

BBC World
News taken off
air in Russia

AFP, London

The BBC yesterday said that its World News television channel has been taken off the air in Russia as Moscow clamps down further on foreign media during its war in Ukraine.

BBC World News presenter Victoria Derbyshire first announced the suspension to viewers outside Russia on Sunday.

"BBC World News, the channel you are watching if you are outside the UK right now, and which is the BBC's global television news channel, has just been taken off air in Russia," she said.

The BBC said on Friday that it was halting its journalists' work in Russia after lawmakers moved to impose harsh jail terms for publishing "fake news" about the army as part of efforts to muffle dissent over Ukraine invasion.



People attend a protest against Russia's invasion of Ukraine, at Parliament Square in London, Britain, yesterday. Tens of thousands demonstrated in cities from Paris to New York in support of Ukraine, demanding an end to war.

PHOTO: REUTERS

Ukraine Europe's 'fastest
growing refugee' crisis: UN

AFP, Geneva

The number of people fleeing Russia's invasion of Ukraine has topped 1.5 million, making it Europe's fastest growing refugee crisis since World War II, the United Nations said yesterday.

"More than 1.5 million refugees from Ukraine have crossed into neighbouring countries in 10 days," the UN High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grande tweeted.

The UN described the outflow as "the fastest growing refugee crisis in Europe since World War II". On Saturday it had reported that nearly 1.37 million refugees had fled.

The director-general of the World Health Organization, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, also expressed grave concern at the

worsening humanitarian situation.

"@WHO has confirmed several attacks on health care in #Ukraine, causing multiple deaths and injuries. Additional reports are being investigated," Tedros tweeted.

"Attacks on healthcare facilities or workers breach medical neutrality and are violations of international humanitarian law," UN officials said they expected the wave of refugees to intensify further as the Russian army pressed its offensive, particularly toward the Ukrainian capital Kyiv.

Since Russia invaded on February 24, a total of 922,400 people have fled Ukraine to Poland, Polish border guards said yesterday. Hungary, Moldova, Romanian and Slovakia have also seen Ukrainian refugees arrive.

Kyiv digs in
for battle

Fighting flares nearby as
Russian forces advance

REUTERS, Kyiv

Ukrainian soldiers bolstered defences around Kyiv yesterday, digging trenches, blocking roads and liaising with civil defence units as Russian forces bombarded the surrounding areas and attacked towns and villages nearby.

While the armed forces and civilian volunteers dug in, thousands of people continued to try to flee the city of 3.4 million as fears of a full assault spread.

Russia invaded Ukraine on Feb. 24 and has concentrated its heaviest attacks on the south and east of the country, besieging cities including Mariupol and Kharkiv with artillery fire and air strikes and causing extensive damage and casualties.

Kyiv has been spared the worst of the fighting so far, but intense battles have raged in surrounding towns and villages and Russia's defence ministry released footage yesterday of some of its tracked military vehicles on the move near the capital.

Video provided by Ukraine's armed forces taken on Saturday in the Kyiv region, showed Ukrainian efforts to defend the capital, with piles of sandbags and concrete slabs laid across a main road, while Ukrainian soldiers carefully checked passing cars. A smaller road was blocked by metal "hedgehog" anti-tank barriers, and machine gun positions had been erected. Molotov cocktails were lined up on the side of the road, as civilians vowed to join the battle to protect Kyiv.

"We are equipped 100%," said an unidentified soldier in the footage. "Positions are prepared, we've fitted them out and we are simply waiting to meet them here ... Victory will be ours."



Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology

Directorate of Planning and Development

Corrigendum in International Tender

Corrigendum to the tender notice published in "The Daily Star" and "The Daily Jugantor" on 20th January, 2022 for Supply, Installation/Testing and Commissioning of i) UTM ii) Pressure Calibrator iii) Video Non-Contact Extensometer & various lab equipments for Strength of Materials Laboratory and 300kN UNIVERSAL TESTING MACHINE FOR GEOTEXTILE for the Geotechnical Engineering Laboratory for the Dept. of Civil Engineering, BUET, Dhaka.

Ref. No. P&D/FP(S-3)-01/21/CE-01/Cap/International Tender DR-55 Date: 06 Mar 2022

Tender Package No.: GD-01 & GD-02

Change in Notice			
Sl No.	Particulars	Existing	Amendment
1.	Evaluation	Lot Wise Evaluation	Item Wise Evaluation Item 1 and 4 must be quoted as a single lot
2.	Tender security amount	Pay Order/Bank Draft. GD-01: BDT 7,00,000.00 (Seven Lac) & GD-02: BDT 4,00,000.00 (Four Lac)	Pay Order/Bank Draft 2.5-3.00% of Quoted Amount in favor of "Comptroller, BUET"
3.	Performance security	Pay Order/Bank Draft	Pay Order/Bank Draft or Bank Guarantee
4.	Tender last selling date	06.03.2022 (during office hours)	27.03.2022 (during office hours)
5.	Tender closing date and time	07.03.2022 at 2.30pm (BST)	28.03.2022 at 2.30pm (BST)
6.	Tender opening date and time	07.03.2022 at 3.00pm (BST), Tender shall be opened in presence of tenderers/tenderer's authorized representative (if any).	28.03.2022 at 3.00pm (BST), Tender shall be opened in presence of tenderers/tenderer's authorized representative (if any).

Director
Directorate of Planning and Development
BUET, Dhaka

GD-445

Padma Oil Company Limited

(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation)

International Tender for "Works for Engineering Inspection for Healthiness Certification of Storage Tanks of Main Installation of Padma Oil Company Limited (POCL), Meghna Petroleum Limited (MPL) & Jamuna Oil Company Limited (JOCL) at Chattogram, Depots of POCL & MPL at Godenail and Depots of MPL & JOCL at Fatulla, Bangladesh".

1	Ministry/Division	Energy and Mineral Resources Division.
2	Agency	Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC).
3	Procuring entity name	Padma Oil Company Limited.
4	Procuring entity code	Not used at present.
5	Procuring entity district	Chattogram.
6	Invitation for	Tender Works Single Lot
7	Invitation Ref No.	PO/CDPL/H/POCL-MPL-JOCL/F-850/P-118/21-22
8	Date	02/03/2022
KEY INFORMATION		
9	Procurement method	ICT Single Stage Two Envelope
FUNDING INFORMATION		
10	Budget and source of funds	Own Source of Three Oil Marketing Companies (POCL, MPL & JOCL).
11	Development partner (if applicable)	None.
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
12	Project/programme code (if applicable)	N/A.
13	Project name	"Works for Engineering Inspection for Healthiness Certification of Storage Tanks of Main Installation of Padma Oil Company Limited (POCL), Meghna Petroleum Limited (MPL) & Jamuna Oil Company Limited (JOCL) at Chattogram, Depots of POCL & MPL at Godenail and Depots of MPL & JOCL at Fatulla, Bangladesh".
14	Tender Package No.	N/A.
15	Tender package name	N/A.
16	Invitation for Tender Ref No.	PO/CDPL/H/POCL-MPL-JOCL/F-850/P-118/21-22
17	Tender publication date	02/03/2022
18	Tender last selling date	17/04/2022
19	Tender closing date and time	Date (dd/mm/yyyy) Time 18/04/2022 1100 hrs 18/04/2022 1200 hrs
20	Tender opening date and time	Date (dd/mm/yyyy) Time 18/04/2022 1100 hrs 18/04/2022 1200 hrs
21	-Name & address of the office(s) -Selling tender document (principal) -Selling tender document (others) -Receiving tender document -Opening tender document	Address(s) a) Padma Oil Company Limited, Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram. b) BGM (Dhaka)'s Office, 10th Floor, BTMC Bhawan, Dhaka. N/A. Padma Oil Company Limited, Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram. Head Office, BPC, BSC Bhawan, Saltgola Road, Chattogram. Padma Oil Company Limited, Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram.
22	Place/date/time of pre-tender meeting (optional)	Place Date Time POCL's Head Office 06-04-22 1100 hrs
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
23	Eligibility of tenderer	Open to eligible tenderers having following qualification criterion: a) The minimum number of years of general experience of the tenderer in the engineering inspection for healthiness certification of pressure vessels, piping and tankage in the refining and/or petrochemical industry as prime contractor shall be 10 years. The tenderer shall have international accreditation/licensing/authorization for engineering inspection and in service verification like ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent copy of such certificate shall be enclosed with the technical offer. b) The minimum specific experience as a prime contractor in inspection works of at least 1 (one) contract(s) of engineering inspection for healthiness certification of pressure vessels, piping and tankage in the refining and/or petrochemical industry successfully completed within the last 10 (ten) years, each with a value of at least BDT 35.00 (thirty-five) million or USD 0.40 (zero point four zero) million. c) The required average annual turnover shall be greater than Tk 180 (one eighty) million or USD 2.07 (two point zero seven) million over the last 5 years or best 5 years in the last 10 years. d) The minimum amount of liquid assets i.e. working capital or credit line(s) of the tenderers shall be Tk 45 (forty-five) million or USD 0.52 (zero point five two) million. e) The minimum capacity shall be: Tk 45 (forty-five) million or USD 0.52 (zero point five two) million.
24	Brief description of work:	Fitness for services assessment to determine the adequacy of the flawed structure of 17 Nos. of oil storage tanks for continued service without imminent failure. Flaws, deterioration, or other conditions (for example, change of service, corrosion greater than the original corrosion allowance) that might adversely affect the performance or structural integrity of the shell of the tanks shall be evaluated and a determination made regarding suitability for intended service.
25	Brief description of related services	None.
26	Tender document price	BDT 5000.00 per tender schedule (non-refundable).
27	Location and estimated date of completion of works	Chattogram, Godenail & Fatullah, October 2022.
28	Type of payment for tender price	On cash payment.
29	Type of payment for security amount	As per tender schedule.
LOT INFORMATION		
30	Lot No.	Identification of lot Location Tender security amount in Taka Completion time in months
	N/A	N/A Chattogram, Godenail & Fatullah. USD 20,000.00 (twenty thousand) or BDT 17,50,000.00 (seventeen lac fifty thousand) Four months
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
31	Name of official inviting tender	Mr. Aminul Haque.
32	Designation of official inviting tender	General Manager (Projects).
33	Address of official inviting tender	Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram, Bangladesh.
34	Contact details of official inviting tender	Telephone: +88 031621399. Fax: 88031618312, E-mail: aminul36@yahoo.com
35	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.	

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"সবাই মিলে গড়বে দেশ, দুর্নীতিবৃত্ত বাংলাদেশ"

WAR IN UKRAINE
Developments

FIERCE BATTLES
Ukraine's military says it is fighting "fierce battles" with Russian forces on the edge of the southern city of Mykolaiv, which controls the road to the country's biggest port Odessa in the west. President Volodymyr Zelensky warns that Russia is preparing to bombard the historic city near the Romanian and Moldovan borders. Dozens of civilians are being killed in the battle for Chernihiv in the north, with those who remain in the city living in craters or among the ruins.

AIRPORT DESTROYED
A barrage of Russian missiles destroy Vinnytsia airport in central Ukraine, Zelensky says.

POLISH JETS DEAL
The United States says it is working on a deal with Poland to supply Ukraine with fighter jets that its pilots are trained to fly. Zelensky had pleaded with former Warsaw Pact countries in eastern Europe to give Ukraine Russian-made warplanes.

RUSSIA LIMITS FOOD SALES
Russian shops are told to limit sales of essential foodstuffs to counter black market speculation as Western sanctions bite.

2,500 HELD AT RUSSIA PROTESTS
More than 2,500 people are held across Russia after new protests against the war in Ukraine.

VISA AND MASTERCARD BAN
Credit card giants Visa and Mastercard refuse to do business with Moscow over the invasion of Ukraine but Russian banks say they will use China's UnionPay system.

PEACE PROSPECTS 'NOT GREAT'
Israel's premier Naftali Bennett says the chances of stopping fighting were "not great", after Kyiv had asked Israel to launch a dialogue with Moscow.

French President Emmanuel Macron and his Turkish counterpart Recep Tayyip Erdogan hold separate telephone talks with Putin.

ESSENTIAL DRUGS COMPANY LIMITED

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INTERNATIONAL TENDER NOTICE

EDCL invites **Two Envelope System** International Tender for Supply of Pharmaceutical Raw Material on C&F© Dhaka By Air/Chittagong by Sea Basis:-

S/L No.	Tender No. Date	Name of the Item	Cost of Tender Schedule	Last date of Closing & opening
01.	IMP/RM/SEM/74/2021-2022 dated 06/03/2022	Pharmaceutical Raw Materials: (Specification as per tender schedule): 01. Potassium Chloride BP 02. Lactic Acid BP 03. Mebendazole BP 04. Chloramphenicol (Sterile Mic.)BP	Tk. 1250.00/set Equivalent to US\$ 15.00 Non-refundable	Closing : 31/03/2022 At 11.00AM Opening : 31/03/2022 at 11.15 AM
02.	IMP/RM/SEM/75/2021-2022 dated 06/03/2022	Pharmaceutical Raw Materials: (Specification as per tender schedule): 01. Pethidine HCl BP 02. Microcrystalline Cellulose BP (Avicel PH 101) 03. Lactose BP 04. Diazepam BP 05. Folic Acid BP 06. Orange Oil BP 07. Essence of Orange Sweet ph. Gr.	Tk. 2,000/set Equivalent to US\$ 23.00 Non-refundable	Closing : 04/04/2022 At 11.00AM Opening : 04/04/2022 at 11.15 AM
03.	IMP/RM/SEM/76/2021-2022 dated 06/03/2022	Pharmaceutical Raw Materials: (Specification as per tender schedule): 01. Chloramphenicol BP 02. Chlorpheniramine Mcleate BP 03. Banana Flavour Powder Ph. Gr. 04. Cetyl Alcohol BP 05. Ferrous Fumarate BP 06. Film Coating Material Yellow Ph. Gr./ wincoat WT-MP-1143/Spraycel SC MB3125 (yellow) Ph. Gr. or equivalent 07. Flim Coating Material Green Ph. Gr. (Wincoat WT-MP-03060 or equivalent	Tk. 1500/set Equivalent to US\$ 17.00 Non-refundable	Closing : 05/04/2022 At 11.00AM Opening : 05/04/2022 at 11.15 AM
04.	IMP/RM/SEM/77/2021-2022 dated 06/03/2022	Pharmaceutical Raw Materials: (Specification as per tender schedule): 01. Azithromycin Dihydrate Compacted USP	Tk. 4,000/set Equivalent to US\$ 46.00 Non-refundable	Closing : 06/04/2022 At 11.00AM Opening : 06/04/2022 at 11.15 AM

Tender schedule will be sold from the Accounts Department of Essential Drugs Company Limited (EDCL), Dhaka on payment as stated above during office hours on all working days (except Friday, Saturday and Govt. Holidays). No tender schedule will be sold on the opening date of the tender.

The Tender will be accompanied by a amount of Earnest Money in the form of Bank Draft/Pay order/ Bank Guarantee from any schedule Bank of Bangladesh in favour of " Essential Drugs Company Ltd" without which the Tender will be considered as non-responsive.

EDCL authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tendets without assigning any reason Whatsoever.

N.B: This Information is also available at our Website: www.edcl.gov.bd

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**General Manager
Procurement
For : Managing Director.**