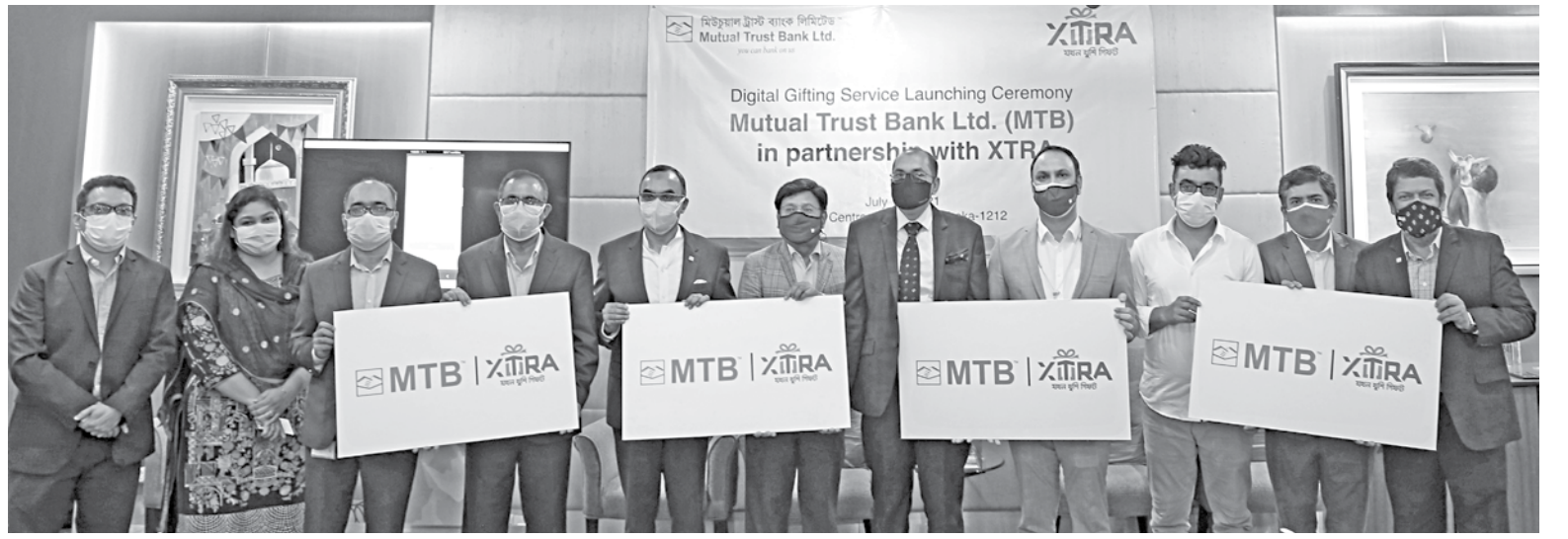




FIRST SECURITY ISLAMI BANK

Syed Waseque Md Ali, managing director of First Security Islami Bank, virtually presided over its half-yearly Business Development Conference for Khulna and Barishal zones recently.



MUTUAL TRUST BANK

Syed Mahbubur Rahman, managing director and CEO of Mutual Trust Bank, recently announced the launch of its "Digital Gifting Service" in partnership with XTRA at the bank's Gulshan 1 corporate head office in Dhaka. Monjurul Alam Mamun, founder of XTRA, Syed Rafiqul Haq, the bank's additional managing director, and Goutam Prosad Das and Md Khalid Mahmood Khan, deputy managing directors, were present.

Standard Chartered 'Best Bank in Covid-19 Initiatives'

STAR BUSINESS DESK

Standard Chartered Bangladesh has recently been recognised as the "Best Bank in Covid-19 Initiatives" and "Best CSR Bank in Bangladesh" at BT Banking Award 2021.

For 2021, the bank has announced a Tk 135 million (\$1.6 million) strategic Covid-19 response action plan that supports healthcare and immediate assistance, regenerates livelihood and catalyses long-term growth, says a press release.

The bank secured 25 major international awards in the past year. Bangladesh Bank recognised the lender as the international bank with the highest CSR spend in 2020.

"Standard Chartered Bangladesh has been resolute in standing beside our communities, helping them become resilient against immediate challenges and prosper in the long-run," said CEO Naser Ezaz Bijoy.

"At the same time, the job is far from over, and we hope others will build on some of the tested initiatives so that together we can achieve the large-scale impact that is imperative," he added.

REUTERS, London

British retailers reported only a slight slowdown in July after sales growth hit its highest in almost three years in June, the first full month after non-essential shops reopened from a coronavirus shutdown, industry data showed on Tuesday.

The Confederation of British Industry's measure of the volume of sales compared with a year earlier dipped to +23 from June's +25, which was the highest since August 2018.

Economists polled by Reuters had mostly expected a bigger fall to +21. The CBI said the growth in orders was the fastest since December 2010 and the pace of sales was expected to pick up again in August.

However, sales were reported as in line with usual levels for the time of year, excluding the effect of Britain's coronavirus lockdown.

CBI economist Ben Jones said

UK retail sales dip slightly



REUTERS/FILE

Shoppers carry bags on the street of West London, Britain.

consumer demand was supporting Britain's economic recovery, although clothing and footwear stores in particular had yet to see demand recover. "While demand may be more stable, operational issues worsen," he said.

"Relative stock levels are at a record low and expected to fall further still, while the number one worry for many firms at the minute is labour shortages throughout the supply chain as staff self-isolate."

The Bank of England is keeping a close eye on how much Britons spend from savings Britons build up during the lockdown, which could prove a key driver of the country's recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.

It is also looking at whether bottlenecks in supply caused by the pandemic - such as dwindling stocks in the retail sector - will lead to longer-term inflation pressures.



Najith Meewanage

New CEO at Commercial Bank of Ceylon

STAR BUSINESS DESK

The Commercial Bank of Ceylon has recently witnessed the appointment of a new chief executive officer for its Bangladesh operations.

The appointee, Najith Meewanage, was previously serving as chief operating officer, says a press release. He has been with the bank throughout the entirety of his 29 years' career.

Meewanage is a former president of the Sri Lanka Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He obtained an MBA degree from the University of Greenwich.

Walmart dropping \$1 a day fee for employees' college degrees

REUTERS, New York

Walmart Inc on Tuesday said it will pay the full cost of college tuition and books for its roughly 1.5 million full and part-time employees, effective Aug. 16.

The largest private US employer said it will drop the current \$1 a day fee paid by associates at Walmart and its subsidiary Sam's Club.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh			
Office of the Director			
Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, Rajshahi			
Invitation for Tenders (IFT) No. 02/2021-22			
1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Health Service Division.	
2	Agency	Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, Rajshahi.	
3	Procuring entity name	Director, Rajshahi Medical College Hospital.	
4	Procuring entity code	3252105	
5	Procuring entity district	Rajshahi.	
6	Invitation for	Procurement of MSR for Group-A. Medicine Group-B. Gauze, Bandage & Cotton Group-C. Surgical Instrument Group-D. Chemical re-agent Group-E. Linen Group-F. Furniture	
7	Invitation Ref No.	RMCH/Tender/2021-22/MSR-2/5212	
8	Date	27-07-2021	
KEY INFORMATION			
9	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM).	
FUNDING INFORMATION			
10	Budget and source of funds	Government of Bangladesh (GOB).	
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
11	Tender publication date	28-07-2021	
12	Tender last selling date	29-08-2021 (up to 1:00pm)	
		Date	Time
13	Tender closing date and time	Up to 31-08-2021	Within 12:00pm
14	Tender opening date and time	31-08-2021	At 01:00pm
15	Name & address of the office(s)	Address	
	- Selling tender document	Office of the Director, Rajshahi Medical College Hospital.	
	- Receiving tender document	1. Office of the Director, Rajshahi Medical College Hospital. 2. Police Commissioner Office, Rajshahi 3. Divisional Commissioner Office, Rajshahi	
	- Opening tender document	Conference Room Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, Rajshahi	
16	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting	Place	Date
		Conference Room, Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, Rajshahi	14-08-2021
			11:00am
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
17	Brief eligibility and qualification of tenderer	As per TDS of Tender Document.	
18	Brief description of goods	Group-A. Medicine (Except EDCL items) Group-B. Gauze, Bandage & Cotton (Gauze, Bandage etc) Group-C. Surgical Instrument (IV Cannula, Gloves, Syringe etc) Group-D. Chemical re-agent (Pathological, X-ray Film etc). Group-E. Linen (Bed Sheet, Rexin, Blanket etc) Group-F. Furniture (Iron Cot, Steel Almirah, File Cabinet etc)	
19	Price of tender document (Tk)	For Group A- Tk 4,000.00 (four thousand) (non-refundable) For Group B- Tk 3,000.00 (three thousand) (non-refundable) For Group C- Tk 4,000.00 (four thousand) (non-refundable) For Group D- Tk 3,000.00 (three thousand) (non-refundable) For Group E- Tk 3,000.00 (three thousand) (non-refundable) For Group F- Tk 1,000.00 (one thousand) (non-refundable) CTR Code No. 1-2711-0000-2681	
20	Identification of lot	Location	Tender security amount (Tk)
	Group-A. Medicine Group-B. Gauze, Bandage & Cotton Group-C. Surgical Instrument Group-D. Chemical re-agent Group-E. Linen Group-F. Furniture	Central Store of RMCH	The amount of Tender Security for each group shall be 2% percent of the total value of the item(s) quoted by the tenderer in favour of Director, Rajshahi Medical College Hospital
			Completion time Financial year 2021-22
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
21	Name of official inviting tender	Brig. Gen. Md. Shameem Yazdany.	
22	Designation of official inviting tender	Director.	
23	Address of official inviting tender	Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, Rajshahi.	
24	Contact details of official inviting tender	Tel. No. 0721-775651	Fax No. 0721-776323
25	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceedings.		
Brig. Gen. Md. Shameem Yazdany Director Rajshahi Medical College Hospital, Rajshahi			

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McDonald's expects big sales growth

REUTERS, New York

McDonald's BTS celebrity meals and crispy chicken sandwiches are expected to fuel a US sales increase of 24 per cent when the company reports second-quarter earnings on Wednesday, but analysts are eyeing whether labor shortages could slow growth.

If results for McDonald's fall short of the mark, the lack of cooks and cashiers could be a culprit, along with competition from other restaurants reopening, independent analyst Mark Kalinowski said in a research note.

As the United States and other economies move toward emerging from the Covid-19 pandemic, an increase in demand for food and goods is exacerbating a shortage of servers, retail workers, truckers and delivery drivers. That crunch is causing slow service and menu outages.

McDonald's Chief Executive Officer Chris Kempczinski told investors in June that the competition for workers is likely to persist for some time, according to a transcript from a Bernstein conference.

To be sure, many fast-food chains have recovered to pre-pandemic sales levels


and are expected to keep reporting strong earnings as customers use drive-thrus and digital apps to place contactless orders for quick family meals.

But some of McDonald's Corp's franchisees are cutting operating hours because of staffing problems and seeing sales drop as competitors reopen, according to a survey by Kalinowski.

Domino's Pizza Inc said on Thursday that delays in delivery of equipment because of global supply chain logjams - as well as low staffing levels and construction and permitting delays - has slowed a number of new store openings.

Some analysts expect McDonald's US sales to beat estimates, including Nick Setyan of Wedbush Securities, who pointed to new menu items such as the new line of chicken sandwiches, increased marketing spending and growing adoption of the company's app for ordering.

McDonald's also launched a new celebrity meal with the South Korean boy band BTS and gave away French fries on Fridays to app users that likely helped boost sales in the quarter.



গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

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সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতিতে ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তির বিজ্ঞপ্তি

এতদ্বারা সংশ্লিষ্ট সকলের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, মানিকগঞ্জ সড়ক বিভাগ, মানিকগঞ্জ কর্তৃক পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ এর আলোকে সড়ক ও জনপথ অধিদপ্তরের পরিচালন (রাজস্ব) বাজেটের আওতায় সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি প্রয়োগের মাধ্যমে প্রতিক্ষেত্রে ৫০.০০ (পঞ্চাশ) লক্ষ টাকা পর্যন্ত প্রাক্কলিত মূল্যের অভ্যন্তরীণ ক্রয়কার্য (NCT-Works) সম্পাদনের লক্ষ্যে ২০২১-২০২২ অর্থবছরের জন্য ঠিকাদার তালিকাভুক্তি করা হবে। সিপিটিইউ কর্তৃক নির্ধারিত আবেদন ফরম নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয় অথবা উপ-বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়, সড়ক উপ-বিভাগ, মানিকগঞ্জ/নয়ারহাট/১ম সারি কারখানা উপ-বিভাগ, মানিকগঞ্জ হতে অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে সরবরাহ করা হবে। ১০০০.০০ (এক হাজার) টাকা অফেরতযোগ্য পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, মানিকগঞ্জ সড়ক বিভাগ, মানিকগঞ্জ এর অনুকূলে জমা প্রদান করে অথবা মানি রিসিপ্টের মাধ্যমে ১০০০.০০ (এক হাজার) টাকা পরিশোধকরতঃ আগ্রহী ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠান নির্ধারিত আবেদনপত্র (ডকুমেন্ট) সংগ্রহ করতে পারবেন। নির্ধারিত আবেদনপত্র (ডকুমেন্ট) সঠিকভাবে পূরণপূর্বক প্রয়োজনীয় কাগজপত্রসহ আগামী ১৭ আগস্ট ২০২১খ্রিঃ বিকাল ৪:০০ ঘটিকার মধ্যে এ অফিসে জমা প্রদান করতে হবে।

উল্লেখ্য যে, সীমিত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি প্রয়োগের ক্ষেত্রে পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধিমালা-২০০৮ এর বিধি ৬৩ অনুসরণযোগ্য এবং এ তালিকাভুক্তিকরণ দরপত্র আহ্বান/কাজ প্রদানের নিশ্চয়তা বিধান করে না।

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