

ACC seeks

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Police to issue embargo against former managing director of Titas Gas Transmission and Distribution Ltd Mir Mashir Rahman and four other officials to bar them from leaving the country.

They are: SM Abdul Wadud (deputy general manager), Shahzadha Faraji (manager, engineering services department), Abu Siddik Tayani (assistant officer) and Shafiqur Rahman (general manager, Narayanganj regional office) of the company.

ACC had summoned them earlier to appear before it on October 1 and October 2 for quizzing, in connection with allegations of acquiring money by providing illegal gas connections and meter tampering.

However, they did not appear before the commission, claiming to be "physically ill".

TIB calls for law to implement gold policy

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Lauding the country's first-ever gold policy, Transparency International Bangladesh yesterday called upon the government to formulate a complete law for the gold sector to properly implement the policy.

The policy has created an 'unprecedented' opportunity to ensure transparency and accountability, and overcome lack of good governance that has been prevailing in the gold sector for a long time, the graft watchdog said in a statement.

TIB stressed the need for strict integrity practices at both administrative and traders' levels, alongside political will at all stages for implementing the policy, according to the statement.

The cabinet on Wednesday approved the gold policy, aiming to make import and export of the precious metal easy, stop its smuggling, and ensure transparency in its trade.

The main aim of the policy is to increase gold ornaments exports, Cabinet Secretary Shafiqul Alam told reporters after the cabinet meeting chaired by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

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A group of students stage a sit-in in front of Rajshahi University's main gate yesterday, protesting the government's move to scrap quota in civil service. Due to the blockade, vehicular movement on Dhaka-Rajshahi highway was halted for around two hours.

PHOTO: STAR

Sylhet BNP leader secures bail

OUR CORRESPONDENT, SYLHET

A Sylhet court yesterday granted bail to the district BNP General Secretary Ali Ahmed in a case filed for obstruction of police duty while campaigning during the city corporation election in July.

Sylhet Metropolitan Session Judge Akbar Hossain Mridha passed the order with a bond of Tk 20,000, said his lawyer Atiqur Rahman Sabu.

On July 21, BNP mayoral candidate Ariful Haque Chowdhury and around 100 of his supporters staged a sit-in near the DC (south) office of Sylhet Metropolitan Police, protesting arrest of two BNP supporters.

That day, a case was filed accusing 39 BNP activists of obstructing police from performing their official duties.

On July 24, the High Court granted bail to the accused and directed them to appear before the lower court by August 8.

Muslim

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mounting pressure on Myanmar for repatriation of Rohingyas.

She explained the government initiatives for their relocation to Bhashanchar island from their makeshift shelters in Cox's Bazar -- providing them a better living condition -- and consistent efforts for their safe and dignified return to Myanmar's Rakhine state.

The envoy said Tehran also wants repatriation of Rohingyas, adding that his country is raising funds for them.

PM's Principal Secretary Nojibur Rahman and Military Secretary Maj Gen Miah Mohammad Zainul Abedin were present at the meeting.

HIV cases

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"Even two of my other daughters who are not infected with HIV have been forbidden from going to school," he stated..

KMCH is running several programmes to combat HIV, including Strengthening HIV Service (SHS), Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) and Peer Counselor of ART (Anti Retro Viral Therapy), said the hospital officials.

Currently, some 208 HIV patients are being treated from ART at KMCH, hospital officials said.

Dr ATM Monzur Moshed, Superintendent of KMCH, told The Daily Star that government is working hard to detect HIV patients and provide treatment free of cost, as well as to raise awareness among people to prevent transmission of the disease. Along with the government, several NGOs are working in the region to prevent HIV, he said.

Economic

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China and Organisation of Islamic Countries (OIC) that have not played significant role in mediation so far."

Azizul also said UN and other international organisations can pursue both China and Russia to work towards repatriation of Rohingyas.

Emphasising the need to engage civil society members in Myanmar, Mizanur Rahman Khan, joint editor of Prothom Alo, said Bangladesh should involve the civil society [of Myanmar] with a view to enhance interfaith dialogue.

Mentioning his experience of bilateral home minister-level meeting in Bangladesh, additional secretary to the home ministry Moshiur Rahman said Myanmar has not kept its commitment so far.

"What they commit to at bilateral meetings, they totally reverse that after returning to their country," he said.

KARNAPHULI PAPER MILLS

Poor management to blame for losses

Says parliamentary body chair

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Persistent losses at Karnaphuli Paper Mills Ltd (KPM) lie with mismanagement at the mill and lack of coordination of its authorities with the industries ministry and BCIC (Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation).

RAM Obaidul Mukhtadir Chowdhury, chairman of parliamentary standing committee on Ministry of Hill Tracts, made the observation yesterday after visiting KPM, the lone state-owned paper mill.

Briefing journalists on mill premises, he said the factory is currently incurring a loss of Tk 1 crore to Tk 1.5 crore each month, which was even higher at the beginning of the year.

When members of the standing committee were visiting the factory, workers com-

plained that several factory units, including the paper transforming unit, had been deliberately kept dysfunctional for long. Those were only made operational ahead of the committee's visit.

Asked about the allegation, the committee chairman said the factory authorities sometimes may take some measures to curb losses and workers might not take the decision well.

"As this is my first visit, I don't know the details. So, I cannot comment [on the issue] further," Obaidul said, adding, "KPM is dead. We are here to revive it with a new approach."

Lawmaker Ushatun Talukder, a member of the standing committee; Sahin Kamal, a director of BCIC; and MM Abdul Qader, MD of KPM, were present at the briefing.

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Proyas

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YPSA will train 500 urban volunteers in 10 wards, 20 schools and 50 slums in the city.

The volunteers will act as first responders during any disaster and they will also train people on how to reduce risks during natural calamities.

Mayor Nasir, chief guest of the programme, said the project will have all necessary support from his office as ensuring a safe city, especially for women and children, was one of his commitments that he made while campaigning for the mayoral election.

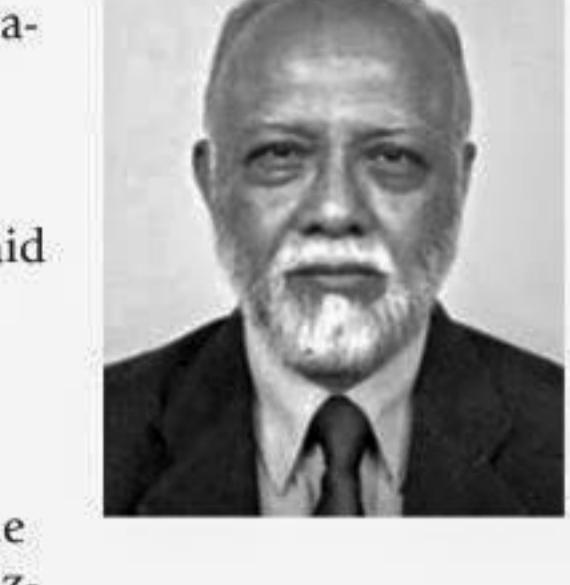
He advised the YPSA to include the CCC volunteers in "Proyas" for an effective outcome.

Md Shamsudoha, chief executive officer of CCC chaired the programme while Dr AQM Serajul Islam, president of Peshajibi Somonnoy Parishad, and Mahbubur Rahman, director (social development) of YPSA, were present.

NEWS IN brief

Lt Col Mobarak Hossain passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



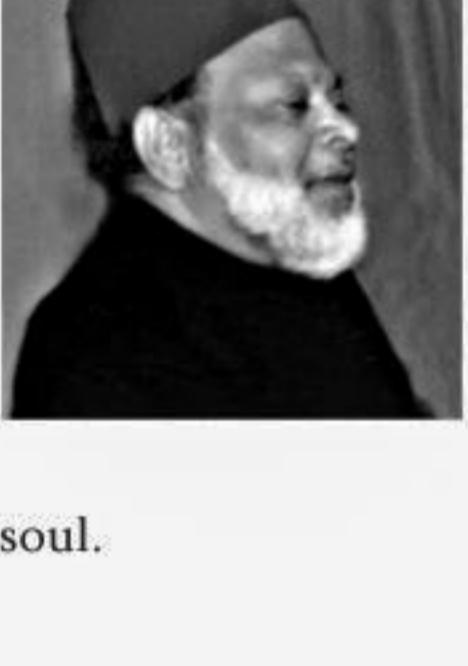
Members of retired armed forced officer's welfare association (RAOWA) yesterday expressed deep shock at the demise of freedom fighter Lt Col Md Mobarak Hossain, said a press release. He was 67.

He passed away on Wednesday at Combined Military Hospital (CMH) in Dhaka, and was buried at the army graveyard after a namaz-e-janaza at Baridhara DOHS mosque and other formalities, the release added.

Members, officers and employees of RAOWA prayed for the salvation of his departed soul.

MA Rashid's death anniversary today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



Today is the 30th death anniversary of MA Rashid, a former secretary, says a press release.

On this occasion a mild mahfil has been arranged at his son's residence in Gulshan after Magrib prayers.

Rashid's family members have requested relatives, friends and well-wishers to attend the programme to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

Appeal for help

STAFF CORRESPONDENT



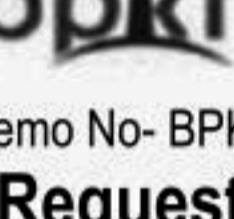
Five-year-old Wazed Ali has been suffering from cardiac ailments since birth.

According to doctors, he was born with two holes in his heart and needs to undergo surgery immediately, which will cost around Tk 10 lakhs, said a press release.

His father has a low-paying job at a private company and mother is a part-time teacher. It is impossible for them to arrange this huge sum.

They have appealed to affluent members of society for financial assistance to save the life of their son.

Financial contributions can be sent to Shamim Ara Begum, savings A/C 2799303, Islami Bank Bangladesh Ltd, Agrabad Branch, Chattogram.



Memo No- BPKT/63-2016/828

Date: 04/10/2018

Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Procurement and Installation of Core Banking System

1. Procuring entity	Bangladesh Police Kallyan Trust (BPKT).
2. Expression of Interest	For Procurement and Installation of Core Banking System (CBS).
3. EOI Reference No.	BPKT/63-2016/12
4. Date	03/10/2018
KEY INFORMATION	
5. Procurement method	Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS).
FUNDING INFORMATION	
6. Budget & source of fund	Fund of Bangladesh Police Kallyan Trust (BPKT).
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
7. Project/program name	Procurement of Core Banking System for Community Bank Bangladesh Ltd. (Proposed).
8. EOI tender publication date	05 October 2018
9. EOI closing date & time	21 October 2018 at 14:00
EOI Section	
10. Company profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Company name and identity of proposed solution. Organization profile (company and association/joint venture partner(s)). Information demonstrating firm's operational and technical capacity to deliver work to CBS. The company must state its status in the Magic Quadrant published by Gartner (2017 & 2018).
11. Firms experience and references	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed information related to a minimum of 5 (five) previous, related engagements in 2 (two) local (Bangladesh) schedule commercial bank and 3 (three) foreign banks. Experience of works conducted in same kind of working environment and circumstances. Provide client reference letter or any other alternative confirmation of involvement in providing services to named clients, such as award letters or relevant extracts from engagement contracts.
12. System functionality and features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information to assist in the detailed assessment of the ability of proposed systems/solutions to meet Community Bank Bangladesh Ltd's vision and processes. The CBS to support the formation and expansion of various banking products in the digitized environment: Seamless services in customer satisfaction across various channels including branch, booth, agent banking, internet banking, regulatory reporting, data management and warehousing etc.
13. System architecture product brochure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information related to technical architecture of the proposed systems. CBS should be OS independent. Database should be Oracle preferably 12C. Open API and SDK integration is mandatory. Required third party tools for regulatory/MIS reports (If required). Detail product brochures have to be submitted.
14. Approach, methodology and warranty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outline typical/recommended approach and methodology proposed by your firm in the supply, implementation, testing and commissioning of proposed solutions; <p>This should also include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> project plan/schedule; nature of work done at each phase of the project; typical stage-gates and activities, sign-offs, training (technical and user); and Phase/stage deliverables. <p>Any assumptions made in modeling your approach, methodology and project plan, for example, estimating availability of client resources/staff members and data readiness, should be outlined.</p> <p>Warranty of one year for the equipments supplied.</p> <p>Seven years annual maintenance agreement of which first two years will be free of service charge.</p>
15. Certification of incorporation	Valid certification of incorporation.
16. Current tax compliance certificate	Valid certificate issue by appropriate tax body, with jurisdictional authority where the bidding organization is registered.
17. Audited financial statements for last 3 years	Audited financial statement for 2015, 2016 and 2017.
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS	
18. Name of official inviting tender	Md. Ferdoush Ali Chowdhury.
19. Designation of official inviting tender	AIG (Welfare Trust), Police HQ, Dhaka.
20. Address of official inviting tender	Bangladesh Police Kallyan Trust, Main Building (4th Floor), Police Headquarters, 6, Phoenix Road, Fullbaria, Dhaka.
21. Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel: 55101693 Fax: 55101683 aigw@police.gov.bd
22. Appropriate authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs.	AIG (Welfare Trust) Bangladesh Police Kallyan Trust Police Headquarters, Dhaka