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briefMaduro will not go to  
UN rights forum

REUTERS, Geneva

Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro will not address the UN Human Rights Council next week, contrary to what had been announced, the United Nations said yesterday. Maduro had been expected to address the opening day of a three-week United Nations Human Rights Council session on Sept 11.

Taiwan appoints  
new premier

AFP, Taipei

Taiwan's President Tsai Ing-wen named a staunchly pro-independence city mayor as her new premier yesterday in a move which some analysts said would rile China. China still sees self-ruled Taiwan as part of its territory, even though they split almost 70 years ago.

Eight killed in clashes  
with Pakistan militants

AFP, Quetta

Eight people including four security personnel have been killed in three separate clashes with militants in southwest Pakistan and Karachi, officials said yesterday. Pakistan has been battling Islamist, ethnic and political insurrections for decades but violence has been reduced in recent years following military operations across the country.

Boko Haram attacks kill  
400 since April: Amnesty

AFP, Lagos

A spurt in attacks by Boko Haram Islamists has claimed nearly 400 lives since April in Nigeria and Cameroon, double the figure of the previous five months, Amnesty said yesterday. Boko Haram is waging an insurgency in a bid to establish a hardline Islamist state in Nigeria's mainly Muslim north.



Chinese President Xi Jinping greets Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Mexico's President Enrique Pena Nieto before group photo session of Emerging Market and Developing Countries meeting during the BRICS Summit, in Xiamen, China, yesterday.

PHOTO:  
REUTERS

## Put ties on right track

*Xi tells Modi in a meeting on the sidelines of BRICS summit after Doklam border stand-off*

REUTERS, Xiamen

tions along the correct path," Xi said.

"China and India must maintain the fundamental determination that each other constitute mutual development opportunities and do not constitute a mutual threat," Xi said, adding that peaceful, cooperative relations were the "only correct choice".

Xi and Modi spoke for more than an hour and the discussions were "constructive", Indian Foreign Secretary Subrahmanyam Jaishankar told reporters in Xiamen after the meeting.

"There was a sense that if the relationship is to go forward, then peace and tranquility on the border area should be maintained," Jaishankar said, adding that both sides agreed that strong contacts between their defence personnel were needed to prevent another border incident.

"On both sides there was a sense that more efforts need to be made to ensure that these kinds of situations don't reoccur."

Pressed on how the Doklam dispute was discussed, Jaishankar said, "Both of us know what happened. This was not a backwards looking conversation. This was a forward-looking conversation."

Talks lasted over an hour and were 'constructive': India

Peaceful relations are the 'only correct choice': Xi

Pak rejects  
BRICS claims  
on militants

REUTERS, Islamabad

Pakistan yesterday rejected a statement by the five emerging-market BRICS powers that militant groups in Pakistan pose a regional security concern, with its defence minister saying no such group operates freely inside Pakistan.

The minister's response follows a statement on Monday by Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa that also called for patrons of the Pakistan-based militant groups to be held to account.

"These organizations, they have some of their remnants in Pakistan, which we're cleaning," Defence Minister Khurram Dastagir Khan told the Geo TV channel, without specifying which groups he was referring to.

"But Pakistan, we reject this thing categorically, no terrorist organization has any complete safe havens."

Hajj success opens way  
for talks with Saudi: Iran  
France appoints envoy to mediate Qatar row

## AGENCIES

Iran yesterday thanked Saudi Arabia for its handling of the annual hajj pilgrimage, saying it opened the way for negotiations between the regional rivals.

"We thank Saudi Arabia... for adopting a new approach in dealing with Iranian pilgrims," said Ali Ghazi-Askar, the head of the hajj organisation in Tehran, according to the state broadcaster.

Some 86,000 Iranian pilgrims took part last week in the hajj. They were unable to attend in 2016 after talks collapsed over security concerns.

Iran had been highly critical of Saudi Arabia's organisation efforts in the wake of a stampede during the 2015 hajj that killed up to 2,300 people, including hundreds of Iranians.

"There are always differences arising among countries but the important thing is for the parties to resolve differences through dialogue and negotiation," said Ghazi-Askar, according to the ISNA news agency.

"Right now, after holding a successful

hajj, it is a good time for both parties to negotiate to resolve their bilateral issues in other fields."

Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif remained circumspect, however, saying he had yet to see "a clear prospect for change" in the relationship.

"If such a development occurs in the Saudis' mentality, it will definitely be a positive development and will be met with Iran's positive reaction," he told Khabar Online newspaper.

Meanwhile, France's foreign ministry said yesterday that it picked its former ambassador to Saudi Arabia as a special envoy to see how Paris could support mediation efforts in the rift between Qatar and several of its neighbours, reported Reuters.

"I confirm that Bertrand Besancenot, diplomatic advisor to the government, will soon go to the region to evaluate the situation and the best ways to support the mediation and appease tensions between Qatar and its neighbours," Foreign ministry spokeswoman Agnes Romatet-Espagne told reporters in a daily briefing.

## GULF CRISIS

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh  
Ministry of Finance, Finance Division  
Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) Project  
Invitation for Tenders for  
Goods (National)

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Finance.
2	Agency	Finance Division.
3	Procuring entity name	Skills for Employment Investment Program.
4	Procuring entity code	N/A
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka
6	Invitation for	Procurement of Furniture and Equipment for Gopalganj Technical Training Centre (TTC).
7	Invitation Ref No.	FD/SEIP/GD-72/286/2015-2016/1366
8	Date	05.09.2017

## KEY INFORMATION

9	Procurement method	Open Tendering (National).
<b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>		
10	Budget and source of funds	Government of Bangladesh and ADB.
11	Development partners (if applicable)	Asian Development Bank and Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>		
12	Project/program code (if applicable)	5-0901-5014
13	Project/program name (if applicable)	Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP).
14	Tender package No.	GD-72
15	Tender package name	Procurement of Furniture and Equipment for Gopalganj TTC.
16	Tender publication date	06.09.2017
17	Tender last selling date	09.10.2017
18	Tender closing date and time	10.10.2017 2:30pm
19	Tender opening date and time	10.10.2017 2:45pm
20	Name & address of the office(s)	Address
-Selling tender document		
1. PO to National Project Director, Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP), Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Room No. 127, Building No. 7 (2nd Floor), Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka-1000.		
2. Project Officer (Attention: Mr. Tazul Islam Patwary), Skills for Employment Investment Program, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Probashi Kallyan Bhaban (15th Floor), 71-72, Old Elephant Road, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000.		

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-Receiving tender document	Room # 127, Building # 7, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
-Opening tender document	Room # 127, Building # 7, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka by Tender Opening Committee.
21 Place/date/time of Pre-tender meeting (optional)	Date Time

20 20.09.2017 11.30am

## INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

22	Eligibility of tenderer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The tenderer should be from ADB member countries as listed in Section 9 of the tender document.</li> <li>The tenderer shall have updated trade license/certificate of incorporation, VAT registration and Income Tax certificate.</li> <li>The tenderer shall not be insolvent, bankrupt or in receivership and shall not be debarred for entering into contract.</li> <li>The tenderer shall not be debarred for fraudulent, collusive, coercive and corrupt practices and for supply of defective goods.</li> <li>Other eligibility criteria as stated in the tender document.</li> </ul>
23	Brief description of goods or works	Procurement of Furniture and Equipment.
24	Brief description of related services	None
25	Price of tender document (Taka)	1000.00

26	Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk)	Completion time in weeks/months/days
Lot-A	Equipment and Tools for Graphics Design Course	Gopalganj TTC	BDT 34,000.00	90 days	
Lot-B	Equipment and Tools for Electrical Installation and Maintenance Course	Gopalganj TTC	BDT 73,000.00	90 days	
Lot-C	Equipment for Welding Course	Gopalganj TTC	BDT 65,000.00	90 days	
Lot-D	Equipment & Tools for Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning (RAC)	Gopalganj TTC	BDT 75,000.00	90 days	
Lot-E	Furniture for Graphics Design, Electrical, Welding and Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Course	Gopalganj TTC	BDT 10,000.00	90 days	

## PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

29	Name of official inviting tender	Jalal Ahmed.
30	Designation of official inviting tender	Additional Secretary and National Project Director.

31	Address of official inviting tender	SEIP Project, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance.
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32	Contact details of official inviting tender	Telephone No: +88-02-55138753-5 (PABX), Fax: 55138752
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33	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceedings.
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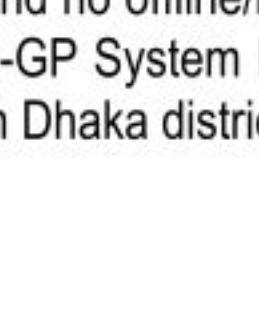
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## e-Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited in e-GP portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by Project Director, CASE Project, DSCC & DNCC Component, Level 10, West Block, Room-919, Nagar Bhaban, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000, Dhaka South City Corporation for the procurement of: