BANK ASIA

Md Arfan Ali, managing director of Bank Asia Ltd, and AMM Golam Towhid, managing director of Syngenta Bangladesh, exchanged signed documents of an agreement at the Bank Asia Tower in Dhaka recently. The deal will promote microloans among smallholder farmers and SME loans among retailers. Mohammad Ziaul Hasan Molla and Alamgir Hossain, deputy managing directors of Bank Asia, and Mohammad Hedayet Ullah, head of sales, and Mainur Rahman Bhuiyan, company secretary of Syngenta Bangladesh, were present.

Factory inspection begins this month

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At least two factories will be inspected per day by each team, he said.

Chowdhury further said that the inspection team would send reports based on which Bida will prepare recommendations, if any, for the factory in question.

Later, the recommendations will be forwarded to the relevant officials of both government and industrial agencies.

Following a tragic fire at the Hashem Foods factory in Narayanganj that left over 50 dead earlier this year, the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) announced a 24-member committee headed by Salman F Rahman, the prime minister's adviser for private industry and investment, to help prevent such incidents in the future.

After that, the PMO ordered the relevant authorities to launch an inspection campaign across Bangladesh, appointing Bida to lead it in coordination with business associations, such as the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry and Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association.

Chowdhury said a total of 46,100 factories across the country will undergo safety inspections in phases.

However, he said they are yet to fix the deadline to complete the inspection.

Melamine market growing steadily

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Other influencers include their durability, colour stability with smooth surface finish and being odourless, he said.

"Customers like melamine products due to affordable price and attractive design," he noted. He believes the demand would continue to grow in line with economic growth in rural Bangladesh.

Sharif Melamine has simultaneously explored its export market so far in 14 countries, namely the US, Norway, Sweden, Russia, Finland, Kazakhstan, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, United Arab Emirates, India, Bhutan and Australia.

It looks and feels like ceramic, is a food safe plastic free from Bisphenol A, perfect for indoor and outdoor use, easy to clean and is dishwasher safe, said Fahim Hossain, deputy general manager for Pran-RFL Group's Italiano brand.

Apart from local demand annually increasing by 10 per cent to 15 per cent during the past decade, there is huge potential in the global market, he said.

Italiano products are regularly being exported to 18 countries, including the US, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, India and Spain, he added.

Hossain believes the sector employs around 10,000 people. However, there was no reliable data about the total investment, he said.

Mrimoy Kanti Das, assistant general manager of Bengal Melamine, said the Bengal Group of Industries entered the melamine sector just four years back taking note of the market's rapid growth.

He said the market was growing rapidly as people, particularly in rural and semi-urban areas, like melamine products for their beautiful designs and durability.

Besides, the price of melamine products is reasonable compared to those of ceramic, he added.

PUBALI BANK

Ashim Kumar Roy, general manager of Pubali Bank Ltd, and Mohammed Jakir Hossain, general manager of Best Electronics Ltd (BEL), exchange signed documents of a memorandum of understanding at the bank's head office yesterday. The MoU will enable the credit cardholders of the bank to enjoy EMI facilities at the outlets of Best Electronics. Safiul Alam Khan Chowdhury, managing director of the bank, Mohammad Ali, additional managing director, and Syed Asaduzzaman, managing director of BEL, were present.

Govt conducts feasibility study for FTA with Thailand

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plastics and rubber articles, products of chemical or allied industries, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; mineral fuels, prepared foodstuffs, beverages, spirits and vinegar and man-made fibres.

Currently, Bangladesh enjoys duty benefit on export of some goods to Thailand under the least developed country (LDC) category.

However, the preferential trade benefit to Thailand will come to an end in 2026 with the LDC graduation.

Haque said the commerce ministry has been negotiating with many countries like India, Indonesia, Japan, Thailand and some other East Asian nations to sign FTAs, preferential trade agreements (PTAs) or comprehensive economic partnership agreements (CEPAs).

This is to continue availing duty waivers even after Bangladesh make the United Nations status graduation from an LDC to a developing county in 2026, he said.

So far, only one PTA has been signed with Bhutan in December last year.

Jalalabad Gas Transmission and Distribution System Ltd.
(A Company of Petrobangla)
Gas Bhaban, Mendibagh, Sylhet.

গ্যাস ব্যবহারে সাশ্রয়ী হোন এবং সময়মত গ্যাস বিল পরিশোধ করুন

শুদ্ধাচার চর্চা করি সমৃদ্ধ সোনার বাংলা গড়ি

বিনা কারণে গ্যাসের চুলা জ্বালিয়ে রাখা আর বিপদকে ডাকা একই বিষয়

INVITATION FOR INTERNATIONAL TENDER

01.	Ministry/ Division	:	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources / Energy & Mineral Resources Division
02.	Agency	:	Bangladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla)
03.	Procuring Entity Name	:	Jalalabad Gas Transmission & Distribution System Ltd. (JGTDSL)
04.	Procuring Entity Code	:	Not Applicable
05.	Procuring Entity District	:	Sylhet, Bangladesh
06.	Invitation for	:	"Design, Manufacture, Procurement & Supply, Installation, Construction, Testing and Commissioning of 50,000 Prepaid Gas Meter, Web System (Data Centre and Data Recovery Centre) including all associated Equipment and Related Services on Turn-Key basis in JGTDSL Franchise Area".
07.	Invitation Ref No.	:	ICT No.28.16.9100.045.38.001.21/EPC
08.	Date	:	18-10-2021
KEY INFORMATION			
09.	Procurement Method	:	ICT, Open Tendering Method (Single Stage Two Envelope)
FUNDING INFORMATION			
10.	Budget and Source of Funds	:	JGTDSL's Own Fund
11.	Development Partners	:	Not Applicable
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
12.	Project/Program Code	:	Not Applicable
13.	Project/Program Name	:	Installation of 50,000 Pre-paid Gas Meter in JGTDSL Franchise Area
14.	Tender Package Name	:	"Design, Manufacture, Procurement & Supply, Installation, Construction, Testing and Commissioning of 50,000 Prepaid Gas Meter, Web System (Data Centre and Data Recovery Centre) including all associated Equipment and Related Services on Turn-Key basis in JGTDSL Franchise Area".
15.	Tender Publication Date	:	18-10-2021
16.	Tender Last Selling Date	:	29-11-2021, BST 5:00 P.M (During Office Hours)
17.	Tender Closing Date & Time	:	30-11-2021, BST 12:00 P.M
18.	Tender Opening Date and Time	:	30-11-2021, BST 12:30 P.M
19.	Name & Address of the Offices		
	-Selling Tender Document (Principal)	:	Cash Counter, Accounts Department, Finance Division, 1st Floor, Jalalabad Gas T & D System Ltd. Gas Bhaban, Mendibagh, Sylhet-3100, Bangladesh.
	-Selling Tender Document (Others)	:	Dhaka Liason Office, Jalalabad Gas T & D System Ltd. Petro center (13th floor), 3 ,Kawran Bazar, Dhaka 1215.
	-Receiving Tenders	:	Jalalabad Gas T & D System Ltd. Committee Room (4th Floor) Gas Bhaban, Mendibag, Sylhet, Bangladesh.
	-Opening Tenders	:	Jalalabad Gas T & D System Ltd. Committee Room (4th Floor) Gas Bhaban, Mendibag, Sylhet, Bangladesh.
20.	Place / Date /Time of Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)	:	Not Applicable
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
21.	Eligibility of Tenderer	:	a) The Tenderer shall have a minimum 05 (Five) years of overall experience in the supply of goods and related services related to natural gas sector. N.B. Years shall be counting backward from the date of closing the tender.
			b) i) The minimum specific experience as a Contractor in similar to the proposed plant and services in at least 02 (two) contract(s) of similar nature, complexity and methods/construction technology i.e. Engineering, Design, Supply, Installation, Construction, Testing and Commissioning of online (web-based) pre-paid gas metering system including min. 20,000 nos. prepaid gas meter successfully & substantially completed on EPC or Turn-key basis within the last 05 years, each with a value of at least Taka (BDT) 400 million (Four Hundred million) only [considering 1 USD= BDT 85 for conversion of currency] or equivalent USD 4,705,882 (Four Million Seven Hundred and Five Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Two only); out of which 01 (one) such contract shall be in other than the Tender's home country or in the case of Bangladeshi tenderer, in Bangladesh or elsewhere. ii) The minimum specific experience of the Tenderer/Manufacturer or their sub-contractor in network building, database oriented software, Hardware & Software integrated and interfaced software making of which is in operation or in supply and installation of web based pre-payment metering system in Gas/Electricity company within last 05 (five) years. N.B. Years shall be counting backward from the date of closing the tender.
			c) The required average annual turnover shall be greater than Bangladesh Taka (BDT) 950 million (Nine Hundred Fifty million) or equivalent USD 11,176,470 (Eleven Million One Hundred Seventy Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventy) only [considering 1 USD = BDT 85 for conversion of currency] over the best three (3) years in the last five (5) years.
		:	d) The minimum amount of liquid assets or working capital or credit facilities of the Tenderer shall be Bangladesh Taka (BDT) 500 million (five hundred million) or equivalent USD 5,882,350 (Five Million Eight Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty) only [considering 1 USD = BDT 85 for conversion of currency].
22.	Brief Description of Plant & Equipment	:	A brief description of services under the contract, but not limited to, is as follows: Procurement & Supply of 50,000 Prepaid Gas Meter (Diaphragm type; G-1.6), Hardware and Software for Web System (Data Centre & Data Recovery Centre, Tech. Support Centre, POS, Smart communication module etc.), Meter Calibration System (test bench), Supply of Different Equipment, Fittings, Regulators, Spare Parts, Tools and associated goods on Turn-Key basis in JGTDSL Franchise Area as specified in the Tender document for uninterrupted, safe, efficient and effective operation of the online (web-based) Pre-paid Gas Metering (PGM) system.
23.	Brief Description of Services	:	A brief description of services under the contract, but not limited to, is as follows: Detailed Engineering, Design, Manufacturing, Procurement & Supply, Inspection & Testing, QA/QC documents, Insurance, Packing & freight to JGTDSL's project site, Transportation up to site, Storage of materials, Installation of Meter Calibration System, Prepaid Gas Meter at customer premises, Installation of Web System (Data Centre & Data Recovery Centre, Tech. Support Centre, POS etc.) at designated location, Development of Smart Phone/Mobile phone application software, Capacity building/Technology Know-how Transfer, Site Training, Testing & Commissioning of complete online (web-based) Pre-paid Gas Meter (PGM) System and handing over it (gas meters, systems including necessary hardware, APIs and Software including Source code etc.) to the JGTDSL, Providing Contract Management Services for the project, Associated Civil, Electrical, Instrumentation, Mechanical works and related services, Services during Defect Liability Period as specified in the Tender Document for uninterrupted, safe, efficient and effective operation of the online (web-based) Pre-paid Gas Metering (PGM) system.
24.	Price of Tender Documents	:	BDT 10,000.00 (Bangladesh Taka Ten Thousand Only) in Cash; Non-Refundable.

25.	Lot	Identification of Lot	Location	Tender Security Amount	Completion Time
	Single	ICT No.28.16.9100.045.38.001.21/EPC	JGTDSL Project Site, Sylhet, Bangladesh	Bangladesh Taka (BDT) 27 million (Twenty Seven million) OR USD 317,650 (US Dollar Three Hundred Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred Fifty) only.	360 (Three hundred sixty) days from the effective date of contract.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
26.	Name of Official Inviting Tender	:	Engr. Liton Nandi
27.	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	:	Project Director Installation of 50,000 Pre-paid Gas Meter in JGTDSL Franchise Area
28.	Address of Official Inviting Tender	:	Jalalabad Gas Transmission & Distribution System Ltd. 9th Floor, Gas Bhaban, Mendibagh, Sylhet-3100, Bangladesh.
29.	Contact Details of Official Inviting Tender	:	Telephone: + 880-821-717005, Mobile: +880-1712641244 E-mail address: pdjg50kpgm@gmail.com

30. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS :
a) The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Tenders without assigning any reason.
b) If it is not possible to receive/open the tender on the schedule date due to any unavoidable circumstances or holiday, the same will be receive/open at the same time and same place on the subsequent/next working day.

Project Director
Installation of 50,000 Pre-paid Gas Meter in JGTDSL Franchise Area

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Memo No. 46.02.7600.000.07.309.21-2683 Date: 18-10-2021

Invitation for Tender (Works)
e-Tender Notice: 12/2021-22 (OTM)

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) for the procurement of undermentioned work:

Sl No.	Name of work	Tender ID No.	Tender security (Tk)	Closing, opening date & time
1	2	3	4	5
1	Construction of 18.00m long RCC Girder Bridge on Najirgonj GCM-Kashinathpur RHD via Aminpur Bazar Road at Ch. 2000m under Replacement Category [Road ID-176832002], Upazila-Sujanagar, District: Pabna, (Package No. SupRB/Pab/Replace/21-22/W-50)	615067	550000.00	**11/11/2021 14:00pm**

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) is required.

The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks' branches and purchase e-Tender documents up to dated: **10/11/2021 Time: 17:00pm**. The tender security have to be deposited online through any registered bank branches up to **11/11/2021 Time: 13.00pm**.

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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e-Tender Notice

e-Tender are invited in the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) by the Executive Engineer, RHD, Munshiganj Road Division, Munshiganj for the procurement of

SL No.	Tender ID # & Package No.	e-Tender description	Last selling date & time	Closing date & time	Opening date & time
1	TID-620569 10/ GP/mundivn/ 2021-2022	Construction of RCC Beam Palisiding by Road Embankment Protective Work at 2nd Km (P), 4th Km (P) & 5th Km (P) and R.C.C Saucer Drain at 1st Km (P) & 4th Km (P) of Dohar (Bashtola)-Kartikpur-Jhawkanda-Moinut Road (Z-8207) under Munshiganj Road Division, during the year 2021-2022.	01-11-2021 16:00	02-11-2021 12:00	02-11-2021 12:00

1. The above tenders are online tenders where only e-Tenders will be accepted in e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd).
2. The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branch.
3. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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