

WEATHER
FORECAST

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES	DHAKA H 24.2 L 15.1	MYMENSINGH H 25.0 L 11.3	CHATTOTGRAM H 25.0 L 14.0	SYLHET H 26.5 L 14.2	RAJSHAHI H 23.6 L 06.7	RANGPUR H 24.2 L 10.4	KHULNA H 23.5 L 10.0	BARISHAL H 24.5 L 09.2	COX'S BAZAR H 25.7 L 16.0
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Weather may remain dry with temporary partly cloudy sky over the country in next 24 hours till 6:00pm today, UNB said quoting the Met office. Light to moderate fog may occur at places over the country during late night to morning. The sun sets in the capital today at 05:20pm and rises tomorrow at 6:40am.



Election materials have already arrived at the temporary office of Election Commission in Chattogram, which has been set up at the gymnasium near MA Aziz Stadium. Before dispatching them to the polling centres, employees neatly arrange the accessories like paper, ink and stamp pads on the floor to pack them in jute sacks. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

We are contesting against govt, not party: Amir Khasru

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The government is implementing an "election project" and staging drama at regular intervals, BNP Standing Committee Member Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury said yesterday. He made the comment during a press conference at his residence in the port city. Asked about a recent survey, which said ruling Awami League may win 248 seats in the election, Amir Khasru said all attacks and arrests of opposition men are pre-planned and part of the government's "election project." "The government has set all of this earlier..." the BNP leader alleged. The BNP leader said the prime minister and other AL leaders in their electioneering have alleged that BNP will use money to influence the polls. "From where will we get money? Everybody knows who has the money and where it has been deposited," he added. Rejecting AL's allegations that BNP will publish fake ballot papers, Khasru said ballot papers are published in government press.

"As AL is spreading these propaganda, we doubt whether they have already planned to stage another drama with ballots," he added. Stating that there is no level playing field in the 11th national election, Amir Khasru said they are contesting polls against the government instead of a political party. "It looks as if the government has nominated candidates to run the electoral race," he said. Amir Khasru said that the upcoming election is undemocratic, because their opposition is the government. "We were capable of contesting polls politically if our opposition was a political party. But when the opposition is government, how can anyone contest against it?" The BNP leader said all government institutions including administration and law enforcement agencies are being used in favour of the government, claiming that mothers of three local BNP leaders died of cardiac arrest recently, after police stormed their houses.

Ctg AL leaders assure of cooperation for fair polls

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Chattogram

Awami League (AL) leaders in Chattogram, as well as candidates of AL-led alliance in different constituencies in the city assured of extending all cooperation to ensure a free, fair and peaceful election on December 30. They were addressing a views-exchange meeting with journalists, organised by Chattogram city unit AL at Bangabandhu Hall in Chattogram Press Club yesterday. "The elections will be held in a free, fair and peaceful manner... all voters in the city would be able to exercise their franchise without fear... we will cooperate," said AJM Nasir Uddin, general secretary of Chattogram city unit AL as well as the mayor of Chattogram City Corporation. Grand alliance candidates of five constituencies -- located fully or partly in the city -- were present at the meeting. Nasir elaborated on the development work done by the AL-led government in the last ten years in the port city as well as ongoing ones, and urged voters to vote for the

grand alliance candidates for continuity of the AL government. Nasir denied allegations by BNP of hindering their electoral campaigns. "In Chattogram, all candidates are conducting their campaign freely and in a cordial atmosphere," he said, adding, "However, some sporadic incidents occurred which should not be counted, as in our culture of polls in this subcontinent, such sporadic incidents is common phenomenon." Replying to a question, Chattogram-8 candidate Main Uddin Khan Badal, also executive president of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal, said a new bridge on the River Karnaphuli in Kalurghat area must be built. "The project is now in the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council," he said, adding, "If work on building the bridge does not start in one year after me being elected, I would resign." Replying to a query, Anisul Islam Mahmud, Jatiya Party presidium member as well as the candidate of the alliance

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BARISHAL DISTRICT New jobs big concern of first-time voters

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barishal

A party with the prospect of creating more jobs will be on the minds of the first-time voters in Barishal district when they go to polling centres this Sunday. In the six constituencies of the district, the number of voters has increased to 17,78,585, among whom about 14 percent or 2.5 lakh were not eligible to vote in the previous national election. While speaking with this correspondent, several new voters shared their thoughts on the party or candidate they might consider to vote for. Barishal University student Munmun, a 20-year-old, said she was enthusiastic about exercising her right to vote for the first time. "The party that will create new jobs for the youth will get my support," she said. Many of the new voters said they were reviewing electoral manifestos of different political parties to find out whether any particular party has promised to address their concern for jobs. "We want more jobs. We want the [newly elected] government to have a vision and create more jobs for us," said Tahira, an honours student at Govt BM College in Barishal. Nazmul Alam Ovi, a teacher at a private college, said a

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British envoy meets candidates in Sylhet

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

British High Commissioner to Bangladesh Alison Blake has said the high commission wishes to see a peaceful, free and inclusive election. She was speaking to journalists after meeting two candidates in Sylhet-1 constituency yesterday afternoon. On a short visit to Sylhet, Blake spoke with AL candidate AK Abdul Momen and BNP's Khandakar Abdul Mukhtar. The high commissioner said, "Both I and many of our international partners wish to see a peaceful, free and inclusive election in which all the parties can campaign freely, their supporters can mobilise, and voters can vote." "The UK and many other countries are funding up to 5,000 domestic observers who will be covering 114 constituencies... we want the best possible election process where people can vote without intimidation, violence and hindrance," Blake said. "As the British high commissioner, I can see a tiny fraction of what is happening but these observers will enable people to feel confident that the process is being properly scrutinised." About the discussion, Abdul Momen said, "We discussed the electoral environment and how festive we are all feeling." Khandakar Abdul Mukhtar said, "I described how we are being oppressed by the ruling party during campaign."

All fine and dandy!

Ctg RO's reports conceal incidents of violence

MOSTAFA YOUSUF, Chattogram

Sayed Mohammed Ibrahim, candidate of Jatiya Oikyafront from Hathazari (Chattogram-5) came under attack on Wednesday afternoon, while he was campaigning at Forhadabad area of the upazila. At least seven people, including a woman, were injured in the attack, while five vehicles were vandalised. Ibrahim said after being confined by ruling party men, he called up the assistant returning officer of Hathazari upazila, who later sent BGB personnel to rescue him. But the daily report sent by Returning Officer Elias Hossen to Election Commission for the day (December 26), has no mention of the incident, saying instead that a peaceful environment was prevailing in the constituency. This was not the first instance of violence being unreported. This news-

paper has obtained copies of a few other daily reports where such discrepancies can be seen. On December 15, at least 10 persons including Omar Faruk Sunny, son of BNP-led alliance candidate Oli Ahmed, was attacked at Keochiya union of Satkania upazila (Chattogram-14). The report sent by RO for that day skipped over the incident in the same fashion, and claimed the situation to be peaceful and stable. According to police sources, at least 24 persons sustained pellet injuries during an attack on the rally of Jatiya Party candidate Mahmudul Islam Chowdhury (Chattogram-16) at Chambol area of Banskhali upazila on December 21. The RO's report, however says six persons sustained stray bullets in the incident. Two electoral camps

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Three killed in road accidents

STAR REPORT

Three people were killed in road accidents in two districts yesterday, according to reports from our correspondents. In Kurigram, two helpers of a truck driver died after the vehicle flipped over in Rajibpur area. Julhash Ali, 26, and Bachchu Mia, 27, from Dewanganj area in Jamalpur, had died before they were taken to Rajibpur Upazila Health Complex, said doctors. The accident took place as the truck loaded with bricks skilled off a road, said locals. In Joypurhat, a motorcyclist was killed as his bike and a battery-run auto-rickshaw collided head-on in Sadar upazila. The deceased, Hamidul Alam, 52, was from Khanjanpur area in Joypurhat town. The accident occurred on Joypurhat-Bogura highway while he was going to Kalai upazila from Joypurhat, said locals.

Prof Enamul Huq Khan no more

JU CORRESPONDENT

Prof Enamul Huq Khan, a former pro-vice chancellor of Jahangirnagar University, died of cancer at a Dhaka hospital yesterday. He was 69. He left behind his wife, two sons and a host of relatives and well-wishers to mourn his death. Dr Enamul Huq was JU pro-VC from October 2, 2003 to 2007. His father Dr Sirazul Huq Khan, a professor of Dhaka University, embraced martyrdom during the 1971 Liberation War. Enamul Huq will be buried at the Mirpur Martyred Intellectuals' Graveyard after a namaz-e-janaza at a Khilgaon mosque near his residence. JU VC Prof Farzana Islam expressed profound shock at the death.

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Date: 27-12-2018

e-Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>). Package information is available in tender notice under e-GP System Portal. 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 bank's branches. Detailed Name of Work, Package No., Tender ID, Tender Price and Tender Security are as follow:

SI No.	Name of work	Package No.	Tender ID	Tender price	Tender security	Closing date and time
01	Up gradation and Renovation of District Hospital at Rangamati (Construction of New Building). Sub Head: Construction of 3 storied Hospital building from 100 bed to 250 bed including semi basement with 11 storied foundation at Rangamati Sadar Hospital including internal sanitary and internal electrification works	SE/PWD/RANGA/EGP/OTM-01 of 2018-2019	266772	Tk. 4000/-	Tk. 42,00,000/-	28-Jan-2019 12:30

Further information and guidelines is available in the e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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Date: 23/12/2018

Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for

Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Modern Real-Time Web Based Online Centralized Toll Collection System and related Services including Collection of Toll and Operation & Maintenance (O&M) of Toll and Repair of 2 Nos. existing Weigh Scale System including (O&M) for 5 years of 6th Bangladesh-China Friendship Bridge (Mukterpur Bridge).

Ministry/division	: Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges/Bridge Division.
Agency	: Bangladesh Bridge Authority (BBA).
Procuring entity name	: Chief Engineer, BBA.
Procuring entity district	: Dhaka.
EOI for selection	: Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Operator, Time Based Contract.
Title of services	: Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Modern Real-Time Based Online Centralized Toll Collection System and related Services including Collection of Toll and Operation & Maintenance (O&M) of Toll and Repair of 2 Nos. existing Weigh Scale System including (O&M) for 5 years of 6 th Bangladesh-China Friendship Bridge (Mukterpur Bridge).
EOI Ref. No.	: 50.01.0000.148.11.001.18-827
Date	: 23/12/2018
Procurement method	: Quality & Cost Based Selection (QCBS).
Source of fund	: Government of Bangladesh, own funds.
Project name	: Section of Firm/Service Provider for Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Modern Real-Time Web Based Online Centralized Toll Collection System and related Services including Collection of Toll and Operation & Maintenance (O&M) of Toll and Repair of 2 Nos. existing Weigh Scale System including (O&M) for 5 years at 6 th Bangladesh-China Friendship Bridge (Mukterpur Bridge).
EOI closing/submission date & time	: 21 January 2019.
EOI submission place	: Chief Engineer's Room (Room No. 405), 3 rd Floor, Setu Bhaban, Banani, Dhaka.
Brief description of assignment and project	: The scope of works is a) Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Modern Real-Time Web Based Online Centralized Toll Collection System and related all Services (Hardware). b) Collection of Toll and deposit in the designated Bank Account of BBA. c) Operation & Maintenance (O&M) of the Toll Management System for 5 (five) years. d) Repair of 2 Nos. existing Weigh Scale System including Operation & Maintenance (O&M) for 5 (five) years to control overloaded vehicles. e) Operation & Maintenance (O&M) of 6 th Bangladesh-China Friendship Bridge for 5 (five) years.
Experience, resources and delivery capacity required	: a) Background of the firm(s) with general and overall experience including company's brochure. b) Availability of appropriate skills staff (list of relevant professional staff, their qualification and experience). c) Experience: Having experience of 1 (one) completed similar works within last 5 years in the tune of taka BDT 15.00 (fifteen) crore or equivalent in a single contract. This shall be supported by authenticated completion certificate issued by the competent concerned authority. d) Availability of resource and demonstration of capacity to carry out such assignment. e) Company's incorporation certificate, trade license, VAT registration certificate, Income Tax certificate, bank solvency certificate, audit report/turnover report of the company.
Other details	: Submission of EOI should be in hard bound form bearing the name and address of the EOI No. & date and be addressed to the EOI issuing Authority. The EOI shall be submitted in one original and one copy duly marked as 'ORIGINAL' and/or 'COPY' in two separate sealed envelopes. Both these envelopes shall then be placed in a cover envelope duly marking the name and address of the EOI No. & date and be addressed to the EOI issuing Authority. The Page No. of the EOI shall be marked serially on every page. The EOI submitted either in loose form of spiral binding shall not be entertained.
Association with other firm	: a) Interested firms may associate with other firms (Domestic or International) to enhance their qualifications but should mention whether the association is in the form of 'Joint Venture (JV)' or 'Sub-Contractor/Sub-Consultancy'. In case of association with other firm(s) all members of such "association" shall have real and well defined input of assignment. b) In addition to the above the JV shall have to comply with the experience mentioned in "Experience, Resources and Delivery Capacity required" collectively. c) The experience of the "Sub-Contractor/Sub-Consultants" will not be considered for evaluation. d) Not more than three joint venture partners (including the lead partner) shall be allowed to form a JV for submission of their interest under the EOI. e) In case of JV the authorized representative shall be from the lead partner.
Name of official inviting EOI	: Kabir Ahmed.
Designation of official inviting EOI	: Chief Engineer, BBA.
Address of official inviting EOI	: Chief Engineer's Room (Room No. 405), 3 rd Floor, Setu Bhaban, Banani, Dhaka.
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The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOI's without assigning any reason whatsoever.	

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