



A street vendor sells pomelo (large citrus fruit known locally as jambura) in Ambarkhana-Darshan Dewri area of Sylhet city. With high pomelo production in Sylhet this year, each fruit is being sold for between Tk 20 to Tk 60, making it a lucrative option for buyers, while sellers are also making profit from good number of sales. The photo was taken recently.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

BUDDHIST TEMPLE DESTRUCTION Probarana celebration muted in Khagrachhari

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

Protesting the attack on Buddhist temple in Kukichhara, the Yongdha Buddha Bihar of Khagrachhari town yesterday suspended some celebrations of Probarana Purnima.

Mahendha Mahathero, a senior monk at the century-old temple, said they did not observe lighting of candles, floating clay lamps in the river, and flying sky lanterns as traditional observances.

However, some programmes took place in the morning, as the decision was taken in the afternoon, he said.

"The holy Probarana Purnima is a happy day for the Buddhist community. We don't have words to protest the brutal attack," he added.

Neong Marma, convener of Probarana Purnima Udjapon Committee at the temple, said they supported the decision made by monks.

Miscreants vandalised Jatobon Buddhist Temple and a seven-foot Buddha statue at Kukichhara village in Guimara upazila on Monday night, a day before the Probarana Purnima, one of the biggest religious occasions of Buddhists.

Panic gripped local Buddhists who were taking preparations to celebrate the religious festival.

Kala Marma, a member of Hafchhari Union Parishad in Guimara, said local public representatives and government officials including Kongjari Chowdhury, chairman of Khagrachhari Hill District Council, yesterday held a meeting with locals in Kukichhara over the incident.

Meanwhile, Chattogram Hill Tracts Commission yesterday condemned the "barbaric" incident, and demanded that the perpetrators be identified and brought to book immediately.

In a statement, it urged the government to form a fair and impartial body to probe the incident.

N'GANJ 4-MURDER

Found microbus had been stolen: police

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Narayanganj

The microbus which was recovered with four bullet-hit bodies in Narayanganj recently had been stolen four days beforehand, police claimed yesterday.

A general dairy (GD) was also filed regarding the theft with Rampura Police Station in Dhaka, said Monirul Islam, assistant superintendent of police (administration) of Narayanganj.

That same evening some plainclothes men allegedly picked up three of the four from Purinda area in Narayanganj's Araihaaz, according to family members.

The four bodies were found beside the road in Araihaaz upazila on Sunday. They all bore bullet wounds in the back of their heads from a shotgun fired at close range, say autopsy reports.

The four are Faruk Hossain, 35, his friends Jahirul Islam, 24, and Sabuj Sarder, 24, of Pabna Sadar upazila and microbus driver Lutfor Mollah. Another youth, Liton Hossain, was also picked up, claimed family members. He is still missing.

ASP Monirul Islam said a smart registration card of the microbus was found inside the vehicle. The card bears the name of one Rafique.

Officer-in-Charge of Araihaaz Police

Station M Abdul Haq said microbus owner Rafique once called him to report the missing car. When police contacted him later, Rafique said the vehicle was stolen on October 17, and he filed a GD on October 19, the OC said, adding the phone has been found switched off since then.

Reshma Akter, wife of microbus driver Lutfor, said her husband left their Rampura home with the vehicle around 6:00pm on Friday. When she did not hear from him till 1:00am on Saturday, she filed a GD with Rampura Police Station later that day, she said.

Families claimed that the four were arrested by people identifying themselves as police.

Meanwhile, police formed a three-member committee, led by Additional Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Abu Kalam Siddique of Dhaka Range, to investigate the "negative news reports" published in newspapers regarding the deaths of the four "unidentified" men.

The committee was asked to submit an "objective report", according to an order signed by Chowdhury Abdullah Al Mamun, DIG, Dhaka Range.

Quoting family members, the media reported that four youths were picked up by plainclothes police and that the wife of one of the deceased men met him in police custody before they were found dead.

2 killed, 30 hurt as bus veers off road 4 more die in road crashes

STAR REPORT

A bus fell into a ditch while allegedly racing another in Rangpur's Pirganj upazila on Tuesday night, killing two people and injuring at least 30 others.

Swaraj Chandra, officer-in-charge (OC) of Pirganj Police Station said a Dhaka-bound bus of United Paribahan hit a bus of GR Paribahan before skidding off the road, killing one person on spot and injuring 31 passengers. Another victim succumbed to his injuries on the way hospital, he said, adding that others were being treated in different hospitals in Rangpur.

In Bogura, a three-year-old boy died after being hit by a human-hauler in Sariakandi upazila yesterday, reports our correspondent. Police said a case was filed.

In Joypurhat, Gopal Chandra, 67, died after being hit by a three-wheeler in Akkelpur upazila on Tuesday, local police said.

Meanwhile, two people were killed as a speeding bus hit their motorbike in Santhia upazila of Dhaka-Pabna highway on Tuesday. The accident took place at Rajapur rail gate area, said OC of Santhia Police Station. Another passenger was injured in the incident.

NEWSIN brief

Pilots' association gets new body

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Captain Mahbubur Rahman and Captain Sayed Nazmul Hasan were elected president and general secretary respectively to the Bangladesh Airlines Pilots' Association for 2018-19, says a press release.

The Mahbub-Nazmul panel secured all nine posts of the executive committee in the polls, held on October 21.

Captain Sajedul Haque, Captain Imamul Islam and First Officer Sadat Jamil were elected executive members of the new committee.

Dudh Meher passes away

CITY DESK

Dudh Meher, mother of Md Salahuddin Shamim, general secretary of Adabor Thana Awami League (Dhaka Mahanagar North), passed away yesterday, said a press release. She was 80.

Her namaz-e-janaza will be held after Juma prayers tomorrow at Adabor Central Jame Masjid.



Mahbubur



Nazmul

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auto-rickshaw late at night, went viral on social media, triggering outrage.

Such behaviour of policemen, who are responsible for citizen's safety and security, is unacceptable, rights body Ain o Salish Kendra said in a press statement.

Another statement by Bangladesh Mahila Parishad president Ayesha Khanam and General Secretary Maleka Banu demanded punishment for the involved policemen through proper investigation, and ensuring safety and security to the woman and her family.

বাংলাদেশ লোক-প্রশাসন প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্র			
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Website: www.bpatc.org.bd		তারিখ: কার্তিক, ১৪২৫ অক্টোবর, ২০১৮	
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দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি			
১। সংস্থার নাম	: বাংলাদেশ লোক-প্রশাসন প্রশিক্ষণ কেন্দ্র, সাতার, ঢাকা-১৩৪৩		
২। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং	: ০৩/২০১৮-১৯		
৩। মালিক/কাজের নাম ও বিবরণ	: ক্রমিক ১৫ এর তালিকা অনুযায়ী		
৪। দরপত্র সিডিউলের নাম	: এ		
৫। দরপত্র সিডিউলের তারিখ	: এ		
৬। কার্য সম্পাদনের সময়	: এ		
৭। দরপত্রদাতা/প্রকল্পের যোগ্যতা	: এ		
৮। বাজেট এবং অর্থের উৎস	: "বিপিএটিসি"র আন্তর্জাতিক প্রশিক্ষণ কর্মসূচির উর্ধ্বমুখী সম্প্রসারণ" শীর্ষক প্রকল্পের অর্থ		
৯। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তির স্থান	: উপ প্রকল্প পরিচালক, "বিপিএটিসি"র আন্তর্জাতিক প্রশিক্ষণ কর্মসূচির উর্ধ্বমুখী সম্প্রসারণ" শীর্ষক প্রকল্প, বিপিএটিসি, সাতার, ঢাকা		
১০। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তির সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	: অত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি প্রকাশের প্রকাশের তারিখ হতে আগামী ১৫/১১/২০১৮ তারিখ (অক্টোবর চলাকালীন) পর্যন্ত		
১১। দরপত্র দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	: ১৮/১১/২০১৮ তারিখ বেলা ২:০০ টা পর্যন্ত		
১২। দরপত্র দাখিলের স্থান	: প্রকল্প পরিচালক এর অফিস কক্ষ, রেক্টর ভবন (নীচ তলা), বিপিএটিসি, সাতার, ঢাকা		
১৩। দরপত্র প্রাপ্তির স্থান তারিখ ও সময়	: পরিচালক (প্রশাসন) সাক্ষরন কক্ষ (সেলনচাচা), বিপিএটিসি, সাতার, ঢাকা ১৮/১১/২০১৮ বিকাল ০৩:০০ টা		
১৪। Pre-Tender Meeting এর স্থান, তারিখ ও সময়	: প্রয়োজ্য নয়		
১৫। দরপত্র পাকেজ/আইটেমের নাম	:		
প্যাঃ নং	মালিক/কাজের বিবরণ	সিডিউলের মূল্য (অফার/অনুমান)	দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য (ফেরত/অনুমান)
১	Sound system equipment's and accessories	৩,০০০/=	৯০,০০০/= (নব্বই হাজার)
			৩০ (ত্রিশ) দিন
সংশ্লিষ্ট মালিক/সরকার/প্রকল্পের প্রতিনিধি			
১৬। দরপত্রদাতার অন্যান্য যোগ্যতা ও দরপত্র দাখিলের শর্তাবলী টেন্ডার সিডিউলে বর্ণিত থাকবে।			
১৭। কেন্দ্রের ওয়েবসাইট www.bpatc.org.bd এ উল্লিখিত দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি পাওয়া যাবে।			
১৮। কার্য দর্শনো ব্যতিরেকে প্রকল্প কর্তৃপক্ষ সকল দরপত্র/প্রস্তাব বিজ্ঞপ্তি সংশোধন/বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।			
১৯। ক্রমিকার্যের সকল পর্যায়ে পিপিএ-২০০৬ ও পিপিআর-২০০৮ এর সর্বশেষ নির্দেশনা অনুসরণ করা হবে।			
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Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology, Dhaka-1000			
e-Tender Notice			
CE/Tender Notice-No-07/18-19 (25-28)/E-229		Date: 24.10.18	
e-Tender is invited and published in the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) for following procurement.			
Tender/Re-Tender ID	Tender name	Tender document last selling/downloading date and time	Closing & opening date & time
Re-Tender 228654	Sanitary Modification of Chattri Hall Toilet Block 3 & 4 From Ground to 3rd Floor C.I with PVC.	11-Nov-2018 16:00	12-Nov-2018 14:30
234724	Re-Construction Work of Damage Railing and Lintels of Verandah at Titumir Hall and Out Side Painting of North South & Common Block.		12-Nov-2018 14:40
Re-Tender 236808	Out Side Plaster Work using Damp Proofing Material of Building No. 21 & 22 Top Floor Sunshade Top of Dhakeswari R/A.	11-Nov-2018 16:00	12-Nov-2018 14:50
238703	High & Low Bench in Gallery Class Room No. 307 of Civil Bhaban 2nd Floor.	11-Nov-2018 16:00	12-Nov-2018 15:00
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 Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branches.			
Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).			
Engr. Md. Nurul Momen Chief Engineer			
GD-2467			

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh				
Office of the Divisional Engineer/2 Bangladesh Railway, Dhaka				
Memo No. 54.01.2673.208.04.133.17			Date: 18-10-2018	
e-Tender Notice (Open Tender Method)				
e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP Portal for following procurement. Interested tenderers are requested to visit http://www.eprocure.gov.bd website for details.				
Sl No.	Tender ID, Ref. No. & Package No.	Name of works	Last selling date and time	Tender closing date & time
01	Tender ID-236310 Ref. BR/DA-2/WK/REV/18-19/17 Package No. DA-2/e-GP/18-19/17	At MIZ station: Thorough repairs and face lifting works of MIZ station building with other allied works.	04-11-2018 10:30am	04-11-2018 12:30pm
This is an online tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted.				
All Railway tenderer are requested to register in e-GP.				
Md. Ahsan Jabir Divisional Engineer/2 Bangladesh Railway, Dhak0061				
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Half of world's Irrawaddy dolphins in Bangladesh: survey

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Sundarbans and its adjacent areas are one of the major sanctuaries of two globally-endangered river dolphins, Ganges River Dolphin and Irrawaddy Dolphin, an ongoing survey has found.

Six hotspots and some semi-hotspots of the two species of dolphins have already been identified there. The hotspots and semi-hotspots cover an area of around 982 square kilometres.

Findings of the survey, which will be concluded in 2019, were shared at the inauguration ceremony of International Freshwater Dolphin Day yesterday, at Liberation War Museum in Dhaka. Forest Department, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) jointly conducted the survey under a project titled "Expanding the Protected Area System to Incorporate Important Aquatic Ecosystem (EPASIAE)".

ABM Sarowar Alam, project manager of IUCN and a researcher of the survey, told The Daily Star that the Irrawaddy dolphins are in better conditions in Bangladesh than any other parts of the world.

"Irrawaddy dolphins are critically endangered. Their global population is around 7,000, and at least half of them are currently living in the country, which is remarkable," said Sarowar.

Monirul H Khan, a professor of Jahangirnagar University who led the survey, said dolphins are threatened here, but they could survive as the country has many estuarine and sufficient fish to eat in rivers.

Incidental killing by fishing nets, poison fishing, decrease of freshwater flow and siltation are major threats to dolphins, he said.

The survey also found that seven species of dolphin currently inhabit Bangladesh. Apart from the aforementioned two, the other species are found in Bay of Bengal.

Environment Minister Anisul Islam Mahmud and Deputy Minister Abdullah Al Islam Jacob also spoke at the event.

Labour bill passed at JS

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leave within three days of informing the authorities. If the factory authorities do not allow her to go on leave, they will be fined Tk 25,000.

Besides, if a worker works during any festival, they will get a one-day leave and wage for two days after the festival. Both owners and workers will be sentenced to one-year jail with a fine of Tk 10,000 for misconduct, which was two years in the previous law.

In case of natural death, family of the worker concerned will get Tk 2 lakh as compensation, which was Tk 1 lakh in the previous law. In case of injury, compensation will be Tk 2.5 lakh, which is currently Tk 1.25 lakh.

The support of 51 percent workers is needed (against present two-thirds of total workers) to call a strike. Illegal enforcement of strike will also be considered misconduct.

If anyone is found to be a member of multiple trade unions simultaneously, they will be sentenced to one month's imprisonment, which was six months in the previous law.

Bangladesh Telecommunications Company Limited			
Office of the Project Director			
Installation of Optical Fiber Cable Network at all Govt. College/University and Training Institute Project			
Telegajogaj Bhaban, 37/E, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000			
No. 14.33.0000.399.06.07.2018.13		Date: 23.10.2018	
Invitation for Local Tenders			
1	Ministry/division	Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology.	
2	Agency	Bangladesh Telecommunication Company Limited (BTCL).	
3	Procuring entity name	Project Director.	
4	Procuring entity code	N/A	
5	Procuring entity district	Dhaka.	
6	Invitation for	Tender	Works
7	Invitation Ref No.	14.33.0000.399.06.07.2018.13	
8	Date	23.10.2018	
KEY INFORMATION			
9	Procurement method	OTM.	
FUNDING INFORMATION			
10	Budget and source of funds	GoB.	
11	Development partners (if applicable)	None.	
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
12	Project/programme code		
13	Project/programme name	Installation of Optical Fiber Cable Network at all Govt. College/University and Training Institute.	
14	Tender package No.	01-OSP Part.	
15	Tender package name	Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Optical Fiber OSP for Optical Fiber Cable Network Development in all Government College/University and Training Institutes throughout the country on Full Turn-key Basis.	
16	Tender publication date	24/10/2018.	
17	Tender last selling date	22/11/2018 during office hour (9am-5pm)	
18	Tender closing date and time	25/11/2018 at 12.00 noon.	
19	Tender opening date and time	25/11/2018 at 14.30pm.	
20	Name & address of the office(s)	Office of the Project Director, Telegajogaj Bhaban, 7th Floor, 37/E, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000.	
	Selling tender document (principal)	Office of the Project Director, Telegajogaj Bhaban, 7th Floor, 37/E, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000.	
	Selling tender document (others)	Not applicable.	
	Receiving tender document	Office of the Project Director, Telegajogaj Bhaban, 7th Floor, 37/E, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000.	
	Opening tender document		
21	Place	BTCL Conference Room, Telegajogaj Bhaban, 2nd Floor, 37/E, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000.	
	Pre-tender meeting	18/11/2018 at 10am.	
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
22	Eligibility of tenderer	All national eligible bidders having experience and other requirements as per conditions of tender document.	
23	Brief description of goods or works	As per tender document.	
	Pulling Overhead OFC, Trench cutting (Open/HDD), HDPE & laying OFC, Construction of Hand-Hole, OFC splicing/termination etc.		
24	Brief description of related services		
25	Price of tender document (Tk.)	10,000/- (ten thousand Taka only) (not refundable).	
26	Lot No.	Identification of lot	Location
	1	Lot-1	178 sites of Dhaka & Mymensingh Division
	2	Lot-2	235 sites of Barishal, Chittagong, & Khulna Division.
	3	Lot-3	174 sites of Rajshahi, Rangpur & Sylhet Division.
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
27	Name of official inviting tender	Md Aminur Rahman.	
28	Designation of official inviting tender	Project Director.	
29	Address of official inviting tender	Office of the Project Director, Telegajogaj Bhaban, 7th Floor, 37/E, Eskaton Garden, Dhaka-1000.	
30	Contact details of official inviting tender	1550151202	9320326
		aminur1966@gmail.com www.btcl.gov.bd	
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.		
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Md Aminur Rahman Project Director			