



MD Arfan Ali, managing director of Bank Asia, attends a seminar on "Reporting of foreign direct investment and inauguration of FDI help desk" organised by the bank in Dhaka.

Nafta talks intensify; US putting off key demand on autos

REUTERS, Ottawa
Talks to update the North American Free Trade Agreement intensified on Saturday although US negotiators looked set to once again withhold proposals for one of the Trump administration's most challenging issues.

Teams from the United States, Mexico and Canada kicked off the third of seven planned rounds of discussions in Ottawa amid warnings from trade experts that time was quickly running out to seal a deal by the end of the year as planned.

One key issue is the US desire to strengthen rules of origin for autos, which dictate how much of a vehicle's components must originate from within North America to qualify for tax free status.

The American side did not mention a specific goal in the first two rounds and Canada's chief Nafta negotiator on Saturday said he did

not think the United States would provide more details during the Ottawa round.

"We're not expecting that, no," Steve Verheul told reporters, predicting the pace of the talks would nonetheless quicken.

According to a schedule of the talks obtained by Reuters, rules of origin will be discussed on Tuesday and Wednesday.

US President Donald Trump wants more US content in autos, citing trade deficits of \$64 billion with Mexico and \$11 billion with Canada. Trump, who says Nafta is weighted against his country, has threatened to walk away from the agreement.

Flavio Volpe, president of the Canadian Automotive Parts Manufacturers' Association, said late on Friday he felt it was too early for detailed rule of origin proposals given that US officials were still talking to the domestic industry.

"It's fine for us if they take a little

longer so we all understand what our interests are and we make the right deal. We don't need an early deal," he said.

US chief negotiator John Melle said ahead of the talks that his team would introduce the difficult provisions in Ottawa talks that are due to last for five days.

Another tricky issue is labor, given complaints from US and Canadian unions that Mexico's low wages give it a manufacturing advantage.

The United States is also expected to present proposals on intellectual property and investment, sources with knowledge of discussions said. Other areas of disagreement include dispute settlement mechanisms.

Canadian and Mexican officials, as well as US businesses, have already rejected a proposal by Washington to include a five-year sunset provision in the updated agreement, saying it added uncertainty to investment planning.

Amazon affiliate to buy \$27.6m stake in retailer Shoppers Stop

REUTERS, Mumbai
An affiliate of Amazon.com Inc has agreed to buy a 1.79 billion-rupee (\$27.6 million) stake in Indian retailer Shoppers Stop Ltd, the Indian company said in a filing.

Amazon.com NV Investment Holdings LLC, a foreign portfolio investor, will subscribe to about 4.4 million shares, equivalent to an about 5 percent stake, in the Indian retailer at 407.78 rupees apiece on a preferential basis, Shoppers Stop told the stock exchanges late on Saturday.

On Friday, Shoppers Stop shares had closed 3 percent lower at 418.10 rupees on the National Stock Exchange.

The Amazon affiliate will not take a board position, Shoppers Stop, which operates large department stores and other retail outlets, said in the filing.



Christoph Voegeli, general manager for Radisson Blu Dhaka Water Garden, and **Idham Zuhri Mohamed**, first secretary at the Malaysian high commission in Dhaka, attend the inauguration of a seven-day food festival, "Showcasing Malaysia", at Water Garden Brasserie, one of the restaurants of the hotel, in Dhaka on Saturday.



MD Mehmood Husain, CEO of NRB Bank, opens the bank's 27th branch at a programme at **Rahimanagar Bazar of Kachua in Chandpur** yesterday. **Imran Ahmed**, chief operating officer, was also present.

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Department of Fire Service & Civil Defence
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Date: 21/09/2017

Memo No. 58.03.0000.017.07.254.17.18714

e-Tender Notice (Open Tendering Method)

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of

| Tender ID No. | Package No. | Description of goods | Closing date & time | Opening date & time |
|---------------|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 122049 | e-GP-01/17-18 | Ambulance (4WD) | 23/10/2017 Time: 12:00 | 23/10/2017 Time: 12:00 |

- This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted.
- To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required.
- The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branches up to 22/10/2017 at 15.00pm.
- Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Power Division
Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

Invitation for Tender

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| 1 | Ministry/division | Power Division, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources. |
| 2 | Procuring entity name | Power Division, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources. |
| 3 | Procuring entity code | Not used at present. |
| 4 | Procuring entity district | Dhaka, Bangladesh. |
| 5 | Invitation for | Tender. |
| 6 | Invitation Ref No. | 27.00.0000.041.07.004.15.1396 |
| 7 | Date | 21/09/2017. |

KEY INFORMATION

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| 8 | Procurement method | OTM |
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FUNDING INFORMATION

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| 9 | Budget and source of funds | Revenue/GOB. |
| 10 | Development partners (if applicable) | Not applicable. |

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

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| 11 | Tender package No. | 01(2017-18). |
| 12 | Tender package name | Purchase of Stationery Goods, Desktop Computer, Printer & ICT Equipments and Printer Toner/Cartridge & Fax Machine. |
| 13 | Tender publication date | 25.09.2017. |
| 14 | Tender last selling date | 07.10.2017 Time: 5.00pm |
| 15 | Tender closing date and time | 08.10.2017 Time: 12.00 noon |
| 16 | Tender opening date and time | 08.10.2017 Time: 12.30pm |
| 17 | Name & address of the office(s) | Address |
| | - Selling tender document (principal) | Assistant Secretary, Administration-3, Power Division, Road # 212, Building # 6, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka. |
| | - Selling tender document (others) | DG, Power Cell, Power Division, Secretariat Link Road, Biddiut Bhaban (Level-10), Dhaka. |
| | - Receiving tender document | Assistant Secretary, Administration-3, Power Division, Room # 212, Building # 6, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka. |
| | - Opening tender document | Deputy Secretary, Administration-1, Power Division, Room # 206, Building # 6, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka. |
| 18 | Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional) | Date Time Not applicable Not applicable |

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

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| 19 | Eligibility of tenderer | Well reputed and financially solvent tenderers having office establishment, manpower, proper logistic support, good performance, qualification and past experience of supplying new and good quality product of government sectors within assigned time. |
| 20 | Brief description of goods | Purchase of Stationery Goods, Desktop Computer, Printer & ICT Equipments and Printer Toner/Cartridge & Fax Machine. |
| 21 | Brief description of related services | Not applicable. |
| 22 | Price of tender document (Tk.) | Lot-01-03 Tk. 1000/-. |
| 23 | Lot No. | Identification of lot Location Tender security amount (Tk.) Completion time in weeks |
| | Lot-01, 02, 03 (Purchase of Stationery Goods, Desktop Computer, Printer & ICT Equipments and Printer Toner/Cartridge & Fax Machine) | Power Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka 12,500.00/- Ready stock or purchase/supply from main dealer/reputed company of Bangladesh within 30 days from the date of issue of work order. Must submit sole distributor certificate/distributor authorization letter along with tender document. If the company/supplier provide fake or edited letter/certificate, the respective company/supplier may become blacklisted. |
| 24 | Name of official inviting tender | Power Division. |
| | Designation of official inviting tender | Assistant Secretary (Admin-3). |
| | Address of official inviting tender | Room # 206, Building # 6, Power Division, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka. |
| | Contact details of official inviting tender | Tel. 02-9570024 E-mail: admin-3@pd.gov.bd |
| 25 | The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all or any tender. | |
| 26 | Special condition: This invitation for tender notice will be available at Power Division's website: www.powerdivision.gov.bd and CPTU's website. | |

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e-GP Tender Notice No: 01/2017-18 Open Tendering Method (OTM)

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of works as stated as below.

| Sl No. | Tender ID No. | Package No. | Name of works | Tender security (Tk) | Last selling date & time | Tender closing date & time | Opening date & time |
|--------|---------------|--|--|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 01 | 117929 | e-Tender/PEDP-III/NTR/GUR/2017-18/W4.347 | Construction of Alhaj Prof Md Abdul Kuddus Non Govt. Primary School in/c Furniture Supply under Education in Emergency, under Gurudaspur Upazila, District Natore. | 1,80,000.00 | 15-10-17 05:00 | 16-10-17 12:30 | 16-10-17 12:30 |
| 02 | 117930 | e-Tender/PEDP-III/NTR/GUR/2017-18/W4.348 | Construction of Brikashow Non Govt Primary School in/c. Furniture Supply under Education in Emergency, under Gurudaspur Upazila, District Natore. | 2,05,000.00 | 15-10-17 05:00 | 16-10-17 12:30 | 16-10-17 12:30 |
| 03 | 117931 | e-Tender/PEDP-III/NTR/GUR/2017-18/W4.349 | Construction of Biaghat Bablatola Non Govt. Primary School in/c Furniture Supply under Education in Emergency, under Gurudaspur Upazila, District Natore. | 1,80,000.00 | 15-10-17 05:00 | 16-10-17 03:00 | 16-10-17 03:00 |
| 04 | 117932 | e-Tender/PEDP-III/NTR/GUR/2017-18/W4.364 | Construction of Puthimary Non Govt Primary School in/c. Furniture Supply under Education in Emergency, under Gurudaspur Upazila, District Natore. | 2,05,000.00 | 15-10-17 05:00 | 16-10-17 03:00 | 16-10-17 03:00 |

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