



Md Zahid Hossain, managing director of Midland Bank, and Sultana Afroz, chief executive officer of the Public Private Partnership Authority, sign a memorandum of understanding at the Pan Pacific Sonargaon hotel in Dhaka recently. The bank will get the opportunity to participate in the bidding process of government-solicited PPP projects and take part as a financier to PPP projects. Ahmad Kaikaus, principal secretary to the prime minister, was present.

City Bank's profit rises in Jan-Sep

STAR BUSINESS REPORT

City Bank Ltd reported consolidated profits of Tk 316.5 crore for the January-September period of 2021, a 2.56 per cent rise from the same period last year.

On Tuesday, the bank disclosed its earnings for the third quarter of 2021 over a digital platform.

Consolidated earnings per share (EPS) was recorded at Tk 2.97 for the period whereas it was Tk 2.89 last year.

Md Mahbubur Rahman, deputy managing director and chief financial officer, gave a presentation and Mashrur Arefin, managing director and CEO, briefly discussed current strategic priorities. Existing and potential investors, researchers, analysts and other individuals involved in the capital market joined the event.



Premier Bank directors Mohammad Imran Iqbal, Jamal G Ahmed and Nahyan Haroon, Managing Director M Reazul Karim, and Adviser Muhammed Ali cut a cake at the bank's head office recently to celebrate its 22 years of operations. The lender's non-performing loan stands at around 2.5 per cent, and it has set a target to become one of the most profitable banks in Bangladesh in the next five years.

UK overhauls business rates to boost investment

REUTERS, London

British finance minister Rishi Sunak overhauled business rates on Wednesday, cutting the rate for the pandemic-hit retail and hospitality sector, halting a planned annual increase and incentivising green property investments.

Setting out his budget to parliament, Sunak said he could not abolish a tax that raises 25 billion pounds (\$34 billion) a year but he would try to ease the burden on businesses such as pubs, shops, restaurants, gyms, cinemas and leisure centres.

Business rates are charged on commercial premises based on the value of the property, a system that business owners

have long blamed for giving an unfair cost advantage to online retailers such as Amazon. Sunak said under the new system property valuations would be reviewed every three years, rather than every five, an annual increase in business rates would be frozen for a second year and there would be a one-year 50 per cent discount for businesses in retail, hospitality and leisure.

A new relief will also be given to companies investing in green technologies, such as solar panels and heat pumps.

"Apart from the COVID reliefs, this is the biggest single-year cut to business rates in 30 years," Sunak told parliament. "Taken together, today's budget cuts business rates by 7 billion pounds."



BCMA reelects president

STAR BUSINESS DESK

Bangladesh Cement Manufacturers Association (BCMA) has recently witnessed the reelection of its executive committee president at a 20th annual general meeting.

The president, Md Alamgir Kabir, is vice-chairman of MI Cement Factory Ltd which produces Crown Cement.

Md Shahidullah, managing director of Metrocem Cement Ltd and chairman of Metrocem Group, and Zahir Uddin Ahmed, managing director of Confidence Cement Ltd, have also been reelected as the first and second vice-presidents respectively.

Robi, Banglalink set to sell towers

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"However, as part of our asset-utilisation strategy and expansion plan, we may consider - if the operational and financial conditions are satisfactory - to sell towers to the tower licence-holders."

As per the regulator's decision in 2018, the four firms would have to expand networks to all divisional cities in the first year of getting the licence.

In the second year, towers would have to be installed at the district level. After that, network penetration was set to reach 30 per cent at the upazila level by the third year, 80 per cent by the fourth year, and full

coverage by the fifth.

The installation of new towers was halted for about two years from November 2018 due to complications with the service level agreement. After the complications were resolved in November last year, the tower companies started installing new sites as per the demand of mobile operators.

The number of towers owned by edotco stands at 12,896, while Summit Towers owns 584, AB High Tech Consortium owns 406, and Kirtonkhola Tower owns 97, according to a BTRC report. Of the towers, 35 per cent are shared.

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Reference: HB/HO/ECS/STORE-537(PART-03)

e-Tender Notice

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e-Tender ID No.	Package No.	Name of the work	Last Date and Time for Tender/Proposal Security Submission	Tender/Proposal Closing & Opening Date and Time
621484	CSEGP01	Printing and Supply of Calendar and Diary of BHBFC for the year of 2022	14-November-2021 Time : 13:00	14-November-2021 Time : 15:00

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e-Tender Notice

e-Tenders are invited in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the Procurement of Works of RHD, Ferry Construction Division, Sarak Bhaban, Tejgaon, Dhaka (e-Tender ID No: 623260, 623261, 622801, 622802 & 622803. This is an online Tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and any offline/ hard copies will not be accepted. For further information visit (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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North-West Power Generation Company Ltd.
ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 & ISO 45001:2018 Certified
(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Power Development Board)

Office of the Chief Engineer
Sirajganj Power Station, NWPGL
Soydabad, Sirajganj

Ref: 27.28.8878.001.18.002.21.690 Date: 26/10/2021

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Sl. No.	Tender ID	Brief Description of Tender	Publication Date	Last Selling Date & Time	Opening Date
1	621807 (Goods)	Dismantling, Supply, Installation and Commissioning of HSD Oil Pipelines at BSW Railway Station Premises	26/10/2021	25/11/2021, 3:30 PM	28/11/2021

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Memo No. 46.02.7900.000.07.001.2021-1818 Date: 26/10/2021

e-Tender Notice No. 19/2021-2022

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Sl. No.	Tender ID No.	Package No. & name of work	Procurement method	Last selling date & time	Closing & opening date & time
1.	600145	PDRIDP/BANDW-29 (a) Improvement of BC road from Charkhal-Mathbaria RHD to Thakur Bari-Mondir via Thakur Bari GPS (UZ-2009) road at Ch. 0.00-1500m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 150m, 290m, 750m, 900m & 1200m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144192. (b) Improvement of BC road from Enayet from Uttar Atorkhali UZR Road to Dakkin Atorkhali UNR Road via Uttar Purbo Atorkhali GPS road at Ch. 0.00-1500m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 150m, 290m, 655m, 900m & 1200m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144190.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
2.	600146	PDRIDP/BANDW-30 (a) Improvement of BC road from Charkhal-Mathbaria RHD Road Bailey Bridge to Purbo Atorkhali College Road at Ch. 0.00-1600m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 290m, 655m, 900m, 1200m & 1350m and 01 No. 4.00mx4.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 10m under Bhandaria Upazila, District: Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144191. (b) Improvement of BC road from Dakkin Shingkhali UNR road to Ikree Board School via Jomaderbari road at Ch. 0.00-1500m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 150m, 290m, 345m, 900m & 1200m and 01 No. 4.00mx4.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 1050m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579145081.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
3.	600147	PDRIDP/BANDW-31 (a) Improvement of BC road from Ikree-Telkhali UZR Road Boarder Bridge to Pachim Ikree Alamgir Talukder House road at Ch. 0.00-1500m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 50m, 600m, 1050m, 1350m & 1600m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144208. (b) Improvement of BC road from Belagi Shingkhali-Ikree Bhagiratpur road at Ch. 0.00-1500m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 240m, 715m, 750m, 1200m & 1450m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144030.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
4.	600148	PDRIDP/BANDW-32 (a) Improvement of BC road from Charkhal-Mathbaria RHD road to H/O Moli Taluker via Miraj Howlader Bari and 36 No. GPS road at Ch. 1500-3000m including 04 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 1800m, 2250m, 2550m & 2950m under Bhandaria Upazila, District: Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144112. (b) Improvement of BC road from 37 No. West Shingkhali GPS-ABS HIS via H/O Harej Kazi road at Ch. 0.00-1100m including 04 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 194m, 321m, 700m & 990m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579145045.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
5.	600149	PDRIDP/BANDW-33 (a) Improvement of BC road from Ikree Ishaque Master House-Jhawtala road at Ch. 0.00-3000m including 05 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 600m, 1050m, 1500m, 1950m & 2550m under Bhandaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579144002. Salvage materials cost Tk. 671804.00	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
6.	623054	PDRIDP/MAT/DW-54 (a) Improvement of BC road from Mathbaria Borguna RHD road-Vachhi Singa road at Ch. 0.00-1000m including 01 No. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 860m under Mathbaria Upazila, District: Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579585069. Salvage Materials Cost Tk. 1498582.00 (b) Improvement of BC road from Sonakhali Manikkhali road-Gulshakhali Miah Bari road via Kabutor Khali GPS road at Ch. 2160-3300m including 03 Nos. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 2610m, 2650m & 3060m and 01 No. 4.50mx4.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 3000m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579584063. (c) Improvement of BC road from Tetulata Bazar-Chaitabunia Reg. School via Howder Kachari Road at Ch. 1700m-2700m including 01 No. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 2250m and 01 No. 3.00mx3.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 1700m and 01 No. 1.50mx1.50m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 2060m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579584011.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
7.	623055	PDRIDP/MAT/DW-55 (a) Improvement of BC road from Pachim Hothkhali GPS-Hothkhali Sluice via Hothkhali GPS road at Ch. 500-2000m including 04 Nos. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 300m, 510m, 609m & 782m and 01 No. 4.50mx4.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 720m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579584017. (b) Improvement of BC road from Tetulata Bazar-Kakrabunia Dhakhli Madrasa via Kakrabunia High School road at Ch. 980-2420m including 03 Nos. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 1280m, 1460m & 1830m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579584050.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
8.	623056	PDRIDP/MAT/DW-56 (a) Improvement of BC road from Chitra Tuzambar House-Mathbaria Mirukhali Shahider Pool via Ad. Samsul Houque House & South Mirukhali GPS road at Ch. 0.00-1000m including 05 Nos. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 109m, 220m, 500m, 715m & 852m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579584041. Salvage Materials Cost Tk. 684427.00 (b) Improvement of BC road from Tushkhali Sapleza UZR-Khaila Bari Bridge road at Ch. 0.00-1000m including 03 Nos. 0.625mx0.900m U-drain Culvert at Ch. 305m, 492m & 690m and 02 Nos. 2.00mx2.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 90m & 870m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579585103. (c) Improvement of BC road from Boyratata Safa Road to Tetulata Wadpa via Aigi Mohila Madrasa road at Ch. 0.00-500m including 02 Nos. 1.50mx1.50m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 235m & 440m under Mathbaria Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579585205.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
9.	623057	PDRIDP/NAZ/DW-45 (a) Improvement of BC road from Dewlbari UP-Gholar Hat Road at Ch. 0.00-1300m including 04 Nos. 1.50mx1.50m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 550m, 630m, 870m & 1250m under Nazipur Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579763024. (b) Improvement of BC road from Dewlbari UP-Badokhali GPS road at Ch. 0.00-1000m including 04 Nos. 1.50mx1.50m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 280m, 595m, 690m & 795m under Nazipur Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579764053.	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm
10.	623058	PDRIDP/NAZ/DW-46 (a) Improvement of BC road from Chandkali Bazar-Kaputabari road at Ch. 0.00-1000m including 02 Nos. 1.50mx1.50m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 710m & 940m and 01 No. 2-vent 4.00mx4.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 560m under Nazipur Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579764011. (b) Improvement of BC road from Panchogram High School to Tarabunia Delip Chowkider house road at Ch. 0.00-1100m including 01 No. 2-vent 4.00mx4.00m RCC Box Culvert at Ch. 5m under Nazipur Upazila, District-Pirojpur. Road ID No: 579764045. Salvage Materials Cost Tk. 689084.00	OTM	21/11/2021 17:00pm	22/11/2021 13:00pm

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