

Sharfunnahar Chowdhury passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sharfunnahar Chowdhury, mother of the Daily Samakal's city editor and Jatiya Press Club treasurer Shahed Chowdhury, died of old-age related complications early yesterday. She was 78.

Family members said Sharfunnahar underwent treatment at Birdem General Hospital from March 9 to April 14. She was in the ICU for ten days and breathed her last around 2:00am at her residence in Narsingdi.

She was buried in Narsingdi's Bhagdi graveyard after her Namaz-e-Janaza at Bhagdi Markaz mosque after the zuhr prayers. She is survived by her four daughters and one son.

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader, and Information Minister Dr Hasan Mahmud expressed deep shock at her death.

IMF cuts GDP growth forecasts

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amid the pandemic.

The IMF also revised down the GDP growth projection for Bangladesh in the next fiscal year to 6.7 percent from 7.1 percent in January's supplementary outlook.

"Compared to our January forecast, we have revised our projection for global growth down to 3.6 percent in both 2022 and 2023," said the IMF in the latest report.

"This reflects the direct impact of the war on Ukraine and sanctions on Russia, with both countries projected to experience steep contractions."

This year's growth outlook for the European Union has been revised down by 1.1 percentage points due to the indirect effects of the war, making it the second largest contributor to the overall downward revision, it added.

The World Bank projected that Bangladesh's economy would grow at 6.4 percent in fiscal 2021-22 and 6.7 percent in fiscal 2022-23.

The Asian Development Bank forecast that Bangladesh's GDP would expand by 6.9 percent in FY22 and 7.1 percent in FY23.

This week, the government projected that the economy would grow by 7.2 this fiscal year and 7.5 percent in the next fiscal year.

In the latest outlook, the IMF cut the GDP growth forecasts for other South Asian counties as well.

It projected that India would grow by 8.2 percent in the current fiscal year and 6.9 percent in the next fiscal year.

In FY22, the Maldives would grow at 6.1 percent, Nepal at 4.1 percent, Pakistan at 4 percent and Sri Lanka at 2.6 percent.

Dhaka, Delhi

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Health Policy of 2011." She added that the country has officially recognised the potential contributions of Unani, Ayurvedic and Homeopathic medical services in its efforts to achieve SDG-3.

In addition to offering outpatient services by traditional medicine

experts, most district and sub-district level public health facilities are equipped with medicinal plant gardens, she added.

She mentioned that Bangladesh is looking forward to partnering with the Global Centre on critical issues like quality control, curriculum development and regulatory standards.

Abductors in guise

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Asked how a person or syndicate could abduct so many people, the joint commissioner said that it happened because the majority of victims did not go to police and file complaints.

"We have traced the syndicate and arrested the five, after a victim recently filed cases with Jatrabari Police Station," he said.

Police said arrested Berek is wanted in at least six cases, and each of the others are wanted in two.

Junaed Alam Sharker, additional deputy commissioner of the division, said Berek has been active in the crime world for the last eight to 10 years.

One of the abduction

victims was present at DMP's media centre on the capital's Minto Road yesterday.

Talking to reporters, Rustom Khan (68) said on January 25 this year, he was standing near Badsha Mia Road at Jatrabari around 8:20am, when the area was a little foggy. While he was waiting for his company bus, two people put him in a private car at gunpoint.

The gang members then started beating him badly and demanded Tk 5 lakh ransom. The criminals tortured him till 4:30pm, and only released him after his wife sent Tk 50,000 twice through a mobile financial service.

They finally dropped the victim off in a secluded place in Munshiganj.

Policy gap to blame

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At Nationally Determined Contributions, Bangladesh pledged to produce 30 percent of its energy mix from renewables by 2030. The country also has the Mujib Climate Prosperity Plan which said 40 percent of energy will come from renewables. "But the power system master plan says that the country only has the potential to produce three to seven percent," added Hasan.

The webinar was conducted by Bela chief executive Syeda Rizwana

Hasan. Sebastian Groh, associate professor of Brac Business School; Dipal C. Barua, founder chair of Bright Green Energy Foundation; and Abeer Butmeh, coordinator of Palestinian Environmental NGOs Network also spoke.

CAREB is a citizen's alliance of five key organisations including CLEAN, Bangladesh Environmental Lawyers Association, Association for Land Reform and Development, Nijera Kori and Transparency International Bangladesh.

Titas asked

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The issue drew special attention as the Titas Gas recently moved a proposal to the Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission (BERC) to raise the gas price by 117 percent.

As per the proposal, if it is accepted by the BERC, a single burner user will have to pay over Tk 2,000 per month.

The Titas Gas managing director, who was present at the meeting, was asked to explain as to why the company's prepaid gas meter project is being delayed.

Meeting sources said the Titas top executive failed to provide any satisfactory answer.

Rather, he said installation of a pre-paid meter costs Tk 23,000 of which 14,000 is the meter's value.

The rest is data centre management cost.

There are 4.3 million gas consumers across the country where a total of six distribution companies are operating.

Among them, Titas is the largest operator having 2.8 million consumers and it is responsible for the supply of natural gas to Dhaka and its adjoining districts since its founding in 1964.

NOTICE FOR CLOSING DOWN UTI PERSHIP (PVT.) LTD, BANGLADESH BRANCH OFFICE

This is for information of all the stakeholder of the UTI PERSHIP (PVT.) LTD., Bangladesh Branch office that the Board of Directors of UTI PERSHIP (PVT.) LTD, Bangladesh Branch office has taken the decision for closing down the Branch office from Bangladesh in a board meeting held on 05 April 2022 at 10:00 A.M at 72C, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 04, Sri Lanka.

According to the board decision, the closing date would be effective from 30 June 2022.

After publication of this notice, if any person has any objection or any claim with UTI PERSHIP (PVT.) LTD, Bangladesh Branch office, he/she is requested to contact with Mr. Abdul Halim, General Manager, Finance & Accounts of UTI PERSHIP (PVT.) LTD Bangladesh Branch office by 30 June 2022.

Address: Bay's 50 Mohakhali, 15th Floor, B.U.A. K Khandaker Road, 50 Mohakhali Commercial Area, Dhaka 1212, Bangladesh.

**Save the Children**

Date: April 20, 2022

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Invitation for Tender

Save the Children International (SCI) is hereby inviting the tender from interested, experienced and bona fide vendors for supplying clothing items under Framework Agreements (FVAs).

For details, please see the IFT schedule, which is available on <http://procurement.scibd.info/> under tender notification. Downloaded copy is acceptable for tender participation.

Description, submission time & date:				
SL	Name of IFT	Reference No.	Pre-Bid Meeting schedule	Last date of RFP Submission
1	Clothing Items	IFT/SCI/CXB/FY-22/ (Manual)/001	24/04/2022 at 11.00 AM https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5838868888?pwd=ZgksG874YE-vrqVD4enBETysVe-xe2.1	May 12, 2022, at 5.00PM

Special Instruction:
a) All activities in connection with the said procurement of Goods/Services will be guided as per the SCI's Procurement Policies.
b) If it is not possible to receive & open the tender on the scheduled date for any unavoidable circumstances, the same will be received and opened on the following working date at same time and same place.

Senior Manager, Procurement & Supply Chain

Halimah, Momen

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discussion on bilateral cooperation including the opportunities for enhancing trade and investment between our

countries," President Yacob said in a post shared on her verified Facebook page.

She said they also discussed regional and global developments.

Fear of more delays

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ongoing. As a result, vehicles run slow on the existing road, which causes heavy traffic congestion.

Sultan Ahmed Sarker, president of Gazipur-district road transport labour union, said thousands of vehicles ply the existing road, and that number would further increase ahead of Eid. But as the new roads are yet to be completed, home-going passengers are fearing traffic jams.

Md Mohirul Islam Khan, director of the project (Bangladesh Bridge Authority), said, "We expect to complete the whole

project in time, unless we face any new problems."

"But we have been facing several issues, as people and different institutions occupied two sides of the road by building markets and shops as well as dumping waste. In addition, electric cables were laid on Ahsan Ullah Master Flyover," he said, adding that it will cost a good amount of money to remove those cables.

A huge pile of garbage was dumped near House Building area. "We asked Dhaka North City Corporation [DNCC] authorities to clear the place some 14 times, but they have been delaying it," Mohirul said.

Contacted, SM Shafiqur Rahman, executive engineer (collection and transport, waste management) of DNCC, said, "We received two letters in this regard. We will remove the garbage in the next seven to 10 days."

Project director SM Elias Shah said overall progress at present is 73 percent. "We have also instructed to complete carpeting the new road under the flyover soon, so that vehicles can ply it during Eid."

Gazipur Metropolitan Police Deputy Commissioner (Traffic) Abdullah Al Mamun said according to a survey, some 60,000 vehicles ply the existing road every 24 hours. "We have instructed BRT authorities to open the new road, the part for which they have completed constructing more than one lane, by setting up a divider."

"It will be easy for us to manage traffic if they open some parts of the road by Saturday," he added.

New year

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Usually the potters start making clay essentials from Bangla months Kartik to Chaitra (November to March) to sell them round the year.

The potters said the traditional celebration including Ashtami Snan and Pahela Boishakh are the main source of their income.

Alongside the earthenware business, the sale of tradition Ashtami foods like binni khoi, khawja, khelna also peaked at city's Swadeshi Bazar and Zainul Abedin Park.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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We are now seeking applications for a UN Organization from Bangladeshi Nationals for the following vacancies under third party outsourcing contract modality.
For detailed Job Description, please visit the following website link to apply for the post.

Title: Communication Consultant (Media and advocacy)

Duty Station: Dhaka. **Contract Duration:** 12 Months (01 May 2022 to 30 April 2023), **Number of Vacancies:** 1 (One), **Contract Type:** Contract with E-Zone.

Last Date of Application: 26th April, 2022

<https://hotjobs.bdjobs.com/jobs/ezone/un89.html>

**পল্লী কর্ম-সহায়ক ফাউন্ডেশন (পিকেএসএফ)**

প্ৰট: ই-৪/বি, আগারপাঁও প্রশাসনিক এলাকা, শের-ই-বাংলা নগর, ঢাকা-১২০৭।
ফোন: ৮৮০-২-৮১৮১৬৫৮-৬১, www.pksf-bd.org, www.facebook.com/PKSF.org

Request for Expression of Interest (REoI) [Selection of Income Tax (IT) Adviser Firm]

পল্লী কর্ম-সহায়ক ফাউন্ডেশন (পিকেএসএফ) গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার কর্তৃক প্রতিষ্ঠিত একটি শীর্ষ উন্নয়ন প্রতিষ্ঠান। পিকেএসএফ-এ আগামী ৩ (তিন) বছর অর্থাৎ ২০২৩-২০২৪, ২০২৪-২০২৫ এবং ২০২৫-২০২৬ করবর্ষের জন্য আয়কর উপদেষ্টা প্রতিষ্ঠান নিয়োগ দানের লক্ষ্যে সংশ্লিষ্ট প্রতিষ্ঠান সমূহের নিকট হতে সিলগালা করা খামে EoI আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে।

- এ সংক্রান্ত কাজের বিস্তারিত বিবরণ সম্বলিত অনুমোদিত Terms of Reference (ToR) এবং Request for Expression of Interest-REoI (Reference No-53.23.0000.001.03.070.20.2333; তারিখ: ১৭এপ্রিল ২০২২) পিকেএসএফ-এর ওয়েবসাইট (www.pksf-bd.org)-এ পাওয়া যাবে। এছাড়া অফিস দিনে সকাল ৯:৩০ হতে বিকাল ৪:৩০ পর্যন্ত পিকেএসএফ-এর অভ্যর্থনা কেন্দ্র হতে উক্ত REoI ও ToR বিনামূল্যে সংগ্রহ করা যাবে।
- EoI সমূহ আগামী ১০মে ২০২২ তারিখ বিকাল ৪:৩০ ঘটিকার মধ্যে পিকেএসএফ ভবনে জমা দিতে হবে। নির্ধারিত সময়ের পরে দাখিলকৃত EoI বিবেচনা করা হবে না।
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(একিউএম গোলাম মাদুলা)
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Real Estate Department

No. 06.3/247/466

Date: 19-04-2022

e-GP Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<https://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for procurement of the following goods are described below:

Sl No.	Tender Notice No.	Tender ID	Name of goods	Last date of tender document selling & downloading	Date of tender closing & opening
01.	BDBL/RED/OTM/2022/01	686820	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Split Type Wall Mountable Air Cooler for Different Branches of BDBL.	16-05-2022 up to 06.00pm	17-05-2022 at 4.00pm

- This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted.
- To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<https://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required.
- The fees of downloading e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited through any branches of any registered bank.
- 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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**শেখ হাসিনার মূল্যবোধ**
গ্রাম শহরের উন্নতি

Memo No. 46.02.0000.876.11.004.17.(Part-1)- 791

Date : 19.04.2022

Request for Expressions of Interest(EoI)

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Local Government Rural Development & Co-operative/Local Govt. Division
2.	Agency.	Local Government Engineering Department
3.	Procuring Entity Name.	Superintendent Engineer, Technical Support Unit
4.	Procuring Entity Code.	Not at present
5.	Procuring Entity District.	Dhaka
6.	Expressions of Interest(EoI) for Selection of Individual Consultant	Selection of Individual Consultant(Time Based)
7.	EoI Ref. No.	Memo. No. 46.02.0000.876.11.004.17.(Part-1)-791
8.	Ref. Date.	19/04/2022
9.	Procurement Sub-Method	Selection of Individual Consultant(Time Based)
10.	Budget and Source of Funds	GoB
11.	Development Partner(if applicable)	Not Applicable
12.	Project. Code.	460101224074800
13.	Project. Name	Construction of Town and Union Land Office Across the Country.
14.	Place of EOI submission	Office of the Superintendent Engineer, Technical Support Unit, (TS), RDEC Building, Level-07, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207
15.	EoI Closing Date & Time	Date: 08/05/2022 Time: 2.00 PM
16.	Brief Description of Assignment	Package No. TULO/SD-29 TULO/SD-30 Proposed Post. Number & Tentative Duration: Regional Supervision Engineer ,Number of Post-02 Nos, Duration 12 months each Minimum Qualification: B.Sc. in Civil Engineering from any reputed University. Minimum Experience (Detailed describe in TOR): Should have at least-9 years of overall experiences, out of which 7-years of relevant experience in supervision of Building sector. Working Station: Project site (Any Division)/ LGED,HQ Dhaka Scope of Work: Detail as TOR
17.	Others Information	Individual Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedure set out in the PPR-2008 Detail Information may be collected from the undersigned office during office hour
18.	Association with foreign firm is	Not encouraged
19.	Name of Official Inviting EOI	Md. Shafiqur Rahman
20.	Designation of Official Inviting EOI	Superintendent Engineer, Technical Support
21.	Address of Official Inviting EOI	Technical Support Unit, RDEC Building, Level-7, LGED HQ, Dhaka
22.	Contract details of Official Inviting EOI	Telephone No.02-58150378, E-mail- se.ts@lged.gov.bd
23.	Others	-Procurement Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOI. -A Complete set of "Request for Application" including Terms of Reference may be obtained from the office of the undersigned. -Application must be delivered to the below in sealed envelope on or before 2.00 PM on 08/05/2022 with clearly mention the name of the post.

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