

Ensure timely

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sorry... I am concerned that violence is on the rise recently, but there is no remedy," said Iftekharuzzaman, a noted anti-corruption campaigner.

To prevent such violence, laws should be applied properly by handing exemplary punishment to the culprits, he said, adding that the judicial procedure has to be completed timely.

He also urged the law enforcement agencies to play more active role in this regard.

Abdus Salam, whose child was raped by one of his neighbours in Dhaka's Wari this year, said, "My seven-year-old daughter was murdered after rape. She will never return. All I want now is exemplary punishment of the murderer."

He also urged parents to keep an eye on their daughters so that nobody falls victim to such crime.

Sheuli Akter, a garment worker who faced sexual harassment recently, said she had to leave her job due to continuous mental harassment and untoward advances from one of her bosses.

"Nobody will understand the suffering I had been going through. I wish, not a single woman has to face such a situation," she added.

ActionAid Bangladesh Country Director Farah Kabir, We Can Bangladesh Executive Coordinator Zinat Ara Haque and actors Afsana Mimi, Rokeya Prachy and Ziaul Hasan also spoke at the programme, among others.

Over 300 events were held nationwide yesterday, marking the occasion.

According to a recent report by ASK, at least 1,253 women were raped and 221 became victims of sexual harassment from January to October this year. Of the rape victims, some 251 were gang-raped and 62 were murdered after rape. Another report, prepared by MJE, found that at least 767 children were raped and 106 were sexually harassed during the time.

Both reports were prepared based in news published on national dailies.



Protesting price hike of daily essentials, Bangladesher Samajtantrik Dal (BSD-Marx) formed a human chain in front of Jatiya Press Club yesterday. At the event, they also placed a ten-point demand, including introduction of ration system for low-income group.

PHOTO: STAR

HC to deliver verdict

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Meanwhile, a judicial probe has found five police officials, including three additional superintendents of Rajshahi police, responsible in the manipulation of the FIR.

The officials are: additional superintendents of police Md Mahmudul Hasan (administration and crimes), M Matiur Rahman (DSB) and Md Abul Kalam Saahid (Puthia circle); Inspector Mohinul Islam (investigation); and the then OC of Puthia Police Station Shakil Uddin Ahamed.

Rajshahi's Chief Judicial Magistrate Md Mehedi Hasan Talukder, who conducted the enquiry as per an HC directive, has sent the probe report to the HC earlier this month recommending orders on the authorities concerned to take legal action against the five officials.

On September 16, the HC bench led by Justice M Enayetur Rahim directed the magistrate to conduct an enquiry into the alleged manipulation of the FIR by Shakil following the same writ petition. It also issued a rule asking government to explain as to why Shakil should not be suspended for manipulating the FIR.

Journos worried over

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secretary Dipu Sarwar in another joint statement said harassment of and death threat to Rafiq are tantamount to violation of freedom of expression.

The leaders said the report was published maintaining journalistic ethics. Statements of all concerned were incorporated in the news, they added.

Jagonews24.com on November 18 published a news titled "Pilot Ishrat gave illicit proposal to a cabin crew after taking her to cockpit".

After the report was published, Rafiq has been receiving such threats, he alleged.

He has also filed a general diary in this regard.

Govt failure to contain

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"TCB is selling onions by purchasing from the domestic market. Overall, the supply situation has not improved," said CAB President Ghulam Rahman at a press conference at Jatiya Press Club in Dhaka.

Onions are used mainly as spice to prepare traditional dishes and its prices hit an all-time high of Tk 250 per kg in the third week of this month amid a supply shortage.

CAB said Bangladesh requires nearly 30 lakh tonnes of onions annually, and the nation does not produce enough to meet the demand.

Rahman said supply shortage is the main reason behind onion price spiral.

He said government expected that businesses would respond promptly to import and increase supply of onions in the market.

"That response did not come... a section of high-profit seeking traders spiked prices of onion by taking advantage of the crisis," he said.

The consumer rights body also expressed concerns over recent price hike of rice, flour, soybean oil and lentil.

It demanded formation of a consumers affairs ministry or establishment of a separate division at the commerce ministry to protect consumers' rights.

"Consumers are the biggest economic group in the country. Yet, they are often ignored during decisions on issues impacting them," he said.

Under the circumstances, CAB said, creation of a consumers' affairs ministry is need of the hour.

CAB suggested selection of 15-20 essential commodities and said the proposed ministry should be assigned to ensure satisfactory

supply of these commodities to keep prices stable, so that cost of living remains within tolerable levels.

Rahman said the commerce ministry is trying to protect interests of consumers.

"But it is not possible for the commerce ministry to look after everything," he said.

Various other ministries such as food, agriculture, livestock, industries, telecommunication and finance are also linked to consumers' issues. A separate ministry is needed to coordinate with all the ministries to protect consumers' interests, he added.

CAB placed the demand at a time when spiralling prices of various essentials, including rice, within a short period squeezed wallets of many, reducing purchasing capacity of poor and low-income people.

CAB said prices of rice have been going up for the last one month.

It also claimed that the government's failure to contain the onion market may have made rice millers "bold". It demanded the government control any "ill-motive" to make the rice market unstable with a strong hand.

The consumers' rights body demanded regular market monitoring to keep prices of essentials stable, and making activities of Bangladesh Competition Commission visible to ensure competitive pricing.

CAB suggested taking diplomatic initiative so that India lifts ban on onion exports. It also recommended imposing 10-20 percent duty on onion imports during the peak harvesting season, so that growers get fair prices and cultivate more onion the following year -- enabling the country to attain self-sufficiency in onion production.

Had no choice

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Myanmar also did not allow the UN investigators, independent journalists and also rejected the ruling by the International Criminal Court (ICC) that it has jurisdiction for probing the forcible deportation of Rohingyas.

Recently, Gambia, on behalf of the 57-member Organisation for Islamic Conference (OIC) filed a case with the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the highest court of the UN, of which Myanmar is a member and cannot avoid responsibility. Human rights groups in Argentina also filed a case with its national court.

"Myanmar has failed in all fronts -- in creating conducive environment at Rakhine as well as ensuring accountability," said Haque.

ICC can hold the individual perpetrators accountable, while the ICJ can hold accountable the state. Also, the USA, Canada and European Union imposed sanctions on some of the top army officials of Myanmar.

"I hope Myanmar will be under serious pressure now," the foreign secretary said.

Bangladesh wants to pursue accountability as well as bilateral way of solving the crisis, he said, adding, "Of course, repatriation is always our priority."

Brac University Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof Mohammad Tamim and CPJ Executive Director Manzoor Hasan also spoke at the event.

Shaheed Dr Milon Day

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grave on Dhaka Medical College premises and at Milon Smriti Chhatter near TSC. Discussions and special prayers were also held.

Besides Milon's family, Awami League leaders including AL joint general secretary and Education Minister Dr Dipu Moni and AL presidium member Matia Chowdhury; members of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal; Samyabadi Dal; Muktiyoddha Mancha; Bam Ganatantrik Jote; Communist Party of Bangladesh; Jubo League; Chhatra League; Shadhinata Chikitsashak Parishad; Bangladesh Medical Association and Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University paid tributes.

Finish four projects

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2018 and its progress is at 30 percent.

Under the Housing Construction Project for Insolvent Freedom Fighters, 14,000 one-storey homes will be provided to insolvent freedom fighters as gifts from the Prime Minister ahead of the celebration of birth centenary of Bangabandhu in 2020.

Each 900 square feet house titled 'Bir Nibash' will be constructed on four decimals of land at a cost of Tk 15.75 lakh.

The housing construction project will be implemented at an estimated cost of Tk 2,253 crore.

Mujibnagar Independence War Memorial Complex Construction Project will be implemented at Mujibnagar in Meherpur.

The existing memorial complex is now situated on 81.76 acres of land, but acquisition of additional 49.27 acres of land is required for the planned construction.

The Liberation War affairs ministry will implement a project for construction of "Panorama for Bangladesh" depicting scenes from the Liberation War, but the site for the project is yet to be finalised.

Liberation War Affairs Minister AKM Mozammel Haque; PM's Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Adviser Dr Tawfiq-e-Elahi Chowdhury; PM's Security Affairs Adviser Maj Gen (retired) Tarique Ahmed Siddique; State Minister for Public Administration Farhad Hossain; former Health Minister AFM Ruhul Haque; PM's Principal Secretary Md Nojibur Rahman; PMO Secretary Sajjadul Hassan; PM's Press Secretary Ihsanul Karim and Chief Architect of the Department of Architecture ASM Aminur Rahman were present at the function.

Eminent painter Hashem Khan and Dean of Dhaka University's Fine Arts Faculty Prof Nisar Hossain, who are involved in the first project, were also present, while Liberation War Affairs Secretary In-Charge SM Arifur Rahaman delivered the presentation.

10m saplings to be planted

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Year-long programmes at home and abroad will be observed with participation of people at the government and party levels, apart from engagement of Bangladesh's foreign friends.

Mujib Borsho will be followed by the golden jubilee celebration of the country's independence in 2021.

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Verdict in case against ex-OC

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tribunal had set today for delivering the verdict on completion of placing arguments from the prosecution and defense.

During the closing arguments, the prosecution sought highest punishment mentioned in the Digital Security Act for the accused, saying that it was able to prove the charges at the tribunal.

Defense sought his client's acquittal, claiming that the charges brought against OC Moazzem were false and fabricated.

Earlier the tribunal recorded statements of 12 prosecution witnesses, including complainant, Nusrat's mother, sister and two friends.

Nusrat, a student of Sonagazi Islamia Senior Fazil Madrasa, was set on fire on April 6 -- allegedly for refusing to withdraw

a case filed against the madrasa principal for sexually harassing her.

After fighting for her life for five days, she died at Dhaka Medical College Hospital on April 10.

The same day, Moazzem was withdrawn from his post of Sonagazi Police Station OC, as Nusrat's family alleged that he was not cooperating with them.

A video clip of the then Sonagazi OC asking Nusrat humiliating questions also went viral on social media, drawing widespread criticism.

On April 15, Barrister Syed Sayedul Haque Sumon filed the case against Moazzem under the Digital Security Act, for circulating the video.

On July 17, the tribunal framed charges against Moazzem in the case.

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Ministry of Cultural Affairs  
Bangladesh National Museum, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000  
Memo No. 43.22.2675.003.01.847.19/2089 Date: 26-11-2019

**Re e-Tender Notice**

Re-e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following works:

Sl No.	Tender ID No.	Description of work	Tender opening & closing date & time
01	390516	Supplying & making of wall showcase, table showcase, photo frame, display board & furniture at Commandant Manik Chowdhury Memorial Center, Hobiganj, Sylhet under the Establish of 3 Memorials Central Project, Bangladesh National Museum, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000.	10 Dec 2019 16:00

This is an online Re-Tender, where only Re e-Tender will be accepted in National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP System (<http://eprocure.gov.bd>). Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP helpdesk ([helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)). For more details, please contact Support Desk contact numbers.

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Date: 25 November 2019

Memo No. PN. 06/4674

**e-GP: Tender Notice No. 27 (2019-2020)**

e-Tender is invited in the e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of the following goods. Details are given below:

Sl No.	Package No.	Tender ID & Ref. No.	Description of goods	Tender documents last selling date & time	Tender closing date & time	Tender opening date & time
1.	PN. 06	388511 & IRN: 398	BARI Power Maize Sheller	09.12.2019 17:00	10.12.2019 11:55	10.12.2019 11:55

The interested persons/firm may visit the website [www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) to get the details of the tender.

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copy will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal is required.

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and e-GP help desk ([helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)).

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**Invitation for Tender - Company Offices**

**CNTRE Pty Ltd**, an Australian company providing consultancy and training services to the Government of Bangladesh (GoB) through the Bangladesh Urban Resilience Project, is hereby inviting sealed tender proposals from eligible Tenderers who can offer Commercial Office Accommodation according to the specifications defined below:

- 1) Fully renovated, fitted out and furnished office accommodation for maximum of 70 staff.
- 2) Turn-key / walk-in ready to occupy. Estimated floorspace required = 600-700 m2 (6,500-7,500 ft2).
- 3) Conference and meeting rooms.
- 4) Fitted air-conditioning, lighting, ventilation.
- 5) Kitchen / eating area.
- 6) Costs to include all support services such as cleaning, security, access, etc.
- 7) Occupant to pay own utilities / IT requirements.
- 8) Example floor arrangement:  
a. 1 x Conference Room (20 persons)  
b. 4 x 2-person offices  
c. 4 x 4-person offices  
d. 46 x open-plan desk / seat positions
- 9) Building to meet construction, safety, fire and security compliance regulatory requirements.
- 10) Occupation required from January 2020.
- 11) Preferred location centred on Gulshan area.

Interested parties may submit Tender Response Proposals in sealed envelopes before 10:00am (Dhaka time) Thursday 12 December to Mr. Haydn Beynon at: a. REM-DTCL Joint Venture Office, JB House, Plot 62, Road 14/1, Block #G, Niketon, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212, or b. c/- Coventina Lake Suites, House 28, Road 113, Lake Shore Drive, Gulshan-2, Dhaka-1212.

Tenders will be opened at 10:30am on the same date in the presence of GoB (Department of Disaster Management) URP-TED Project Implementation Unit officials.

Stephen Duff  
Training and Technology Expert  
CNTRE Pty Ltd.

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Mongla Custom House, Khalispur, Khulna  
National Board of Revenue (NBR)  
Internal Resources Division (IRD)  
Ministry of Finance  
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Memo No. S:06/Admin/Mongla/2009-2010(P)-7/8463 Date: 21/11/2019

**Invitation for Tender**

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh	
Sl	Description
1	Ministry/Division
2	Internal Resources Division (IRD), Ministry of Finance (MCF)
3	Agency
4	Mongla Custom House, Khalispur, Khulna, National Board of Revenue (NBR)
5	Procuring entity name
6	Commissioner of Customs, Mongla Custom House, Khalispur, Khulna.
7	Procuring entity code
8	N/A.
9	Procuring entity district
10	Khulna
11	Invitation Ref. No.
12	File No. S:06/Admin/Mongla/2009-2010(P)-7/8463
13	Date
14	21/11/2019
KEY INFORMATION	
15	Procurement method
16	NCT OFM.
PLANNING INFORMATION	
17	Budget and source of fund
18	Revenue Budget GoB
19	Development partners (if applicable)
20	N/A.
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
21	Project/programme code (if applicable)
22	---
23	Project/programme name (if applicable)
24	---
25	Tender Package No.
26	Tender Package name
27	02 (two) years Operation, Maintenance, Repair and Replacement of Spares of 01 (one) Unit Mobile Container X-Ray Scanning Machines at Mongla Custom House.
28	Tender publication date
29	21/11/2019
30	Tender last selling date
31	22/12/2019 12:30pm
32	Pre-bid meeting
33	Pre-bid meeting shall not be held.
Name and address of the office(s)	
34	Selling tender document (principal)
35	Admin Branch, Mongla Custom House.
36	Selling tender document (others)
37	N/A.
38	Receiving tender documents, date and time
39	Office of Commissioner of Customs, Mongla Custom House, Mongla, Bagerhat, TR. 30/12/2019, 02:00pm.
40	Opening tender document, date and time
41	Mongla Custom House, Mongla, Bagerhat, 30/12/2019, 03:00pm.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER	
42	Eligibility of tenderer (who will attend)
43	As per tender data sheet (TDS) of tender schedule.
44	Brief description of services
45	02 (two) years Operation, Maintenance, Repair and Replacement of Spares of 01 (one) Unit Mobile Container X-Ray Scanning Machines at Mongla Custom House.
46	Amendment of bid documents
47	At any time, prior to the date of submission of bids, the purchaser may, for any reason, whether at its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by the prospective tenderers, modify the tender process by amendments that will be the integral part of the tender documents.
48	Price of tender documents (Tk)
49	Non-transferable bid document containing description of the items and terms & condition can be purchased from Office of the Commissioner of Customs, Mongla Custom House, Mongla against the payment of the cost of bid document through a Treasury Chitron which is Tk 3000/- (three thousand) (non-refundable). The purchase price (non-refundable) of the tender schedule will be deposited on N/A. code is 14131-0015-0421 at Sonali Bank, Mongla Branch or Bangladesh Bank in favour of Commissioner of Mongla Custom House, Mongla, Bagerhat. The original copy of that chitron should be attached with the tender submitted on the date of submission. If the original Treasury Chitron is not found on the opening of the tender document, it will be considered that the tenderer(s) participated in the tender without having the schedule and the tender will be returned back to the tenderer on the day when it will be considered that his tender was not accepted. No objection will be entertained in this regard. Bank guarantee, Treasury Chitron etc. of dates prior to the date of tender notification will not be accepted.
50	Clarification of bid
51	A prospective bidder requiring any clarification of the bid documents may notify Mongla Custom House in writing. The response will be made in writing to any request for clarification of the bid documents that it receives earlier than two weeks prior to the deadline for the submission of bids. Written copies of the response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) will be sent to all prospective bidders that received the bid documents. However, it may be noted that clarifications do not form part of the tender document and it is only referred for the clarity of the prospective bidders.
52	Conduct of tenderer
53	Conduct of tenderers any of their consortium members, may after the outcome of their tender response, including non-consideration of the tender. Tenderer warrant to MCH that they and their consortium members have not and will not engage in any of the following activities in relation to this tender process: a. Lobbying of or discussions with anyone or any group during the tender. b. Attempt to contact or discuss the tender process with officials, any member or staff or contractor currently working MCH or any agent of this department. c. Provision of gifts or future promise of gifts of any sort to the previously mentioned personnel. d. Accepting or providing social accommodations. e. Seeking to influence any decisions of MCH by an improper means, or otherwise acting in bad faith, fraudulently or improperly.
54	Lot No.
55	Identification of lot
56	Location
57	Tender security/earnest money deposit amount
58	Completion time of days
59	1.
60	02 (two) years Operation, Maintenance, Repair and Replacement of Spares of 01 (one) Unit Mobile Container X-Ray Scanning Machine at Mongla Custom House
61	Mongla, Bagerhat
62	Tk 3,25,000.00 (Three lac & twenty thousand) (refundable) (Either Pay Order or Bank Guarantee Form; Any Local or International Scheduled Bank)
63	As per schedule
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS	
64	Name of official inviting tender
65	Surash Chandra Biswas
66	Designation of official inviting tender
67	Commissioner of Customs.
68	Address of official inviting tender
69	Mongla Custom House, Khalispur, Khulna.
Surash Chandra Biswas Commissioner of Customs Mongla Custom House, Khalispur, Khulna Phone: 04662-75322 Email: <a href="mailto:khulnacustoms@yahoo.com">khulnacustoms@yahoo.com</a>	

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