### CTG CIRCUIT HOUSE Museum named after Zia will be removed Says state minister Murad Hassan

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The museum named after Ziaur Rahman at the old circuit house in Chattogram will be removed, said State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Dr Md Murad Hassan yesterday. He said this at an event

at Chattogram Press Club. He also said posthumous trial of Ziaur Rahman, over killing Bangabandhu, will be held. "No state-run museum can be named after a murderer. It would be wrong for the state to spend money to keep a killer's memory alive.'

He said AL leader MA Hannan re-read Bangabandhu's declaration of independence on the morning of March 26, 1971. "The devices used by him will be re-installed at the Kalurghat radio station," he added.

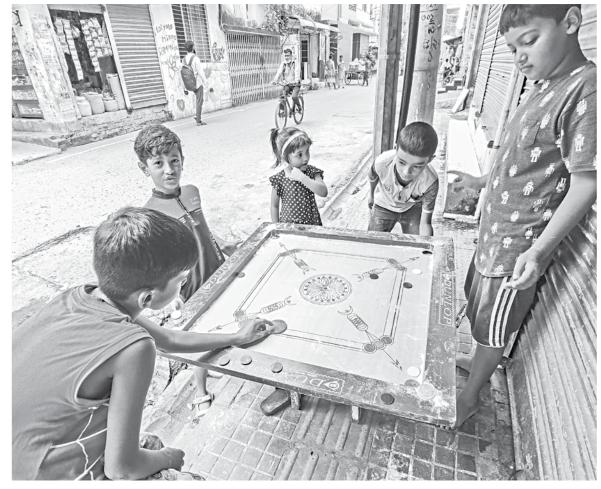


PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

It's been a year-and-a-half since these kids last went to school, while some of them are yet to have their coveted 'first day of school' due to the pandemic. Stuck at home for seemingly forever, they've already spent too much time on TV and digital devices. So every now and then, they come out of their homes for a game of carrom. This photo was taken yesterday from Mohammadpur's Tikka Para area in the capital.

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bench on September 27. He also submitted petition through his lawyer Sarwar Ahmed offering unconditional apology to the HC bench. In the petition, he sought exemption from personal appearance before the court.

He, however, said he has recorded confessional statement in accordance with relevant provisions of the law. Petitioner's lawyer Mohammad Shishir Manir placed some documents before the HC, saying that the confessional statement was collected from the minor by beating and torturing

There were injury marks on his body when he was admitted to a hospital day after recording his confessional statement, the lawyer said.

Present IO Md Mansur Ali virtually appeared before the HC bench as per its August 22 summons order. Deputy Attorney General Sarwar Hossain Bappi represented the state during the virtual proceedings.

On August 25, 2015, the body of an eight-year-old was found in a jute field in Bogura's Katakhali. A day later, his father filed a case with Sariakandi Police Station.

# Other cities not

(mcg/m3) of air, while Manikganj was the most polluted regional city, with an average of 80.2 mcg/m3 in 2020, according to the World Air Quality Report 2020, published in March this year.

Bangladesh National Ambient Air Quality Standard guidelines say the presence of PM 2.5 in the air should remain within 65 mcg/m3 in 24 hours while the annual average should stay at 15.

However, according to WHO guidelines, PM 2.5 should be 10 mcg/m3 as an annual average and 25 mcg/m3 in 24 hours

In 2020, Bangladesh's air quality was the worst in the world, while Dhaka was the second most polluted city.

The Daily Star could not get the data of brick kilns or industries in those particular areas.

According to the Department of Inspection for Factories and Establishments, a total of 8,455 factories, shops and construction licences were issued by them, and 25,176 such establishments renewed licenses in fiscal 2019-20.

'Our biggest failure is that we only have a draft act to check the air pollution, which is not being implemented properly. Our ministry and its departments have no efficiency in controlling such severe levels of pollution,' said the Bapa general secretary.

"The ministry's budget allocation has been reduced, where it should have been increased, as lots of development work are being undertaken by the government," he added.

"They [government] have taken initiatives to reduce the number of brick kilns but without any specific roadmap in this regard," he claimed.

Meanwhile, experts recommended phasing out the use of burnt bricks, making the use of block bricks mandatory in phases, covering construction sites to reduce dust in the air, phasing out unfit vehicles, importing diesel with less sulfur contents, using high-quality fossil fuel, planting more trees and having more waterbodies as measures to control air pollution. Contacted, Syed Nazmul Ahsan, director (air quality management) of the DoE, said, he joined the DoE recently and his predecessor will be able to explain the situation better.

### Reunited after 22 years

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supervision of Jamuna Gautam Pokhrel, deputy mayor of Sunsari.

Abhinav Chowdhury, chairperson of Nepal-Bangladesh Youth Conclave, and Masud Alam were mentioned in the comments under that post.

The embassy staff at first failed to identify Ameena while talking to her over the phone. Later, on advice of Ambassador Salahuddin, Masud went to Sunsari -- about 450

kilometres from Kathmandu -- on June 1. Biplob Ghosh, president of Sunsari

Bengali community, assisted him during that time. After speaking to Ameena, her identity and names of her family members

a Bangladeshi woman was rescued under were confirmed through the efforts of Bogura district's National Security Intelligence (NSI) officials.

Jamuna Pokhrel on August 31 handed Ameena over to Ambassador Salahuddin at a simple ceremony held at the embassy.

It was learnt from locals that Ameena had been living in destitute condition in Sunsari for a long time, the embassy wrote in its Facebook post.

Councillor Masud Alam said, "We are happy to fulfil the government's responsibilities and serve a helpless citizen abroad."

Masud also expressed gratitude to all those who helped find Ameena.

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happening. We don't want a single death. It's the decision but it's not fully complied yet," said the foreign minister.

Asked why the border killing is still happening, Momen suggested reporters should do some investigative journalism as they are not getting a clue.

Responding to a question on the Rohingya crisis, the minister said four years have passed but not a single Rohingya was repatriated. "Myanmar didn't keep its commitment.'

He said Bangladesh will continue to urge the international community to put pressure on Myanmar saying they will take back Rohingyas if pressure on them is mounted.

Momen mentioned that Myanmar took back its nationals in 1978 and 1992 but this time Bangladesh is yet to be successful. He said they are trying bilaterally, trilaterally and multilaterally to find a

solution to the Rohingya crisis created by Myanmar.

Momen reminded all that there will be pockets of extremism and radicalism if the Rohingyas' stay in Bangladesh is prolonged which will hurt the investment of major countries in the region amid the possibility of instability.

He also expressed displeasure over the UK government's decision to keep Bangladesh on the red list for entering England.

"We've conveyed our concern," he said, adding that it should be a shame for Britain as it is not even taking responsibility or ignoring British-Bangladeshis who got stuck in Bangladesh.

If anyone from a red,-listed country enters the UK, he or she must book a quarantine hotel (cost 2,500 pound sterling) and coronavirus (Covid-19) tests which is guite expensive.

## Dengue cases cross

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outside Dhaka.

diagnosed during this month out of total 12,091 infected. Of the total infected, 1,091 are from

At least 1,735 were diagnosed in September, 7,698 in August, 2,286 in July, 272 in June while 43 were infected in May, according to the DGHS.



### **Request for Expression of Interest (National)**

#### Memo No. 53.23.0000.001.03.030.21.3498

Date: 06-09-2021

Technical Assistance (TA) Firm for Capacity Building of Local Entrepreneurs (LEs) and Partner Organizations (POs)

Bangladesh Rural Water, Sanitation & Hygiene for Human Capital Development Project

Assignment Title: Technical Assistance (TA) firm to support MFI for Local Entrepreneur (LE) selection, develop training materials for LEs & MFIs, capacity building of them and linking LEs with MFI.

### Package No.: PKSF/ RWSSP-SD-18

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank and Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) for Implementing the Bangladesh Rural Water, Sanitation & Hygiene for Human Capital Development Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the Consulting Services

- The consulting services ("the Services") include;
  - a) BCC Materials Development and Printing
  - b) Develop Capacity of more or less 10,000 staff of selected MFIs.
  - c) Support MFI for Selecting and Capacity Building of more or less 2790 Local Entrepreneurs in project areas.
  - d) Support MFIs in Implementation of BCC Campaign in project areas.
- The consulting team will comprise of total 84(Eighty Four) professional staff including

FROM PAGE 3 at Delhi University to promote research Bangladesh's liberation.

Lawyer Jyotirmoy Barua moved the

petition before the HC bench, saying that

the appointment of the 138 teachers and

staffers violated the provision of Rajshahi

Earlier on May 23, a probe committee

#### Halt recruitment Convener of CAB Architect Mubassher formed by the government submitted an Hossain submitted the writ petition to inquiry report to the Secondary and Higher the HC as a public interest litigation on Education Division, reportedly saying that Prof Sobhan has violated the constitution, August 31, seeking necessary directives on university law, and a government embargo

by appointing the teachers and staffers on the last day of his office. Due to this, Prof Sobhan was involved "punishable offence", said probe in a committee members and education ministry officials.

and study related to Bangladesh. A few other universities in India are also taking similar initiatives to jointly commemorate Bangabandhu's birth

Info minister

Hasan Mahmud arrived yesterday on a four-day visit to New Delhi, the first ministerial tour from Bangladesh since Modi visited Dhaka in March.

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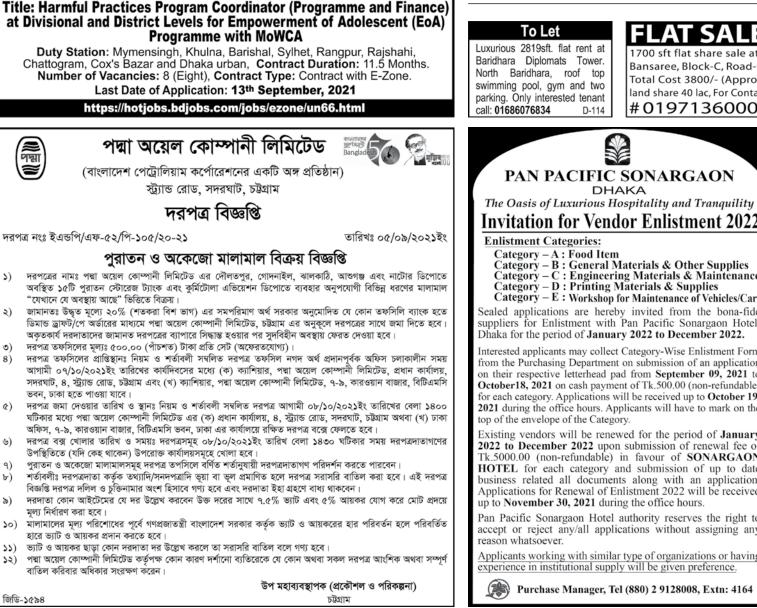
For detailed Job Description, please visit the following website link to apply for the post.

Contacted, immediate-past DoE director Md Ziaul Haque said recently published World Bank data states that a great amount of air pollution in Bangladesh is due to transboundary pollution.

About their initiative to reduce air pollution, he said they will gradually reduce the number of brick kilns. Instructions have already been given to use environmentfriendly block bricks while constructing government buildings.

"We will apply it in the private sector soon," he said.

He also said a draft regulation on controlling air pollution has already been sent to the law ministry. He hoped it would come into play within next month.



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ealed applications are hereby invited from the bona-fide suppliers for Enlistment with Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel, Dhaka for the period of January 2022 to December 2022.

nterested applicants may collect Category-Wise Enlistment Form from the Purchasing Department on submission of an application n their respective letterhead pad from September 09, 2021 to October18, 2021 on cash payment of Tk.500.00 (non-refundable or each category. Applications will be received up to October 19, 2021 during the office hours. Applicants will have to mark on the top of the envelope of the Category.

Existing vendors will be renewed for the period of January 2022 to December 2022 upon submission of renewal fee of Tk.5000.00 (non-refundable) in favour of SONARGAON HOTEL for each category and submission of up to date pusiness related all documents along with an application. Applications for Renewal of Enlistment 2022 will be received up to November 30, 2021 during the office hours.

Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel authority reserves the right to accept or reject any/all applications without assigning any

Applicants working with similar type of organizations or having experience in institutional supply will be given preference.

Purchase Manager, Tel (880) 2 9128008, Extn: 4164

6(Six) key team members and 78(Seventy Eight) Facilitators at Upazila level. Expected date for commencement of the services is December 2021. The consultancy service duration will be for 24 (Twenty-Four) months from the date of contract effectiveness during 2021 to 2023.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following link; tender.pksf-bd.org

The Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- 1. Experience in capacity building including IEC material development
- 2. Experience on water and sanitation and expertise in capacity building of different stakeholders especially micro finance institutions
- 3. Experience in Implementation of BCC Campaign for similar type of of project

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

Consultants are requested to submit, but not limited to, the following supporting documents in support of the above-mentioned criteria:

(i) The Firm's Incorporation/Trade/registration documents from the country of the firm (ii) Firm's brochures; and (iii) description of similar consultancy contracts, including the scope, contract amount, name of Client, period of the contract (date of contract signing to date of completion), location/country of the services, etc.

The 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" November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A consulting firm is allowed to submit the expression of interest alone if it considers itself to be fully qualified on its own for the assignment, as it is not mandatory for consultants to associate with any other firm(s), whether foreign or local. Alternatively, if consultants themselves choose to associate to enhance their qualifications and capability for the assignment, then such associations may either be as a Joint Venture (i.e. all members of the joint venture shall be jointly and severally responsible) and/or Sub-consultants (i.e. the Consultant will be responsible, including for the services of the sub-consultant). In case of an association, the Consultants must explain in the EOI submission (a) the rationale for forming the association and (b) the anticipated role and relevant qualifications of each member of the Joint Venture and/or of each sub-consultant for carrying out the assignment, to justify the proposed inclusion of the JV members and/or sub-consultants in the association. Failure to provide the above explanation in the Expression of Interest may risk the association not being shortlisted for the assignment. However, the qualifications/experience of sub-consultants will not be considered by the Client in the evaluation of Expressions of Interest for Shortlisting purposes.

If shortlisted, Consultants will still have opportunity at the subsequent proposal preparation stage to further enhance their expertise for the assignment by associating with non-shortlisted consultants in the form of a Joint Venture or as Sub-consultants. In all such cases a shortlisted Consultant must obtain the written approval of the Client prior to the submission of the Proposal, for which the shortlisted Consultant will be required to justify the rationale for associating and specify the proposed role and relevant qualifications of the proposed associate(s) for carrying out the assignment. When associating with non-shortlisted firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy, the shortlisted Consultant shall be a lead member. However, Instruction to Consultant (ITC) clauses of RFP will prevail in regards to associate with non-shortlisted firm or subconsultant during proposal preparation stage.

A Consultancy Firm 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 9:30 am to 4:30 pm (Except holidays). Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail **<u>rwashpksf.proc@gmail.com</u>**) by 15 September 2021.

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