 he started his own fertiliser business in a tin shed shop, with around Tk 38,000 in pesticide and fertiliser stock. His father Moktar Ali, who was once a municipality councilor, helped him secure a dealership license. "My father's reputation was

beneficial," says Masum. "Many businessmen in the local markets and some pesticide companies were sympathetic and cooperative because of him."

He also worked in partnership with his younger brother Masud Rana until a few years ago, when Masud died from cancer. Yet support from family and others, along with solid business management practices, did not by themselves, make Masum's business grow. It also took hard work.

"We never see Masum idle," says Krishna Chandra Roy, 52, who has been employed in Masum's shop for the last twenty years. "He is always smiling, always busy. And he is popular with other businessmen for his honesty."

By 2002, Masum had added cement and transport interests to his portfolio. Nowadays he owns assets worth around Tk 5 crores. "Masum Parvez has proven the proverb: where there's a will there's a way," says local businessman Rohidul Islam, 40. "Despite his physical challenges he has built a business that's in a much better position than many others."

Yet Masum believes that without his disability he could have done

more. "Collecting dues from the market is difficult," he says, "because I can't move about freely."

Moreover, Masum regularly helps others in the community. "I know the pain that people with disabilities experience," he says. "So I do my level best to help them. I also try to do something for orphans." Masum donates around Tk 60,000 per month to this end.

"We pray for our donor Masum Parvez," says 12-year-old orphan Mehedi Islam from Taluk Khutamara area of Lalmonirhat town. Along with 25 other orphan children in a local madrasa, Mehedi receives food, clothing and healthcare free of cost due to Masum.

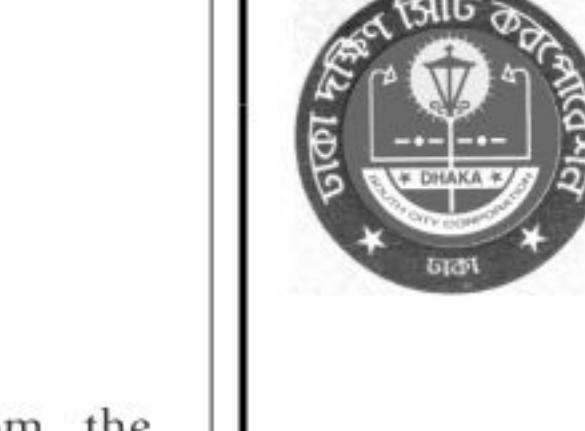
"Poor people never return from Masum Parvez without getting assistance," says another local, Abdul Quader, 45.

Naturally Masum's efforts are appreciated by his parents. "Masum manages our whole family," says his mother Bilkis Begum.

"He has grown a small business into a large one," notes his father Moktar Ali, "and besides that he is working for the welfare of others. I am so proud of him."



Masum Parvez with orphan children, all studying at a madrasa run with his donation, at Taluk Khutamara in Lalmonirhat town.



## Dhaka South City Corporation

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## Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) for Selection of Consultant for Preparation of Detail Land Use Plan of Matuail Sanitary Landfill

1.	Ministry/division	:	Local Government Division.
2.	Agency	:	Dhaka South City Corporation.
3.	Procuring entity name	:	Project Director, Expansion of Matuail Sanitary Landfill including Land Development Project.
4.	Procuring entity code	:	N/A
5.	Procuring entity district	:	Dhaka
6.	Expression of interest for selection of	:	International Consulting Firm.
7.	Title of service	:	REOI for Package S1: Consultancy for preparation of Detail Land Use Plan of Matuail Sanitary Landfill Area.
8.	EOI Ref No.	:	46.207.000.12.05.30(MLD).2017.
9.	Date	:	23 July 2017.

#### KEY INFORMATION

10.	Procurement sub-method	:	Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS).
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#### FUNDING INFORMATION

11.	Budget and source of funds	:	GOB
	Development partners	:	N/A

#### 12. PARTICULAR INFORMATION

a.	Project/programme name	:	Package-S1: Consultancy for Preparation of Detail Land Use Plan of Matuail Sanitary Landfill Area.
b.	EOI closing date and time	:	11 September 2017 12:00 noon.
c.	EOI opening date and time	:	12 September 2017 2:00pm.

#### INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT

13.	Brief description of assignment	:	The overall objective of the services shall cover but not limited to the following scope: a) Conduct feasibility study and preparation of Layout Plan: Preliminary architectural conceptual drawing (elevation, section, perspective view) for the proposed land use of Matuail Sanitary Landfill Area (will prepare for client approval). 3D Animation presentation. b) After approval from the client, consultant will prepare detail architectural drawing (elevation, section, perspective view etc.). c) Design of a land use plan of existing Sanitary Landfill site, and proposed acquirable land and integration of this two land use plan considering all environmental issues and conditions specific to Bangladesh. d) Submission of reports and drawings in printed form at least 05 (five) sets along with soft copy
14.	Experience, resources and delivery capacity required	:	i) Interested consulting firms are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services. The consulting firms should be experienced and reputed in the similar field. Interested firms should submit the following information in sufficient detail including brochures, description of experience in similar assignments, summaries of firm's technical and managerial capabilities, availability of appropriate skills among key staffs with short biographies, availability of resources etc. ii) The financial capability should be shown as Financial Turnover supported by a registered Audit Firm for the last three years. iii) The REOI's would be reviewed on the basis of the following: • Registration of firm • Availability of key professionals • Availability of resources • Turnover of the consulting firm • Experience of the firm(s) in similar task • Experience of the firm(s) in other works • Interested firm must provide information demonstrating that they are qualified to perform the service in 2 or more of the sectors identified above • Support services of the firm(s) • The consultant must have experience in preparing report to a standard acceptable to National & International institutions. iv) History of litigation (if any) in courts or any arbitration proceedings.
15.	Other details (if applicable)	:	The firm(s) may form Joint-Venture, Consortium or Association (JVCA) to enhance their qualifications, but should mention whether the Association is in the form of a "Joint-Venture" or "Sub-Consultancy". In the case of joint-venture, all firms/entities shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire consultant's obligations under the contract. But in case of sub-consultancy the lead firm shall sign the contract and shall be liable for the entire consultant's obligations under the contract. It is preferable to limit the total number of firms including their associates to maximum of four. Special Instructions: The proposals in two sets (1 original+1 duplicate) shall be submitted in sealed envelope.
16.	Association with foreign firms is	:	Relevant experience of foreign firm mandatory.
17.	Expected team composition	:	a) International: (i) Team Leader (Waste Management Expert). (ii) Urban Development Specialist. (iii) Sanitary Landfill Design Specialist. (iv) Waste to Energy/Renewable Energy Specialist. b) National: (i) Deputy Team Leader (Waste Management Expert). (ii) Environmental Specialist. (iii) Sr. Architect.

Ref No.	Package	Location	Indicative start date	Indicative completion date
1.	Consultancy for preparation of detail Land Use Plan of Matuail Sanitary Landfill Area.	Matuail	15th October 2017 or before	15th March 2018
<b>18. PROCUREMENT ENTITY DETAILS</b>				
a.	Name of official inviting expression of interest	:	Abu Saleh Md. Mainuddin.	
b.	Designation of official inviting expression of interest	:	Project Director, Expansion of Matuail Sanitary Landfill Project and Superintending Engineer.	
c.	Address of official inviting expression of interest	:	Dhaka South City Corporation, Room # 1218, Level-11, Nagar Bhaban, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.	
d.	Contact details of official inviting expression of interest	:	Phone: 02-9586543, Email: asm.main@yahoo.com	
19.	Special conditions:			
a.	Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Public Procurement Act 2006 and PPR 2008 and latest amendment Public Procurement Procedure issued by GOB.			
b.	The authority reserves the right to cancel all or any of the Expression of Interest (EOI) without assigning any reason whatsoever.			
c.	If any firm/company produce a false/fabricated papers along with EOI, the related EOI will be treated as cancelled.			
d.	Any EOI after the closing time will not be accepted.			
e.	Expression of Interest (EOI) shall be submitted in sealed envelope, all supporting papers and bio-data authenticated and signed by appropriate person, delivered to the address of the undersigned. Interested consultant firm may obtain further information at the address below during normal office hours.			

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## Include Mitil's heroic role of '71 in textbook

Kamal Lohani tells Pabna memorial meet

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Pabna

Veteran journalist Kamal Lohani urged the government to include Shirin Banu Mitil's heroic role during the 1971 Liberation War in textbooks.

Mitil in her 20s disguised herself as a man to fight against the Pakistan army.

The demand was made at the commemorative meeting held on her first death anniversary at Pabna Press Club on Monday.

A non-government organisation 'Assistance for Rehabilitation and Knack (ARK)' organised the programme.

If Mitil's heroic role in 1971 is included in the textbook, the next generation will be able to know about her sacrifice, and it is possible if the government takes initiative in this regard, said Kamal Lohani.

Shirin Banu Mitil, daughter of Selina Banu, MP of Jukta Front in 1954, was a second-year student at Pabna Edward College, and a leader of Chhatra Union in Pabna when the Liberation War began.

As local people were preparing for the war following Bangabandhu's historic speech on

Journalist Kamal Lohani speaks at a meeting in memory of Shirin Banu Mitil.

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March 7, she was figuring out how she could participate in the fight against the occupation forces.