

# India calls off more than 500 train services

In a bid to end the protests, the government has adjusted parts of the plan to offer more soldiers federal and state government jobs after their service.

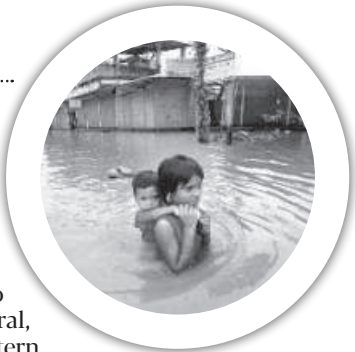


**Members of Inter University Students' Federation shout slogans against Sri Lanka's President Gotabaya Rajapaksa demanding him to step down, amid the country's economic crisis, in Colombo, Sri Lanka yesterday.** PHOTO: REUTERS

# Monsoon covers half of India

## Weather dept says rainfall approaches average

India's annual monsoon rainfall has covered more than half of the country and conditions are favourable for it to advance into central, northern and western regions this week, the weather department s



The monsoon's progress will help farmers accelerate sowing of summer-sown crops, which has been lagging due to below-normal rainfall in the first half of June, especially in central India.

The monsoon has covered all of southern and eastern India and most of the central state of Madhya Pradesh, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) said in a statement.

“Monsoon has revived. This week many regions in southern and central India would get heavy rainfall,” an IMD official told Reuters.

Conditions are favourable for the monsoon to advance further into Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh, said the official, who was not authorised to speak with media so declined to be identified.

India received 8% less rainfall over June 1 - when the monsoon season began - through June 19 compared with a historical average, IMD data showed.


# Pak President Alvi refuses to sign NAB bill

After returning unsigned a bill seeking to reverse the changes made in election laws by the former PTI government, President Dr Arif Alvi yesterday did the same with another piece of legislation seeking to clip the vast powers of the National Accountability Bureau (NAB). The two bills were passed by the National Assembly and Senate last month and were subsequently sent to the president for approval. However, Alvi sent them back on June 4, following which the government convened a joint sitting of the parliament on June 9 to pass the bills — which were cleared the same day.

# ATTACK ON AFGHAN MARKET

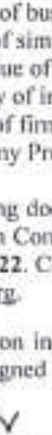
## 'Scores' of people killed, hurt: UN

The UN mission to Afghanistan reported scores of people were killed and wounded in an attack on a busy market in eastern Nangarhar province yesterday, although Taliban officials said they could only confirm 10 people had been wounded. "UNAMA condemns this morning's attack in a crowded bazaar in Nangarhar province which killed and wounded scores of civilians, among them some children," the UNAMA said on its Twitter account. Quriashi Badloun, the Taliban administration's head of media and information for Nangarhar, confirmed a blast had taken place but said the target wasn't clear.



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## Invitation for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Design, Monitoring and Supervision Consulting Services for BANGLADESH: Emergency Assistance Project (LGED Part)

### Package No.: EAP/ LGED/CON-2

1. Since August 2017, Bangladesh has received about 835,000 forcibly displaced Myanmar Nationals in the Cox's Bazar district. Given the humanitarian need and heart-wrenching condition of the displaced persons, The Government of Bangladesh (GoB) has exclusively made a request to ADB for \$100 million grant fund for Phase 1. The project implementation involved 50 civil works, goods, and consulting packages. All procurement packages were awarded by 31 December 2020. The subprojects are progressing will be completed by June, 2022. Given the importance and priority to provide basic infrastructure services in the camps, the government again made a request to ADB for \$100 million grant fund for Phase 2. However, due to fund constraints, Phase 2 of the project is proposed to be implemented in two sub-phases: Phase 2.1 and Phase 2.2. The proposed additional financing to support Phase 2.1 amounts to \$41.4 million, including the proposed additional financing for Phase 2.1, the total amount of ADB grant financing for the EAP will reach \$141.4 million.
2. The impact of the project will be: Social recovery of affected communities accelerated in the Upazila of Ukhyia and Teknaf. The outcome will be: Living conditions and resilience of affected communities improved. Output 2 of the project is Disaster Risk Management Strengthened. **Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) as one of the implementing agency among four agencies will execute the following components in phase 2.1.** The output includes constructing in and around the camp areas is –
  - i. Construction of School cum Cyclone Shelter for affected people, 3 storied LGED Prototype -8 nos
  - ii. Construction of Semi-Permanent Women Led Community Centers- 2 nos
  - iii. Construction of Culverts on Upazila- 22.20 m
  - iv. Improvement of Upazila / Union Road - 12.83 km
  - v. Construction/Renovation of a multipurpose disaster resilient isolation center with connecting road at ICDDR,B / SARI-ITC,

For smooth implementation of the above component, LGED will recruit Design, Monitoring and Supervision (DMS) consulting firm following ADB's procurement Policy and Procurement Regulations for ADB borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time).

3. The main objective of the consulting assignment is to (i) prepare design, technical specification and estimate of the civil works packages, (ii) Assist the PMO in every stage of procurement process, (iii) ensure high standards of quality assurance in execution and completion of work within stipulated time limit, (iv) comprehensive supervision of project implementation activities carried out by the contractor(s) to ensure complete compliance with the drawings, technical specifications and various stipulations in the contract documents, and (v) monitor safeguards implementation includes environment, social, gender, health and safety activities associated with the project.
4. LGED invites eligible National consulting firm(s) with adequate experience in project management and administration; construction supervision and quality control; and O&M planning and support. The consulting service will require total 67 person months of key and 152 person months of Non key of consultant inputs to be implemented up to the project probable completion date of June, 2023. The assignment location will be in Ukhyia & Teknaf, District: Cox'sbazar Bangladesh.
5. EOIs may be submitted by a firm, association, or joint venture. The interested firms are encouraged to form association or joint venture with local firms. A national firm as a lead firm can only be nominated in one EOI.
6. A consulting firm will be selected following the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method in accordance with the procedures set in the Guidelines on "The Use of Consultants by Asian Development Bank and its Borrowers". The EOIs will be evaluated based on the complete information provided in the Template for Expression of Interest (Consulting Firms).
7. To submit an EOI: (1) register with ADB's Consultants Management System at ADB website (<http://www.adb.org>); click "About ADB", "Consulting Services" and "Consultant Management System" (2) go to <http://csrn.adb.org>; (3) click on "Bangladesh" (4) find the name of the captioned project; and click on "VIEW CSRN" (5) click on "Express Interest" and (6) follow the instructions. All requested information must be provided in the respective EOI fields completely along with:
  - a. Cover Letter signed by authorized signatory with name(s), address(es), contact details of partners /associates (if any),
  - b. Certificate of Incorporation of the lead member, Certificate of Incorporation of the JV member (for each member), Certificate of Incorporation of the Sub-Consultant (for each sub-consultant), Letter of Association, as applicable,
  - c. Additional information / documentation on the following (documentary evidence to be attached):
    - i) Legal Status (Trade License and proof of other Registration such as- Value Added Tax (VAT), Taxpayer's Identity Number etc.),
    - ii) Nature of business or operation,
    - iii) Years of similar, relevant and general experience;
    - iv) The value of projects,
    - v) Country of incorporation,
    - vi) Status of firm whether it is government/state owned enterprise (SOE) or not
    - vii) Company Profile or Brochure.
8. With all supporting documents, the interested firms are recommended to submit EOI: Electronically through the ADB web site in Consultant Management System (CMS) <https://cms.adb.org> before or on 12.00 pm local time on 24 July, 2022. Consulting firm must be registered with ADB's Consultant Management System (CMS) at <http://www.adb.org>.
9. Further information including scope of work and Terms of Reference are available in the CMS and at the office of the undersigned during regular office hours excepting Friday and Saturday.



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