

Naseema Chowdhury passes away

STAR REPORT
Naseema Chowdhury, widow of former ambassador late Masum Ahmed Chowdhury passed away at 6:00am (local) at John Hopkins University Hospital, United States on December 15. She was 71. Naseema was suffering from post-complication of lung transplantation, said a press release.



She left behind two son - Nafees and Nabeel - and three granddaughters to mourn her death.

Naseema was buried in the Muslim Graveyard in Maryland, US on December 15 after a namaz-e-janaza.

Woman, teen reached the spot.

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"We primarily suspected that the fire originated from an electric short-circuit, which intensified after the air-condition exploded," he said. Hazera's husband Abdus Salam said he was outside when the fire broke out. Ariyan was the tenant of their house, Abdus Salam added.

Actions against

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Shahidul Alam, director general of Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training, said they have issued smart-cards to about 35,000 Malaysia-bound migrant workers. Regarding celebration of International Migrants Day, Saleheen said they will arrange a programme at the capital's Osmani Memorial Auditorium today. The government this year will recognise non-resident Bangladeshis (NRBs) with the Commercially Important Person award in two categories. A total of 67 NRBs will

get the award during the programme. Of them, 57 will get the award for "sending highest amount of remittance through authorised channel" and another 10 will be recognised for "importing Bangladeshi goods". Saleheen said although the number of Bangladeshi migrant workers has increased over the years, the country has not received the expected remittance. He said a team of the ministry recently visited three countries and identified some concerns regarding the remittance situation.

Hefajat seeks

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Speaking at the programme, Hefajat amir Muhibullah Babunagari said due to the oppression and torture on "Islamic" leaders, there is a fear of deterioration of peace in the country. The Hefajat chief also called upon the government to withdraw all the "false cases" against the Hefajat leaders. After the conference, an 11-member delegation of Hefajat led by its secretary general Sajidur Rahman called on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina at her Gono Bhaban residence in the afternoon and placed their demands.

50 double-decker

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DMTCL and BRTC on November 17 signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for providing the service and as per the MoU, BRTC buses will charge the fare like a usual city-service buses. BRTC, as per the MoU, is supposed to start trial service at least one week before the beginning of metro rail operation. The tenure of the MoU will be December 31, 2030. However, the deadline can be changed upon discussion, it said. Although, MRT Line-6 project was approved in 2012, construction work of the fast-track project started in September 2016 under eight packages. For now, the 11.73km

section of the metro rail from Uttara to Agargaon would be opened. The remaining 8km from Agargaon to Motijheel will be in operation by December next year. The other one km extended part from Motijheel to Kamalapur would be inaugurated by June 2025. Metro rail authorities, following international practice, will start the service on a limited scale in at first and go for full-operation within three months. The original cost of the project was Tk 21,985 crore, but it rose to Tk 33,472 crore after revision. The escalation is owed to acquiring new land to change the stations' design and building the extended part.

The misdeeds

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by Sagir went to the land, drove the fishers and traders out of the land and put up a signboard claiming its ownership, locals said. Dry fish trader Hannan Mia said they have been processing dried fish in the land for over 20 years, but some local goons suddenly claimed its ownership and put up a signboard. Local resident Delwar Mia echoed him. Jamal Mia, general secretary of Mahipur Swachchhasebok League, said they often feel embarrassed for Sagir's controversial activities, which are ruining the party image. Mahipur Union Jubo League President Ferdous Hawlader said after

becoming vice president of the district unit Swachchhasebok League, Sagir has been involved in various misdeeds including land grabbing. Contacted, Sagir said the government gave the clearance in the name of one Taribullah and he recently purchased the land from him. He also refuted the allegations against him. Kalapara Upazila Nirbahi Officer Shankar Chandra Baidya said the union land office has removed the illegal signboard from the government land. Locals, however, alleged that although the signboard was removed by the local administration, but the government land is still under Sagir's occupation and no one is allowed to go there.

Hill-cutting spree in Tangail

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Management (ESRM) of Mawlana Bhashani Science and Technology University in Tangail, found that the hillocks are undergoing a transformation due to urban sprawl. In Ghatail, people are cutting the red clay hills with excuses of digging a pond and building houses. Previously, the hillocks in Deopara, Tegurichala, Ghoramara, Jharka and Baroipara areas were flattened in the same way, sources informed. Locals alleged that the earth traders were cutting and selling earth from Thursday to Saturday in

clique with a section of dishonest officials of the land office. Asked about the matter, Ghatail UNO Munia Chowdhury said the matter of hill cutting was discussed in the law and order meetings previously. "Mobile court drives were conducted against hill cutting previously and it will continue," she said. During a recent visit, it was seen that earth traders were cutting hillocks with excavator in Berbari area of Jadabpur union in Sakhipur upazila defying laws and taking away truckload of earth. Earlier, most of the

hillocks in Sapiarchala, Bagerbari, Indarjani (Gorbari), Boheratoil, Arangchala, Amtoil, Amgachhchala and Gilachala areas in Tangail faced the same fate, sources said. The red clay hillocks of nearby Madhupur, Mirzapur and Kalihati upazilas are also under threat. Several earth traders involved with hill cutting claimed that they were cutting earth after "managing" different quarters. They also claimed that the hillocks they were cutting are on private lands. Jamir Uddin, deputy director of the Directorate of Environment (DoE) in Tangail, however, said cutting hillocks, be it on private or government lands, is a punishable offence under Environment Preservation Laws. "Mobile court drives will be launched and cases will be filed against those involved with hill cutting," he added. Environment officials also claimed that they couldn't take action against the plunderers as the lands weren't clearly demarcated.

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Migration

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Haque in his keynote. Speaking as chief guest, Dr Ahmed Munirur Saleheen, secretary of the expatriates' welfare ministry, said it is essential to mainstream migration studies within academia and research. Abdusattor Esoev, chief of mission for International Organization for Migration, said, "Migrants can increase their productivity by three times when the policies of the nations that receive them for migration are beneficial." Huma Khan, senior human rights adviser to the UNRC, said, "We, South Asians are descendants of migrants all across the world and we should see it as a matter of pride, not a matter of problem." She also added, "We consider some nations to be migrant-receiving nations and others to be migrant-sending nations. To protect the human rights of migrants and their families in all nations, we need to think outside of this binary."

Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board
Request for Expression of Interest [EOI]

Selection of Consultant as Independent Verification Agent for PforR under "Modernization and Capacity Enhancement of BREB Network (Dhaka-Mymensingh Division)" Project.

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Power, Energy & Mineral Resources/Power Division.
2. Agency	Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board (REB).
3. Name of Procuring Entity	Project Director, MCEP (Dhaka-Mymensingh Division) Project.
4. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka, Bangladesh
5. Expression of Interest	Selection of consulting firm for the verification of DLI achievement of the project.
6. EOI Ref. No, Date.	27.12.0000.224.03.001.22-96; Date- 13/12/2022
KEY INFORMATION	
7. Procurement Method	QCBS (NCT)
FUNDING INFORMATION	
8. Budget and Source of Funds	Project Aid (World Bank).
9. Development Partner (if applicable)	World Bank (WB).
PARTICULAR INFORMATION	
10. Project/ Programme Name (if applicable)	Modernization and Capacity Enhancement of REB Network (Dhaka-Mymensingh Division)
11. Package Number	MCEP/BREB/ DMD-SN-PforR-1
12. EOI Closing Date & Time	02/01/2023, 12:00 noon (BST)
INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT	
13. Brief description of the project.	The approved project entitled "Modernization and Capacity Enhancement of REB Network (Dhaka-Mymensingh Division)" funded by World Bank (WB), GoB and Own Fund of Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board (REB). The main objectives of the project: 1) To upgrade and enhance 2220 MVA capacity of rural electrical distribution network to meet-up increasing demand. 2) Access an un-interruptible, reliable, affordable & efficient power supply to 17.80 million connected consumers for achieving the reliability & sustainability of the distribution system. 3) The Reduction of system loss from 8.28% to 7.78% and SAIDI from 1272 minutes/consumer to 935 minutes/ consumer of the Dhaka-Mymensingh divisions.
14. Scope of services	TOR/Scope is available at BREB website i.e. http://www.reb.gov.bd
15. Experience, Resources & Delivery Capacity Required	1. The Consulting Firms should have at least 20 years experience in Electrical Consulting services of distribution system and have a full-fledged staff set-up that will be capable of doing the work. 2. The firm must have financial capability to handle the services of the similar activities and yearly turn over is at least 25 lacs in last 05 (Five) years. 3. The Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board (REB) now invites expression of Interest (EOI) from eligible Consulting firm/ consortium (National) for above mentioned Package under "Modernization and Capacity Enhancement of REB Network (Dhaka-Mymensingh Division)" Project to indicate their interests in providing the services. The following criteria will be followed for short-listing. a) Establishment of the firm b) Qualification of the firm c) Availability of the key staff d) Physical resources e) Experience in power distribution system f) Overall experience g) Specific experience
16. Other details	The expression of interest (EOI) of each Package must be submitted separately in three sets (one original set and two sets of photocopy) in hard copy on or before the specified date & time to the office of undersigned. The proposals (applications) will be opened on 02/01/2023 at 3:00 PM Bangladesh local time in presence of the representatives of the EOI applicant (if any). The firm will be short-listed in accordance with the "Public Procurement Regulation (PPR)-2008. Interested applicant may obtain further information from the undersigned during the office hours (9:00 to 15:30 hours BST).
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS	
17. Name of official inviting Expression of Interest	Md. Shafiqur Rahman, Project Director, MCEP DMD).
Designation of Official Inviting Expressions of Interest	Project Director, MCEP (Dhaka-Mymensingh Division) Project, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board.
Address of Official Inviting Expressions of Interest	Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, BREB HQ Building, 6th floor, Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229, Bangladesh.
Contact details of Official Inviting Expressions of Interest	Tel. Number: +88-02-8900323, E-mail Address: pdmcepdm@gmail.com web: www.reb.gov.bd
The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOI without assigning any reason whatsoever.	

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