



PHOTO: STAR

A teacher holds a bottle of intravenous saline being given to a fellow during the assistant primary teachers' hunger strike programme at Central Shaheed Minar in the capital yesterday. However, the strike was called off after Primary and Mass Education Minister Mostafizur Rahman assured the teachers of salary scale upgrade.

## N'ganj woman found killed, five detained

OUR CORRESPONDENT, N'ganj

A housewife was found killed in Narayanganj yesterday.

The victim is Manju Rani Saha, wife of Maran Saha in Nayamati area of the city. Police said the body bore injury marks both in the head and neck.

Police detained five cleaning staff of Narayanganj City Corporation for interrogation, said Shahin Shah Parvez, officer-in-charge of Narayanganj Sadar Model Police Station.

The OC said the cleaning staff recovered the body from Isdair area on Dhaka-Pagla-Narayanganj road early yesterday, and took it to Narayanganj 300-bed Hospital.

Quoting the five, another cleaner Babul Das said his colleagues were returning home around 4:00am after joining a marriage ceremony.

On their way back home, they saw some people leaving the body by the roadside in Isdair area and fleeing the scene in a battery-run auto-rickshaw, said Babul Das.

The five then recovered the body and took it to the hospital. Shambu Saha, son-in-law of Manju Rani Saha, said his mother-in-law left home at 8:00pm on Sunday to attend a Hindu religious event in Masdair area of the city. She was supposed to return home by 11:00pm.

But she did not come back and her phone was found switched off, said Shambu, adding that they had found the photo of Manju being circulated on Facebook around noon the next day -- yesterday.

Then they identified the body at the hospital, he added.

Mohammad Sharfuddin, additional superintendent of police in Narayanganj, said they primarily suspect that the woman was killed.

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### TENDER NOTICE

Institute of Water Modelling (IWM) invites sealed quotations for supplying & installation of Server and Workstation in IWM. Interested bidders having proven experience of the mentioned work are requested to visit IWM website <[www.iwmbd.org](http://www.iwmbd.org)> for details.

## BAF Shaheen College reunion held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A reunion of former students of BAF Shaheen College was held in the capital yesterday.

Ex-Shaheens' Association Dhaka (ESAD) organised the event on the college premises in the capital, said a release.

Air Chief Marshal Abu Esrar, chief of Bangladesh Air Force, was present as the chief guest.

The institution's former students from its first batch in 1960 -- including Bangladesh Football Federation President Kazi Salahuddin, Bangladesh Cricket Board Director Khaled Mahmud Sujon, former BGMEA president Atiqul Islam, actresses Shampa Reza and Meher Afroz Shaon, and actor Hasan Masud -- took part in the day-long event.

## Farmland under threat

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The official also cited a survey of an NGO, which revealed that top soil of around 17 percent of all agricultural land in the country had been removed and sold to brick kilns.

This is happening when agricultural land is shrinking fast in Bangladesh.

Quoting the Planning Commission, a 2013 report of The Daily Star says cropland is decreasing by one percent every year.

Researchers say per capita agricultural land has come down to only 12 decimals in 2009 from 42 decimals in 1961 in the country. In neighbouring India, per capita cropland is 32 decimals, while it is 2,718 decimals (11 hectare) in developed countries.

Researchers also predict that per capita cropland in Bangladesh would go down below 6 decimals by 2050 if the trend continues, according to the report.

While the indiscriminate digging is damaging the local landscape, the regular movement of the trucks has left the 2km local road from Chandulia to Deohata battered, is generating a huge amount of dust, and is creating the likelihood of accidents.

Local fertiliser trader Jahidul Islam said several thousand people including students of four primary and three high schools of at

least 15 villages use the road, and the regular plying of the earth-laden trucks was putting their lives at risk.

In addition, the roadside houses and trees are being covered with dust, and local people are getting affected by respiratory diseases, he added.

Talking to The Daily Star, farmer Abdul Latif said he along with some other people had already complained to the local administration and public representatives in this regard, but nothing was done to stop the digging in the village.

Contacted, Mirzapur Upazila Nirbahi Officer Israt Sadmin said they would not tolerate such excavations on the river bank and croplands. Legal steps will be taken after an investigation into the matter, she added.

Meanwhile, Abdul Jalil, sub-assistant engineer of Local Government and Engineering Department (LGED) in Mirzapur, said trucks weighing about 5 to 10 tonnes could move on the rural road, but the weight of earth-laden trucks well exceeded the limit.

He also said they would take necessary steps to stop the movement of earth-laden trucks on the rural road after talking to higher officials.

## Boost glorious tradition

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Christian community on the occasion.

Terming Jesus Christ as an ambassador of emancipation and a beacon, he said Jesus Christ had preached the sermons of peace in the world as his philosophy was to establish a peaceful society of love, services, forgiveness, compassion and justice.

He said Jesus Christ gave importance to unity, sacrifice, self-restraint and charity than that of comfort of the worldly life.

"I think the teachings of Jesus Christ are very rational to establish peace, harmony and unity in this problematic world", the

president added.

President Hamid and Rashida Khanam hosted the reception at the Bangabhabn where a decorated Christmas tree was set.

Cardinal of Bangladesh Patrick D'Rozario, ambassadors and representatives from different foreign missions, distinguished persons of the Christian community, religious leaders and professionals joined the reception.

A group of singers performed Christmas carol at the reception.

Later, President Hamid cut a Christmas cake with members of the Christian community.

### MEDIA REPORT ON BRIBE ISSUE

## Education ministry clarifies position

UNB, Dhaka

The education ministry yesterday explained its position over a report carried out by a number of newspapers and online portals over bribe issue saying that the reports gave scope for some misunderstandings.

The Education Ministry said the reports were presented considering old information and evaluation related to the Directorate of Inspection and Audit (DIA) as latest position.

"It's (report) unfortunate, confusing and opposite of the Education Minister's basic speech and goes against the current policy of the Education Ministry," said a PID handout.

On Sunday, Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid attended a laptops and certificates distribution ceremony of the DIA as the chief guest.

While speaking at the function, the Education Minister referred to a situation of eight years back and described the scenario of corruption and irregularities among the DIA officials at that time, said the PID handout.

The Education Minister said the situation has been changed significantly due to introduction of digital monitoring.

Quoting the Education Minister, the PID handout said the government will not tolerate irregularities and corruption of DIA officials and recently, a DIA official has been arrested with the help of Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) with evidence of graft.

He reminded zero tolerance policy towards any practice of bribe and graft by the officials.



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Ref. No.27.21.0000.101.07.001.17.8024 Date: December 20, 2017

**NOTICE OF 4<sup>th</sup> TIME EXTENSION**

**Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and commissioning of 230/33kV GIS Substation at Mirsharai EZ and extension of 230kV GIS bays at existing 230/33kV BSRM Substation on Turnkey Basis (Tender ICB No.PGCB/230KV/MIRSAR-BSRM/SS)**

Ref: IFB No.:27.21.0000.101.07.001.17.4874, Dated: August 09, 2017  
27.21.0000.101.07.001.17.5979, Dated: September 26, 2017  
27.21.0000.101.07.001.17.6814, Dated: November 01, 2017  
27.21.0000.101.07.001.17.7536, Dated: November 30, 2017

The deadline of submission of Bids has been extended from December 27, 2017 at 11:00 am Bangladesh Standard Time (BST) to **January 10, 2018 at 11:00 am BST**. Accordingly the opening date for the same has been extended from December 27, 2017 at 11:05 am (BST) to January 10, 2018 at 11:05 am BST. Last date and time for purchasing the Bidding Document has also been extended from December 26, 2017 at 5:00pm (BST) to **January 09, 2018 at 05:00 pm (BST)**.

All other terms and conditions for the above Bidding Document shall remain unaltered.

**Md. Ashraf Hossain**  
Company Secretary

### INVITATION FOR ENLISTMENT OF SUPPLIER


**Rahimafrooz Superstores Ltd. (Agora)** is intended to purchase Superstores' Equipments.

**Required items:** Gondola, Display Chiller, Freezer, Cold Room, Trolley, Bone Saw machine etc.

**Invitation:** Interested Importers and Suppliers are requested to contact the following address for Bill of Quantity (BOQ) and further detail information within 31st December, 2017.

**Contact Address:** 5 Mohakhali C/A, (Paragon Building 5th Floor), Dhaka-1212. Phone: 9851623.

**Mandatory:** The vendor should have all required valid documents (Trade license, VAT Registration, Tax Certificate, IRC and other legal requirements)



**Directorate of Planning and Development**  
Chittagong University of Engineering & Technology, Chittagong- 4349  
[www.cuet.ac.bd](http://www.cuet.ac.bd)

**Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Short-listing of Consulting Firms for Development of CUET Project**

No. CUET/P&D/DOC/2017-18/PS-01		Date: 24-12-2017	
01.	Ministry/Division	:	Ministry of Education.
02.	Agency	:	University Grants Commission (UGC).
03.	Procuring Entity Name	:	Chittagong University of Engineering & Technology (CUET), Chittagong-4349.
04.	Procuring Entity Code	:	Not Applicable.
05.	Procuring Entity District	:	Chittagong
06.	Expression of Interest for selection of Consulting Firms	:	Consulting firm (Lump sum).
07.	Title of Service	:	i) DOC-S-01: Request for Expression of Interests (EOI) for Design of Buildings and Structures under "Development of CUET" Project Lot A ii) DOC-S-02: Request for Expression of Interests (EOI) for Design of Buildings and Structures under "Development of CUET" Project Lot B iii) DOC-S-03: Request for Expression of Interests (EOI) for Design of Buildings and Structures under "Development of CUET" Project Lot C iv) DOC-S-04: Request for Expression of Interests (EOI) for Design of Buildings and Structures under "Development of CUET" Project Lot D
08.	EOI Ref No.	:	CUET/P&D/DOC/2017-18/PS-01.
09.	Ref. Date	:	24-12-2017.
<b>KEY INFORMATION</b>			
10.	Procurement Sub-Method	:	Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS).
<b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>			
11.	Budget and Source of Funds	:	GOB.
12.	Development partner (if applicable)	:	Not Applicable.
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>			
13.	Project Code (if applicable)	:	5018
14.	Project/Program Name	:	"Development of Chittagong University of Engineering & Technology."
15.	Project Summary	:	Total Budget Tk. 320.00 Crore The main objective of the project is to establish a University Central Research Lab for Advanced and multidisciplinary engineering research, 4 new academic departments, 1 research centre, a biomass based renewable energy park along with other academic, research and ecological activities. To facilitate the aimed expansion of activities different academic, research, co-curricular, sports, residential, social and ecological buildings and infrastructures of BDT 171.77 Crore will be constructed for which items design consultancy is intended. Also there are laboratory, utility and other equipments of BDT 126.49 Crore to be procured which are not included within this EOI.
16.	Place of EOI Submission	:	Office of the Project Director, Development of Chittagong University of Engineering & Technology Project, Directorate of Planning & Development, CUET, Ctg-4349.
17.	EOI Publication Date	:	24-12-2017.
18.	EOI Closing Date and Time	:	16-01-2018 (12:30pm)
<b>INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT</b>			
19.	Brief description of the assignment	:	<b>A. Detailed Design &amp; Engineering</b> i. Digital survey with landscaping, for individual building area as per requirement. ii. Preparation of architectural plan and elevation with detailed working drawings and 3D renderings. iii. Preparation of Civil & structural detailed & workable Engineering Drawings based on the detail architectural drawings. iv. Preparation of detailed & workable engineering drawings for internal & external electrical services, A/C, Elevator & Mechanical Services, water service, water supply, sanitary sewerage etc. based on detailed architectural plans for building Services. v. Preparation of BOQ with detailed materials schedule and estimate. vi. Revisions may be made as per comments provided by 3 <sup>rd</sup> party (employed by CUET) after vetting approved by HOPE/PE. <b>B. Services Related to Project Management</b> i. Monitoring of Construction works to ensure conformity to working design, when necessary. ii. Must undertake necessary modification on design during implementation period, if necessary, or as per recommendation by PE.
20.	Expected Qualification of Consulting Firms, Experience, Resource and Delivery Capacity Required	:	The EOIs would be reviewed on the basis of the following a) Registration of Firm. b) Age of firm (years in relevant business). c) Availability of key professionals with proper affiliation with respective bodies. d) Turnover of the consultant (financial resources). e) Experience of the firm in similar tasks/assignments (examples of past experience-similar nature and/or complexity). f) Experience of the firm in other works (examples of other experience). g) Support Service. [Provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures; description of similar assignments; experience in similar conditions; financial resources; availability of appropriate skills among staff; etc)]
21.	Other Information	:	(a) Detailed information may be collected from the undersigned office during office hour. (b) Consulting firm will be short listed in accordance with the procedures set out in the PPR-2008. (c) Short listed firms will be further invited for RFP.
22.	Association with foreign firms is	:	Not Applicable.
23.	Ref. No.	Phasing of Service	Location Indicative Start Date
	DOC-S-01	-	CUET Campus, Raozan, Chittagong 01-Apr-2018
	DOC-S-02	-	CUET Campus, Raozan, Chittagong 01-Apr-2018
	DOC-S-03	-	CUET Campus, Raozan, Chittagong 01-Apr-2018
	DOC-S-04	-	CUET Campus, Raozan, Chittagong 01-Apr-2018
<b>PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS</b>			
24.	Name of official inviting EOI	:	Prof. Dr. Sudip Kumar Pal.
25.	Designation of Official Inviting	:	Project Director, "Development of Chittagong University of Engineering & Technology" Project.
26.	Address of Official Inviting EOI	:	Directorate of Planning & Development Old Administrative Building CUET, Chittagong-4349
27.	Contact details of official inviting EOI	:	e-mail: <a href="mailto:dir_pnd@cueta.ac.bd">dir_pnd@cueta.ac.bd</a> , <a href="mailto:sudiphwu@gmail.com">sudiphwu@gmail.com</a> Phone: +88-01925102050
o The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs. o Expressions of Interest must be delivered to the address below in sealed envelope on or before 16-01-2018 during 12:30pm with clearly mention package number and name.			
<b>Prof. Dr. Sudip Kumar Pal</b> Project Director "Development of Chittagong University of Engineering Technology" Project CUET, Chittagong-4349			

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