

Road safety authority

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DRAFT ACTION PLAN
Since 1997, total of eight action plans were approved by the NRSC with the last and eighth one approved in November 2017 and 2020.

The goal of the eighth action plan was to achieve the SDG (Sustainable Development Goal) target and reduce the number of road accidents fatalities and injuries by 50 percent with the year 2020.

But the target could not be achieved, officials and experts said.

Around one month before the last action plan expired, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, while speaking on the occasion of the National Road Safety Day in October last year, gave directions to prepare a new plan.

The Road Transport and Highway Division on October 27 last year directed the BRTA to prepare a draft and take opinions and updates from 26 ministries and agencies concerned. The BRTA recently sent the final draft to the division in this regard.

Citing police reports, the draft mentioned that in the last five years, road accidents claimed the lives of an average of 2,825 people every year.

"It is feared that with the continued expansion of the road network and the growth of traffic, this trend is likely to continue in the future unless effective remedial measures are taken with the coordination of all concerned agencies through national action plans," read the draft.

It also mentioned that "a suitable vision for road safety in Bangladesh, which is not unrealistic, is to achieve 50 percent reduction in road accident fatalities and injuries within the next 10 years [2030] and also the reduction of the number of road accidents to nearly 30 percent."

"For the next four years, a goal could be set up towards achieving 20-25 percent reduction in the annual number of road accident fatalities and injuries by the end of the year 2024," it added.

ACCIDENTS, DEATHS CONTINUE
As the government's steps for curbing road crashes continue to remain confined to holding meetings and forming committees and sub-committees, road crashes are continuing to take lives, experts said.

The committees make similar recommendations time and again, but those are hardly implemented, helping indiscipline -- the major reason behind road crashes -- to rule country's road transport sector, they said.

According to police reports, around 3,918 people were killed in 4,198 road crashes last year, even when operation of public transport remained suspended for more than two months to contain Covid-19 situation.

Bangladesh Jatri Kalyan Samity, who

prepared the report after compiling media reports, however, said the number of accident and deaths were 4,891 and 6,686 respectively last year.

A total of 4,138 people died in 4,147 road accidents in 2019, said a police report.

In 2019, at least 7,855 people were killed in 5,516 road crashes across the country, according to Jatri Kalyan Samity.

However, the World Health Organisation (WHO) estimated the number of casualties to be much higher than reported by police and other organisations.

In its latest report published in December 2018, the WHO said at least 24,954 people were killed in road crashes in the country in 2016, which is almost 10 times the official number given by police.

Total 2,463 people were killed in 2,566 road accidents that year, police said.

Citing their research, Prof Md Hadiuzzaman, director of Accident Research Institute at Buet, said the number of road crashes increased by 90 percent and casualties by 60 percent in last five years.

He added that the road infrastructure did not increase much compare to the huge rise of vehicle numbers in last 10 years.

"As it is very difficult to increase roads, the authority should take a strong policy decision to control vehicle numbers, especially private cars and small vehicles," he told The Daily Star yesterday.

"But, unfortunately several decisions taken recently, including slashing motorcycle registration fees, go against the notion of controlling the number of vehicles," he said, adding, "So, without changing the policy decisions, it would not be possible to achieve the target to be set in the new action plan, because the number of accidents will rise with the rise of vehicle numbers," he added.

Charges framed

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the court, as lawyers of Noakhali Bar Association refused to represent the accused.

Senior lawyer Mollah Habibul Rasool Mamun appeared at the hearing on behalf of the plaintiff.

Bangladesh National Women Lawyers Association lawyers Ayesha Begum Shirin, Shahida Akter, Saleha Begum and Kalpana Rani Das assisted him.

According to the case statement filed with Begumganj Police Station on October 6 last year, the perpetrators entered the house of the victim and beat up her husband on the night of September 2. They took him to the adjacent room and tied him up.

Later, they tortured the victim and assaulted her while filming the incident on their mobile.

Minimum

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Serum Institute of India Pvt Ltd, the world's largest vaccine maker, and Beximco Pharmaceuticals Ltd, the government has bought three crore doses of Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine.

Serum will send 50 lakh doses each month between January and June.

The first consignment reached the country on January 25 while another 20 lakh doses from the Indian government reached on January 20.

The health minister yesterday said that another 25-30 lakh doses of the purchased vaccine would reach the country on February 22.

The government brought down the age to 40 for registration to get jobs. The government is providing the vaccine for free.

The second one has to be taken within 8 to 12 weeks after the first dose.

COVID-19 DEATH RISE AGAIN
The fresh cases of Covid-19 and deaths caused by the deadly virus marked a rise in Bangladesh as the country's health authorities recorded 16 more deaths and 443 new cases in the last 24 hours till yesterday morning, reports UNB.

The Covid-19 fatalities in the country rose to 8,314 and the caseload to 541,877, according to the latest figures provided by the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).

In a press release, the DGHS said the daily coronavirus infection rate in Bangladesh fell to 2.67 percent from Tuesday's 2.68 percent, while the overall infection rate stood at 13.92 percent.

However, the mortality rate remained almost steady at 1.53 percent for the past few days, including Tuesday, said the press release, adding that 489,254 patients -- 90.29 percent -- have recovered from the virus infection so far.

So far, 3,893,654 samples have been tested, including 16,612 in the past 24 hours till 8:30am yesterday.

Bangladesh reported its first coronavirus cases on March 8 and the first death on March 18 last year.

Comet from

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system's Main Belt.

"Jupiter is so important because it's the most massive planet in our solar system," lead author Amir Siraj told AFP.

Jupiter ends up acting as a kind of "pinball machine" that "kicks these incoming long-period comets into orbits that bring them very close to the Sun."

Luna Shamsuddoha

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According to Zulfiqar, Luna was supposed to start her treatment yesterday but she died because of a massive heart attack.

The body of the reputed IT and software entrepreneur Luna would be flown back to Dhaka either today or tomorrow, after completion of some procedures, he said.

Luna died around 10:30am in Singaporean time and she left behind a daughter and husband, he said.

Besides being a brilliant entrepreneur, Luna was a director of the Bangladesh Association of Software and Information Services (BASIS).

For her sound knowledge of finance and economics, she was also appointed as the first female chairperson of the state-owned Janata Bank Limited in 2018.

Before joining the bank, she had served the bank as a member of the board since 2016.

She was also a board member of state-owned Agrani Bank between 2009 and 2012.

Luna was the founder president of Bangladesh Women in Technology (BWIT).

She was also a board member of SME Foundation, Member of Council Global Thought Leaders on Inclusive Growth, Global Advisory Council & Strategic Partner of Thinkthrough Consulting (TTC) India.

She was a Trustee of Independent University Bangladesh (IUB) and Underprivileged Children's Educational Programs (UCEP) Bangladesh.

Her software company Dohatec was involved in the development of a voter enrolment solution in 2007-2008.

The firm developed several e-governance projects and the electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) system that ensures transparency of government procurement.

Because of her extraordinary contribution to particular fields, she received multiple awards. Among those, she received The Daily Star's "Outstanding Woman in Business" award in 2017.

She achieved her master's degree in International Relations from Dhaka University and started working as a lecturer at the Institute of Modern Language at Dhaka University.

State Minister for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Zunaid Ahmed Palak expressed condolences to the demise of Luna.

"She worked for the development of the ICT sector until her last breath. She had been a dedicated worker to build a Digital Bangladesh.

"Luna Shamsuddoha's contribution to the government's automation projects, including government's electronic procurement project, is indisputable," said Palak in a statement.

Meanwhile, talking to The Daily Star, BASIS President Syed Almas Kabir yesterday said, "The early demise of Luna is a big shock not only for the sector but also for the country. Her death is unexpected and it is a great loss for the country."

The IT and software sectors of the country lost a brilliant entrepreneur with the death of Luna, he added.

"It was her passion to brand Bangladesh positively abroad," Kabir said.

Her company also exported software abroad, especially in the neighbouring countries, as both private and government organisations, he added.

She earned those countries' trust and faith with the quality of her company's products, he further said.

Malaysia to take

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Working Group meeting in the last two days. The next JWG meeting is expected to be held at a sooner date agreed by the two countries.

The minister yesterday said they have agreed on some issues while some others remained unresolved which would be discussed internally by the two countries.

Imran said they have requested Malaysia to take back about 20,000 to 22,000 Bangladeshi migrant workers who remained stranded at home after coming here on vacation before the pandemic.

He said his Malaysian counterpart agreed in principle on the issue.

The minister said they requested Malaysia to cut the fee for Bangladeshi migrant workers who want to take the opportunity to get their status regularised under the Malaysian government's ongoing "recalibration" programme.

Imran said his primary goal is to ensure sending workers to Malaysia at a low cost after reopening of its labour market.

There are demands for workers in Malaysia's construction and plantation sectors, he added.

At the JWG meeting yesterday, the two sided could not reach a decision on the number of recruiting agencies to be allowed to send workers to Malaysia.

Speaking at the briefing, Expatriates Welfare Secretary Ahmed Munirus Saleheen said they want participation of maximum number of Bangladeshi recruiting agencies in the process.

The issue was discussed prominently at the meeting, he added.

Earlier in October last year, Malaysia agreed to reopen its labour market for Bangladeshi migrant workers.

During an online meeting with Expatriates Welfare Minister Imran, Malaysia's Human Resources Minister M Saravanan hoped that labour recruitment would resume once the Covid-19 situation improves.

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Election of Associate Fellows (AF) of BAS 2020

Bangladesh Academy of Sciences (BAS) announces the Election of Associate Fellows (AF) 2020 as below:
Young scientists who are below 45 (forty five) years of age on **28 February 2021** having Ph.D./D.Sc./FCPS/FRCS/MRCP/MRCVS/MD/MS/MPHil or equivalent degree in science streams and are of exceptional talent and promise, and have contributed to science and technology in recognized field, are eligible for election as Associate Fellows (AF) of BAS. Application/nomination for the above Associate Fellows, with CV mentioning academic and professional record must reach the Secretary of the Academy by **31 March 2021** at the latest.
Nomination of young scientist for election as Associate Fellows (AF) can also be made by the Fellows of the Academy before the deadline.

Prof. Dr. Haseena Khan
Secretary

Transport workers

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After the attack, at least 13 injured students were admitted to Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital, while the rest took first aid.

The injured students alleged that transport workers along with other outsiders attacked them with sticks, rods and sharp weapons.

Of the wounded, Alim Salehi, Emon and Noor have head injuries and they had their CT scans done, said students.

Police arrested Rafiq after injured Sajol filed a case against him with Bandar Police Station.

Mahamud Hasan Tamal, student representative of the university, said the transport workers attacked student messes in the city's Rupatli area. The windows and gates of many houses were vandalised.

Another student Hasibul Hasan said their agitation programme would continue until the attackers were arrested.

About the allegations of students, Kawsar Hossain Shipon, general secretary of Patuakhali Minibus Owners' Association, said outsiders were involved in the attack. No transport worker was involved there, he claimed.

BU VC Prof Sadequul Arefin said he contacted Barishal Metropolitan Police Commissioner Shahabuddin Khan and told him to take necessary steps to solve the problem.

The university will bear all medical costs of the injured students, the VC said.

Muktar Hossain, deputy commissioner of Barishal Metropolitan Police, said they were doing their best to handle the issues.

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বাংলাদেশ বিজ্ঞান ও শিল্প গবেষণা পরিষদ (বিসিসিআইআর)

INVITATION FOR TENDER (OTM)

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Science & Technology			
2. Agency	Bangladesh Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (BCSIR)			
3. Procuring Entity Name	Project Director, Establishment of Hydrogen Energy Laboratory- Project.			
4. Invitation for	Procurement of Hydrogen dispensing system and hydrogen fuel cell car.			
5. Invitation Ref. No.	39.02.1506.012.07.002.2021/158; Dated: 18.02.2021			
KEY INFORMATION:				
6. Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (National)			
FUNDING METHOD:				
7. Budget and source of fund	GOB			
8. Project/programme Name	Establishment of Hydrogen Energy Laboratory -Project			
9. Tender package Name	Procurement of Hydrogen dispensing system and hydrogen fuel cell car.			
10. Tender last selling Date	21.03.2021 up to 05.00 PM.			
11. Tender closing date and time	22.03.2021 up to 03.00 PM.			
12. Tender Opening date and time	22.03.2021 up to 03.15 PM.			
13. Name and Address of the office: Selling of Tender Documents	Office of the Project Director, Establishment of Hydrogen Energy Laboratory-Project. BCSIR Laboratories Chattogram, Chattogram-4220.			
14. Name and Address of the office: (Receiving & Opening Tender Documents)	Office of the Project Director, Establishment of Hydrogen Energy Laboratory-Project. BCSIR Laboratories Chattogram, Chattogram-4220.			
INFORMATION FOR TENDER:				
15. Eligibility of Tenderer	All terms & Conditions will be applicable as per tender document.			
16. Brief description of Works	As per Schedule Specification			
17. Price of Tender documents	2000.00 (Two thousand taka only), Non refundable			
18. Lot No.	Identification Lot			
	Location			
	Tender Security Amount (Tk.) (Refundable)			
	Completion time			
Hydrogen Dispensing System & Hydrogen Fuel Cell Car:				
GD- HD&FC/2021	1. Supply and Installation of hydrogen dispensing System.	Chattogram	2% of Quoted price	Within 08 (Eight) months from the date of notification of award.
	2. Supply and Installation of Hydrogen Fuel Cell Car.	Chattogram	2% of Quoted price	Within 06 (Six) months from the date of notification of award.
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS:				
19. Name of official inviting Tender	Dr. Md. Abdus Salam			
20. Designation of official inviting tender	Project Director, Establishment of Hydrogen Energy Laboratory -Project			
21. Address of the official inviting Tender	Office of the Project Director, Establishment of Hydrogen Energy Laboratory -Project, BCSIR Chattogram Laboratories, Chattogram-4220.			
22. Contact Details of Official inviting Tender	Mobile: 01870085657; E-mail: hydrogenenergylabbd@gmail.com Web: www.bcsir.gov.bd; www.cthelc.gov.bd			
23. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or to reject any or all tender.				

Dr Md. Abdus Salam
Project Director

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বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক
ব্যাংকার্স সিলেকশন কমিটি সচিবালয়
প্রধান কার্যালয়
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বিজ্ঞপ্তি নম্বর: ৩১/২০২১ তারিখ: ০৪ ফাল্গুন ১৪২৭
১৭ ফেব্রুয়ারী ২০২১

ব্যাংকার্স সিলেকশন কমিটি সচিবালয়ের তত্ত্বাবধানে ৫টি ব্যাংকের মধ্যে ৪টি ব্যাংক 'অফিসার (কাশ)' পদে সমন্বিতভাবে ওয় পর্যায় নিয়োগ প্রসঙ্গে।

ব্যাংকার্স সিলেকশন কমিটির সদস্যসভায় ৫টি ব্যাংক এ (সোনালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড, রূপালী ব্যাংক লিমিটেড, বাংলাদেশ কৃষি ব্যাংক, বাংলাদেশ ডেভেলপমেন্ট ব্যাংক লিমিটেড ও প্রবাসী কল্যাণ ব্যাংক) 'অফিসার (কাশ)' এর ৭৬৭টি শূন্য পদে সমন্বিতভাবে নিয়োগের লক্ষ্যে বিগত ১১ জুলাই, ২০১৮ তারিখে প্রকাশিত বিজ্ঞপ্তি নম্বর-১১৩/২০১৮ এর প্রেক্ষিতে অনুষ্ঠিত লিখিত ও মৌখিক পরীক্ষার উত্তীর্ণ প্রার্থীদের সমন্বয়ে প্রণীত তালিকা হতে মেধাক্রম এবং প্রার্থীদের পছন্দের ক্রমের ভিত্তিতে ১৪২ জন প্রার্থীকে ওয় পর্যায় নিয়োগের জন্য প্রাথমিকভাবে নির্বাচন করা হয়েছে :

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সদস্য-সচিব, বিএসসি

ডিসিপি: ৪৮/২০২১-৬২৭
তারিখ : ১৭/০২/২০২১

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