

Bangabandhu maritime univ gets 1m Euro from Nuffic

CITY DESK

With a view to developing the maritime sector in Bangladesh, the Netherlands-based academic institution Nuffic gave a grant to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University (BSMRMU).

The grant was handed over yesterday at the International Mother Language Institute in Dhaka, said a press release.

Under the Nuffic Orange Knowledge programme, the Netherlands government has approved a grant of 1 million Euros to

BSMRMU for the development of higher education in the field, and maritime and port sectors in Bangladesh.

Education Minister Dr Dipu Moni was chief guest at the event, where Deputy Education Minister Mohibul Hasan Chowdhury and Dutch Ambassador to Bangladesh Harry Verweij were also present, among others.

BSMRMU VC Rear Admiral M Khaled Iqbal delivered the welcome speech at the event.

ACC files cases

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worth Tk 39.69 crore in 2018-19. However, ACC did not find any legal source of the wealth.

ACC also did not find legal source of Tk 43.57 crore wealth of GKB & Company (Pvt) Ltd -- jointly owned by Shamim and his mother.

The FIR reads that during the September 20 raid, Rab recovered Tk 1.81 crore cash, USD 9,000 and Fixed Deposit Receipts of Tk 165 crore from Shamim's house.

Shamim amassed the recovered money beyond the known source of income, the FIR reads.

Shamim is known to be an influential contractor of the Public Works Department and other government organisations. His firm GKB & Company (Pvt) Ltd is handling 15 major construction projects of the

government, involving around Tk 3,000 crore.

The projects include construction of the Rab Headquarters in Ashkona, the Revenue Building in Agargaon, the Artha Building and two 25-storey buildings at the secretariat, the Neuro Science Building and the NGO Foundation in Agargaon.

CASE AGAINST KHALID

According to FIR, Khalid showed his movable property worth Tk 1.66 crore. However, ACC believes the value of the property would be Tk 4.50 crore.

Besides, Khalid in his 2018-19 income tax file showed having immovable property worth Tk 1.32 crore. Of these, ACC did not find legal source of Tk 90.16 lakh.

The law enforcement agency recovered Tk 10.34 lakh and foreign currencies worth Tk 7.64 lakh.

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The schedule for the items with terms and conditions can be obtained either from the website (<http://ctender.ewubd.edu>) or from the Finance & Accounts Department of the University up to 03.11.2019 during office hours (up to 3:00 p.m.) on payment (non-refundable) of Tk.300/- (excluding online service charge for e-tender process) for each item.

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Please visit the NSU website for downloading the application form. Incomplete applications and applications received past the closing date will not be entertained.

DGHS' three-year project

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deliverables, including purchase of laboratory equipment, and ensuring security setup for already purchased machinery.

Besides, there are some issues regarding training of human resources, which could be done after completing the procurement, DGHS says in the time extension proposal.

"There were some obstacles since the beginning; it took a long time to get land... Eventually, we sent a proposal in February this year to extend time further, but the ministry took too long to respond," Abul Kalam Azad, director general of DGHS, told The Daily Star.

Prof Shamsuzzaman told The Daily Star, "It took three years to possess the 22.6 katha land. The cost of the land was estimated Tk 60 lakh initially, but it increased to Tk 6 crore in 2011. There were numerous reasons for the delay."

Currently, the contractor company is working in an "internal setting" for which more time is needed, the director of the institute said, expressing hope for going on service within the next six months.

"We have appointed several key officials. Teachers would be appointed soon. It would a global-standard institute for training and accreditation in the country," he added.

Mystery shrouds deaths

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under a tree near the track.

"I didn't realise he was waiting for the train," she said, adding "Had I known, I would have taken away the child from him."

Moments later, some locals began shouting that someone jumped in front of the train and died.

"Then I saw pieces of a corpse on the track," she said.

HOLEY ARTISAN CASE

Last witness completes testifying

JNU CORRESPONDENT

The investigation officer, last witness in the Holey Artisan attack case, completed testifying at a tribunal in Dhaka yesterday.

Humayun Kabir, a police inspector of Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime (CTTC) unit, told the court that Neo-JMB chief coordinator Tamim Ahmed Chowdhury, along with recruiter Jahangir Alam alias Rajib Gandhi and other militants stayed at their rented house in Bashundhara residential area till January 1, 2016.

Jahangir and other militants first planned to launch the attack in February 2016 during a stay at rented house of militants Shakhwat Hossain Shofiq and Bipe Hasan in Bonar Para area of Gaibandha, he said.

The militants used "Wickr ME Secure Messenger" and "com.mywickr.wicker2" apps for exchanging information in the café on July 1, 2016, he said.

The militants took a cell phone from Sri Lankan citizen Harikesha Wiseseka and browsed the website "www.protectedtext.com" to contact their high command, the inspector said.

During the investigation, six of the accused gave the confessional statements following laws, he added.

After a long investigation, "I submitted a charge sheet against eight militants including Major (sacked) Zia Ul Haque on July 23 last year," he said.

Judge Majibur Rahman of the Anti-Terrorism Special Tribunal of Dhaka recorded his statements.

Sonargaon recognised

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number of crafts industries, in which there are 83 Jamdani artisans. Of them, 74 are men and only nine women.

The Jamdani made by these artisans are mostly sold at the crafts foundation's store, and there are businesspersons from Dhaka and other cities who order certain designs.

Veteran Jamdani artisan Abul Kalam said, "I make and sell Jamdani clothing myself. This is not a peak shopping season so there isn't much pressure for work, but I'm working on a few orders."

"It takes between 15 days to two months to create quality Jamdani clothing, but the payment we receive does not reflect the time and effort we give," he said. "So, merely getting recognition is not enough, we should be given the opportunity to sell our products at fair prices to as many local and foreign customers as possible."

"If we earn enough money from it, only then can we continue this tradition," concluded Kalam.

Assistant Director of Bangladesh Folk Art and Crafts Foundation, Rabiu Islam said, "This recognition will open up the possibility of creative tourism, and bring in more opportunities for innovation in this sector. It will encourage more people to take up this craft and reinvigorate the ancient art of Jamdani."

"We are hoping that there will be export opportunities as well," he added.

Narayanganj Mayor Selina Hayat Ivy said, "I am incredibly happy that Sonargaon has received this honour. We have not yet received the physical copy of the certificate but once we get it, we will arrange a celebration."

Hefazat-e-Islam

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demanded highest punishment of those who insult Islam and the Prophet (PBUH).

BNP TERMS

BHOLA INCIDENT

'PREMEDITATED'

Describing the incident over the Facebook post from a hacked account a "premeditated one", BNP yesterday demanded a fair investigation into Sunday's violence in Bhola.

"We think the Bhola incident was a planned one. We demand a fair investigation to unearth the real reasons... and exemplary punishment of those responsible for the incident," BNP standing committee member Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain said.

Mosharraf, a BNP standing committee member, came up with the remark while speaking at a press conference at the party's Nayapaltan central office.

FDI increased by 50pc

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The meeting was apprised about the participation of Bangladesh delegation -- led by the planning minister -- at the high-level political forum on sustainable development at the UN headquarters from July 9-18.

ONLY DIVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS TO GET CITY CORPORATION STATUS: NICAR

The National Implementation Committee for Administrative Reorganization-Reform (Nicar) yesterday decided not to approve any city corporation in the country other than divisional headquarters, reports UNB.

The decision was taken at Nicar's 116th meeting, held with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in the chair at her office.

After the meeting, Cabinet Secretary Mohammad Shahid Alam said Nicar took

Huji men joining

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official said. The Rab CO said the outfit usually uses machetes to carry out target killings. Rab are yet to be sure whether the arrestees are involved in such killings, but claimed to have seized two machetes from the arrestees' possession.

Rab officials said Saiful, a teacher of a madrasa, is a top leader and trainer of Ansar al Islam. He used to communicate with others through encrypted messaging apps.

An inhabitant of Hazaribagh, Salim

the decision on principle. "If there are no divisional headquarters, there will be no more city corporations."

He said the policy will be followed in the future, and previous decisions regarding the announcement of city corporations will not be hampered due to this decision.

At yesterday's meeting, the cabinet secretary said, Nicar conditionally approved the establishment of Faridpur City Corporation. The city corporation will be formed after the establishment of Faridpur Division.

Other than this decision, Nicar approved 14 more proposals, including the establishment of Bishwanath municipality and seven more police stations -- Darshana, Padma Bridge North and South, Vulli in Thakurgaon, Bhashan Char in Noakhali, Rangunia South and Cox's Bazar Eadgaon.

Mia stepped into militancy after he got acquainted to Saiful while he was studying at the madrasa in 2013. He used to donate monthly to maintain the outfit, they added.

Zunay was founding director of a madrasa at Savar. He used to communicate with Saiful regularly. The outfit used to hold meetings occasionally in his madrasa.

Sohayel joined Ansar al Islam three years ago after he got acquainted with a top leader of the militant outfit online, Rab said.

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