

DISASTER WARNING

Radar station inactive for 4yrs

Authorities point to faulty machine components

SOHRAB HOSSAIN, Patuakhali

Due to technical problems, operations of Patuakhali's Kalapara radar station have remained suspended for four whole years.

The station has been non-operational since April 26, 2018, due to problems in components of the imaging unit. It is unable to forecast cyclones properly.

According to the radar station authority, the station was built on 10.16 acres of land in 1969 in Kalapara town. In 2008, the technical effectiveness of conventional radar decreased.

After dismantling the centre's old infrastructure and discarding the conventional technology, Japan Radio Company installed the world's most advanced Doppler-technology radar. This was funded by Japan International Cooperation Agency (Jica).

Asaduzzaman Khan, assistant director of Kalapara office's Cyclone Preparedness Programme, said it is crucial for the people of the coastal areas to get regular weather reports.

"This advanced technology can issue early warning messages, help save lives and prevent damages caused by disasters. If the radar station is not operational, people's lives and properties remain at great risk," he said.

The transmitter installed for power transmission at the station was broken for over two years, halting power supply. Due to the weather conditions, the station had to use generators. Electricity poles and new transmitters were installed two months ago. However, the connection has not been set up yet.

Kalapara Rural Electricity Deputy General Manager Sajib Pal said, "The work of installing a new transmitter has been completed. We will provide an electricity connection shortly."

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ASADUZZAMAN KHAN
Assistant director of Kalapara office's cyclone preparedness programme



PHOTO: STAR

The once mighty Khowai river has now lost all its glory, as locals have turned its riverbanks into their unofficial dumping spot. The river has shrunk so much that it looks much like a canal now. Both private entities and local representatives have built many structures nearby. Locals don't know who to turn to take action, as the representatives responsible for evictions themselves are allegedly involved in the encroachment.

Killing Old Khowai, slowly but surely

MINTU DESHWARA, back from Habiganj

Due to encroachment and waste dumping, the Old Khowai river, flowing through Habiganj, has been turned into a narrow canal.

The once mighty river has become an unofficial dumping spot for all kinds of wastes, and the riverbanks have been occupied by many structures.

In a recent visit to Habiganj, this correspondent saw household waste, polythene bags and remains of slaughtered animals disposed

along the riverbank.

Not only private entities, but public ones also occupied the riverbanks to build structures such as Zilla Parishad Bhaban, Major General MA Rob Memorial Library, a freedom fighter complex, and a hospital.

Locals are sceptical regarding the intentions of the occasional eviction drives of government bodies, as they themselves are visibly involved with occupying the riverbanks.

Badrul Huda, a Habiganj resident, said no visible progress has been made in freeing the

riverbanks of illegal structures.

The recent re-dredging and rehabilitation projects to restore the river's navigability were complete failures, he added.

Echoing the same, Khowai River Waterkeeper Tofazzal Sohel, said vested political quarters are responsible for the rampant encroachment.

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TOFAZZAL SOHEL, Khowai river waterkeeper

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UN, local partners conduct clean-up campaign

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The UN, in collaboration with local partners, conducted a series of "clean-up campaigns" in Dhaka and Sylhet yesterday, to promote green cities, marking the 77th anniversary of UN Day.

UN staff worked with the members of Bangladesh Scouts, city cooperation cleaners and government officials during this time, according to a statement of the UN Resident Coordinator's office.

The campaign was inaugurated at the South Plaza of the National Parliament by LGRD Minister Tajul Islam. Chief National Commissioner of Bangladesh Scouts Dr Md Mozammel Haque Khan, UN Resident Coordinator Gwyn Lewis, scouts, rover scouts, city cooperation cleaners and UN Officials were also present during this time.

Gwyn Lewis said the clean-up events can play a bigger role in creating greater awareness.

Tajul commended the UN and Bangladeshi Scouts for coming together to do the clean-ups as part of the UN Day celebrations.

The campaign took place in the north side of Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, around Nagar Bhaban, Gulshan 2, Eden Women's College and College of Home Economics in Azimpur, Fulbaria, adjacent to Nagar Bhaban and Police Headquarters from Rajarbagh intersection to Malibagh intersection.

A similar initiative was taken in Sylhet too, led by Dr Muhammad Mosharraf Hossain, divisional commissioner of Sylhet.

He stressed on building greener cities in a post-Covid world.

Corrigendum Notice

Following amendment has been made in the tender Package No. UHC/R-GD-17/2022-23, Stationary for Training Participants of Upazila Health Complex. Invited Memo No. UHC/Proc./RPA-GOB/Training/Stationary-52/2022-23/971, Dated: 19.10.2022

SL. No in IFT	Subject	Existing entry	Amended entry
24	Tender Security	Tk. 500000 (Five Lac)	Tk. 400000 (Four Lac)

Dr. Md. Rizwanur Rahman

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No: 27.27.2666-401.08.004.22.2057 Date: 24.10.2022

e-Tender Notice

Sl No.	e-Tender ID	Invitation Ref. No. & Date	Tender Description	Publication Date & Time	Closing Date & Time
1.	739832	27.27.2666-401.08.008.22.2016. Date: 17/10/2022	Procurement of ABC Powder/CO2 For portable Fire extinguisher	25-Oct-2022 12:00	09-Nov-2022 13:00

For detailed information please visit the following links:
For SI No: <https://www.eprocure.gov.bd/officer/TenderDocPrep.jsp?tenderId=739832>
These above three tenders are online based, where only e-tender will be accepted in the National e-GP portal. Only registered tenderer in the national e-GP system (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) can submit tender.
Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP portal helpdesk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

Md. Abdul Karim, Manager (HR)

Request for Expression of Interest for Consulting Services-Firm Selection (International)
Ref No. BIFFL-IDCOL/Procurement-Consultancy/2022-1250 Date: 24/10/2022

Country	Bangladesh
Project Name	Energy Efficiency in the Industry
Assignment Title	Technical Assistance for the Project "Energy Efficiency in the Industry"
Ref. No.	BMZ 2019.7009.9 / KFW Project 43150 / KFW Procurement 508324
Tender Agent	Victor Paereli (on behalf of the PEAs)

- The objective of the "Energy Efficiency in the Industry" project is to provide access to concessionary credit, incentivizing industrial companies in Bangladesh to extend and/or replace their equipment, machinery, production systems and processes with more energy-efficient substitutes. The project will be implemented as two credit lines with a total value of 80 million Euro, provided by the KfW Development Bank to the project executing entities (PEAs) Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL) and Bangladesh Infrastructure Finance Fund Limited (BIFFL). The PEAs will use the credit lines to provide loans for investments in energy efficiency measures to sub-borrowers in a range of targeted sectors, such as cement, RMG, textiles, ceramic, pulp and paper, and steel. The Consultant will support the PEAs in the implementation of the credit lines.
- The Consultant will implement at least the following measures:
 - Develop and maintain the "positive list", a set of standard materials, equipment and measures that are eligible to be financed in the project without further in-depth technical eligibility appraisal
 - Develop standard templates and procedures for energy saving assessments (ESA) and standard energy audits (SEA)
 - Train and qualify national energy efficiency experts who can also work as independent energy auditors for the project
 - Develop a project management information system (PMS), including rules, procedures, and templates for managing loan appraisal, as well as project management, impact monitoring and reporting
 - Implement capacity-building measures for the PEAs and other relevant stakeholders of the project
 - Implement ESA and SEA, supervise external experts implementing ESA and SEA, or review ESA or SEA prepared by third parties
 - Support the PEAs in performing environmental and social assessments of all high-risk (and where appropriate for moderate risk) activities
 - Evaluate the compliance of moderate and high-risk projects with the environmental and social requirements by means of a gap analysis, applying the relevant WB ESS 1-10, World Bank Group EHS Guidelines, and the ILO core labour standards
 - Implement a marketing and outreach campaign for energy efficiency measures
 - Support the PEAs in the financial administration of programme funds
 - Support the PEAs in the implementation of the environmental and social commitment plan
 - Support the collaboration between the PEAs and the Sustainable and Renewable Energy Development Authority of Bangladesh (SREDA)
 - Conduct ex-post technical inspections and validation of actual energy savings
 - Implement an exit strategy for the consulting services
- The outcome of the tendering procedure will be two contracts, one for each PEA, awarded to the highest-scored tenderer to perform a section of the services, required by the respective PEA.
- The contracts will be awarded to a consultant firm or a consortium of firms fulfilling the criteria stipulated in the prequalification document, including a minimum average turnover of the single firm or cumulatively in case of consortium in the past three years of 2 million Euro.
- The prequalification of experienced consultants is subject to the regulations contained in the Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries of January 2021 (1. Update of the version from January 2019), available on the KfW website www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de
- For further information and to obtain the prequalification document please contact: victor@victorpaereli.com (Tender Agent on behalf of the PEAs).
- Prequalification application must be delivered to victor@victorpaereli.com by 18/11/2022 before 18.00 (CET). Applications responding to the prequalification document will be accepted in electronic format only. The applicants are not required to submit hardcopies.

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e-Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited through e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by Director, Dhaka Mohanagar General Hospital under Dhaka South City Corporation for the procurement of following package, which will be available at e-GP website (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>).

SL No.	Tender ID & Package No.	Name of goods	Publication date and time	Tender closing date and time
01.	Tender ID No. 737445 Package No. egp/dscc/dmgh/2021-2022/001/007 .	Work to supply urgently needed new ultrasound machines in the Department of Radiology and imaging of Dhaka Mohanagar General Hospital.	19-10-2022 17.00	07-11-2022 14.00
02.	Tender ID No. 737437 Package No. egp/dscc/dmgh/2022-2023/001/003 .	Supply of goods for radiology and imaging department of Dhaka Mohanagar General Hospital for the financial year 2022-2023.	19-10-2022 17.00	07-11-2022 14.00

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