



Water from the Rupsha has entered Khulna city due to high tide. For around a week, low lying parts of the city remain flooded. While vehicles and pedestrians are being forced to plough through the water, households are busy sweeping it out. This photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

## Labour migration in slow lane

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Medical tests of workers were hindered greatly until recently. At present, after meeting all kinds of Covid-19 related conditions, migrant workers are able to fly to popular destinations including Saudi Arabia, Oman and Qatar.

However, recruiting agencies continued to receive lower numbers of demand letters (request for workers) from foreign employers than what they would receive pre-pandemic.

Besides, a major job market in Southeast Asia, Malaysia, is still not taking workers from Bangladesh since September, 2018.

M Tipu Sultan, president of Recruiting Agencies Oikya Parishad, said because of the pandemic's fallout, they have been receiving a smaller number of demand letters.

"In the past one month, the number of demand letters [for new workers] was about 20,000 to 30,000. In normal times, the number would reach 60,000 to 70,000 a month," said Tipu, also a member of Bangladesh Association of International Recruiting Agencies (Baira).

Recruiting agencies could not send many workers despite possessing demand letters, due to various reasons amid Covid-19 restrictions. Moreover, overseas job markets have also shrunk during the pandemic, he said.

The country's labour migration sector

has been greatly affected by the pandemic, he added, urging the government to take necessary steps, including timely inoculation of migrant workers to ensure that they can fly abroad.

### OVERSEAS JOB SITUATION IN 2021

According to BMET data, in the first eight months this year, 2.75 lakh workers were sent abroad. Saudi Arabia, Oman and Singapore remained the top destinations for new migrant workers.

Of the 2.75 lakh new employees, about 2.15 lakh were in Saudi Arabia. Besides, 19,618 workers were sent to Oman and 12,482 to Singapore.

Moreover, Jordan hired 7,996 workers, United Arab Emirates 4,690, and Qatar 5,207.

Shakirul Islam, chairperson of Ovivashi Karmi Unnayan Program, said besides sending a greater number of workers, the government also needs to look at whether they are getting their promised job abroad.

Also, the government has to ensure that the workers are going abroad with required skills, he said.

Contacted, Shahidul Alam, director general of BMET, told The Daily Star that they have been providing all kinds of support to migrant workers, as per government directives, and maintaining health guidelines.

## 4 get life term for killing Ruet driver

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

A Rajshahi court yesterday sentenced four people to life term imprisonment for killing a bus driver of Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology (Ruet) in 2018.

Justice Anup Kumar of the Rajshahi Speedy Trial Tribunal handed down the verdict.

The convicts are Sobel Rana, Nur Nabi, Anwar Hossain and Sabbir Hossain, said public prosecutor Entajul Haque. They were present at the court during the verdict.

There are two other accused in the case whose verdict is still pending with a juvenile court.

Aabdu Salam, the Ruet driver, was hacked to death on a road near Agrani School and College inside the campus on April 24, 2018 while attempting to resolve a local conflict.

Later, his son filed the case.

## Mahmudul Huq's death anniversary

CITY DESK

Today is the sixth death anniversary of Abu Sayeed Mahmudul Huq, former manager of Common Service Division of BCIC, said a press release.



To mark the death anniversary, family members of the deceased organised a doa mahfil and distributed food among the destitute in Dhaka. Mahmudul Huq, father-in-law of journalist Habibur Rahman Khan, died on this day in 2015.

## Two-day strategic

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connectivity a significant part of the bilateral relationship.

UK also is a major trade and development partner of Bangladesh, which exports products worth \$3 billion under a duty-free regime. It is also a major investor.

Bangladesh will seek an extension of the UK's zero-duty GSP facility until 2029.

Trade relations with the UK, which came out of EU early last year, will be discussed elaborately in the dialogue, a foreign ministry official said.

"Bangladesh is seeking more foreign investments, but there are issues that need to be addressed including ease of doing business here," a diplomatic source said.

One of Bangladesh's major concerns right now is the UK's red listing, which is preventing at least 7,000 British Bangladeshis to travel back to the UK, along with restricting trade-related travelling.

"Bangladesh will emphasise the red listing," the official concerned said, adding that Dhaka will also seek a simpler and

efficient visa regime for Bangladeshis.

As a climate vulnerable country, Bangladesh will seek technological transfer for renewable energy, net zero carbon emission, and compensation for loss and damage caused by climate change from the developed countries.

In the last strategic dialogue in 2019, UK had raised the issues of free elections, freedom of speech, democracy, human and labour rights, irregular migration, good governance, gender equality etc.

A diplomatic source said these are some of the issues that the UK will raise again during the strategic dialogue. "As a Commonwealth country, UK wants the values of democracy, women's rights, and human rights to be upheld."

Bangladesh will also seek more pressure from the UK on Myanmar for Rohingya repatriation as well as funding for humanitarian assistance. The two countries will also talk about the Afghanistan situation and ways to work in unison to restore regional peace, security, and stability.

## Our Situation

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Like the Taliban, fundamentalist groups in Bangladesh have been spreading hatred against people belonging to different religions.

They are also spreading hatred against those who express different opinion and practice different traditions, Shahriar Kabir added.

The fundamentalist groups are trying to create communal chaos in society and pushing for banning all forms of art and artistic expressions, he further said.

Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra artiste Monoranjan Ghoshal, president of the Nirmul Committee's cultural squad, chaired the webinar.

## Are transgender people

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daily vaccination update, prepared by the Health Emergency Operation Center and Control Room of the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), only provide an update of the number of men and women who took the vaccine, with no room for counting the transgender population.

The Daily Star spoke to several transgender people of the capital about the vaccination process, and an overwhelming majority of them stated that they were reluctant to take vaccines considering the horrible experiences their fellows went through.

For example, Samiul Alam Shammi, a transwoman entrepreneur and trans rights activist, said that she didn't go to take the vaccine, as she saw how badly her "guru" had been treated when she went to take the vaccine.

A few of them also claimed that many in their community were not tested and vaccinated since they are not accustomed to the registration process, are uneducated and lack access to smart phones and internet connections.

Another major challenge, faced by the hijra community, is that since they live under their "gurus" (mentors) from their teenage years, many do not possess an NID, which is mandatory for registering online.

Some transgender people also claimed that they were not allowed to take the vaccine during the mass

vaccination drive.

Megh, another transgender person, said when she and her friends went to take the vaccine at a school in the capital's Badda, the people who maintain the queues asked them to step aside and let the others waiting in line go first.

"When we asked why, they told us to show up the next day, but we did not go later, considering the humiliation and denial," she said.

Most of the transgender population faced similar experiences in terms of getting tested for coronavirus. For example, Chaity said she was not welcomed when, last September, she went to get a Covid test at Rajbari Sadar Hospital. "I knew some people, who helped me get tested eventually," she said. "But I know many who went through all the symptoms of Covid-19 but didn't get tested fearing the hassle. They took medicines from the traditional healers and dispensaries."

"Some trans people also died of Covid-like symptoms in Dhaka, but the 'gurus' didn't disclose the information to anyone, fearing the consequences."

Dr Mashiur Rahman, advocacy manager of Bandhu Social Welfare Society, an organisation that works for the rights of gender diverse populations, said they too have received many such allegations of harassment and humiliation during

the testing and vaccination process.

"We are trying through our community volunteers in districts to sensitise both the transgender people and staffers, and have been noticing some progress. However, most members of gender diverse communities are still left out of the vaccination drive," he added.

Contacted, DGHS spokesperson Dr Robed Amin said DGHS didn't receive any such complaint so far.

"The government already recognised them as the third gender, but we are yet to overcome the social challenges in accepting them. They will take the vaccine as per their preferred gender [male or female], and if they are denied the vaccine, we will look into it," he said.

Dr Ainoun Naher, a professor of anthropology at Jahangirnagar University, said although the government recognised them, they first need to be accepted socially.

"They must be given the vaccine as per their gender mentioned in the NID, and there must be a complaint box in every centre so that if someone goes through any untoward situation they can make a complaint," she said.

The government must give them an opportunity to change their gender in their NID, since they are now officially recognised as the third gender, she added.

### HAMDARD GENERAL HOSPITAL

Hamdard Nagar, Gazaria, Munshiganj

#### Job Vacancy

Hamdard General Hospital organized by Hamdard Foundation Bangladesh is looking for a person for the post-

Post	No of post	Qualification	Experience
Director	01	MBBS (FCPS/MD/PGD in Hospital Management will be prioritized)	Minimum 10 years' experience in running Hospital Administration & Management

1. Must have BM&DC registered Certificate.  
2. Expertise in emergency medical services, hospital departments, clinical teaching services, anesthesia and others.  
3. Salary and other facilities are negotiable.  
Complete resume with written cover letter, recent 2 copies pp size photograph and all relevant documents may please be sent to: **Secretary General, Hamdard Foundation Bangladesh, Rupayan Trade Center (Level 12-13), 114 Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Banglamotor, Dhaka-1000** by 25 September 2021, mentioning the post.  
N.B. Only short listed candidates will be notified.

### Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF)

PKSF Bhaban, E-4/B, Agargaon Administrative Area, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207  
Phone: 8181658-61, Website www.pksf-bd.org

#### CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

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

It is hereby notified to all concerns that the REoI notice published on "The Daily Star" and "The Daily Iffteaq" on 07/09/2021 for the selection of 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 is amended as follows:

As mentioned in REoI Notice	As amended
Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail <a href="mailto:rwashpksf.proc@gmail.com">rwashpksf.proc@gmail.com</a> ) by 15 September 2021.	Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail <a href="mailto:rwashpksf.proc@gmail.com">rwashpksf.proc@gmail.com</a> ) by 23 September 2021; 3:00 PM

All other Terms and Conditions shall remain unchanged. This Corrigendum Notice will be considered as integral part of the aforesaid Tender.

AQM Golam Mawla, Deputy Managing Director-2 & PE

### Job Opportunity

#### Shahjalal Venture Capital Limited

Al-Razi complex, Level-9 Suite-901,  
166-167 Shahid Syed Nazrul Islam Sharani, Dhaka-1000.

Title: Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Vacancy: 01

**Educational Requirements:**  
• Candidate should have FCA/FCMA/ACA/CFA/CA (CC) partly qualified with MBA/Masters/ equivalents degree from reputed University.

**Experience Requirements:**  
• At least 8-10 year(s)

**Job Responsibilities:**  
• Sound knowledge about Capital Market, Private Equity Fund, Venture Capital Fund, Impact Fund Rules, Regulations and Policies of Securities & Exchange Commission, Dhaka Stock Exchange, Central Depository Bangladesh Limited and other regulatory bodies.  
• Vast Knowledge about Fundamental and Technical Analysis of Capital Market.  
• Implement an effective Business Plan to business target, goals and objectives.  
• Closely monitor the activities of portfolio companies.  
• Highly Conversant with Investment Products and ability to develop efficient portfolio management strategies.  
• Conceptually sound in transaction/trading on securities, Brokerage & Venture Capital Market operation.  
• Prepare an 'Investment & Fund Management Guidelines' with approval of the Trustee and ensure strict compliance of the said guidelines.  
• Keep sound knowledge about accounts & pursuing NAV.  
• Capable in market trend analysis & market forecasting mechanism.  
• Excellent knowledge to support business unit for.  
• Highly resourceful team-player, with the ability to also be extremely effective independently.  
• To ensure profitability target by maximizing revenues from Corporate, Retail & Foreign Portfolios.  
• Ensure to attract foreign investment in the Venture capital market.  
• Communicate and build network effectively with External and Internal clients.  
• Conscious about your time management system.  
• Complete the additional task given by the Board of Directors, if any.

**Additional Requirements:**  
• Age at most 45 years  
• 5 years' experience in the relevant field with proven record of accomplishment.  
• Encouraging if having at least 03 years' experience as Chief Executive Officer in a reputed Venture Capital with proven record of accomplishment.  
• Age may be relaxed for the highly deserving candidate.  
• Must have sound knowledge in Microsoft office  
• Must have experience in software operation

**Compensation & Other Benefits**  
• As per company policy.

**Read before Apply:** Interested persons who meet the above-mentioned criteria are requested to submit their updated "Resume" with photograph at [Shahjalalventurecapital@gmail.com](mailto:Shahjalalventurecapital@gmail.com) the subject line of the email should mention the position advertised.

Or Send the hard copy of your resume to registered office  
Application Deadline: October 15, 2021

## Horlicks Mother's Plus observes Breastfeeding Week

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Horlicks Mother's Plus, one of the most popular brands of Unilever Consumer Care Limited, has completed its month-long campaign by raising awareness among people on the importance of breastfeeding and the benefits of better nutrition for nursing mothers, said a press release.

In line with this year's "World Breastfeeding Week 2021" theme "Protect Breastfeeding: A Shared Responsibility", Horlicks Mother's Plus has designed a campaign titled "Matridughdho paan-e-gori shohayok poribesh". As part of the campaign, awareness sessions, free health check-up facilities and consultation for nursing mothers, and releasing educational videos in social media were organised.

A webinar was also held engaging the country's top public health specialists, where they explained the key challenges during pregnancy and the importance of breastfeeding to improve public health.

KSM Minhaj, managing director of Unilever Consumer Care Limited (UCL), among others, spoke at the event.

## Tobacco

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cigarette packets, and small cigarette cases.

Kazi Zebunnessa Begum, additional secretary and programme director at NTCC, said the health ministry is working on strengthening the tobacco control law.

Dr Md Shahadat Hossain Mahmud, director general (health economics unit) of NTCC, and Khondokar Zakir Hossain, additional secretary and coordinator; Mostafizur Rahman, lead policy advisor of The Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids; and Ahmed Swapan Mahmud, executive director of VOICE, were present at the event.

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উপ-মহাব্যবস্থাপক  
সাধারণ সেবা বিভাগ

### Job Opportunity

#### Shahjalal Equity Management Limited (Full-Fledged Merchant Bank)

Al-Razi complex, Level-9 Suite-901,  
166-167 Shahid Syed Nazrul Islam Sharani, Dhaka-1000.

Title: Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Vacancy: 01

**Educational Requirements:**  
• Candidate should have FCA/FCMA/ACA/CFA/CA (CC) partly qualified with MBA/ Masters/ equivalents degree from reputed University major in Finance/Accounting /Economics/Management.

**Experience Requirements:**  
• At least 10 year(s)

**Job Responsibilities:**  
• Sound knowledge about Capital Market, Bond Market, Merchant Banking, Issue Management, Underwriting, Rules, Regulations and Policies of Securities & Exchange Commission, Dhaka Stock Exchange, Central Depository Bangladesh Limited and other regulatory bodies.  
• Knowledge about Fundamental and Technical Analysis of Capital Market.  
• Well Conversant with Investment Products and ability to develop efficient portfolio management strategies.  
• Conceptually sound in transaction/trading on securities, Brokerage & Merchant Banking Operation [equities, bond, debentures etc.]  
• Capable in market trend analysis & market forecasting mechanism.  
• In-depth knowledge to support business unit for preparation of short & long term  
• Strategies & operation plan based on financial analysis.  
• To ensure profitability target by maximizing revenues from Corporate, Retail & Foreign Portfolios  
• To maintain liaison with regulatory authorities and prominent customers.  
• Ability to attract foreign investment in the capital market  
• Strong interpersonal leadership and communication skills.  
• Monitoring the overall operation and compliance related activities of the company  
• Time to time report to Board of Directors.  
• Complete the additional task given by the Board of Directors, if any.

**Additional Requirements:**  
• Age should not over 45 years  
• 5 years' experience in the relevant field with proven record of accomplishment.  
• Encouraging if having at least 03 years' experience as Chief Executive Officer in a reputed Merchant Bank with proven record of accomplishment. Experience may be relaxed for highly deserving candidates.  
• Age may be relaxed for the highly deserving candidate.  
• Have the knowledge of VAT & Tax rules.  
• Must have sound knowledge in Microsoft office  
• Must have experience in software operation.

**Compensation & Other Benefits**  
• As per company policy.

**Read before Apply:** Interested persons who meet the above-mentioned criteria are requested to submit their updated "Resume" with photograph at [info@shajalalequity.com](mailto:info@shajalalequity.com). The subject line of the email should mention the position advertised.

Or Send the hard copy of your resume to registered office  
Application Deadline: October 15, 2021