

Mahbubur Rashid's parents -- Hasina Begum and Harun-ur-Rashid -- holding a photo of their son who was one among 24 people killed in the grenade attack on August 21, 2004.

August 21 Grenade Attack

## Punish the murderers in our lifetime

Urge the parents of slain Mahbubur Rashid

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"I can't take it anymore. My heart aches all the time and I can't breathe. The only thing I want before I die is the punishment of the murderers.'

This is what Hasina Begum said choking back her tears on the anniversary of her son's death on August 21 this year.

The 76-year-old woman lost her son in the August 21 grenade attack of 2004 on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who is also the president of Awami League and the leader of the opposition back

Hasina Begum's son Lance Corporal (retd) Mahbubur Rashid, the then head of the AL president's security staff, was one of the 24 people who were killed on the fateful day when a rally of the AL came under attack.

Mahbub's father Harun-ur-Rashid, 85, said on August 21 every year, many people including leaders and activists of the AL from the area pay homage to Mahbub by visiting his grave and their home in Fulbaria village of Kushtia's Khoksa upazila.

Wondering "why it has been taking so long to punish the killers," Harun said it would be a matter of great regret if he cannot see the punishment of his son's killers in his lifetime.

Sometimes development in the trial process gets his hopes up, but at other times, the situation is quite frustrating, said the elderly man.

He faced extreme financial hardship while raising his 10 children. After Mahbub passed fifth grade from Fulbaria Primary School in the neighbourhood, Mahbub's maternal



uncle Abdur Rob took him under his wings and got him admitted at Shaheed Khabir Uddin Secondary School in Bahadurpur of Rajbari's Pangsha upazila.

After passing SSC in 1984 from there, poverty-stricken young Mahbub started a job at the house of an army officer for Tk 600. The job later paved the way for him to join Bangladesh

The financial situation of the family started to improve by the time Mahbub completed his service term at the army and later launched a business in his village home.

Retired soldier Mahbub soon found an opportunity to work for the AL President Sheikh Hasina as driver of her car. Within a short time, with his loyalty and honesty, Mahbub made his way up to be a bodyguard for the AL

Hoping that Mahbub's two sons -- Ashiq and Robin -- will also live up to expectations, his mother Hasina Begum proudly said that her son was an honest, devoted and responsible person with fighting spirit. "My son sacrificed his life to save Bangabandhu's daughter."

MADDHAPARA GRANITE MINING COMPANY LTD

## Delay of contract renewal affects mine production; sales dropped as stock plunges

Contract with GTC to be ended on Sep 2

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Sales of hard rock at Maddhapara Granite Mining Company Limited (MGMCL) have come to a standstill due to snail pace ofrock production as uncertainty starts looming over the renewal of the contract with the present contract holding company, which is scheduled to be ended on September 2 this year.

MGMCL, a company of Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla), is located at Maddhapara village in Parbatipur upazila of Dinajpur.

According to the official sources of the hard rock mine, it has around 90,000 tonnes of rock at the stockyard, with four different sizes. But, the mine does not have a stock of 5/20 shaped rocks, which have a higher demand for various development projects across the country.

Daily average sale dropped to below 1,000 tonnes, said mine sources.

During a visit to the mine on Sunday (August 22), this correspondent found more than 1,000 trucks from various parts of the country waiting in queues on both sides on Phulbari-Mithapukur highway in the mining area to take the load from the mine.

There are several stockyards at development of the projects", said

vards have already been empty for him. the production slump.

Madaripur district, said he reached the mine area on Thursday last week to take the load from the Maddhapara mine. He got his load after three days of waiting.

"Situation is the same for others," he said, adding that if people suffer this way, they will turn up to other alternative rock sources as it's being imported from other countries, including India and Bhutan as well.

Although there is a high demand for hard rock from Maddhapara for the development of the various projects in the country, many companies are not getting their loads as per the demands for the shortage of rocks, he said.

country, including Roopur Nuclear Power Plant, Paira, Matharbari seaport, and third terminal of Shahjalal International Airport, are using the hard-rock of MGMCL.

"The development of these mega

hampered, it will affect the the mine's compound, but all the an official requesting not to quote

On the other hand, the Habibur Rahman, a trucker of uncertainty of contract renewal with the incumbent contracted company has already affected the rock production as the foreign and local miners are worried about 20 last year. their jobs.

local miners and approximately 80 foreign miners have been working under Germania Trest Consortium (GTC), the contracted company.

However, local miners said working condition under GTC is far better than that of Namnam, a North Korean based company of

Namnam was the first company contracted by MGMCL.

Sources said Petrobangla took over the mine in 2007 Sources said that developments after Namnam developed the of many mega projects in the mine from 1998. The same manager (mine operation) of year, MGMCL signed a six-year term contract with Namnam for the mine's development and Namnam had to produce 5,500 projects is much dependent on the the mine under three shifts, but rock worth Tk 627.22 crore since rock production of Maddhapara it could never achieve the given

But, a few of them were getting mine. If the production is target. Hence, the mine suffered massive losses.

Later, Germania Consortium (GTC), a Belarusbased company, was hired by MGMCL on September 2 in 2013, through international biddings for the mine's development and rock production. Formally, the 6-year term contract ended on February

Meantime, the authorities of Mine sources said around 600 MGMCL floated tender for six times inviting bidding applications from experienced international companies, but the bidding process could not be completed since the Covid-19 induced global

Later, MGMCL signed a Side Letter Agreement (SLA) contract with GTC, which will be over on September 2, said the mine official.

But, with only a week left, there is no sign to be seen to finalise the renewal agreement.

Md Abu Taleb Farazi, general MGMCL, said MGMCL and Petrobangla have been working hard to finalize the contract as early production. Under the agreement, as possible. GTC produced around 40 lakh tonnes of rock during its tonnes of rock daily operating tenure. The MGMCL has sold hard



Several hundreds of trucks wait in queue on both sides on Phulbari-Mithapukur highway in the mining area to take the load from the mine but the truckers alleged that they were not getting their loads despite waiting for two to three days. The photo was taken on Sunday.

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## গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার বাংলাদেশ পলিশ পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়

২০২১-২০২২ অর্থ বৎসরে ২য় কোয়ার্টারের (অক্টোবর/২০২১ হইতে ডিসেম্বর/২০২১ পর্যন্ত) রেশন সাম্মী ক্রয়ের নিমিত্তে দি-পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট এ্যার্ক্ট/২০০৬ ও দি-পাবলিক প্রকিউরমেন্ট বিধি/২০০৮ (সর্বশেষ সংশোধনীসহ) অনুসারে নিম্নবর্ণিত শর্ত সাপেক্ষে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে।

১। মন্ত্রণালয়/বিভাগ	8	স্বরাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়/জননিরাপত্তা বিভাগ			
২। সংস্থা	8	वाःनारमम भूनिम ।			
৩। ক্রয়/সংগ্রহের স্বতাধিকারীর নাম ও জেলা	8	পুলিশ সুপার, মাদারীপুর।			
৪। দরপত্রের সূত্র নম্বর ও তারিখ	8	পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয় মাদারীপুর এর স্মারক নং-৩৭৮৬/ই ,তারিখ-২৪/০৮/২০২১ খ্রিঃ।			
৫। দরপত্র পদ্ধতি	8	উনুক্ত।			
৬। বাজেট ও অথনৈতিক খাত	8	রাজস্ব খাত। বাংলাদেশ পুলিশ বাজেট			
৭। দরপত্র জারীর তারিখ	8	২৪/০৮/২০২১ খ্রিঃ।			
৮। দরপত্র সিডিউল বিক্রয়ের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	8	১৯/০৯/২০২১ খ্রিঃ অফিস চলাকালিন পর্যন্ত।			
৯। দরপত্র দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	8	২০/০৯/২০২১ খ্রিঃ ১২.০০ ঘটিকা।			
১০। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	8	২০/০৯/২০২১ খ্রিঃ ১২.৩০ ঘটিকা।			
১১। দরপত্র সম্পাদনকারী অফিস ও ঠিকানা	8	পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, মাদারীপুর।			
১২। দরপত্র সিডিউল প্রাপ্তির স্থান	8	ঃ (ক) ডিআইজি, ঢাকা রেঞ্জ, ঢাকা এর কার্যালয়।			
		(খ) পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, মাদারীপুর জেলা।			
		<ul><li>(গ) পুলিশ সুপারের কার্যালয়, শরীয়তপুর জেলা।</li></ul>			
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১৫। দরপত্র মূল্যায়নের তারিখ ও সময়	8	২৩/০৯/২০২১ খ্রিঃ ১৪.০০ ঘটিকা।			
১৬। দরপত্র দাতার প্রাথমিক যোগ্যতা বা দরপত্রের		হালনাগাদ ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, ভ্যাট নিবন্ধন সনদ, আয়কর সনদ, ব্যাংক স্বচ্ছলতার সনদ, জাতীয়তার সনদ,			
সহিত যে সকল তথ্য দাখিল করিতে হইবে।	8	মালিকানার এফিডেভিট, প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্যাডে কালো তালিকাভ্ক্ত নয় মর্মে অঙ্গীকারনামা, প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্যাডে নমুন			
	-	স্বাক্ষর, সংশ্রিষ্ট সরবরাহ সংক্রান্ত অভিজ্ঞতার সনদ (সকল সনদের সত্যায়িত কপি) দাখিল করিতে হইবে।			
১৭। আর্থিক স্বচ্ছলতা		দরপত্র জারীর তারিথ হইতে দরপত্র দাখিলের তারিথ পর্যন্ত সময়ের মধ্যে ব্যাংক হইতে ইস্যুকৃত Liquid			
		Asset (ব্যাংক ছিতির) বিবরণী দাখিল করিতে হইবে।			

- ১৯। আটা ও ডালের প্যাকেটের গায়ে স্পষ্ট ভাবে পন্যের ওজন, উৎপাদনের তারিখ ও মেয়াদ উত্তীর্ণের তারিখ উল্লেখ করিতে হইবে। ২০। সিডিউলে উল্লেখিত পরিমান অনুযায়ী প্যাকেটজাত করিয়া সরবরাহ করিতে হইবে।
- ২১। ব্যক্তি বা প্রতিষ্ঠানের সত্যাধিকারীর স্বাক্ষরযুক্ত প্যাডে আবেদন পূর্বক অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত দরপত্র সিডিউল ক্রয় করিতে হইবে।
- ২২। দরপত্র মূল্যায়ন কমিটি কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতীত যে কোন দরপত্র গ্রহণ/বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।
- .২৩। সরকারি সিদ্ধান্তের প্রেক্ষিতে দরপত্রে উল্লেখিত কোন তারিখ সরকারি বন্ধ হইলে নিমুশ্বাক্ষকারি কর্তৃক নির্ধারিত তারিখে কার্যক্রম সম্পন্ন করা হইবে। . १८ । कार्राक्त जित्रत्वे ०

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০২	সয়াবিন তৈল (বিএসটিআই অনুমোদিত)	২১,০০০লিঃ	90,000/-	960/-	ভিসেম্বর/২০২১ পর্যন্ত)	
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Memo no. FD/SUFAL/Procurement/SD-37/15/2021/1430

Date: August 25, 2021 REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REoI)

Country: Bangladesh Name of the Project: Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project

Credit No: 6325-BD

Assignment Title: Consulting Services for Valuation of Ecosystem Services (Wealth Accounting) and Assessment of Payment for Ecosystem Services.

Reference No. Package no: SD-37

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for this consulting services.

This consulting services ("the Services") has the broad objectives:

a) devise a set of Natural Capital Accounts for forestry in Bangladesh that meets international standards, apply these nationally and to selected Protected Areas, and b) explore the feasibility of Payments for Ecosystems Services in Ramgarh-Sitakunda Reserved Forests.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment and soft copy of Prescribed Format for Submission of Expression of Interest can be found at the following website: www.bforest.gov.bd or can be

obtained at the address given below. The Bangladesh Forest Department (BFD) now invites eligible firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information on Prescribed Format issued with this REOI demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the

The required qualification and experience of the firm/firms are as follows: A registered consulting firm with 10 years of working experience in natural resource management;

- Having 05 years of experience in similar kind of works;
- Working with ecosystem service valuation (ESV) and payment for ecosystem services (PES) will be an added advantage
- Experience of working under donor funded projects will be an added advantage;
- · The consulting firm will have sufficient and relevant managerial, financial and organizational capabilities and logistics for the assignment;

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

Attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 (Revised on November 2017 & August 2018) ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected. It is preferable to limit the maximum number of joint venture partners in 03 (three) including the Lead partner. Although the lead firm in the joint venture will provide the core expertise, each partner of the JV has to be reasonably qualified to take over the responsibilities and role of any of the partners that may fail to perform or

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-based Selection (QCBS) method set

out in the Procurement Regulations Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 9:00 to 17:00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by September 22, 2021 up to 3:00 PM.



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