

# Palliative care programme inaugurated in Narayanganj

**CITY DESK**

Narayanganj City Corporation Mayor Selina Hayat Ivy inaugurated the second phase of special health care services called “Momotamoy Narayanganj” on March 29, said a press release.

The core focus of the Palliative Care is “patient, not the disease” at that stage of life to offer a dignified life in those critical days by lessening the pain and sufferings of the patient specially in family environment – under the guidance of the professionally trained caregivers.

The essence of “Momotamoy Narayanganj” is for creating a “Compassionate Care Model” in the next 3 years with the support of World Hospice Palliative Care Alliance, St Christopher Hospice, UK in partnership with Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University – Palliative Care Medicine Unit and Ayat Education.

The project aims to create a model of palliative care centring Bandar Upazila Health Complex initially by offering professional training for the physicians and others concerned.

# Teacher harassed

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forehead, and hurled abuse at me. As I protested, he started the bike and tried to run me over. I tried to move away but got injured severely by falling down,” she said in the complaint.

She also mentioned the bike’s number in the complaint. After the incident, she went to three on-duty traffic policemen who advised her to file the complaint, she added.

Contacted, Utpal Barua, officer-in-charge of Sher-

## CLIMATE CHANGE National adaptation plan in offing

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

The government is formulating an effective national adaptation plan to address the risks of climate change on the basis of the views of each ministry, department and the general public concerned.

The plan will be implemented with the cooperation of all related to this issue, said Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Shahab Uddin yesterday.

He was addressing the National Adaptation Plan Pre-Validation Workshop organised by the Ministry at a hotel in the capital.

Bangladesh will be able to minimise the risk of climate change by adopting and implementing medium- and long-term projects as planned.

He said implementation of the project for climate adaptation will be helped by the developed countries by increasing its finances, technology and capabilities. The environment ministry will co-operate with all other ministries in this regard.

The minister said the government is working to ensure security for the people in terms of food, water, electricity, health, etc. Industrialised nations responsible for producing greenhouse gases should come forward helping the vulnerable countries.

The ministry secretary, Mostafa Kamal, presided over the workshop which was addressed, among others, by its Deputy Minister Habibun Nahar.

# Still no new action

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**HISTORY OF ACTION PLANS**

Since 1997, the government has been preparing strategic action plans for improving road safety. Eight action plans have been approved by National Road Safety Council (NRSC) so far, with the last one being approved in November 2017, with a deadline of December 2020.

The goal of the eighth action plan was to achieve the SDG (Sustainable Development Goal) target by halving the number of road accidents, fatalities and injuries by 2020.

But the target could not be achieved, and the revised deadline is 2030, officials said.

Two months before the last action plan expired, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, while speaking on the occasion of National Road Safety Day in October that year, gave directions to prepare a new plan.

Road Transport and Highways Division in October that year directed Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) to prepare a draft and take opinions and updates from ministries and agencies concerned.

## WHY THE DELAY?

BRTA placed the draft of the strategic action plan before a meeting of NRSC, the apex body to take policy decisions over road-safety issues, on February 18 last year.

According to the draft, authorities want to reduce road accidents, fatalities and injuries by 20 to 25 percent by the end of 2024, and 50 percent by 2030.

But, the meeting led by Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader, formed a committee to examine and finalise the draft.

The committee, led by an additional secretary of the road transport and highways division, was asked to complete its tasks within one month.

Contacted, BRTA spokesperson Mahbub-e-Rabbani said the committee has given its report and they have updated the draft.

“But, the plan could not be approved, as no NRSC meeting was held,” Rabbani, also director (road safety) of BRTA, told The Daily Star yesterday.

He hoped the draft would be approved once the meeting is held. However, he could not say when that would happen.

# Ensure water, air quality

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

Waterkeepers Bangladesh Consortium held its second data validation workshop, where it presented pollution data on noise, water and air, portraying a grim scenario for the three important components of human life.

The workshop was held yesterday at the auditorium of Stamford University in the capital.

Prof Ahmad Kamruzzaman Majumder of the university’s environmental science department presented the analysis of his findings on air and noise quality data, while Prof Md Nurul Islam from Jahangirnagar University came up with his analysis on water quality.

Mohammad Golam Sarwar from the Department of Law at Dhaka University portrayed the loopholes of law in his presentation. The workshop was chaired by Sharif Jamil, coordinator of the consortium.

Addressing as chief guest, Stamford University Vice Chancellor Mohammad Ali Naki said people need to change their mindset and come forward voluntarily to protect the three important components of human life.

The consortium has been working to prepare a report styled “State of Dhaka Environment” since April, 2021. Dr Munjurul Hannan Khan, executive director of Nature Conservation Management, was also present at the workshop.

## Alia Amin passes away

**CITY DESK**

Alia Amin, a former teacher of Vigarunnisa Noon School, breathed her last on April 1 at United Hospital due to multiple old age complications. She was 89, said a press release.

Mother of a freedom fighter, Alia lost her eldest son Alauddin Md Zahen during the 1971 Liberation War. She left behind her two daughters Sara Zaker and Sajeda Amin, a son Zahiruddin Alim, grandchildren and great grandchildren, her sister, a host of nephews and nieces, and numerous students, friends and well-wishers.



## 3 hurt in Ctg wall collapse

**STAFF CORRESPONDENT**

At least three pedestrians were injured after a boundary wall collapsed in Chattogram city’s Agrabad area yesterday.

Identities of the injured could yet to be ascertained immediately. The incident occurred at the lane of Hotel Landmark at around 1:45pm, said fire service officials. Md Safiq Tuhin, Station Officer of Agrabad Fire Service Headquarters said the boundary wall of an under-construction site collapsed at the lane injuring the three.

On information, firefighters rescued the injured and sent them to Chattogram Medical College Hospital. CMCH sources said they were given primary treatment and released later.

# Maa, where did you go?

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Meanwhile, a group of NSU students organised a protest rally yesterday in front of Bashundhara Gate, demanding the accused be brought to justice through speedy trial. Police, however, did not allow them to occupy the main road. Terming the death a murder, they demanded Tk 1 crore compensation for the family.

The students raised an eight-point demand and gave a 24-hour ultimatum to fulfil it. If the demand is not met, they would organise a protest again, said Kawsar Habib, one of the students.

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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 up to 20-Apr-2022 3:00pm.

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

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**UN MIGRATION**

**INVITATION TO APPLY FOR LONG-TERM AGREEMENT: SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF 8KW PHOTOVOLTAIC OFF-GRID SOLAR POWER SYSTEMS IN COX BAZAR DISTRICT**

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) is an UN affiliated migration related agency and is committed to the principle that humane and orderly migration benefits both migrants and society. In the framework of *Health and Gender Support Project (HIGSP)*, implemented with the *MOU&FW of Bangladesh and funded by the World Bank* the IOM Bids Evaluation and Awards Committee ("BEAC") now invites interested Bidders to submit "Bid" for the *Supply, Delivery & Installation - 8KW Photovoltaic Off-Grid Solar Power Systems (including Training for Operation, Maintenance and Safety)*.

A complete set of Bidding Documents is available for Interested Bidders at: <https://bangladesh.iom.int/procurement>

Description	Bid Document No	Location
Supply, Delivery & Installation - 8KW Photovoltaic Off-Grid Solar Power Systems (including Training for Operation, Maintenance and Safety)	ITB-BD22-009-LTA	Cox's Bazar

**Timeline summary (ITB-BD22-009-LTA)**

Tender publication date	31.03.2022	15:00 hours
Pre-Bid meeting	07.04.2022	11:00 hours
Deadline for sending of requests for clarification	11.04.2022	17:00 hours
<b>Deadline for Bids submission</b>	<b>14.04.2022</b>	<b>15:00 hours</b>

Bid validity requirement: one (01) year - for Long-Term Agreement basis

Envelopes with sealed Bids shall be addressed to IOM office:  
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Late bids will not be accepted.

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**On behalf of BEAC**

# Depot to be built

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This compelled railway staffers to bury him at the spot where the CGPY graveyard stands today, which was just a jungle and marshland at the time. Over the years, railway employees gradually developed it into a graveyard.

Former Railway Shramik League president (jetty unit) and founder of CGPY mosque Abdul Wahab said, “It’s a humanitarian issue. How will all the graves be relocated?”

Contacted, Jahangir Alam, general manager of railway (east zone), said, “During his visit, the railway minister verbally asked the construction company to keep the graveyard. They [the company] will preserve it somehow, although we’re not going to issue written directives over the matter.”

“The mosque will be shifted to another place but the graves will remain,” he added.

Asked, Belal Uddin, managing director of Container Company of Bangladesh Limited, said “Yes, there is around one-acre of graveyard land on the place. We have assured railway staffers that the graveyard will stay in its current place. We have verbally asked the

construction company not to develop the graveyard land. However, a boundary wall will be installed and visitors’ movement will be controlled.”

About the mosque, he said, “The mosque will be rebuilt in another place after the railway allocates land for it.”

Saif Logistics Alliance Ltd, a concern of Saip Power Group, will invest around Tk 300 crore to build the terminal on the land.

As per the contract, railway is set to handover the 21.29 acres of land within six months. Saif Logistics will construct the depot within two years.

Once it comes into operation, the private company will provide Tk 1.5 crore annually as fixed royalty and 21.50 percent of the total income on a monthly basis as variable royalty.

After 20 years, Saif Logistics will hand over the depot to CCBL, which expects to earn Tk 789 crore over the next two decades, officials said.

According to the new ICD policy, the proposed ICD terminal must be set up 20 kilometres off the port area to reduce traffic congestion.

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