

Disaster in the making, yet again

Road construction resumes in Lathitila protected forest

MINTU DESHWARA

Although road construction inside the Lathitila protected forest was halted due to the forest officials' intervention, works have resumed ignoring their concerns, allegedly following the environment minister's order.

A report titled "Disaster averted, for now" on the issue was published in The Daily Star on April 22.

According to LGED and Forest Department sources, around two months ago, LGED floated a tender to construct a one-kilometre road from Lathitihara to Rupachhara through the forest.

It was after the bricks were laid on the pathway to demarcate the road when the matter came to the forest officials' notice.

Salah Uddin, a forester of Lathitila, wrote a letter to the engineer of LGED's upazila office mentioning that no advice or permission was sought from the forest department in this regard and asked to stop the construction immediately.

Alauddin, Juri upazila range officer, told this correspondent that a meeting was held on January 22, 2018, at the Prime Minister's Office regarding the adoption of various development projects

in the forest. At that meeting, it was decided that any such development project would require permission from the environment and forests ministry through the forest department.

This correspondent visited the spot on Sunday morning and saw that the road was being dug with excavators. Almost 225 metres of the road were already done, with piles of bricks laid at one point of the road.

Saidul Islam, owner of Paradise Construction -- who got the work tender -- said the official approval from the ministry concerned is currently under process.

Range Officer Alauddin said they have not yet received any written instructions regarding clearance for the construction.

Abdul Matin, an engineer at LGED upazila office, said they had initiated the project following a demand order (DO) letter from the environment ministry.

"I called the minister after the work was halted due to the forest department's intervention. I will talk to Sylhet's divisional forest officer so that the construction is not disrupted again," he added.

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After a few days of suspension due to the forest department's intervention, road construction through Lathitila protected forest has resumed, bringing with it a fresh set of risks that may very well harm the region's ecosystem. Almost 225 metres of the road are already done, with piles of bricks laid at one point of the road.

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Invitation for e-Tender Notice

Memo No. 46.03.6800.061.07.001.21-585

1	Ministry/Division	Local Government Division	Date: 28/04/2022
2	Implementing agency	Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE)	
3	e-Tender IDs	693154, 693155, 693156 & 693157	
4	Description of works	Installation of Water Points of Different Technology for Houses Constructed for Homeless People in Mujib Birth Centenary at Different Places of Narshingdi District under Revenue Budget of Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE) for the FY: 2021-2022.	
5	Name, designation & address of official inviting tender	Mr Sarder Shamsul Islam, Executive Engineer DPHE, Narshingdi District Tel. No. 02-9462185	
6	Information	This is online tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. Interested persons/firms can see details in the website: www.eprocure.gov.bd .	
		Sarder Shamsul Islam Executive Engineer	
		GD-890	



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Request for Expression of Interest (EOI)

1.	Ministry/Division	Rural Development and Cooperatives Division
2.	Agency	Rural Livelihood Project-3 rd Phase, BRDB
3.	Name of Procuring Entity	Project Director, Rural Livelihood Project-3 rd Phase, BRDB
4.	Procuring Entity Code	41133
5.	Expression of Interest for Selection of	Consulting IT Firm
6.	EOI Ref. No. & Date	47.62.0000.911.07.057.22.422 Date: 26.04.2022
7.	Procurement Method	Open Tender Method (OTM)
8.	Budget & Source of Fund	GOB
9.	EOI Closing Date & Time	18.05.2022 at 2.30 pm.
10.	Brief Description of the Assignment:	Main activities of Rural Livelihood Project-3 rd Phase is to organize rural women and men into informal groups, provide training, microcredit, micro enterprise loan (SME), One product one village based livelihood village, thrift deposit to ensure proper use of local resources & livelihood of the rural people. Project urges to develop & install web enabled microfinance software with necessary features for Rural Livelihood Project-3 rd Phase which are functioning 48 District 220 Upazilas of Bangladesh. System comprises (i) Member management system (ii) Group management system (iii) Beneficiaries savings & credit management system (iv) Beneficiaries training management system (v) Online banking system (vi) Socio-economic impact management system (vii) Accounting management system
11.	Experience, Resource and Delivery Capacity Required-	Intending Firms have to submit the following documents along with EOI:
12.		1. Bidder must have minimum 10 years experience in ICT business as a registered company entity in Bangladesh. 2. Must submit upto date trade license, income tax and vat certificate. 3. Must have at least 07 years practical experience of developing web-based enterprise solution. 4. Companies having experience of 10 years regarding developing core banking software, public service delivery and International installation will added advantage. 5. Must have experience of providing online payment gateway integration. 6. Must have ability to provide 24/7 support services (Proven experience of providing software support must be submitted). 7. Having experience of at least 3 core banking solution and 1 web based ERP solution with minimum contract value of 3 core under a single contract within last 5 years. 8. Must have proven experience of developing group management, training management, group finance & micro finance management solution in any government/semi government organization. 9. Logistic information of the office must be provided. 10. Must have to submit updated BASIS membership certificate. 11. The bidder must certified by ISO and CMMI L-3. 12. Annual turnover of the company must be 15 crore. Last 3 years of audit report should be submitted. 13. Bidder must provide financial solvency of minimum 5 crore.
13.	Association with foreign firms	Not mandatory
14.	Name of the official inviting EOI	Md. Alomgir Hossain Al Nawaj
15.	Designation	Project Director
16.	Address of official inviting EOI	RLP-3rd Phase, BRDB, 6th floor, Palli Bhaban, 5, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215
17.	Contact Details	RLP-3rd Phase, BRDB, 6th floor, Palli Bhaban, 5, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215 Tel: 02-8180037, E-mail: pdrlp2@brdb.gov.bd
18.	Other Details	A Firm/Company will be selected in accordance with the public procurement regulations 2008 and public procurement Act 2006. Envelope containing application/proposal (EOI) along with relevant supporting documents to be marked "Expression of interest (EOI)" for providing services for development and installation of customized web enabled micro finance management system with necessary features for Rural Livelihood Project-3 rd Phase, BRDB.
		Md. Alomgir Hossain Al Nawaj Project Director Signature:

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Waste dumping in eco park halted



OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

The High Court yesterday imposed an injunction on dumping waste in Borsajora Eco Park of Moulvibazar for the next six months.

The court also issued a rule asking the authorities concerned to explain in four weeks why their failure and inaction to protect and preserve the park from tree and hill cuttings, construction of roads and dumping hazardous waste should not be declared illegal.

In the rule, the HC asked the respondents to show causes why they should not be directed to take appropriate legal action against the local municipal mayor responsible for dumping hazardous waste in the eco park and to protect it from damages.

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Arrest those who set jhum garden on fire: speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sammilita Samajik Andolon, a citizens' platform, yesterday demanded the arrest of those who were involved in burning local Mru's jhum garden at Bandarban's Lama upazila's Lankam.

Locals alleged that a rubber company intentionally torched their field on Tuesday in a bid to grab their land. About 100 acres of jhum crops, including paddy, mango, banana and pineapple, were destroyed, according to the locals.

They accused Lama Rubber Industries Limited officials in the incident. However, the officials denied the claim, saying that they only cleaned their own land.

The citizen platform's statement, issued by general secretary Saleh Ahmed, demanded proper investigation into the incident, ensuring security of Mrus and providing them with compensation.



2 killed, 1 hurt in road accidents

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Two people were killed and another was injured in road accidents in Faridpur yesterday.

In Nagarkanda, Yunus Matubbar (68), a freedom fighter from Shreerampur village, died as a microbus hit a rickshaw on Dhaka-Khulna Highway in Kairermor area around 9:00am, said OC Hamiduddin Ahmad of Bhanga Highway Police Station.

Meanwhile, Sofiqul Islam (52) was killed and another injured when his motorbike hit a roadside shop in Alfadanga upazila.

BRIBERY CASE

Suspended ACC director Basir denied bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court yesterday refused to grant bail to suspended ACC director Khandaker Enamul Basir in a Tk 40-lakh bribery case in which he was jailed for eight years.

The bench of Justice Md Mostafizur Rahman passed the order, said Anti-Corruption Commission lawyer Khurshid Alam Khan.

A Dhaka court on February 23 sentenced Basir and suspended deputy inspector general of police Md Mizanur Rahman to eight and three years in jail, respectively, in the case filed by ACC on July 16, 2019.

Basir was given three years for taking Tk 40 lakh from Mizan and five years for laundering it. Basir was also fined Tk 80 lakh, in default of which he will have to serve six more months in jail.

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Sl. No.	Name of work	Tender ID	Last date & time of submission documents	Tender/ proposal opening date & time
1.	Construction of Warehouse, Transshipment Shed, Watch Tower at Balla Land Port Habiganj.	676305	30/05/2022 14:15pm	30/05/2022 14:30pm
2.	External Electrification of Ballah Land Port, Habiganj.	684670	19/05/2022 14:30pm	19/05/2022 16:30pm
3.	Construction of Office Building, Dormitory Building, Barrak & Power House at Balla Land Port, Habiganj.	683227	30/05/2022 11:30pm	30/05/2022 12:30pm

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 are invited in e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by Project Director, DCNUP, Dhaka South City Corporation for the procurement of:

Sl.	Tender ID, Ref. No.	Description of items	Start date and time	Last selling date and time	Tender closing date & time
1	Tender ID: 689464 Ref. No. 46.207.014.09.10.10.422 Date: 28-02-2022	Works: Construction of 3 (three) Nos. Secondary Transfer Stations (STD) at (1) Kalinagar adjacent to Sluice Gate, Kamrangir Char (Ward No. 55), (2) Kamrangir Char-Chata Mosque (Beside Steel Bridge) (Ward No.			