

Dhaka-Ctg double-decker

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passenger would be Tk 1,300, Abdus Sattar, general manager of the bus service told The Daily Star.

Made in Germany by MAN Truck & Bus Deutschland GmbH, the body of the 40-seater vehicles are fabricated in Malaysia. The buses already arrived in Chittagong port and will be brought to Dhaka within few days for registration, he added.

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader is expected to inaugurate the service in between August 18 and 20, Sattar said.

Double-decker buses have been plying the streets of Dhaka city since 1989 under city service. Two bus operators previously introduced double-decker buses on inter-city routes, but discontinued the service within a few months.

"Brand-new double-decker buses will run on long distance routes for the first time in the country. One or two companies had introduced reconditioned double-decker buses on long routes, but stopped their services within a few months," claimed the GM of Green Line.

An enthusiastic employee of a private firm, Suman Mahmud, said, "I've heard that long-distance double-decker services are available in many countries. I am really excited after learning that similar service is going to be introduced on the Dhaka-Chittagong route as well."

Commenting on the technical aspects of running a double-decker bus on the Dhaka-Chittagong highway, Kazi M Shifun Newaz, assistant professor of Accident Research Institute at Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet), said, the highway is suitable for double-decker buses.

However, the drivers of such buses should maintain a speed limit of 80 kilometres per hour (kph) and they will have to bring the speed down to half -- 40 kph -- at while making a turn or passing by markets and crowded zones, he added.

The drivers will also have to exercise caution while going over a bridge, the Buet professor said.

Green Line Paribahan is a family-owned transport company specialising in passenger bus services since 1990. It introduced country's first air-conditioned bus service.

Death anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the fourth death anniversary of Shamsunnahar Karim, a renowned singer of Bangladesh Betar and BTB till 1998, says a press release.

She was the daughter of late Dr Shamsul Huda Alam, an assistant surgeon of Bengal Railway Hospital.

Her husband, late professor Fazlul Karim, was the principal of Khulna BL College from 1980-84. Veteran artiste late Nazmul Huda Bachchu was her younger brother. Her elder son Rashed Shamsul Karim requested all to pray for the salvation of her departed soul.



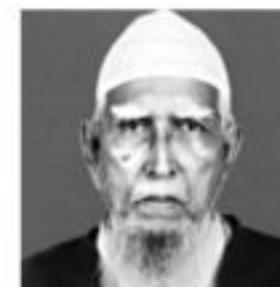
Quazi Abdul Mannan

CITY DESK

Today is the eighth death anniversary of Quazi Abdul Mannan, former assistant secretary of Dhaka Text Book Board.

He also served as the headmaster of many schools including Dhaka Government Muslim High School.

He was the founder president of Government Secondary Teachers' Association, said a press release.



SC halts all activities

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headed by Chief Justice Surendra Kumar Sinha passed the order following two petitions filed by the government and the eight organisations challenging the HC verdict.

Advocate Syeda Rizwana Hasan, a lawyer for the rights organisations, told The Daily Star that Ashiyani City authorities are not allowed to continue activities of their projects at Uttarkhan, Dakkhin Khan, Barua and Butnar mouzas in Dhaka following the SC order.

Following a petition filed by the organisations on December 22 of 2012 challenging the legality of the housing project, the HC on January 16, 2014 had declared the Ashiyani City housing project illegal.

Then, Ashiyani City authorities filed a petition with the HC seeking review of its January 16, 2014 verdict and following this petition the HC on August 16 last year scrapped its January 16, 2014 verdict.

Later, the government and the eight organisations filed two petitions with the SC seeking stay on the HC's last year's August 16 verdict.

After hearing the petitions, the SC on August 22 last year issued an injunction barring Ashiyani City from all activities including selling plots and publishing advertisements and also stayed the HC's August 16 verdict.

Yesterday, the apex court extended its last year's August 22 order until its further order on this issue.

The rights organisations are Ain O Salish Kendra, Association for Land Reforms and Development, Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association, Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust, Bangladesh Paribesh Andolon, Institute of Architects Bangladesh, Nijera Kori and Paribesh Bachao Andolon.

Dr Kamal Hossain and Barrister Fida M Kamal appeared for the rights organisations. Attorney General Mahbubey Alam and Additional Attorney General Murad Reza represented the government while Advocate Kamrul Haque Siddiqui argued for Ashiyani City.

Suicide or murder?

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Salman's mother in a press conference on February 9 this year also termed the death of the actor a murder and alleged that "there had been many efforts to establish the case as a suicide case in the past."

The popular silver screen actor in the 90s mysteriously died on September 6, 1996 at the age of 25. Following the death, his father Kamaruddin Chowdhury had filed an unnatural death case, which later turned into a murder case after one Rezvi Ahmed in a confessional statement said he had killed Salman with the help of Salman's wife, mother-in-law and eight other people. Rezvi, however, later disowned his confession given before the police.

Detective Branch, Criminal Investigation Department of police and a judicial probe body investigated the case separately and submitted their reports stating that Salman's death was a case of unnatural death, which Salman Shah's family rejected.

On December 7, 2016, a Dhaka court asked the Police Bureau of Investigation (PBI) to carry out further investigation into the case.

The case accused 11 persons, including the actor's wife Samira Haque, and producer and businessman Aziz Mohammad Bhai.

The others are Salman's mother-in-law Latifa Haque Lucy, house help Monowara Begum, Rizvi Ahmed alias Farhad, choreographer Nazrul Sheikh, "David", Ashraful Haque Don, Rabeya Sultana Rubi, Mostak Wayeed, and Abul Hossain Khan.

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SDF/Pro/Firm/Internal Audit/S.15/2017/1758 Date: 07.08.2017

Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for hiring of Firm for Conducting Internal Audit

1. Ministry	: Ministry of Finance (MOF)
2. Agency	: Social Development Foundation (SDF)
3. Head of Procuring Entity	: Managing Director, Social Development Foundation (SDF)
4. EOI for Selection of	: Hiring firm for Conducting Independent Operational audit (Internal Audit)". Package No-S-15.0 (NJLIP)
5. EOI No. & Date	: SDF/Pro/Firm/Internal Audit/S.15/2017/1758, Date: 07.08.2017
6. Procurement Method	: Fixed Budget Selection (FBS)
7. Budget & Source of Fund	: IDA
8. Development Partner	: IDA
9. Project Code	: IDA Credit No- 5594- BD
10. Project Name	: Nuton Jibon Livelihood Improvement Project (NJLIP)
11. EOI Submission	: EOI, in 2 (two) sets (One original + One duplicate) each with supporting documents, must be submitted in sealed covered envelope at the office of Social Development Foundation (SDF) 'Z' House, 6/6, Block# F, Lalmatia, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207 and be clearly marked on the envelope Expression of Interest for hiring firm for Conducting Independent Operational audit (Internal Audit), Package No.-S-15.0 (NJLIP)
12. Closing Date & Time	: Date: 29.08.2017 Time: 3:00 PM
13. EOI Opening Date & Time	: Date: 29.08.2017 Time: 3:30 PM
14. EOI Opening place	: Conference Room, Social Development Foundation (SDF)
15. Brief Description of Services	: The audit will be conducted at the Head Office of SDF at Dhaka, 3 Regional Offices, 22 District Offices, selected cluster Offices out of 204 Cluster Offices and at Gram Samities and their associated organizations. The audit shall cover the period from July 2015 to June 2016 and the duration of the audit shall be 90 days (from inception to final report). Details are given in TOR
16. Qualification & Experiences	: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The firm must be registered under 'The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB)' The Firm should have at least 10 years working experience in Internal/External Audit and related works. The Firm should have experienced and qualified workforce for conducting Internal Audit and related work. The Firm should have established office, updated trade license, TIN and VAT Registration. The firm should have experience in conducting audit of the project funded by IDA/other international development partners. The firms who are affiliated with international firms may be given preference.
17. Other details	: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The firm shall be selected in accordance with World Bank Guidelines for selection of Consultants- 2011 (Revised 2014) & PPR-2008 Activities of implementing units are given in TOR. The EOI and Terms of Reference are available in the websites: www.sdfbd.org
18. Name of the Official Inviting EOI	: AZM Sakhawat Hossain
19. Designation and Address of official inviting EOI	: Managing Director, Social Development Foundation (SDF) 'Z' House, 6/6, Block# F, Lalmatia, Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207
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Involvement

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Sanjeeb Drong, general secretary of Bangladesh Adivasi Forum, said the indigenous people have to raise their voice and work with the civil society representatives to uphold their rights.

"We dream of a society where the Bengali and indigenous people will live in peace and move towards development together. Discrimination will not exist in the society," said Sanjeeb, also a member of the caucus.

Lawmaker Fazle Hossain Badsha, convener of the caucus, said the situation of the indigenous community is improving gradually, although the expected goal of development could not be reached.

Prof Mesbah Kamal, chairperson of RDC, presided over the discussion where Lawmaker Kazi Rozi, Shirin Akter and AKM Fazlul Haq also spoke.

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