

## COP27 SUMMIT Nations band together to keep forest promise

REUTERS, Sharm El Sheikh  
More than 25 countries at the COP27 climate talks yesterday launched a group they said would ensure they hold each other accountable for a pledge to end deforestation by 2030, and announced billions of dollars to finance their efforts.

The first meeting of the Forest and Climate Leaders' Partnership, chaired by Ghana and the United States, takes place a year after more than 140 leaders promised at COP26 in Britain to end deforestation by the end of the decade. Progress since has been patchy, with only a few countries instituting more aggressive policies on deforestation and financing.

The new group - which includes Japan, Pakistan, the Republic of Congo, the United Kingdom and others - accounts for roughly 35 percent of the world's forests and aims to meet twice a year to track progress.

Notable omissions from the group are Brazil with its Amazon rainforest and the Democratic Republic of Congo whose vast forests are home to endangered wildlife including gorillas.

"This partnership is a critical next step to collectively deliver on this promise and help keep the goal of limiting global warming to 1.5C alive," Britain's Alok Sharma said in a statement.

The statements said that around 22 percent of the \$12 billion in public money pledged for forests by 2025, funds committed in Glasgow, had so far been disbursed.

Among the new sources of financing, Germany said it would double its financing for forests to 2 billion euros (\$1.97 billion) through 2025.



Participating world leaders stand for a commemorative group picture ahead of their summit at the COP27 climate conference, in Egypt's Red Sea resort city of Sharm el-Sheikh, yesterday. PHOTO: AFP

## US MIDTERM ELECTIONS Biden, Trump make final push

Voters set to render their verdict on president's first two years in office today

AFP, Washington

Joe Biden and Donald Trump headlined a frantic last day of campaigning yesterday on the eve of a midterm election that will shape the rest of the US president's term -- and could pave the way for a White House comeback by his predecessor.

Biden's Democrats are facing a gargantuan struggle to hang on to Congress, after a race the president has cast as a "defining" moment for US democracy -- though kitchen-table issues like inflation have largely dominated the campaign.

Republicans are comfortably placed to snatch a House majority today, and many Democrats fear the Senate also slipping away in a defeat that would see Biden's foes in near total charge of legislation during his last two years in the White House.

Polls show most Americans are anxious about the economy and feel the country is on the wrong track.

With all 435 seats in the House of Representatives up for grabs alongside a third of the 100-member Senate and a slew of state posts, Democrats were

putting a brave face on their prospects. The political landscape has been tilting away from Democrats since the summer, with polls showing Republicans odds on for a double digit majority in the House.

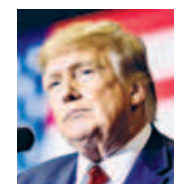
The Senate is more of a toss-up but Democratic hopes of keeping the upper chamber, which they control thanks to tiebreaking votes from Vice President Kamala Harris, hang in the balance.

Races in Pennsylvania, Nevada, Wisconsin, Georgia, New Hampshire and Ohio have narrowed to projected photo finishes, and any one of them could swing the balance of power.

Democrats have focused their closing arguments on voting rights, protecting abortion access and welfare.

The Republicans counter that a vote for Democrats means no end to soaring inflation and rising violent crime, seeking to make the midterms a referendum on the president.

Forty-eight percent of likely voters said they prefer a Democratic controlled Congress in the final national NBC News poll of the campaign, while 47 percent want Republicans in charge.



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### Invitation for Books

**Rangamati Science and Technology University**

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Education
2. Agency	University Grants Commission of Bangladesh
3. Procuring entity name	Rangamati Science and Technology University
4. Procuring entity district	Rangamati
5. Invitation for	Goods

**KEY INFORMATION**

6. Procurement method	Open Tender Method (OTM)
7. Budget and source of fund	GoB

**PARTICULAR INFORMATION**

8. Tender approval date	স্বাক্ষরিত/ প্রকিউরমেন্ট/ লাইসেন্স/ বই ক্রয়/ প্রজ্ঞাপন/২০২২/১৭৭; তারিখ: ০৮/১১/২০২২খ্রিঃ
9. Tender Package No.	OTM
10. Tender publication date	08/11/2022
11. Tender last collection date	24/11/2022 (office hours)
12. Tender closing date and time	27/11/2022; 12:00pm
13. Tender opening date and time	27/11/2022; 12:30pm
14. Name & address of the offices	
Collection of tender document	Procurement Department, Administrative Building-2, Rangamati Science and Technology University, Jhagrabil, Rangamati-4500.
Receiving tender document	Procurement Department, Administrative Building-2, Rangamati Science and Technology University, Jhagrabil, Rangamati-4500.
15. Place of opening tender	Procurement Department, Administrative Building-2, Rangamati Science and Technology University, Jhagrabil, Rangamati-4500.
16. Price of tender document	500.00/- (five hundred Taka only)

**INFORMATION FOR TENDERER**

17. Brief eligibility and qualification of tender	a). Updated trade license, b) TIN certificate, c) VAT registration certificate, d) Bank solvency certificate e). The minimum specific experience as Supplier in supply of Books of at least 02 (two) contract successfully completed within the last 05 (five) years, with a value of at least Tk. 10 lac. f). The amount of the Tender Security shall be Tk. 20,000/- (twenty thousand) Taka in favour of Vice-Chancellor, Rangamati Science and Technology University, Rangamati and g). Experience in relevant work and other qualifications as mentioned in tender documents/schedule.
18. Brief description of works	Supply of Books at Rangamati Science and Technology University, Jhagrabil, Rangamati

**PROCUREMENT ENTITY DETAILS**

19. Name of official inviting tender	Abdul Gafur.
20. Designation of official inviting tender	Assistant Director (P&D).
21. Address of official inviting tender	Rangamati Science and Technology University, Jhagrabil, Rangamati-4500.
22. Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: 01830161369
23. Special instruction	1. The procuring entity preserves the right to reject all tenders or annul tender proceeding. 2. If it is not possible to open the tender on the schedule date for any unavoidable circumstance, the same will be open on the next working day at the same time and same venue.

Signed  
**Abdul Gafur**  
Assistant Director (P&D)  
Rangamati Science and Technology University

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## Pollution curbs lifted in Delhi

Air quality level improves to 'very poor' from 'severe'

REUTERS, New Delhi

Primary schools will reopen in India's capital New Delhi this week and curbs will be lifted on certain construction activities, authorities said yesterday, after pollution levels improved to the 'very poor' category from 'severe'.

Residents in the capital have been waking up in recent weeks to hazy mornings with the sky a shade of grey.

A thick layer of smog envelops the city in winter as cold, heavy air traps construction dust, vehicle emissions and smoke from crop stubble burning in neighbouring states, causing a surge in respiratory illnesses among its 20 million people.

The air quality index in nearly all monitoring stations in the city was between 300 to 400 or in the "very poor" category yesterday, which experts say leads to respiratory illness on prolonged exposure.

However, it was an improvement on last week's reading of 400-500 in the index, which is described as "severe".

"Directions for work from home amended and offices functioning at full capacity from today," Delhi state environment minister Gopal Rai told reporters.

## Farmers get \$1.4b climate boost

AFP, Sharm el Sheikh

Small-scale farmers in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia reeling from global warming impacts got a \$1.4 billion philanthropic boost yesterday to help them adapt to a world increasingly impacted by climate change.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation grant, distributed over four years, is earmarked for scaling up regional innovations that build resilience against drought, heat waves and extreme flooding amplified by a warming world, said an announcement at COP27 summit. The money will be channelled to so-called climate-smart agriculture projects, including new innovations in livestock farming, and working with UN's International Fund for Agriculture Development.

**Gazipur City Corporation**  
Zone-05 (Kaultia)  
Gazipur.

Memo No : 46.19.0005.051.99. 22-212. Date: 07.11.2022

### Invitation for Tenders (IFT) (Works)

e-Tender Notice No.02/2022-2023

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP Web portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of the following works:  
Tender is given below.

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH						
1	Ministry / Division	Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives/Local Government Division				
2	Agency	Gazipur City Corporation.				
3	Procuring Entity Name	Executive Engineer, Zone-05, Gazipur City Corporation.				
4	Procuring Nature	Works				
<b>KEY INFORMATION</b>						
5	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM) (e-GP)				
6	Source of Funds	Own Fund				
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>						
		Date:	Time:			
7	Schedule Tender Publication Date & Time	08/11/2022	11:00			
8	Tender Documents last selling date & time	01/12/2022	12:00			
09	Tender Closing Date & Time	01/12/2022	14:00			
10	Tender Opening Date & Time	01/12/2022	14:00			
<b>INFORMATION FOR TENDER</b>						
11	Brief Description of works :					
SL No.	Tender ID	Package No.	Name of the work	Tender/Proposal Security (Amount in TK)	Tender/Proposal Document Price	Completion Time (Days)
12	742627	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-02	Estimate of BC road at salna BSMRAU 1-no gate (Mymensing Highway) to Erfan Ali's house road and South salna North Mollahpara Jame Mosque & Late Ali Ahmed's house.	3,10,000.00	1000.00	365 Days
13	742630	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-03	Estimate of RCC Road at South Salna Modho Para Rail Line to Ex-Mayor Prof. MA Mannan House.	2,60,000.00	1000.00	365 Days
14	743264	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-04	(Part-01)Estimate of BC road at Salna jolarpar road to Taki Bari via Shahadat's House. (Part-02) Estimate of BC Road at Salna Mirer Goan Road to Abdul Hannan's House.	4,55,000.00	1000.00	365 Days
15	743510	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-05	(Part-01) Estimate of HBB road at Tek Kathora Bashbari Masjid & West side of Graveyard to new Masjid (Part-02) Estimate of BC road south side of Bipprobartha primary school to Jolarpar Karkhana bazar link road via Aribariertek.	4,80,000.00	1000.00	365 Days
16	743526	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-06	Estimate of RCC road at Weat Bahadurpur south side of Laila stailo to Nabadiganto School.	2,35,000.00	1500.00	365 Days
17	743576	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-07	(Part-01) Estimate of HBB Road at West Bahadurpur Primary school to Rubel Bapari's house to east side from blanket factory to Banglabazar road. (Part-02) Estimate of RCC & HBB road at Mia bari road Cammella factory to MRS. Shirin Akter's house via East Bahadurpur road.	5,50,000.00	1500.00	365 Days
18	743578	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-08	(Estimate of RCC Road at Dhaka Mymensing Highway Joshna Filling station to Stylo germents via Masterbari Mirjapur road.	5,50,000.00	1500.00	365 Days
19	743580	GCC/Z-5/T-02/22-23/R-09	Estimate of BC road at South side of Hatiabo Haji Samiruddain High School to Shaheber tak..	6,35,000.00	1500.00	365 Days
20	743582	GCC/Z-5/T-3/22-23/R-10	Estimate of BC Road at Middle Hatiaba Dorzipara Jomir Shop to Coachpara.	6,50,000.00	1500.00	365 Days
21	Tender Validity Period					180 Days

Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all the Tenders or annul the Tender Proceedings

This is an online Tender, Where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP system portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is mandatory. The fees for downloading the e-Tender Documents from National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branches of Bangladesh. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System portal and from e-GP help desk ([helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)).

Signed  
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