



The Department of Environment demolishes an illegal brick kiln in Babuganj area of Barishal on Sunday. PHOTO: COLLECTED

Harnessing the Indo-Pacific

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long-term growth and stability,” said the ambassador.

“Bangladesh shares our goals of building a more prosperous, secure and inter-connected region, and with its strategic location and fast-growing economy, it is poised to play a central role in the Indo-Pacific.”

The US ambassador said countries must do their part by creating conditions that welcome private investment, and allow it to flow to productive enterprises in their economies. “Roll out the red carpet, not red tape.”

Mentioning a perception that the IPS is just an attempt by the US to contain China, he said the US vision for a free and open Indo-Pacific excludes no nation.

“We do not ask anyone to choose between the United States and China. Our vision is not about matching China dollar-for-dollar or creating our vision of the Belt and Road Initiative,” he said adding “Belt and Road is China’s way of doing things. Our focus is on helping the private sector do what it does best: spark economic growth, innovation, and long-lasting prosperity.”

Miller said like the US, China is an Indo-Pacific country and the United States welcome China’s constructive participation in upholding an international system based on clear and transparent rules.

The US ambassador said it is estimated that the region requires about US \$26 trillion in infrastructure development by 2030, which cannot be provided by one country, and most of it is going to have to come from the private sector.

“...Values that we share with the USA are universal values that we try to project: democracy, rule of law, human rights, justice. In big words, this is what every human being actually wants,” said German Ambassador Peter Fahrenholtz.

Shamim Ahmed said the Indo-Pacific is still at formative level, and it is difficult to say at this moment how it is going to build up.

BIMSTEC Secretary General M Shahidul Islam said member states of BIMSTEC would be very happy to be part of Indo-Pacific Strategy, but they really need to wait and see how things happen.

Parvez Karim Abbasi, Assistant Professor at Department of Economics of East West University, said a major component of IPS is geo-economic aspects. “As we develop our blue economy concept, we must analyse this to take the best benefit for our nation.”

33 brick kilns fined in two months

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barishal

Thirty-three brick kilns across Barishal division were fined Tk 15,55,000 by the Department of Environment (DoE) in the last two months.

The authorities also filed 31 cases and sentenced two persons to three months in jail for setting up brick kilns without obtaining environmental clearances and using illegal methods that pollute the environment, said Abdul Halim, director of DoE in Barishal.

In January this year, six brick kilns were fined Tk 1,90,000 and in February 27 ones were fined Tk 13,65,000, DoE sources said.

At least 103 out of total 245 brick kilns in six districts of Barishal division are being operated illegally, according to DoE sources.

BSMMU doctors

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present on the occasion.

Quader was taken to Singapore in the afternoon by an air ambulance after Dr Shetty gave the “go-ahead” to move him after examination.

Quader’s blood pressure has improved and diabetes is under control, he said at a briefing at BSMMU where the Awami League leader was admitted on Sunday with blockages in three coronary arteries.

Dr Shetty further said Quader’s condition is better than before but he is not out of danger.

Education

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development and more innovative startups in the sector.

“Unfortunately our education system is not effective. It can hardly enlighten a person or help create positive change-makers,” he added.

AKM Fahim Mashroor, founder of bdjobs.com and ajkerdeal.com, said that every year at least three lakh people graduate but many of them remain unemployed. “These educated people can get involved in education start-ups,” he said.

Unicef Senior Education Advisor Chowdhury Mufad Ahmed, Prothom Alo Associate Editor Abdul Quaiyum and others also spoke at the programme moderated by Center for Educational Research Convener Munir Hasan.

Govt to develop

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yesterday there are 40,191 shrines, temples, holy places and cremation grounds across the country.

They have selected 1,812 temples and religious establishments following recommendations of the trustees of HRWT and local representatives.

The government last year took a project to build 560 model mosques in district and upazila towns across the country, spending Tk 8,722 crore from its own resources.

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Providing

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Development Through Self-Reliance’ project since August 2018. Through WLCC, it will provide extended vocational training to women and girls at the centre with an initial focus on tailoring.

“Women and teenage girls in refugee and host communities generally have very few opportunities to become self-sufficient. This is a concern for WFP as they often bear the brunt of food insecurity at the household level, and have less to eat as access to food is difficult,” said Richard Ragan of WFP Bangladesh.

The WLCCs are additions to the 20 ‘UNFPA Women Friendly Spaces’ in the camps, which have reached over 1,35,000 women and girls -- providing them access to midwifery and other services for protection and empowerment.

Picnic microbus

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Chittagong Port yesterday.

The victim -- Nizam Uddin, 31, from Kutubdia upazila in Cox’s Bazar -- was talking rest, Bandar Police Station Officer-in-Charge Mohiuddin Mahmud quoted port sources as saying.

He was declared dead at Chattogram Medical College Hospital.

In Gopalganj, a biker was killed and his co-rider injured as the motorbike hit a roadside tree in Raghunathpur area of Sadar upazila on Sunday night.

Tariqul Islam, 23, from the town’s Nichupara area, was declared dead at Gopalganj General Hospital.

The accident occurred as Tariqul lost his control over the motorcycle, said Monirul Islam, officer-in-charge of Sadar Police Station.

Dikjoy Hira, 23, from the same area, was undergoing treatment at the hospital, said the OC.

[Our correspondents from Jamalpur, Chattogram and Faridpur contributed to the report]

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**Executive Development Center
Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP)
East West University
Invitation for Re-Tender**

1	Ministry/Division	Skills for Employment Investment Program, Ministry of Finance							
2	Agency	Executive Development Center, East West University							
3	Procuring Entity Name	Executive Development Center, Skills for Employment Investment Program, East West University							
4	Procuring Entity Code	N/A							
5	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka							
6	Invitation for	Package No.GD (a) Procurement of IT Items							
7	Invitation Ref No	EWU/EDC-SEIP/2018-2019/GD(a)							
8	Date	05/03/2019							
KEY INFORMATION									
9	Procurement Method	Open Tendering (National)							
FUNDING INFORMATION									
10	Budget and Source of Funds	Government of Bangladesh and ADB							
11	Development Partners (if applicable)	Asian Development Bank and Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)							
PARTICULAR INFORMATION									
12	Project / Program Code (if applicable)	N/A							
13	Project / Program Name (if applicable)	Executive Development Center, Skills for Employment Investment Program, East West University							
14	Tender Package No.	GD (a)							
15	Tender Package Name	GD (a) Procurement of IT Items							
	Date								
16	Tender Publication Date	05/03/2019							
17	Tender Last Selling Date	07/04/2019, Time: 5:00 P.M							
	Date	Time							
18	Tender Closing Date and Time	08/04/2019 2.30 P.M							
19	Tender Opening Date and Time	08/04/2019 3.00 PM							
20	Name & Address of the office(s)	Address							
	- Selling Tender Document	Accounts Officer Executive Development Center (EDC), Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP), East West University Address: Room # 269, Block # D, 1st Floor, Plot No. A/2, Jahurul Islam City, Aftabnagar, Dhaka-1212							
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	- Receiving Tender Document	Room # 269, Block # D, 1st Floor, EDC, SEIP, EWU							
	- Opening Tender Document	Room # 418, Block # B, 3 rd Floor, EDC, SEIP, EWU by Tender Opening Committee							
21	Place / Date / Time of								
	Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)	Date Time							
		N/A N/A							
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER									
22	Eligibility of Tenderer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Tenderer should be from ADB-member countries as listed in Section 9 of the tender document.• The Tenderer shall have Updated Trade license/certificate of incorporation, VAT registration and Income Tax Certificate.• The Tenderer shall not be insolvent, bankrupt or in receivership and shall not be debarred for entering into contract.• The Tenderer shall not be debarred for Fraudulent, collusive, coercive and corrupt practices and for supply of defective goods.• Other eligibility criteria as stated in the Tender document.							
23	Brief Description of Goods or Works	GD (a) IT Items (Laptop, Desktop Computer, Printer, Overhead Projector, Pointer)							
24	Brief Description of Related Services	None							
25	Price of Tender Document (Taka)	300.00							
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS									
27	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Professor Dr. Tanbir Ahmed Chowdhury							
28	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Director, EDC-SEIP, EWU							
29	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Executive Development Center, Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP), East West University Address: Room # 269, Block # D, 1st Floor, Plot No. A/2, Jahurul Islam City, Aftabnagar, Dhaka-1212							
30	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Mobile: 01789011624							
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the Tender proceedings								
Director, EDC-SEIP, EWU									

NEWSIN brief

Fire guts valuables of 3 houses, 6 shops

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A fire gutted valuables of three houses and six shops in Chattogram city’s Railway Colony area early yesterday.

The fire originated from an electric short circuit in a house at the colony and it spread to the adjacent houses and shops around 3:00am, said Jasim Uddin, assistant director of Fire Service and Civil Defence, Chattogram.

On information, firefighters rushed to spot and managed to douse the blaze around 5:15am.

The loss caused by the fire was estimated at Tk 5 lakh, he said.

Man found dead in Fatikchhari

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Police yesterday recovered the hanging body of a man from an under construction building in South Kanchanpur area of Kanchannagar union in Fatikchhari upazila of Chattogram.

The deceased was identified as Mohammad Osman, 32, son of Mohammad Hossain, said Sub-inspector (SI) Mahbubur Rahman of Fatikchhari Police Station.

Quoting family members, police said Osman, a mentally-challenged person, was undergoing treatment for a long time.

On information, police recovered the body and sent it to Chattogram Medical College morgue for an autopsy, the OC said, adding that no injuries were found on his body.

A case was filed with Fatikchhari Police Station in this connection.

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