Overall exports from

sector

leather and leather products,

the second-biggest export-

garments, inched up 0.42

percent to \$1.12 billion

in July-May of 2022-23,

showed data from the

Receipts stood at \$1.11

Export Promotion Bureau.

A light shines amid darkness

mile that is too long to traverse.

the terrorists refused to let his friends go, Faraaz chose to stay Hossain, who would have by their side, according to witnesses who were inside the café during the siege. After nearly 12 hours of the standoff, special forces of the army succeeded in breaking the siege. The bodies of 20 victims, including Faraaz, Tarishi and Abinta, were found inside the café.

Faraaz was a junior at Emory, slated to graduate in 2018. At the 2018

বাংলাদেশ কমার্স ব্যাংক লিমিটেড সকল প্রকার আমানত, আকর্ষণীয় স্কীম সহ জামানতবিহীন বিনিয়োগ উদ্যেক্তা, কৃষি ঋণ সুবিধা ও ক্রেডিট কার্ড সহ আধুনিক ব্যাংকিং সেবায় আপনার বিশ্বস্ত সহযোগী। বিসিবি

commencement ceremony, youth under 35 to take on Emory paid tribute to him by naming an award after him.

renamed to honor Faraaz been a member of your class but died tragically and heroically, defending his friends in a terrorist attack in Bangladesh," the university announced during the ceremonies. "The Core Values award is therefore particularly poignant to us and is presented to a senior who embodies our most noble principles."

PepsiCo Inc in 2016

courageous roles.

The Harmony Foundation "This award has been of India in November 2016 posthumously conferred on Faraaz the Mother Teresa Memorial International Award for Social Justice.

"Let us cross borders with the courage they showed in their lives, said President of Emory University Claire Sterk at a programme organised by the university's Oxford College community following the tragic deaths

of Faraaz and Abinta. As the massacre is the annual remembered today, so is "Faraaz Hossain Courage the story of Faraaz, whose Award" to be given out courage and loyalty in for the next 20 years with the face of death shows

Building

FROM PAGE 5

DSCC Chief Executive Officer Mizanur Rahman, who is supervising the situation, said the road adjacent to the building has been closed as a precautionary measure.

Kamrul Hasan Kamal, inspector (investigation) of Bangshal Police Station, told The Daily Star that the balcony of the outpost had collapsed.

"No one was hurt from the incident," he said.

immediately "We evacuated the officials from the building and all of them have taken shelter in the tin-shed building nearby," he said.

Kamal said the building is risky. "We will notify the higher authorities to take decisions on the issue," he added.

Dhaka cleaned

and collected the waste. residents even Some voluntarily took it upon themselves to clean the bloodstains left behind by the animals.

Furthermore, the city authorities corporation emphasised the positive role of rainwater during and after Eid in facilitating proper waste disposal, preventing the occurrence of large-scale blockages.

cleaned all animal waste on the first day of Eid. Atiqul said around 11,000 conservancy

different areas, said they

DNCC Mayor Md Atiqul

workers were cleaning DNCC areas. Cleaning the

city was possible due to FROM PAGE 5 the cooperation of city dwellers, he added.

DSCC Mayor Sheikh Fazle Noor Taposh on Thursday said their 9,000 garbage management workers have been working since Eid day.

Despite all the efforts, however, animal waste was still seen at some places on the third day of Eid.

The locations -- including Dinanath Sen Road of Gendaria. Dayanath while visiting intersection, Bongshal Road and Sutrapur's Kagajitola area -- were still in bad condition, as cattle markets were set up on the roads, said locals. Bad smells emanating from the piles had spread

Invest more

global brands, tanners need to have LWG certification. In Bangladesh, however, earning only two companies have such certification.

At present, Bangladesh can export tanned skins only to China as the country has not been able to obtain the LWG certification for a lack of compliance.

The LWG is a not membership for-profit organisation working to create meaningful change across the global leather supply chain.

Ahmed thinks if an ecofriendly leather estate can be built, Bangladesh will be able export leather and leather goods worth \$12 billion by 2030.

cockpit crews.

Islam.

The national airliner, therefore, formed an independent investigation committee and factfinding team to examine the different related areas.

Capt Tanvir Khurshid, chief of technical, was made the convener of the probe body while Anwarul Haque, deputy manager security, was made member-secretary.

Capt Intekhab Hossain, deputy chief of Flight Safety; and Leakat Hossain, deputy general manager, Route & Fuel, are the two members of the committee.

One representative from Bangladesh Airlines' Pilot Association will act as an observer in the five-member investigation team.

The committee should thoroughly investigate the alleged lapses within the training division, which have

carried out as part of

domestic and international

conspiracies to impede the

development and progress

halted their projects and

left the country out of

"Following the Holey

attack,

our

resolute stance of the police under control," he said.

partners

FROM PAGE 3

of Bangladesh.

development

Artisan

resulted in delays in crew training. It is important to identify any systemic issues and recommend necessary improvements.

Committee formed to probe

committee will The allegations of probe nepotism against Captain Sazid in all newspapers and media forum. Any instances of favouritism that compromise the integrity of the airline should be identified.

Undersigned by Capt Siddiqur Rahman, director (flight operations), Biman, the committee was also asked to assess the validity of the allegations regarding the defamation of Biman's image in the media and determine the extent of any financial implications, if any.

Earlier on March 8, Biman removed Capt Sazid from the post of chief of training. He is working as a line pilot of Boeing-777.

Militancy not fully eradicated

against the militants.

and the people, led by Prime

Minister Sheikh Hasina, was

our development partners

that we are determined

to uproot militancy. As a

result, they returned, and

our journey of development

"While militancy has not

been eradicated, we can

The DMP chief said the confidently state that it is Rapid Action Battalion for

continued," he added.

"This demonstrated to

authorities with the came up decision following several allegations against him including misuse of power, undue favour to his wife Sadia Ahmed and others, and disparities with female

On March 6, Biman formed a three-member committee to probe the alleged irregularities in hiring pilots and paying for hiring unqualified Boeing 777 pilots. In the terms of reference of the committee, it was said that the probe FROM PAGE 5 body will also investigate the alleged forgery by Sadia Ahmed, a first officer of Boeing 777, in her HSC certificate.

Biman formed the probe body in response to a report of The Daily Star published on March 1 titled "Biman paying for hiring unqualified Boeing 777 pilots."

groups like JMB and Neo

JMB, Faruq responded that

there is no activity of the

However, he cautioned

the emergence of new

militant outfits, such as

Jama'atul Ansar Fil Hindal

Sharqiya, which have been

targeted by the police and

be passed against the

accused person, if two-

of members vote in favour

thirds of the total number

arrest and prosecution.

of militant

Asked

militancy outfits.

presence

dormitories.

university now comprises of 83 departments, 13 faculties, 12 institutes, 56 research bureaus and centres, 1,992 teachers and 37,018

will increase further, he added. Although the rate of case disposal has increased in recent years, a huge backlog of around 42 lakh cases is pending with the courts across the country, including the Appellate and HC divisions, causing immeasurable sufferings to the litigants.

An SC study report said 41,96,603 cases were pending with all the courts after 15,71,617 were filed and 14,71,402 were disposed of

Of those, 19,928 cases were pending with the Appellate Division, 5,16,674 with the HC Division and 36,50,001 with the lower

150 people get

FROM PAGE 5 Feroza Begum, woman from Bogura

Tinmatha, said, been suffering from chest pain for months... Today, 1 received free medicine and treatment from doctors." A team of four specialised physicians -- including Dr

Al-Amin and Dr Tanvir Ahmad from Bogura Shaheed Ziaur Rahman Medical College Hospital and two sub-assistant

community education and transition officers treated patients at the medical camp.

Md Abdus Salam, senior assistant sales manager of Eskavef Pharmaceutical Ltd; Md Motiur Rahman, Speakers stressed on BIC TDCL, Bogura; and inclusive development and Md Ruhul Amin, senior area manager, Eskayef and improved governances Pharmaceutical Ltd, were

present on the occasion.

a cash endowment of promise of becoming an \$200,000. It recognises urban tale that will be told bravery in the face of about this city for decades adversity, and encourages to come.

> Cotton Development Board Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

Memo No-12.07.0000.111.99.257.23-238

General Information

Date: 26.06.2023

Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for selection of a firm/ company for supplying manpower for Cotton Development Board (National)

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Agriculture

-	neral Information	Minister of A 1 14	
1.	Ministry/ Division	Ministry of Agriculture	
2. 3.	Agency Name of Procuring Entity	Cotton Development Board Deputy Director (HO) Cotton Development Board Khamarhari	
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4.	Procuring Entity Code	430026	
5.	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka	
6.	Expression of Interest for	Selection of Firm/ Company	for supplying outsourcir
		manpower for Cotton Development	
7.	EOI Ref No. and date	12.07.0000.111.99.257.23- 238 Da	ate: 26.06.2023
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8.	Procurement Method	Quality and Cost Based Selection (Q	(CBS)
	nding Information		
9.	Budget and Source of Funds	GoB (Revenue Budget)	
10.	Development Partners (if applicable)	N/A	
	rticular Information		
	Project/ Programme Code	NA	
	Project/ Programme Name	NA	
	EOI Closing Date and Time	17/07/2023 up to 3.00 pm	
	ormation for Applicants		
14.		Name of the service	No. of service provide
	Manpower	Pump driver/ Fitter	01
		Electrician	03
		Laboratory attendant	- 02
		Security guard	19
		Cattle keeper	02
		Gardener	02
		Cleaner	01
15.	Experience, Resource &	Total 1. The firm/ company should fulfil	30
17.	Delivery Capacity Required (Criteria for shortlisting) Other Details	 a) Proven experience of undertaking similar assignment. b) Firm/ company has sufficient experienced core professional having specialization on HRM c) Required documents: The company must furnish the following updated documents with the tender schedule: a. Company Registration b. VAT registration certificate c. Updated Income Tax certificate d. Bank Solvency Certificate e. DIFE (Department of Inspection for factories and Establishment) certificate f. Experience certificates from clients for similal service d) Logistics support including computer hardware, software licenses and other testing tools, training facilities, transport and office space. 2. Other relevant legal and commercial documents must be enclosed with EOI in support of qualification and experience 1. Place of assignment: May be inside or outside Dhaka at the CDB revenue office locations. 2. Expected time of contract is 12 months which will be renewed annually upon satisfactory work completic certificate from the CDB authority subject to the availability of the budget. 3. The consulting firm shall submit 2 (two) copies Expression of Interest (EOI) (One original and one copy clearly marked "EOI for selection of Firm/ Company for supplying outsourcing manpower for Cotton Developme Board" to the Deputy Director (HQ), Cotton Developme Board, Khamarbari, Farmgate, Dhaka-1215 on or befo 17/07/2023 upto 11.00 am. 	
18.	Association with foreign firms or Joint Venture (JV)	of the Deputy Director (HQ) or through emaing a libd03@gmail.com or by visiting www.cdb.gov.bd Association with foreign firms/ companies or Joint Venture (JV) is not acceptable.	
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	Name of the Official	Zafar Ali	
19.	Inviting EOI	Deputy Director (HQ)	
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Amid row, Reza Kibria removed proposal which Nur also confidence motion will

of Kibria's impeachment at the meeting.

Hasan Al Mamun, a joint convener of the party, responded by saying that in order to remove anyone from the central executive committee, at least 81 members must vote in favour of the removal; however, only 45 people are present.

Nur and the faction loyal to him allegedly rejected Hasan's stance and said the present members will verbally answer "Yes" or "No" to the question of removing the convener, in presence of everyone.

Mamun then proposed to hold a secret voting, a meeting and the no-removing Kibria.

refuted and eventually decided to remove Reza Kibria.

On June 25, Nur loyalists, sent a letter to Reza Kibria proposing a no-confidence motion against him, which contained signatures of one-third of the members of the central committee. As per the charter of

Parishad, the president shall convene emergency meeting of the Central Executive Council within one week upon receiving the proposal. If the president does not call this meeting, the proposal must be resolved by held online voting and 85 calling another summon members voted in favour of

of that. Talking to The Daily Star, Hasan Al Mamun said, "No voting took place to decide on Reza Kibria's impeachment. The member secretary autocratically took the decision defying

the party charter.' Nur and Kibria could not Contacted.

be reached for comments despite repeated attempts.

Uzzman, office secretary of the party, claimed that they

Focus on development not politics

Momen at the FSA and then attended as special guest a seminar -- "Road to Sustainable Development Goals Summit 2023" organised by the foreign ministry.

Talking to the journalists, Momen said the opposition BNP is complaining to the foreigners as the party does not have confidence in people. "Elections will be held in time. We guarantee free and fair elections. There is no need to discuss it further," he said.

Momen said they are asking people to boycott those who complain to foreigners and cause harm to national interests.

Momen said Amina Mohammed is in Dhaka to discuss how to accelerate the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and climate change before a summit on the agenda in September.

She will be visiting the climate vulnerable areas

in Khulna today to see the by the developed countries. ground impacts of climate change. Momen said every year 6.6 lakh Bangladeshis are being displaced and losing jobs due to salinity intrusion and water logging.

"They are facing such realities because of the faults of the rich countries that emit huge greenhouse gases and cause global warming," he said. Bangladesh's

contribution to carbon Therefore, Bangladesh, like other affected countries, wants the rich countries to share the burden.

As per the goal 17 of the SDGs, the developed countries will provide finance and technology for achieving the SDGs. The developed nations pledged to provide 0.7 percent of their GDP to the climate affected countries, but only six kept their promise.

"Financing

so far, their response is very poor," Momen said. Without finance and

be achieved at all, he added. Addressing the seminar, Amina J Mohammed said conflicts in different parts of the world and refugee crises have caused a huge

technology, SDGs cannot

blow to the SDGs. Bangladesh has set good examples by improving the food system and technological development emission is only 0.47 percent. for food security, but climate change and lack of international support remain as huge challenges.

> emphasised She investing heavily on quality to green technology from fossil fuels.

"Human rights should be at the centre of all the activities," she said.

public-private partnership technology should be given for effective development.

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any reason.

billion during the same period a year earlier. Bangladesh's share in the export market of leather and leather products in the world is 3 percent, according to the BTA. The government has already spent Tk 1,080 crore to establish the

estate and another Tk 1,000 crore was needed to make the facility fully functional, said Mustak Ahmed, managing of director Dhaka Tannery Industrial Estate Waste Treatment Plant Company, recently.

Md Sakhawat Ullah, general secretary of the BTA, said total tax incidence is not helpful in the leather industry; so it should be rationalised.

He said there was a need to provide the bonded warehouse facility, which allows exporters to bring in raw materials duty-free to manufacture products for international markets.

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DU pro-VC (Academic) Prof ASM Maksud Kamal, pro-VC (Administration) Prof Dr Muhammad Samad, Treasurer Prof Dr Mamtaz Uddin Ahmed, and DU teachers' association general secretary Prof Zeenat Huda, attended the discussion, among others.

Stretching across 600 acres of land, Dhaka University, regarded as the country's highest echelon for academic excellence, started its journey on July 1, 1921 with 12 departments, three faculties, 60 teachers, 877 students, and three

students.

Case disposal

the rates of case disposals

The number of such backlogs is growing higher since the number of filing of cases is increasing day by day due to the huge population in the country, said SC sources.

till December 31 last year.

courts till that day.