

SORRY STATE OF ROADS Thousands suffer in Bhanga Bazar

OUR CORRESPONDENT, *Faridpur*

Thousands of residents of Bhanga municipality in Faridpur have been suffering immensely due to the dilapidated condition of two important roads in the Bhanga Bazar area for a long time.

There are three roads in Bhanga Bazar -- an 800-metre road from the Dhaka-Barisal highway to Bhanga Police Station; a 650-metre road from Eidgah intersection to Manoharpatti area; and a 400-metre-long road from UCB Bank to Kapar Patti.

Of these, the road from Dhaka Barisal highway to Bhanga Police Station was renovated a few months ago. The two other roads, however, are in a terrible state with numerous potholes making it difficult for people to use them.

During a recent visit to Bhanga Bazar, this correspondent found the roads were muddy, with puddles of rainwater filling up the potholes.

At least 5,000 people use the roads daily while more than 10,000 use it on weekly bazar days- Friday and Monday.

Jalal Mia, a rickshaw-van puller, said the condition of the roads made his strenuous job more difficult.

"Whatever the road condition, people won't pay me extra. The big potholes often leave our vehicles damaged," he said.

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GAS LEAK

Man dies, wife burnt in Ctg

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A man died and his wife suffered burn injuries in an explosion caused by a gas pipe leak at a house in Chattogram early yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Abdul Khalek, 65. His wife, Anwara Begum, 60, was admitted to Chattogram Medical College Hospital.

The incident took place in Dhuppul area around 2:00 am, said CMCH police outpost In Charge Sub-Inspector Nur Alam Asheq.

Their son rushed both of them to CMCH, where Abdul Khalek died of his injuries, he added.

Sanjay Kumar Sinha, officer-in-charge of Bandar Police Station, told The Daily Star that fire service personnel visited the spot and said they found a leak in the gas pipeline.

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PHOTO: STAR



New bean variety brings smiles to farmers in Sreemangal

MINTU DESHWARA, *Moulvibazar*

Traditionally, beans are cultivated during the winter. However, the SAU Bean-1 (Sikribi-1) variety, which has been developed by Sylhet Agricultural University, exhibits remarkable adaptability, allowing it to thrive even during the summer in Moulvibazar.

Now, farmers in the Dengar Ban village of Ashidron Union in the upazila are experiencing substantial benefits from cultivating this winter vegetable during the monsoon season, achieving impressive yields.

As a result of its success, the agriculture department is now eyeing to spread the Sikribi-1 seeds all over the country.

In Dengar Ban village, around 50 farmers are cultivating this variety of bean. While the Sikribi-1 variety takes some time and care to yield a good harvest, farmers may earn up to three



times the profit from cultivating this, said Masukur Rahman, Deputy Assistant Agriculture Officer of Ashidron Union.

He said the farmers who cultivated Sikribi-1 are happy with the bumper yield and good price in the market. On average, they can pick 48 to 50 kg of beans per bigha and sell them at Tk 130 to 140 per kg.

The profit has caught the attention of other farmers in the area and, with each passing day, more and more farmers are taking up the cultivation of this variety, he added.

Ahsan Habib, a bean grower of Dengar Ban village, said after receiving 12 seeds of the Sikribi-1 variety from the agriculture department, they cultivated it

experimentally for the first time. "We had bumper yields in the first year. So, I collected the seeds and supplied them to several interested farmers in the area for Tk 5,000."

"This year, I myself cultivated the variety in three bighas of land. Around Tk 36,000 taka has been spent on fertiliser, irrigation, pesticides, bamboo mats and care during the cultivation phase. So far, I have sold beans worth Tk 1 lakh. I hope the total sale will hit Tk 2.25 lakh. But if the market is good, it can go even higher."

Another farmer, Akbar Ali said, "This year, I have cultivated Sikribi-1 variety of beans for the first time. The yield has been very good. I can sell 25 to 30 kg of beans per day. Prices are also high because this is not the season for beans."

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Election Commission Secretariat

Identification System for Enhance Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase)
Nirbachan Bhaban (8th Floor)
Agargaon, Dhaka

Invitation for Tender (Re-Tender)

1. Ministry/Division	Bangladesh Election Commission.
2. Agency	Election Commission Secretariat.
3. Procuring entity name	Project Director, Identification System for Enhance Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase).
4. Procuring entity district	Dhaka.
5. Invitation for	NCS-3, "Office/Support Services (Data Entry Operators under Dhaka and Faridpur Region) for the Project Office Operations".
6. Invitation for tenders Ref. & date	17.14.0000.240.07.136.2023/2633, Dated: 28 August 2023.

KEY INFORMATION

7. Procurement method Open Tender Method (OTM).

8. Budget & source of fund GoB (Development).

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

9. Project/program code 224331200.

10. Project name Identification System for Enhance Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase).

11. Tender package No. NCS-3.

12. Tender package name Office/Support Services (Data Entry Operators under Dhaka and Faridpur Region) for the Project Office Operations.

INFORMATION FOR PRE-TENDERER

13. Date 29 August 2023

Time

14. Tender selling last date 13 September 2023

04:00pm

15. Tender pre-bid meeting date 7 September 2023

03:00pm

16. Tender closing date & time 14 September 2023

12:00pm

17. Tender opening date & time 14 September 2023

12:30pm

18. Name of address of the office Assistant Director (Finance), Room No. 818, Nirbachan Bhaban (8th Floor), Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

19. Selling tender documents (principal) NCS-3.

No condition apply for sale, purchase or distribution of tender documents.

20. Receiving tender documents Identification System for Enhance Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase), Election Commission Secretariat, Nirbachan Bhaban (8th Floor), Room No. 721, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

21. Opening tender documents Conference Room No. 721, IDEA Project (2nd Phase), Nirbachan Bhaban (Floor-7), Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

22. Pre-tender documents

INFORMATION FOR TENDERER

23. Eligibility of tenderer 1. Tenderers shall have the legal capacity to enter into the contract under the applicable law.

2. Tenderers shall enroll in the relevant professional or trade organisations registered in Bangladesh.

3. Tenderers shall have to fulfill its obligation/obligations to pay taxes under the provision of laws and regulations of Bangladesh.

4. Detail information has been provided in the tender document.

24. Brief description of services Office/Support Services (Data Entry Operators under Dhaka and Faridpur Region) for the Project Office Operations.

25. Price of tender document (BDT) BDT. 2,500.00 (Two thousand five hundred only) non-refundable.

26. Package No. Identification of package

Tender security

Completion time in weeks/months

NCS-3 Office/Support Services (Data Entry Operators under Dhaka and Faridpur Region) for the Project Office Operations.

BDT. 19,00,000.00 (Nineteen lac only)

26 (Twenty-six) month or end the project which comes earlier

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS

27. Name of official inviting tender Brigadier General Abul Hasnat Mohammad Sayem.

28. Designation of official inviting tender Project Director, IDEA Project (2nd Phase), Election Commission Secretariat, Nirbachan Bhaban (8th Floor), Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

29. Address of inviting tender Nirbachan Bhaban (8th Floor), Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

30. Contact details of official inviting Phone: +8802-55007494, E-mail: pd.idea2bd@gmail.com

31. The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all tenders or annul the tender proceedings.

Brigadier General Abul Hasnat Mohammad Sayem

Project Director

IDEA Project (2nd Phase)

Election Commission Secretariat, Dhaka-1207

GD-1308



BANGLADESH ELECTION COMMISSION

Identification System for Enhancing Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase)

Nirbachan Bhaban (Floor-8)

Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

Invitation for Re-Tenders

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH

1. Ministry/Division Bangladesh Election Commission

2. Agency Election Commission Secretariat

3. Procuring Entity Name Bangladesh Election Commission represented by Project Director, Identification System for Enhancing Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase)

4. Procuring Entity District Dhaka

5. Invitation for Office/Support Services (Data Entry Operator under Comilla and Chattogram region) for the Project Office Operations.

6. Invitation Ref. No. & Date 17.14.0000.240.07.134.2023 Dated: 28 August 2023

KEY INFORMATION

7. Procurement Method Open Tendering Method (OTM)

FUNDING INFORMATION

8. Budget and Source of Funds GoB (Development Budget)

PARTICULAR INFORMATION

9. Project / Program Code (if applicable) 224331200

10. Project Name (if applicable) Identification System for Enhancing Access to Services (IDEA) Project (2nd Phase)

11. Tender Package No. NCS-6

12. Tender Package Name Office/Support Services (Data Entry Operator under Comilla and Chattogram region) for the Project Office Operations.

Date 29 August 2023

Time 11:30 A.M.

14. Pre-Tender Meeting Date and Time 05 September 2023

15. Tender Last Selling Date and Time 12 September 2023

16. Tender Closing Date and Time 13 September 2023

17. Tender Opening Date and Time 13 September 2023

18. Name & Address of the office(s) Assistant Director (Finance), IDEA Project (2nd Phase), Room No. 818, Nirbachan Bhaban,