



A drain under Chattogram City Corporation has overflowed, and the wastes have spilled over to the adjacent road creating public nuisance. Although common people have taken an initiative to fix the solution, no CCC workers were seen on the spot. This photo was taken from Tiger Pass area yesterday.

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ROHINGYA CRISIS Policymakers must be pragmatic Says BIPSS president

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies (BIPSS) President Maj Gen (retd) Muniruzzaman said Rohingya refugees add an economic burden, so policymakers must think out of the box and develop pragmatic solutions.

The BIPSS president discussed the historical timeline of the Rohingya refugee influx, stating that there is no end in sight.

"Repatriation is the only solution," he said. BIPSS hosted its lecture club on "Rohingya Refugee Crisis: Restrategising the Future" in Dhaka on Tuesday evening.

The lecture was initiated by the BIPSS president and later carried on by Barrister Manzoor Hasan OBE, executive director of Centre for Peace and Justice at Brac University.

Barrister Manzoor Hasan started his speech by highlighting the increase of internally displaced people worldwide.

He mentioned issues like women and girls being trafficked from the camps, decreased funding for refugees, and the changing reality of Myanmar following the military coup. He also criticised intergovernmental organisations like ASEAN and the UN.

In Manzoor Hasan's words, the solution lies in the Kofi Annan report. His recommendations to solve the crisis included governance through negotiation, regional perspective, the integrated role of state and non-state actors, and think tanks.

"Actors in Rakhine are important since the issue evolved from that very region," he added.

The event was attended by foreign and retired diplomats, retired civil and military officials, academics, journalists and researchers.

Multi-sectoral

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In her remarks, Subarna Mustafa pledged to make parents aware of the TB risk in children.

Meanwhile, Aroma Dutta highlighted the need for a parliamentary platform to eradicate TB. On the other hand, Shirin Akhter urged the political leaders taking up social initiatives in this regard.

Speaking as chief guest, Health Minister Zahid Maleque said, "A parliamentary platform on TB is needed. All necessary steps will be taken in this regard."

Dr Tahmeed Ahmed, executive director of icddr,b, emphasised how multi-sectoral stakeholder engagement and the support of political leaders have accelerated efforts to end TB in Bangladesh.

"We have come a long way when it comes to combating TB with the initiative of the government and through the assistance of USAID's ACTB programme," said Tahmeed.

"However, we still need more efforts to reduce drug resistant TB and childhood TB," he added.

Alliance for Combating TB in Bangladesh (ACTB) is a USAID-funded programme which is led by the icddr,b.

A small step towards US, UK

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Conservation architect and project consultant Dr Abu Sayeed M Ahmed reiterated the importance of preserving the structures of the fort as it was originally intended, through a presentation.

"The use of 3D architectural design will

serve as a valuable reference for future restoration and conservation efforts," he added.

In the past 20 years, the United States has supported II ACP projects in Bangladesh. The total value of these contributions is over \$5,76,000 (Tk 6 crore).

This remains a priority for both USAID and the BHC, as evidenced by the UK's 2021 Ending Preventable Deaths of Mothers, Babies and Children approach and USAID's Getting to 2030: Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition Technical Roadmap and their annual Acting on the Call reports.

The event was organised to mark the 10th anniversary of Child Survival Call to Action.

British High Commission in Dhaka's Deputy High Commissioner and Development Director Matt Cannell said The US and the UK, who are strong allies, are joining forces to be an even more reliable and effective development partner for Bangladesh.

USAID Bangladesh's Office of Population, Health and Nutrition's Deputy Office Director Marvin Crespin-Gomez praised Bangladesh's efforts to prevent maternal and newborn deaths.

DNCC to monitor

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The DNCC will display the price charts of the daily essentials on the digital display boards daily at seven kitchen markets under its areas, Atiqul said.

Apart from this, all the owners will have to display their price charts inside their shops, he said.

"We will also take action

if anyone does not comply with the instruction," Atiqul said, adding that if any shop charges an extra price, it will be shut.

Mayor Atiqul also instructed all to keep the markets clean, especially at the entry and exit points.

The business leaders assured him of following the mayor's instructions.

US human-rights

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report as some good issues are there," he said.

But the issues relating to Bangladesh's human-rights situation, elections and democracy, which were mentioned in the report, are biased, he added.

Hasan, also AI joint general secretary, said there are many questions over the US elections too. Donald Trump hasn't accepted his defeat in the elections so far, he said.

Noting that the US sometimes talks about extra-judicial killings in

Bangladesh, the minister said if anyone notices such killings in the US, it will be found that 7,666 people were killed in police firing between 2013 and 2019, 996 in 2020, and an average of 1,000 in 2021-2022.

"Now it is a question whether the US has the moral right to raise questions over other countries," he said. "I am not saying that such incidents never take place in our country. But investigations are carried out and punishments are also dealt."

Early pregnancy

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who was the special guest at the event, said, "The government is working towards ensuring a women-friendly society. Gender-based violence is prevalent all over the world. The unpaid job of caregiving, mostly performed by women, is yet to be recognised. We have to change this situation."

Kabita Bose, country director of Plan

International Bangladesh; Dr Md Manjur Hossain, programme manager, MCH unit of the Directorate General of Family Planning; Ayesha Siddique, deputy director, Department of Women's Affairs; and Md Ariful Haque Mamun, deputy director (innovation) of the Governance Innovation Unit at the Prime Minister's Office, also spoke at the event.

Fresh SCBA election

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former secretary AM Mahub Uddin Khokon, secretary candidate and former secretary Md Ruhul Quddus Kazal, former SCBA assistant secretaries Syed Mamun Mahub and Rafiqul Islam Talukder Raza, and its former executive member Mirza Al Mahmood, among others, spoke in the meeting.

Pro-BNP lawyers did not cast their votes during the election, demanding cancellation of what they said was a "farce of an election". The pro-Awami League lawyers' panel -- Bangabandhu Awami Ainjibi Parishad -- have won all 14 posts of the SCBA polls.

Asked about the resolutions adopted by the

"general lawyers", newly-elected SCBA President Md Momtazuddin Fakir told The Daily Star that there is no scope for cancelling the election.

Coastal people

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management of water resources and a safe water supply, as the number of natural water sources such as ponds, rivers, canals, and beels are decreasing.

The event was attended by notable figures such as Bapa (Mongla) Convenor and Pashur River Waterkeeper Md Nur Alam Sheikh, Bapa (Khulna) General Secretary Advocate Babul Howlader, and Bapa (Cox's Bazar) President Fazlul Quader Chowdhury, among others.

NOTICE FOR CLOSING DOWN Hifab International Aktiebolag, BANGLADESH BRANCH OFFICE

This is for information of all the stakeholder of the Hifab International Aktiebolag, Bangladesh Branch office that the Board of Directors of Hifab International Aktiebolag's, Bangladesh Branch office has taken the decision for closing the Branch office from Bangladesh in a board meeting held on November 15, 2022, at 09 A.M. at Stockholm.

According to the board decision, the closing date would be effective from 30 June 2023.

After publication of this notice, if any person has any objection or any claim with Hifab International Aktiebolag's, Bangladesh Branch office, he/she is requested to contact with Mr. Md. Mazedul Islam Director of Hifab International Aktiebolag's, Bangladesh Branch office by 30 June 2023.

Address: Md. Mazedul Islam, House: 434, Flat 06, Road 06, Avenue 05, Mirpur DOHS, Dhaka - 1216, Contact no: 01755 618424

Office of the IDG Sub-project
(1037) Bhawal Badre Alam Govt. College, Gazipur
College Education Development Project (CEDP)

Memo No. BBACG/2023/CEDP/C-11/ Date: 23/03/2023

e-Tender Notice: 02/2022-2023

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following package:

SL No.	Tender ID No.	Name of supply	Last date and time of tender security submission	Tender closing date & time
1.	806293	Supply and installation of Electrical Sub-station at Bhawal Badre Alam Govt. College, Gazipur.	10-Apr-2023 1:00pm	10-Apr-2023 2:00pm
2.	806294	Furniture & fixture for conference room at Bhawal Badre Alam Govt. College, Gazipur.	10-Apr-2023 1:00pm	10-Apr-2023 2:00pm

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copy will be accepted.

To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required.

The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks' branches up to 09-Apr-2023 15:00.

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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Tender Notice

ActionAid Bangladesh invites sealed quotations from qualified vendor/supplier for purchase of Seed and Non-Seed materials at Rohingya Refugee Camp at Ukhiya and Teknaf. The details are as follows-

Sl.	Name of Item	Quantity
1	Seed & Non-Seed (Agriculture and Homestead Gardening Materials)	1 Job

The Separate Tender Schedule will be available for collect at ActionAid Cox's Bazar Office (House No- 752, Ward- 11, Jhawtola, Masjid Road, Cox's Bazar- 4700) from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm during office hour of 23-28 March (Working Day), 2023 or can collect schedule from following web site.

Website
<https://actionaidbd.org/post/default/tender-schedule-supply-different-types-seed-and-homestead-gardening-materials>

Quotation needs to be submitted in sealed envelope on or before **29th March 2023 by 1:00 PM at above locations.**

The authority of ActionAid Bangladesh reserves the right to accept or reject any or all quotations without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Ref. No: 53.23.0000.041.20.001.22-1618 Date: 21 March 2023

Invitation for Tender: Rent-A-Car

1. Agency	Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF)
2. Procuring Entity Name	AQM Golam Mawla, Deputy Managing Director
3. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka
4. Invitation For	Non-Consulting Services: Vehicle Hire under the RAISE project of PKSF
5. Invitation Reference No	53.23.0000.041.20.001.22-1618
6. Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)
7. Budget and Source of Funds	IDA
8. Development Partner	The World Bank
9. Project Name	Recovery and Advancement of Informal Sector Employment (RAISE) Project
10. Tender Package No.	PKSF/RAISE/S-09.1
11. Tender Package Name	Vehicle Hire under the RAISE project of PKSF
12. Tender Publication Date	23 March 2023
13. Tender Last Selling Date	09 April 2023; 02:00 PM
14. Tender Closing Date and Time	10 April 2023; 2:00 PM
15. Tender Opening Date and Time	10 April 2023; 2:30 PM
16. Selling, Receiving, and Tender Document	PKSF Bhaban, E-4/B, Agargaon Administrative Area, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.
17. Eligibility and Qualification Criteria of Tenderer	1. Tenders shall have legal capacity to enter into the contract; 2. The minimum number of years of the general experience of the Tenderer in contracting industries in the public or private sector as Prime Contractor/Sub Contractor/Management Contractor shall be three (3) years; Years counting backward from the date of publication of IFT in the newspaper; 3. The minimum specific experience as a Prime Contractor in providing Non-Consulting Service maximum of two (2) contracts of similar nature, complexity, and methods/technology completed over a period of last three (3) years with a value of around Tk. 15,00,000/- (Taka Fifteen lac) shall be required. Only providing Transport Facilities by Rent of Vehicles will be treated as a similar nature contract.; Years counting backward from the date of publication of IFT in the newspaper; 4. The required average annual turnover of the Tenderer shall be at least the amount of Tk. 10,00,000.00 (Ten Lac) over the last 3 (Three) years; Years counting backward from the date of publication of IFT in the newspaper; 5. The minimum amount of liquid assets i.e. working capital or credit line(s) of the Tenderer shall be Tk. 3,00,000.00 (Taka Three Lac).
18. Brief Description of Non-Consultancy Service	Rent-a-Toyota Esquire Hybrid GI Premium or similar vehicle (Toyota NOAH/Toyota VOXY/Toyota Harrier); Year 2017 or latest, for three (3) years. The contract will be extended yearly upon satisfactory service.
19. Tender Document Price	Tk. 500/- (Five Hundred) in cash (Non-refundable)
20. Tender Security	The amount of Tender Security shall be Tk. 90,000/- (Ninety Thousand) in the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft from any scheduled of Bangladesh in favor of Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF)
21. Name of Official Inviting Tender	AQM Golam Mawla
22. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Deputy Managing Director
23. Address of Official Inviting Tender	PKSF Bhaban, E-4/B, Agargaon Administrative Area, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207
24. Contact Details of Official Inviting Tender	Phone: 880-02-222218331-33, 02-222218335-39; Email: raise.procurement@gmail.com
25. The Procurement Entity reserves all the right to accept or reject any or all Tenders whatsoever.	

(AQM Golam Mawla)
Deputy Managing Director & PE