

City Bank holds memorial for late Anwar Hossain



Family members of late Anwar Hossain and executives of City Bank Limited are seen during the mourning and remembrance event organised by the bank in memory of its former chairman at the bank's head office in Gulshan, Dhaka recently.

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City Bank Limited has recently organised a mourning and remembrance event in memory of late Anwar Hossain, former chairman of the bank and founder and chairman of the Anwar Group of Industries, at the bank's head office in Dhaka.

The bank's Managing Director and CEO Mashrur Arefin presided over the event, said a press release.

Director Rajibul Huq Chowdhury, eldest son of late Anwar Hossain and

Chairman of the Anwar Group of Industries Manwar Hossain, younger son and Vice Chairman of City Bank Hossain Khaled, second son and Director of the bank Hossain Mehmood and former managing director and CEO of the bank Abbas Uddin Ahmed were present.

"Anwar Hossain's vision was not just to grow the business, but he used to keep an eye on the marginal income group of society. He was at the same time kind, patriotic, an ideal child and an ideal father," said Aziz Al Kaiser,

chairman of City Bank Limited.

A video on late Anwar Hossain's life was exhibited. The discussants spoke about late Anwar Hossain's career and reminisced his contribution to the private banking sector in Bangladesh.

At the end of the remembrance, prayers were offered seeking eternal peace and well-being of the deceased soul.

The prayer session was conducted by Md Anwar Hosain Molla, chairman of City Bank Shariah Supervisory Committee.

Contactless cards gaining traction amid Covid, digital push

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"This type of card can be used after the launch of metro rails in Dhaka as well," Chowdhury said.

Industry people say many merchants don't know how to use contactless cards as no banks have run a comprehensive campaign to encourage it so far. The lack of POS equipped with contactless solutions poses another challenge.

Standard Chartered Bangladesh introduced contactless credit cards in August last year at the height of the pandemic as it looked to give a boost to the tap-and-pay feature for small transactions, like paying bills at coffee shops and fuel stations or buying tickets.

About 30 per cent of the bank's 1.25 lakh credit cards have the facility. Its new issuances are also contactless, including debit cards.

But, the contactless feature in the debit cards has been kept disabled as the regulator is yet to approve yet.

"As the needs of our clients evolve and grow, we stand steadfast in our commitment to providing them with innovative and technologically

advanced, world-class solutions," said Sabbir Ahmed, head of the consumer, private and business banking of the multinational bank.

In July 2018, United Commercial Bank became the first lender in Bangladesh to roll out contactless cards. It has witnessed 50 per cent average year-on-year growth in transactions since then.

"It's a new concept, and customers are not familiar with the process, which is the main challenge facing contactless payments," said Nehal A Huda, head of cards of UCB.

The bank has around 35,000 contactless cards, which account for 60 per cent of all of its credit cards in circulation. It has deployed around 12,000 POS machines at merchant points, and all accept contactless cards.

If the central bank makes it compulsory for every credit card transaction to go through the tap-and-pay process, the contactless payment will receive a boost, bankers say.

Brac Bank launched Visa contactless credit cards in the middle of last year. It has more than 9,000 POS terminals,

and the bank is gradually converting them into contactless ones, said Mahiul Islam, head of retail banking of the bank. Mutual Trust Bank has issued 40,000 contactless cards since its rollout in December 2018.

It has about 3,500 POS terminals, and 1,300 of them process contactless transactions, according to Shafaquat Hossain, head of SME and retail banking of MTB.

LankaBangla was the first non-bank financial institution to have launched contactless credit cards in partnership with Mastercard in September last year. It rolled out Visa-branded credit card the following month.

It has 1.45 lakh credit cards, and 85 per cent of them are contactless, said Khurshed Alam, head of retail business at the firm.

Some banks, including Midland Bank, plan to introduce contactless credit cards this year.

Contactless transactions, as a share of in-person transactions, were up at least 50 per cent in more than 100 markets in 2021, according to Mastercard.



Arif Quadri, additional managing director of United Commercial Bank Limited, recently inaugurated the bank's 206th branch at Khagrachhari. Shachingpru Chowdhury, Mong circle chief of Khagrachhari King, Nabil Mustafizur Rahman, deputy managing director of the bank, N Mustafa Tarek and ATM Tahmiduzzaman, deputy managing directors, and Javed Iqbal, executive vice president, were present.

BSCIC to launch e-commerce platform

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And there is no alternative to trade diversification. We have to find new products and new markets," said Palak.

"I think this initiative of the BSCIC will open up new markets for exporting products," he told The Daily Star.

State Minister for Industries Kamal Ahmed Majumder, Industries Secretary Zakia Sultana and Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry President Md Jashim Uddin are also expected to be present.

Long queues of import-laden trucks at Burimari land port

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Ruhul Amin, assistant director of the Burimari land port, said he had discussed the matter with higher authorities.

Immediate action is being taken to unload imported rice and maize. As there is a shortage of space in the warehouse, trade will be kept running in this land port by unloading the imported rice and maize at the traders' own warehouses as per the rules, he said.


"Around 400 trucks with imported goods, mainly maize and rice, were stranded at the Burimari land port till Wednesday afternoon," he said.

"Huge number of trucks with imported goods were waiting in India for entering into Bangladesh but due to traffic congestion here at Burimari land port these trucks were not entering," he said.

"On an average 400-450 trucks with imported goods from India and Bhutan enter the Burimari land port every day but due to the traffic congestion for the last four days only 200-220 trucks are entering with imported goods," said Ruhul Amin.

"Around 12,000 to 13,000 tonnes of imported goods arrive on 400-450 trucks from India and Bhutan to the Burimari land port every day and 800 to 900 tonnes of goods are exported by 80 to 90 trucks to India through this land port every day," he said.

"We have told the importers for taking their goods from the land port's warehouse but they are delaying showing the cause of a shortage of transport support," he said, hoping that the problem would be solved within two to three days.



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০১.	দরপত্রের নাম	:	৫২-৫৬ আসন বিশিষ্ট ০১ (এক) টি বাস ভাড়া নেয়া।
০২.	তহবিলের উৎস	:	বাংলাদেশ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় মঞ্জুরী কমিশন এর নিজস্ব তহবিল (GOB)।
০৩.	দরপত্রের সূত্র নম্বর ও তারিখ	:	বিমক/প্রশাঃ/ জেঃসাঃ ২(১২৪)/২০০২ (ভল্যু-৩), তারিখ : ২৯-০৭-২০১৫
০৪.	কাজের বিবরণ	:	কমিশনের কর্মকর্তা-কর্মচারীদের মিরপুর ১৪ নম্বরে অবস্থিত ইউজিসি আবাসিক এলাকা থেকে আগারগাঁওস্থ ইউজিসি অফিস ভবনে আনা-নেয়া।
০৫.	ঠিকাদারের যোগ্যতা	:	ইউজিসি'র কর্মকর্তা-কর্মচারী পরিবহনে সরকারি নিয়মানুযায়ী রাস্তায় চলাচলের উপযোগী চালকসহ কমপক্ষে ৫২-৫৬ সিটের নতুন মডেলের উন্নতমানের স্টীল বডির ১(এক)টি বাস মাসিক ভিত্তিতে ভাড়া প্রদানে আগ্রহী ব্যবসায়ী/ ঠিকাদার।
০৬.	শিডিউলের মূল্য	:	১,০০০/- (এক হাজার) টাকা (অফেরতযোগ্য)।
০৭.	জামানত	:	টাকা ২৫,০০০/- (পঁচিশ হাজার) মাত্র যা সচিব, বাংলাদেশ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় মঞ্জুরী কমিশন, আগারগাঁও, শেরে বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা-১২০৭ এর অনুকূলে যে কোনো তফসিলী ব্যাংক থেকে ইস্যুকৃত ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার দরপত্রের সাথে জমা দিতে হবে। কৃতকার্য দরদাতাদের ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/পে-অর্ডার জামানত হিসেবে জমা রাখা হবে এবং অকৃতকার্য দরদাতাদের ব্যাংক জামানতের অর্থ ফেরৎ প্রদান করা হবে।
০৮.	শিডিউল প্রাপ্তির স্থান	:	অর্থ ও হিসাব বিভাগ, বাংলাদেশ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় মঞ্জুরী কমিশন, আগারগাঁও, শেরে বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা-১২০৭।
০৯.	দরপত্র জমা দেওয়ার অফিসের ঠিকানা	:	বাংলাদেশ বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় মঞ্জুরী কমিশনের ৫ম তলায় সচিব মহোদয়ের অফিস কক্ষের সামনে রক্ষিত টেন্ডার বাজে দর প্রস্তাব ফেলা যাবে।
১০.	শিডিউল বিক্রয়ের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	:	০৪-১০-২০২১ বিকাল ০৫:০০ টা পর্যন্ত।
১১.	দরপত্র দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	:	০৫-১০-২০২১ দুপুর ১২:০০ টা পর্যন্ত।
১২.	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	:	০৫-১০-২০২১ দুপুর ১২:০৫ টা।
১৩.	অন্যান্য শর্তাবলী	:	(ক) দরদাতাকে গাড়ীর মালিক (ক্রয় সূত্রে) হতে হবে; (খ) একই প্রতিষ্ঠান/ঠিকাদার শুধুমাত্র একটি দরপত্র দাখিল করতে পারবেন; (গ) দরপত্র খোলার সময় দরদাতা বা তার একজন প্রতিনিধি উপস্থিত থাকতে পারবেন; (ঘ) গত ১৪-০৬-২০২১ তারিখে প্রকাশিত বিজ্ঞপ্তি মোতাবেক যে সকল ব্যক্তি/প্রতিষ্ঠান শিডিউল ক্রয় করেছেন তাদের পুনরায় শিডিউল ক্রয় করার প্রয়োজন নাই। (ঙ) পিপিআর ২০০৮ এর শর্তানুযায়ী বাস ভাড়ার প্রক্রিয়া সম্পাদন করা হবে; (চ) বিস্তারিত শিডিউলে উল্লেখ আছে। শিডিউলের আলোকে বাস ভাড়ার শর্তাবলী নির্ধারণ করা হবে। (ছ) কমিশন কর্তৃপক্ষ কোনো কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যেকোনো দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা সকল দরপত্র বাতিল করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন;

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No: 41.01.0600.041.16.059.12.275

Date: 14.09.2021

Invitation for Tender

Sealed tender are hereby invited from bonafide experienced, manufacturers /Importers/Agent/Suppliers/Distributors to supply Desktop Computer (with UPS), Laptop Computer & Projector as per PPA- 2006 & PPR 2008. Terms and conditions are as follows:

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH				
01	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Social Welfare		
02	Agency	Department of Social Services		
03	Procuring Entity Name	Social Services Officer, Urban Social Services Office, Barisal .		
04	Procuring Entity Code	Not used at present		
05	Procuring Entity District	Barisal		
06	Invitation for	Supply of Desktop Computer with UPS, Laptop Computer & Projector		
07	Invitation Ref No	No: 41.01.3900.041.07.002.21.		
08	Date	Date: 17.08.2021		
09	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM) NCT		
FUNDING INFORMATION				
10	Budget and Source of Funds	GOB		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
14	Tender Package No.	GD-01		
15	Tender Package Name	Supply of Desktop Computer (with UPS), Laptop Computer & Projector		
16	Tender Publication Date	14.09.2021		
17	Tender Last Selling Date	26.09.2021 (During Office Hour)		
		Date	Time	
18	Tender Closing Date and Time	26.09.2021	12:00 PM	
19	Tender Opening Date and Time	26.09.2021	01:00 PM	
20	Name & Address of the office(s)	Address		
	-Selling Tender Document (Principal)	Office of the Social Services Officer, Urban Social Services Office, Barisal.		
NO CONDITIONS APPLY FOR SALE, PURCHASE OR DISTRIBUTION OF TENDER DOCUMENT				
	-Receiving Tender Document	Office of the Social Services Officer, Urban Social Services Office, Barisal		
	-Opening Tender Document	Office of the Social Services Officer, Urban Social Services Office, Barisal		
21	Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)	Pre Tender Meeting will not be held.		
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER				
22	Brief Eligibility of Tenderer	Stated in "Tender Data Sheet (Section-2)"		
23	Brief Description of Goods	Supply of Desktop Computer (with UPS), Laptop Computer & Projector		
24	Brief Description of Related Services	Details have been shown in STD.		
25	Price of Tender Document (Tk)	Tk. 500.00 to be Deposited by Treasury CHALAN (Code: 1-2931-0000-2366)		
	Lot No	Identification of Lot	Location	Tender Security Amount (Tk)
26	01	Supply of Desktop Computer (with UPS), Laptop Computer & Projector	Social Services Officer, Urban Social Services office, Kalibari, Barisal	GD-01: 35,000/-
				Completion Time in Weeks / Months
				5 (Five) Weeks
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS				
27	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Shek Jahir Uddin Ahmed		
28	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Social Services Officer		
29	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Office of the Social Services Officer, Urban Social Services Office, Kalibari, Barisal		
30	Contact Details of Official Inviting Tender	Tel: 0431-2173961	Email: barisalucd70@gmail.com	
31	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject the tender(s) or annul the tender proceedings			
	Note: 1. If the date of selling, receiving or opening of tender is disturbed under any unavoidable circumstances, the next working day will be applicable for the same respectively. 2. Tenderer will have to supply the requisite goods on priority and necessary basis of the procurement authority within schedule time after issuing work order upon availability of fund. And the item/quantity may be increased/decreased as per allotment.			

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