



Owing to the continuous rainfall, parts of the road and the roadsides of the Beribadh Road in the capital's Kamrangirchar has become muddied and practically unusable. This photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

## It was

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Contacted the same day, BSMMU Proctor Prof Syed Mozaffar Ahmed, also the complainant of the case, said, "The investigator informed me he was going to submit the probe report to the court, but I do not know the details yet."

On July 23 last year, Prof Mozaffar filed the case against Sharmin with Shahbagh Police Station, bringing allegations of supplying fake N95 masks to the hospital's Covid-19 isolation unit.

The following day, Sharmin was arrested from the capital's Shahbagh area and was placed on a three-day remand on July 25.

Two days later on July 26, DU suspended her from her post of assistant registrar for tarnishing the image of the university as well as running a business organisation without taking prior permission from the authorities.

On September 10, Sharmin got bail on grounds of being a woman and the mother of a baby. Moreover, her remand report was usual.

According to the First Information Report (FIR), BSMMU authorities decided to purchase safety gears for frontline workers of its newly launched Covid-19 unit on May 27 last year.

After testing samples at a DGHS approved lab, on June 27, BSMMU approved the work order to provide 11,000 N95 masks in the name of Aparajita International. The company proceeded to supply around 3,460 masks in four consignments.

Speaking to The Daily Star on Thursday, DU Pro-Vice Chancellor (administration) Prof Muhammad Samad said, "The final decision regarding Sharmin's suspension will be taken based on the court's verdict of the case."

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
Hereby JSC EC ASE notifies about holding of an open request of proposals for a right to sign a contract for performance of construction and erection works for lot: 17692-954-RUP-21: Temporary buildings and structures. Surface water drainage Rooppur NPP (Lot 6409). The documentation can be found at the official website of State Corporation Rosatom <http://zakupki.rosatom.ru>, procurement number № 210611/0536/820.

ATOMSTROYEXPORT

## INVITATION FOR TENDER

**Pubali Bank Limited**, the largest online commercial Bank in Bangladesh is hereby inviting sealed Tenders from the eligible Tenderers who can participate in the following Tender as defined in the tender documents of the under mentioned work as per terms & conditions stated below:

1. Procurement of Cisco CON/WARRANTY/SUBSCRIPTION/SUPPORT Services for Different Network and Security Devices at Data Center (DC) & Disaster Recovery (DR) Center of Pubali Bank Ltd.

Please visit <https://www.pubalibangla.com/tender.asp> for more details. Interested Parties may purchase their Tender document by **29-06-2021** duly filled up all requirements.

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## TENDER INVITATION

Tenders are invited from the bonafide / intending suppliers / firms for the following items/works:

- a. Water Proofing and Crack repairing work of Roof Slab of Auditorium (including civil works) of EWU
- b. Water Proofing and Crack repairing work of Roof Slab (Block-D, 3rd Floor) of EWU
- c. Renovation of Courtyard Tiles of EWU
- d. Painting and damp proofing work for classrooms at Block B & C of EWU
- e. Procurement of Furniture / Fixtures for 10 (ten) storied building of EWU
- f. Procurement of 26 units Computer along with Monitor, 26 units UPS, 26 units Multimedia Projector, 26 units Multimedia Projector Screen (wall mounted) and 26 units sound system for 10 (ten) storied building of EWU
- g. Re-tender for procurement of 01 unit Oven (225 liter) for Transportation Engineering Lab of the Department of Civil Engineering

The schedule of the items / works with terms and conditions can be obtained from the Finance & Accounts Department of the University (hard copy for all items) up to **06.07.2021** during office hours (**up to 01:00 p.m.**). In case of sl no. (f&g), the schedule will also be available in the website (<http://etender.ewubd.edu>). The price of the tender schedule (non-refundable) is **Tk.500/-** (excluding online service charge for e-tender process).

The interested bidders are requested to submit the tender schedule either through hard copy and e-tender process (as mentioned in the schedule) by **07.07.2021** within **12:00 p.m.** Hard copy of the tender must be dropped in the tender box kept at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Office of the Treasurer (Room No-316) of the University. Tender(s) submitted within the deadline will be opened on the same day (**07.07.2021**) at **12:30 p.m.** at the Conference Room (4<sup>th</sup> floor) of East West University in presence of the bidders (if any) by **ensuring health safety**.

The bidders must mention the "name of the items" at the top of envelop, otherwise the bid document will be treated as cancelled.

**East West University authority** reserves the right to accept any tender in full or part of it or reject all tenders without mentioning any reason thereof.

Chief of HR & Logistics

## Three killed in M'singh road crash

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Three people were killed in a road accident at Lobonkotha area on Dhaka-Mymensingh highway in Mymensingh's Bhaluka upazila yesterday morning.

The victims were identified as Shah Alam Gazi (57) of Mymensingh's Phulpur upazila, Robiul Majhi (25) of Jhalakathi's Sadar upazila, and Rabbi Mia (24) of Dhaka's Gendaria, police said.

Quoting locals, Ziaul Haque, sub-inspector of Bhoraduba highway police in Bhaluka, said the accident took place when a Mymensingh-bound covered-van hit a truck while its staffers were replacing a wheel of the vehicle.

Gazi and Majhi died on the spot. Critically injured Rabbi Mia was taken to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries.

On information, police recovered the bodies and handed them over to family members yesterday afternoon. The covered-van driver fled the scene with the vehicle. A case was lodged.

## Repeal

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"The wage board was formed to work on upgrading living standard of tea workers but it technically reduced it. It proves that tea garden workers are living in a modern day unconstitutional slavery," he said.

Workers Party President and lawmaker Rashed Khan Menon said, "The chairman of the board, who is a judge, reduced tea garden workers' facility, which is completely unlawful and workers should legally challenge that."

"Even the gazette was circulated without the signature of a member from the defined sector, which is unacceptable. It must be repealed and the wage board must be reformed," he said.

Sohrab Hasan, joint editor of Prothom Alo, said, "After 50 years of independence, tea garden workers are not even considered as a regular human being. They've been neglected since the British period..."

"The wage board led by a judge could not ensure justice for the deprived community... This board must be reformed and logical wage for tea workers must be ensured," he said.

Prof Mesbah Kamal of Dhaka University said, "Is the wage board formed to broker for the owners of the gardens or for the betterment of tea garden workers?"

"This board is incapable, irresponsible, incompetent and biased; it must be reformed. The seasonal famine of the northern district is over, but the daily famine of tea garden workers is not," he added.

## Administration

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Meanwhile, the administration of the Chinese Sinopharm vaccine is also going on across the country, although only students of medical colleges and other allied health education institutions are receiving the vaccine shots initially.

The campaign started from Saturday with around 11 lakh doses of Sinopharm vaccine.

## Ctg river police hurdled by manpower, logistics crises

FM MIZANUR RAHAMAN, Ctg

Activities of river police in Chattogram region are being severely hampered due lack of manpower and water vessels.

The jurisdiction of river police in Chattogram starts from the estuary of Karnaphuli to Kaptai-Rangamati-Bandarban. Apart from that, Noakhali's Hatiya, Nijhum Dwip (island) and Teknaf are under the unit's jurisdiction.

Under the river police, there is a police station in port city's Sadarghat area and seven outposts located in the above-mentioned places, said officials.

However, the unit has only two speedboats -- one in Chattogram Sadarghat River Police Station and another in Rangamati district -- to cover such a massive area, they said. As a result, patrolling activities have been seriously hampered.

With the help of these two water transports, they are conducting operational and supervising duties in Karnaphuli and Halda rivers, and Rangamati.

Wishing anonymity, an official said they had two more speedboats, one in

Hatiya and another in Nijhum Dwip, but those have been out of order for a long time.

Currently, Sadarghat River Police Station and the office of superintendent of river police are conducting their respective operations renting two floors from Bangladesh Inland Water Transport Corporation building at Sadarghat.

In addition, the seven outposts are also located in rented buildings.

River police in Chattogram are also facing vehicle shortage. There are three vehicles assigned for SP, additional SP and assistant SP offices but Sadarghat River Police Station has no transport facilities.

Mohammad Mominul Islam Bhuiya, SP of Chattogram river police, admitted the crises. "Our forces have been patrolling in the river and conducting operational activities against criminals and smugglers with only two speedboats."

"It's not easy to do so in the river, especially in remote areas without having our own transport. Sometimes, we have to rent trawlers to go to the

spots. We have already informed the headquarters in this regard," the SP added.

Mominul said a letter was sent to the ministry via police headquarters in 2019 over buying land for SP office and police station but there is no update on it due to the ongoing pandemic.

Around 150 police personnel are working under river police in Chattogram region. Of them, 20 are assigned to Sadarghat River Police Station and 15 to Rangamati outpost.

The other outposts have 10 to 12 personnel each.

River police also works in coordination with the Fisheries and Livestock Department, water Resources ministry, shipping ministry and Department of Environment.

Its additional SP Kirtiman Chakma said during peak seasons (like ban on fishing), they struggle more with the persisting crises.

A 65-day ban on fishing at sea is ongoing from the midnight of May 20 to July 23, covering up to 200 nautical miles along the coast under 14 districts, he added.

## USAID launches \$17m

## clean energy project

5yr initiative to foster efficient, transparent markets

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

USAID has launched a \$17 million

clean energy project, Bangladesh Advancing Development Growth through Energy (BADGE), aimed at expanding Bangladesh's access to affordable clean energy and support clean energy entrepreneurship.

The US Agency for International Development (USAID) Mission Director Derrick S Brown, joined by Mohammad Alauddin, chairman of Sustainable and Renewable Energy Development Authority (SREDA), launched the five-year project, said US Embassy in a statement yesterday.

US Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John Kerry highlighted the five-year project during his visit to Dhaka with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in April.

The project is aimed at fostering transparent and efficient energy markets, and advance innovation. It will create an enabling environment for development of advanced energy technologies, high performing energy institutions, increased regional energy trade, and transparent

and best-valued energy procurement in Bangladesh.

Speaking at the BADGE virtual launch event, Derrick S Brown said, "We see tremendous opportunity in powering countries like Bangladesh with clean energy. Through the BADGE activity, we aim to improve access to affordable, reliable, and sustainable energy systems and promote transparent and efficient energy markets."

BADGE is one of USAID's main activities to accelerate clean energy and net zero strategies in Bangladesh and achieve Asia EDGE's goals across the Indo-Pacific region.

It is also a part of USAID's recently launched "Energizing a Net-Zero Asia" initiative that comprises seven new next-generation clean energy programmes, totaling more than \$200 million, to establish foundations for a net-zero energy grid in Asia.

Representatives from the government, academicians, researchers, the private sector, and donors participated in the launch event.

## Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS)

67, Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.

BCPS No. 355/2021/29136

Date: 13-06-2021

Schedule for FCPS Part-I, FCPS Part-II (Final), Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality), FCPS Mid-Term and MCPS written examinations to be held in July, 2021

FCPS Part-II (Final), Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS (Sub-Speciality) and MCPS Examinations.

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue
All Subjects	Paper - I Paper - II	01.07.2021 (Thursday) 03.07.2021 (Saturday)	9.00 A.M. to 12.00 Noon	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.

## FCPS Mid-Term Examination

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue
1. Anaesthesiology 2. Medicine & Allied 3. Obstetrics & Gynaecology & Allied 4. Ophthalmology & Allied 5. Paediatrics & Allied 6. Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation 7. Psychiatry 8. Surgery & Allied	Paper - I Paper - II	01.07.2021 (Thursday) 03.07.2021 (Saturday)	9.00 A.M. to 10.40 A.M. 9.00 A.M. to 12.00 Noon	BCPS, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.

## FCPS Part-I Examination

Morning

Subject	Paper	Date	Time	Venue
1. Anaesthesiology 2. Biochemistry 3. Dermatology & Venereology 4. Haematology 5. Histopathology 6. Medicine & Allied 7. Microbiology 8. Ophthalmology & Allied 9. Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation 10. Radiology & Imaging 11. Radiotherapy	Paper - I Paper - II Paper - III	04.07.2021 (Sunday) 05.07.2021 (Monday) 06.07.2		