

SYLHET CITY POLLS  
One mayor,  
7 councillor  
candidates get  
back candidacy

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

One independent mayor candidate and seven councillor candidates of Sylhet City Corporation polls, whose nominations were initially cancelled for breaching electoral code, got their candidacies back.

However, two more independent mayor candidates – Md Abdul Mannan Khan and Jahid Uddin Chowdhury – and two councillor candidates' appeals were dismissed.

After hearing the appeals on Tuesday, Sylhet Divisional Commissioner Dr Muhammad Mosharrof Hossain decided on the nominations, confirmed Jakariya, additional divisional commissioner (revenue) and director of local government.

The mayor candidate Md Shahjahan Miah regained his candidacy.

Councillor candidates of reserved women's seats – Shyamali Sarkar, Tahmina Begum and Kamrun Nahar Chowdhury – got their candidacies back.

Of the regular councillor candidates, Md Fakhrul Islam, Abu Sadek Mohammad Khairul Islam Chowdhury, Md Rafiqul Islam and Md Shahab Uddin regained their candidacies.

SCC polls is slated for June 21. Nominations of candidates were received by May 23 and selection from the nominations was completed on May 25.

Candidates will start campaigning after symbol distribution on June 2.



Despite directives from the Election Commission, candidates and their supporters keep on using plastic laminated posters to campaign for the upcoming Khulna city polls, ignoring the environmental impact of the non-biodegradable substance. The photo was taken near Boyra police lines yesterday.

PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

Poster pollution  
plagues Khulna

Experts, officials raise concern over plastic menace, environmental impact

DIPANKAR ROY, Khulna

Despite advocating in favour of creating a green city, the mayoral and councillor candidates have covered Khulna's all 31 wards with plastic laminated posters ahead of the Khulna city polls, which are scheduled for June 12.

Defying strict directives from the Election Commission against using plastics to cover the posters, all 180 candidates, including five mayoral candidates, have decided to laminate their posters to keep them intact from rain and dust.



According to the candidates, around 15 to 18 lakh posters were printed after the symbols were allocated on May 26.

Upon visiting the wards, this correspondent saw how the entire area has donned a cape of plastic-covered posters. Hundreds of laminated posters with smiling photos of the candidates were hanging from different places, even near the Khulna police lines area.

A majority of the councillor candidates and Awami League's mayoral pick Talukder Abdul

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4 die in road crashes

STAR REPORT

At least four people died in road accidents in Panchagarh and Jhenidah yesterday.

In Panchagarh's Debiganj upazila, Touhidul Islam, 35, Sheikh, 48, Saleque, 35, and Almas Ali, 56 – all residents of Titopara – died after their bike hit a tractor parked on the Debiganj-Boda road.

In Jhenidah's Kaliganj upazila, Roni Islam, 32, run over by a lorry while he was talking on the phone near Mobarakganj Sugar Mills, said police.

He was declared dead at the upazila health complex.



**SAARC Agriculture Centre (SAC)**  
BARC Complex, Farmgate  
Dhaka – 1215, Bangladesh

Vacancy Announcement

SAARC Agriculture Centre (SAC) is inviting application from Bangladeshi nation for the position of Senior Program Officer (Publication).

Details shall be available at SAARC Agriculture Centre (SAC) and in website: <http://www.sac.org.bd>.

All Applications should reach to Director, SAARC Agriculture Centre (SAC), BARC Complex, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215, Bangladesh not later than **20<sup>th</sup> June 2023**.

**Canvassing of any form will disqualify the candidate.**

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Director, SAC

JS adopts  
obituary  
motion on  
Farooque

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jatiya Sangsad yesterday adopted a condolence motion expressing grief over the deaths of some distinguished personalities, including ruling party lawmaker, actor and freedom fighter Akbar Hossain Pathan (Farooque).

Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury moved the condolence motion.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina prayed for the eternal peace of Farooque's departed soul.

Rejoinder, our reply

The Mawlana Bhashani Science and Technology University authorities have sent a three-page-long rejoinder to our report – Bhashani University: Four teachers appointed against two vacant posts – published on May 6. As we cannot accommodate the 1,200-word rejoinder in the paper, we are publishing a concise version of it, followed by our reply.

We will run the full rejoinder digitally.

The university claimed that the reporter did not contact them before publishing the report. It also claimed the newspaper quoted Vice Chancellor Prof Forhad Hossain without contacting him.

"No one can publish such quotes without contacting and talking to the concerned person. Such an act is not legal. We strongly protest and condemn such activities," reads the rejoinder.

**OUR REPLY**

The rejoinder did not contradict or contest any of the facts that we wrote in our report, rather than explaining their versions regarding the recruitment. Besides, the claim made in the rejoinder is not true. Our correspondent talked to VC Prof Forhad Hossain on February 20. We have proof of the telephone conversations with the VC.

We stand by our story.

**Professional Masters in Environmental Planning, Management and Sustainable Development (PMPEMSD)**  
Department of Geography and Environment  
Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Dhaka

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July-December 2023

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- Total Credit : 40
- Class Time : Weekend (Friday and Saturday 3 to 8 pm)
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**Application Procedure and Date:** The filled-in application form along with all necessary documents (e.g. 3 attested copies of passport size photographs, attested copies of certificates and mark sheets of all examinations), can be submitted directly to the contract address by hand (PMPEMSD office). Forms will be available from 7 June 2023.

- Last Date of Application : 22 June 2023, Thursday
- Date & Place of Written Test : 7 July 2023 at 3:30 pm, Department of Geography and Environment, DU
- Viva : 14 July 2023 at 10:00 am
- Admission Closes : 20 July 2023, Thursday
- Class Commences : 21 July 2023, Friday

**Availability of Application Form :** 9 am to 4 pm on working days (Sunday to Thursday), 3 to 6 pm on Friday and Saturday. Also available at Website : [www.du.ac.bd/body/GEN](http://www.du.ac.bd/body/GEN)

**Contact Address :** Office of the Department of Geography and Environment, Kazi Motaheer Hossain Building (former Science Annex Building) near Central Shaheed Minar, Dhaka University, Dhaka 1000, Mobile: 01819007362

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**Government People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board  
Strengthening Sugarcrop Cultivation Practices in CHTs Project  
Rangamati  
[www.chtdb.gov.bd](http://www.chtdb.gov.bd)

Memo No: 29.31.0000.027.07.020.22-55 Date : 31-05-2023 AD

**e-Tender Notice**  
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This is to notify all concerned that the following tenders have been published through e-GP portal.

Tender ID & Reference No.	Name of works	Publishing & Closing Date
ID: 841145 Ref: 29.31.0000.027.07.020.22-55; Dated: 31-05-2023	Supply of 08 Nos. Mini Power Crusher (Mobile) under the project titled, "Strengthening Sugarcrop Cultivation Practices in Chittagong Hill Tracts", Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board, Rangamati.	31-May-2023; 09:00:00 & 15-Jun-2023; 14:00:00
ID: 841208 Ref: 29.31.0000.027.07.020.22-55; Dated: 31-05-2023	Supply of 28 Nos. Irrigation Pump for the project titled, "Strengthening Sugarcrop Cultivation Practices in Chittagong Hill Tracts", Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Board, Rangamati.	31-May-2023; 09:00:00 & 15-Jun-2023; 14:00:00

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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))

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SL No.	Tender ID	Procurement Method	Name of Works	Tender Publication Date & Time	Tender last selling Date & Time
1	840483	OTM	Procurement of Laboratory equipment	31-May-2023 16:00	11-Jun-2023 16:00

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*(Signature)*  
(Dr. S. M. Mahbub Ali)  
Director (Admin & Finance)  
BJRI, Dhaka

**গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার**  
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৩১ মে ২০২৩ খ্রিষ্টাব্দ

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০২। উক্ত ছক মোতাবেক নির্দিষ্ট তারিখ ও সময়ে সংশ্লিষ্ট রোল নম্বরের প্রার্থীদের প্রবেশ পত্রের রশ্মিন প্রিন্ট নিয়ে কাস্টমস, এক্সাইজ ও ভ্যাট ট্রেনিং একাডেমি, সাগরিকা রোড, চট্টগ্রামের মাঠে সকাল ০৯.০০ ঘটিকায় উপস্থিত হওয়ার জন্য নির্দেশ প্রদান করা হলো।

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