

India doubles import tax on textile products, may hit China

REUTERS, New Delhi/Mumbai

India doubled the import tax on more than 300 textile products to 20 percent on Tuesday as the world's biggest producer of cotton tries to curb rising imports from China.

It was the second tax hike on textiles in as many months after an increase on other products including fibre and apparels last month.

The moves are expected to provide relief to the domestic textile industry, which has been hit by cheaper imports.

India's total textile imports jumped by 16 percent to a record \$7 billion in the fiscal year to March 2018. Of this, about \$3 billion were from China.

The government did not disclose details of the 328 textile products that will be subject to the duty increase

announced on Tuesday.

Rising imports sent India's trade deficit with China in textile products to a record high \$1.54 billion in 2017/18, alarming industry officials as India had been until recently a net exporter of textile products to China.

Sanjay Jain, president of the Confederation of Indian Textile Industry, told Reuters he did not expect China to retaliate to the Indian duty increases as it still has a trade surplus with India.

He said India's textile product imports could fall to \$6 billion in 2018/19 as a result of the tax hike to 20 percent.

India's imports of textile products from Bangladesh, Vietnam and Cambodia also jumped in the last few years as they are not subject to any duty under free trade agreements (FTA)

signed by India with these countries.

The 20 percent duty will not be applicable to products sourced from those countries due to the FTA, Jain said.

Industry officials say in the last few months Chinese fibre has been shipped to Bangladesh and processed and exported to India with zero duty.

"Rules of origin need to be implemented for textile products. Otherwise Chinese products will land from other countries," said a Mumbai-based garment exporter, who declined to be named.

Jain said India's textile and garment exports could rise 8 percent to \$40 billion in 2018/19 due to a weak rupee and as the government is expected to introduce incentives to boost overseas sales.

India's trade differences with the United States have also been rising since President Donald Trump took office.

Left, Md Alamgir Kabir, additional managing director of MI Cement Factory Ltd (Crown Cement), makes a courtesy call and hands over a bouquet to Biplab Kumar Deb, chief minister of Tripura, in Agartala recently. They discussed ways to increase trade and business between Bangladesh and India, especially Tripura.



CROWN CEMENT



Quazi Osman Ali, CEO of Social Islami Bank, and Borhan Uddin Mazumder, CEO of Mercantile Islami Life Insurance Ltd, attend a deal signing ceremony yesterday to provide insurance coverage to the bank's credit cardholders.



Syed Mostahidul Hoq, managing director of Daraz Bangladesh Ltd, speaks at a press conference marking the online marketplace's fourth anniversary at the Sonargaon hotel in Dhaka recently.

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| Sl No. | Package No. | Name of works | Tender ID | Last date & time of selling documents | Last date & time of submission documents |
|--------|-----------------|---|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | W-02 | a) Improvement of Kelishahar-Maitala-Ratanpur High School Road (Kelishahar UP to Dhalghat UP) by BC at Ch: 0+000-3+370km (ID: 415614064) b) Improvement of Haidgaon Pan Bazar Road (UZR) Kaji Para-RHD Mazepara Nurul Hoque Doka by BC at Ch: 0+000-1+170km (ID: 415615101); Upazila Patiya, District: Chittagong (Salvage Materials Cost Tk 2637666.00). | 213578 | 09/09/2018 12:00 noon | 09/09/2018 14:00pm |
| 2 | GCP-3/cfg/WD-38 | Improvement of Bangla Bazar to Tonasa Road (Mafiz Mikter Road) by RCC at Ch: 00-540m (ID No-415785013)/Improvement of Bauria Harishpur Road (H/O Moulavi Shamsul Huda) to Banir hat (Moulavi Shasul Huda Road) by RCC at Ch: 100-800m (ID No-415784002)/Improvement of Harishpur UP to Embankment via Dwipallo GPS RHD Road (Modhya Bauria Road) by RCC at Ch: 4700-5240m (ID No-415784004)/Improvement of Musapur Chowmuhani Bazar to Mogdhora UP Amtoli Bazar via Chowdhury Bazar Maibhanga UP (DB Road) by RCC at Ch: 00-665m (ID No-415783005)/Improvement of Palisher Hat GC to Embankment (Palisher Road) by RCC at Ch: 1000-1435m (ID No-415783011)/Improvement of Sandwip Upzila Sontoshpur UP to Companigonj Ghat (Noakhali) Road via Dirgapur UP & Urrichar UP (Sandwip Char Elahi Connecting Road) by RCC at Ch: 595-1135m, Upazila: Sandwip, District: Chittagong (ID No-415782002) | 214406 | 09/09/2018 12:00 noon | 09/09/2018 14:00pm |
| 3 | W-09 | Development of Jangalkhian UP-Baralia UP Road (Shagodi Road) by BC at Ch: 1+000-1+835km (ID No-415613002)/Development of Baralia GPS-Kerinjaghat Road (Borolia Ukkunarra Road) by BC at Ch: 0+900km-2+000km (ID No-415614029)/Development of Akber Shah Mazar (RHD)-Dharma Darshi Bodho Bihar Gate (RHD) (Pairul Chowdhury Bari Road) by RCC at Ch: 0+830-2+060km (ID No-415614098)/Development of Baralia Mohajonpara Bari road (Moulavirhat Nazrul Master road) by BC at Ch: 0+000-1+200km (ID No-415614019)/Development of Naikhain Gairala Connecting Road (Naikhain Siraj Murshid Road) by RCC at Ch: 0+000-0+830km (ID No-415615221)/Development of Melgar-Banglabazar Road (Melgar-Jagadananda Road) by RCC at Ch: 0+000-1+500km (ID No-415615229); Upazila: Patiya, District: Chittagong (Salvage Materials Cost Tk. 4519426.00). | 214929 | 09/09/2018 12:00 noon | 09/09/2018 14:00pm |
| 4 | W-08 | Development of Shafar Ali Munshir Hat GC Lalar Hat GC Road (Boalkhali Upazila) by BC at Ch: 0+100-1+915km (ID-415612017)/Development of Hablaswip High School Road (In front of Hablaswip Janakalyan Club) by BC at Ch: 2+000-3+200km (ID-415614051)/Development of TL Chowdhury Road by RCC at Ch: 0+000-0+750km (ID-415615079), Upazila: Patiya, District: Chittagong (Salvage Materials cost Tk. 4911173.00). | 214934 | 09/09/2018 12:00 noon | 09/09/2018 14:00pm |

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(পেট্রোবাংলার একটি কোম্পানী)
Sylhet Gas Fields Limited
(A Company of Petrobangla)

বিদ্যুৎ ও জ্বালানি নিরাপত্তা সর্বোচ্চ অগ্রাধিকার
গ্যাস জাতীয় সম্পদ। এর অপচয় রোধ করে জাতীয় দায়িত্ব পালন করুন।

INTERNATIONAL TENDER NOTICE

Tender no. SGFL/DP(SYL-9)/DST/FP18-19 Date: 06-08-2018

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| 1. Ministry/Division | : Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Energy & Mineral Resources Division. |
| 2. Agency | : Sylhet Gas Fields Limited (A company of Petrobangla). |
| 3. Procuring Entity Name | : Sylhet Gas Fields Limited (SGFL) |
| 4. Procuring Entity District | : Sylhet |
| 5. Invitation for | Tender for procurement of DST & Production Testing Services with equipment for Drilling of well no. Sylhet-9 (appraisal/development well) at Sylhet (Haripur) Field, Jaintapur, Sylhet, Bangladesh. |
| 6. Invitation Ref No | : SGFL/DP(SYL-9)/DST/FP18-19 |
| 7. Date | : 06-08-2018 |

KEY INFORMATION

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| 8. Procurement method | : Open Tendering Method (International Competitive Tendering). Single Stage Two Envelope System. |
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FUNDING INFORMATION

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| 9. Budget and Source of Funds | : Gas Development Fund (GDF). |
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PARTICULAR INFORMATION

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| 10. Project Name | : Drilling of well no. Sylhet-9 (appraisal/development well) at Sylhet (Haripur) structure, Jaintapur, Sylhet, Bangladesh. |
| 11. Tender Publication Date | : N/A. |
| 12. Tender Last Selling Date | : 02-10-2018. |
| 13. Tender Closing/Receiving Date & Time | : 03-10-2018 and 12:00 hrs (BST) |
| 14. Tender Opening Date & Time | : 03-10-2018 and 12:15 hrs (BST) |
| 15. Name and Address of the Office(s) | Selling Tender Document (Principal): Sylhet Gas Fields Limited, Dhaka Liaison Office, Petrocentre (13th Floor), 3 Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215, Bangladesh Selling Tender Document (Others): Bangladesh Petroleum Exploration & Production Co. Ltd. (BAPEX), BAPEX Bhaban, 4 Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215, Bangladesh |
| 16. Receiving of Tender Document | : Sylhet Gas Fields Limited, Head Office, P.O.: Chiknagool, Sylhet, Bangladesh. |
| Opening of Tender Document | : Sylhet Gas Fields Limited, Head Office, P.O.: Chiknagool, Sylhet, Bangladesh. |
| 17. Date & Time of Selling of Tender Document. | : The Tender document will be available for sale from 14-08-2018 to 02-10-2018 during office hours on all working days. |

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

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| 18. Eligibility of Tenderer | : A Contractor or a Subcontractor that is a national of, or registered in, the following countries are not eligible: Countries, which have no business relations with the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Materials, Equipments Plants and supplies shall not have their origin in the following countries: Countries, which have no business relations with the People's Republic of Bangladesh. |
| 19. Brief Description of Works | : To provide DST & Production Testing Services with equipment for Drilling of Well No. Sylhet-9 (Appraisal/Development well). |
| 20. Brief Description of Physical Services | : DST & Production Testing Services providing all necessary equipment/tools and professional experts/operators. |
| 21. Price of Tender document | : Taka 5,000.00 or USD 60.00 (non refundable). |
| 22. Name of the Official Inviting Tender | : Engr. Md. Lutfar Rahman. |
| 23. Designation of the Official Inviting Tender | : Managing Director Sylhet Gas Fields Limited |
| 24. Address of the Official Inviting Tender | : Sylhet Gas Fields Limited, Dhaka Liaison Office, Petrocentre (13 th Floor), 3, Kawran Bazar C/A, Dhaka-1215, Bangladesh Attn: Deputy General Manager (Procurement) |
| 25. Contact Details of the Official Inviting Tender | Tel. No. +880255013709 Fax No. +880255013708 E-mail md@sgfl.org.bd |
| 26. Special Instruction | a) Tender must remain valid for 120 days from the date of closing of the Tender. b) Amount of tender security for BDT 11,00,000.00 (eleven lakh) or USD 13,100.00 (thirteen thousand one hundred) in the form of bank draft or pay order from any scheduled Bank of Bangladesh or in the form of an irrevocable bank Guarantee (as per format provided in the Tender Document) issued by a scheduled Bank of Bangladesh or from any reputable foreign Bank duly endorsed by a scheduled Bank of Bangladesh with full obligation & liabilities. c) The Tender Security must remain valid for one hundred and forty eight (148) days from the date of closing of the tender. d) Tender(s) submitted after the deadline for receiving of tenders will be rejected and returned unopened to the Tenderer. e) The Tender must not be submitted by Fax or email. f) Exceptions (Technical or Commercial or of other nature) proposed by Tenderer (if any) shall be clearly expressed in a separate section of their technical offer. No exception will be accepted in the price offer. g) This tender notice will also be available at Petrobangla Website: www.petrobangla.org.bd and SGFL Website: www.sgfl.org.bd and CPTU Website: www.cptu.gov.bd . |
| 27. The Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all the Tenders or annul the Tender proceedings. | |

GD-1914 Deputy General Manager (Procurement)