

Prethindra shines

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"So, I used to memorise chapters after chapters without understanding them," he said.
He went on to achieve scholarships in fifth and eighth grades and was later admitted to Khagrachhari Government High School.
Prethindra later completed his honours and master's degrees from Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University under Agroforestry and Environmental Science Department.
"During my university days, I faced financial constraints. To support myself, I used to provide 4-5 tuitions alongside my studies. I covered all my expenses, including tuition fees and living costs, from first year of university and onward," he said.
He said when the quota for students was cancelled, like many others, he thought it would create a setback in their education.
"However, when I performed well in my honours exams, it instilled in me a belief that I can overcome the odds, and I ultimately achieved it," he

added.
Prethindra emphasised that his family played an instrumental role in his success.
His father Natabaran Chakma, a retired headteacher, and his mother Santi Prava Chakma, a homemaker involved in agriculture, supported him amid adversities.
"My parents and brother supported me both financially and emotionally. They believed in me and my ability to succeed," he said.
Looking ahead, Prethindra aspires to make a significant impact to his community and the nation. He envisions a brighter future for the hill regions through enhancing primary education and improving literacy rates.
"My aspiration is to alleviate the darkness of illiteracy in the hills. Along with developing primary education in the hills, I want to improve the literacy rate," he said.
Furthermore, he aims to contribute to the socio-economic development of Bangladesh.

Waterlogging

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Daily Star that Nipa was pursuing studies and taking multiple tuitions to meet her educational expenses.
"But she didn't live to fulfil her dreams. It's heartbreaking," she added.
Meanwhile, Chattogram City Corporation Mayor Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, yesterday visited Nipa's home and gave Tk 1 lakh as compensation to her family.
Besides, he promised to give a job to Nipa's younger sister, who is also a college student, at CCC office.
Gazi Shafiqul Azim, councillor of CCC's South Pahartali ward, said, "I have asked Nipa's family to contact us if they need any help."
Police handed over Nipa's body to her family on Monday night, following an autopsy.
Moniruzzaman, officer-in-charge of Hathazari Model Police Station said, "We suspect that she drowned in the accumulated water near her residence."
An unnatural death case was filed with the police station, the OC added.

Ecotourism the way forward

Speakers tell event
STAFF CORRESPONDENT
The stakeholders of the tourism industry should be encouraged to adapt to ecotourism, stressed speakers at an event yesterday.
They made the remarks at the inauguration of Green Key Bangladesh Programme in Agargaon.
The programme certifies hotels, holidays parks, hostels, conference centres, small accommodations, camping sites and restaurants for fulfilling the environmental criteria for sustainable tourism set by the Foundation for Environmental Education, recognised by Global Sustainable Tourism Council.
Saber Hossen Chowdhury, special envoy to the PM for environment and climate change, said development is not sustainable if environment is not conserved.
Abul Kalam Azad, principal secretary, PMO; Daniel Shaffer, CEO, Foundation for Environmental Education; and Finn Bolding Thomsen, director of Green Key, also spoke at the event.

26 years of unkept

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Huda said, "After independence, we envisioned a democratic and discrimination-free state, but what we have instead is a severely discriminatory and undemocratic one."
Prof Mesbah Kamal of Dhaka University said the state bears the responsibility of recognising all its citizens and safeguarding the rights of indigenous communities through self-determination.
"Regrettably, the government takes discussions about self-determination to be a call for independence, which it said would incite separatism. However, this concept is flawed," he added.
However, self-determination actually entails transformative changes for indigenous communities and their equal rights. To ensure their civil rights, the state has to acknowledge them as indigenous communities, not "minorities", explained the professor.
"Developed nations have recognised these communities, realising the richness and diversity of their culture. Yet, Bangladesh has continued to be reluctant towards them for years," he added.
Prof Robaet Ferdous of Dhaka University explained the reasons behind the communities' resistance toward development.
Development initiatives often demand the communities' eviction from their century-old home grounds, he said.
"These communities have been suppressed for decades. Evicting them from their homesteads is a tool to completely erase their existence and identity," he added.

Punished for journalism

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memorising textbooks won't help you to secure jobs," the VC said.
Then he went on to explain the relation between corruption and development, as an "example" to see "whether the students have counter arguments to refute him".
This newspaper has obtained the audio clip of the VC's 51-minute speech.
On the same day, a report titled "Corruption is the reason for development in Bangladesh: CoU VC" was published in daily Jai Jai Din, detailing some remarks made by the VC during the programme.
According to CoU authorities, the words attributed to the VC in the report were taken out of context while he was merely trying to encourage the students to develop cognitive thinking and critical thinking ability.
Then on August 2, Monwar was suspended from the university.
"I was served a letter on August 2 stating that I was suspended for violating university's discipline. But I didn't get a show-cause notice. I didn't get a chance to defend myself," he told The Daily Star recently.
"Usually even in case of severe allegations, first the university's disciplinary committee conducts an investigation, and recommends the university syndicate to take actions if the allegations are found to be true," he said.
"However, in my case, everything was done with secrecy, and promptly," he claimed.
Monwar said if actions were deemed necessary, those should have been taken against him as a journalist, not as a student.
According to journalistic norms, the university should have sent a rejoinder to his newspaper and awaited their response before taking any punitive measures.
However, no such rejoinder was received from the university authorities, and instead, CoU's Marketing department issued a statement protesting the news report, he added.
Sohel Haider Chowdhury, news editor of Daily Jai Jai Din, said, "We didn't receive any rejoinder from the university authorities. We stand by our news as we have published exactly what the VC said."
"He (VC) just expressed his rage by suspending the student for publishing this news. We will provide all types of support to our colleague," he added.
Contacted, VC Prof Moyeen said, "We decided to suspend the student after a meeting on August 2, where all the six deans of the university, pro-VC, treasurer and proctor were present."

No scope

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Dipu Moni said while addressing journalists after a national monitoring and disciplinary committee meeting in the capital.
The minister also announced the closure of coaching centres across the country from August 14 till September 25 in order to ensure a proper environment for the exams scheduled to be held from August 17 till September 25.
The decisions came amid recent nationwide student protests calling for the delerment of the HSC exams and the exclusion of the ICT subject.
Dipu Moni urged the protesting students to go home and return to their studies, saying there was no scope to defer the HSC and equivalent exams.
A total of 13,59,342 students have registered for the HSC and equivalent exams. Of them, 6,88,887 are boys and 6,70,455 are girls.
A total 11,08,594 students will sit for HSC exams; 98,031 for Dakhil; and 1,52,717 for vocational tests.
The number of examinees from science group has increased by 1,55,935 this year, Dipu Moni revealed.

Anomalies aplenty

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policy requiring the liabilities to be covered, the report revealed.
Biman also failed to show that they have sufficient GSE to perform safe ground handling operations in Dhaka, Chattogram and Sylhet airports.
Similarly, the Emergency Response Plan was not found in GSE maintenance and operations.
All of Biman's 81 newly-recruited ground service assistants have been deployed in operational duties before completing the required mandatory training programme.
WHAT BIMAN NEEDS
The report recommended Biman to give attention to different areas including ensuring availability of the required number of qualified and competent personnel in all areas of operational activities.
The airline also needs to complete a review of the operations, flight dispatch, cabin safety, and ground handling manuals to ensure full compliance with the recent changes to the CAAB requirements.
"The airline is required to find the root causes of each of the findings. Based on the root causes, the airline is required to design the necessary corrective action plan (CAP) to resolve each of the findings within the agreed time frame," the report added.

Old wine in new bottle

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of Digital Security Act," Fakhru said at a press conference at the party chairperson's Gulshan office around noon.
He said BNP wants complete repeal of Digital Security Act. "This law goes against the principles of democracy, human rights, and media freedom. There is no question of keeping it."
Fakhru said replacing the DSA with Cyber Security Act is an attempt by the government to befool the people.
He said there is international pressure over the DSA. "This is only an attempt to make them [foreigners] understand."

She knew how to wage

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leaders and workers.
"Our house was always under the surveillance of the Pakistani intelligence. My mother used to talk to leaders and convey them the instructions [of Bangabandhu] going to different places avoiding the watch of intelligence," she said.
In this context, the PM recalled her mother's firm stance in favour of the historic six-point demand when some leaders argued for an eight-point demand instead.
Talking about the detention of Bangabandhu in the Agartala conspiracy case, PM Hasina said her mother took a firm stance for the release of all the accused through the withdrawal of the case, not accepting a proposal for the release of only Bangabandhu on parole.
"What firm morale my mother had!" she said.
She said Pakistani intelligence quizzed Bangamata as well and tried to implicate her in the case.
"My mother had an important contribution to the independence and all achievements," she said.
The premier sought blessings from all so that she could work for the people as her father's lifelong struggle was to change the fate of the people of this country.
"I've been trying to work for the people, based on what lessons I learnt from my mother and father," said Hasina.
The PM earlier handed over Bangamata Begum Fazilatunnesa Mujib Padak-2023 to four distinguished women and the national women's football team for their outstanding contributions to their respective fields.
The four women are Advocate Sahara Khatun (posthumous) in politics, Anima Mukti Gomes in education, Nasima Jaman Bobi in culture and sports, and Dr Senjuti Saha in research.
Hasina also inaugurated the distribution of sewing machines and donations to insolvent women throughout the country.
Some 3,000 women are receiving the donations through a financial mobile banking channel on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Bangamata.

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2	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka			
3	Invitation Reference No. & Date	BASIC/HO/ICTD/Server/BEFTN & RTGS/2023/001			
4	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)			
5	Budget and Source of Fund	BASIC Bank's Own Fund			
6	Tender Publication Date	09/08/2023			
7	Tender Last Selling Date	22/08/2023 at 4:00 PM			
8	Tender Closing Date & time	23/08/2023 at 3:00 PM			
9	Tender Opening Date & time	23/08/2023 at 3:15 PM			
10	Name & Address of the Office for purchase and submit Tender	ICT Division: Peoples Insurance Bhaban (5 th Floor), 36 Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000.			
11	Eligibility of Tenderer	1) The tenderer shall have the legal capacity to enter into the contract and have not been declared ineligible by any competent authority. 2) Minimum 3(three) years' experience in ICT business as a registered company/entity in Bangladesh. 3) Must have at least 3 (three) years' proven experience in supplying computers / networking equipment/ servers in any scheduled Bank in Bangladesh /Bangladesh Bank or must have previous record of successfully supplying computers/networking equipment/servers to BASIC Bank Limited. 4) The participating company must submit relevant document(s), along with the offer/tender, as proof of its experience as mentioned here. 5) The participating company has to submit Manufacturer's Authorization letter; 6) The participating company must be an authorized distributor / dealer of the brand of servers offered in the tender.			
12	Brief Description of Goods	03 units server for NIKASH BEFTN system and 02 units server for RTGS system.			
13	Price of Tender Document	Tk 1,500/-			
14	Performance Security	10% of work order value in the form of Pay order / Bank draft / Bank guarantee from any schedule bank in favour of BASIC Bank Limited, Head Office for (03) (three) years validity.			
15	Lot details				
	Lot No	Identification	Location	Security Amount (Tk.)	Completion Time
		Server	Dhaka	2,50,000/-	120 Days
16	Name of Official Inviting Tenderer	Md. Helal Uddin			
17	Designation of Official Inviting Tenderer	Deputy General Manager			
18	Address of Official Inviting Tenderer	BASIC Bank Limited, ICT Division, Peoples Insurance Bhaban (5 th Floor), 36 Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka-1000			
19	Contact Details	Phone: 02-9555087, 223382960; E-mail: basicictd@basicbanklimited.com			
20	a) The tenderers should be bound to obey all the terms, conditions, rule & regulation of PPR-2008. b) The procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders (partly or fully) at any stage without showing any reasons. c) The Bank shall not be under any obligation to accept the lowest priced quotation d) If any "Force Majeure" arises in the specified date mentioned in the Tender Data Sheet (TDS) and invitation for Tender, the event will take place in the next working day.				

Deputy General Manager, ICT Division

UNFPA INVITATION TO BID
ITB No. UNFPA/BGD/2023/001

MANUFACTURE AND/OR SUPPLY OF PRODUCTS AND RELATED SERVICES FOR CUSTOMIZED DIGNITY KITS (MAMA KITS FOR NEW BORN BABIES AND MOTHERS)

The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), an international development agency, invites bids for LTA for the supply of products and related services for Customized Dignity Kits (Mama Kits for new born babies and mothers) for its programme in Bangladesh. The qualified and experienced bidders are encouraged to download the ITB documents through the following link from UNGM: <https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/208516>

Please note that, the Bid must reach at UNFPA's secured email inbox procurement.bangladesh@unfpa.org no later than **21 August 2023 Monday, at 15:00 hours** Bangladesh standard time.

বাংলাদেশ ফুটবল ফেডারেশন
BANGLADESH FOOTBALL FEDERATION

Expression of Interest (EOI) for Sponsorship for Bangladesh National Football Team and Various Age Level Teams Participating in FIFA/ AFC/SAFF Approved Tournaments

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) hereby invites EOI proposal for sponsorship from the reputed Commercial Organizations /Sports Agencies for the Team's sponsorship for Bangladesh National Football Team, Bangladesh U-23 National Football Team and Age level Teams from various international competitions and the details are given below.

Tender No. & Date	Ref: 2390/BFF-Admin/2023. Date: 09/08/2023
Description of Sponsorship	1. Bangladesh National Football Team for the upcoming FIFA Friendly Matches against Afghanistan in Bangladesh on 4 th and 7 th September 2023. 2. Bangladesh U-16 National Football Team for the upcoming SAFF U-16 Championship 2023 on 1 st to 10 th September 2023 in Bhutan. 3. Bangladesh U-23 National Football Team for the upcoming AFC U-23 Asian Cup 2024 Qualifiers in Thailand from 4 th to 12 th September 2023. 4. Bangladesh U-19 National Football Team for SAFF U-19 Championship 2023 in Nepal from 21 st to 30 th September 2023. 5. Bangladesh National Football Team for FIFA World Cup 2026 Qualifiers Round 1 on 12 th October 2023 at Maldives and 17 th October 2023 at Bangladesh
Timeline for Submission of EOI	You are requested to submit the offer in a sealed envelope to be addressed to: Acting General Secretary, Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) Office at BFF House, 14/B Toyenbee Circular Road, Motijheel C/A, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh or electronically via email info@bff.com.bd on or before 16/08/2023 .
Contact Details	Phone: +88 02 223354232, +8801709660506 Email: info@bff.com.bd
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This is an online Tender, where only e-Tenders will be accepted in e-GP portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, please register on e-GP system portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>). e-Tenders are invited in e-GP System portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by Executive Engineer, RHD, Road Division, Natore.

e-GP Tender ID	Name of work	Tender Document Last Selling/ downloading date and time	Last date and time for Tender Security submission	Tender Closing date and time
860294	02/e-GP/OTM/NRD/2023-2024 Milling, Mixing and Recompacting damaged bituminous surface and DBS Wearing course at Ch. 73+050 km to 73+850km and repairing at different parts from Ch. 75th km. to 85th km of Kashinathpur-Dasuria-Natore-Rajshahi-Nawabganj-Kansat-Sona Masjid-Baliadighi Border (N-6) Road under RHD, Road Division, Natore during the year 2023-24.	22-Aug-2023 16:00	23-Aug-2023 10:45	23-Aug-2023 11:00
860295	03/e-GP/OTM/NRD/2023-2024 Milling, Mixing and Recompacting damaged bituminous surface and DBS Wearing course at Ch. 72+050 km to 73+050km and repairing at different parts from Ch. 69th km. to 73rd km of Kashinathpur-Dasuria-Natore-Rajshahi-Nawabganj-Kansat-Sona Masjid-Baliadighi Border (N-6) Road under RHD, Road Division, Natore during the year 2023-24.	22-Aug-2023 16:00	23-Aug-2023 10:45	23-Aug-2023 11:10
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Accepted tenders will be opened online immediately after closing time.

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