

City Bank wins top BB award in sustainability rating

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City Bank has been honoured as a top bank in the “Sustainability Rating” by the Bangladesh Bank for 2022.

With this latest award, City Bank is the winner of the award for three years in a row.

Mashrur Arefin, managing director and CEO of the bank, received the award from Abdur Rouf Talukder, governor of the central bank, at the latter's headquarters in Motijheel, Dhaka on Tuesday, said a press release.

This rating by the BB reflects the bank's good performances in five indicators – sustainable finance, green refinancing, corporate social responsibilities, core banking sustainability and financial inclusion.

Nurun Nahar, deputy governor of the BB, Md Khurshid Alam, executive governor, and Chowdhury Liakat Ali, director of the sustainable finance department, were present at the award ceremony.



Mashrur Arefin, managing director of City Bank, receives an award from Abdur Rouf Talukder, governor of the Bangladesh Bank, at the latter's headquarters in Motijheel, Dhaka on Tuesday.

PHOTO: CITY BANK



Sheikh Azraf Uddin, chief executive officer of Akij Group, poses for photographs with participating distributors at a conference styled “Achievers’ Summit 2023” jointly organised by Akij Plastics and Akij Pipes at the Hotel Yoke & Yati in Kathmandu, Nepal recently.

PHOTO: AKIJ GROUP

Jamuna Bank gets BB recognition in sustainability rating

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Jamuna Bank has been awarded as one of the top seven banks in the “Sustainability Rating Recognition-2022” by the Bangladesh Bank.

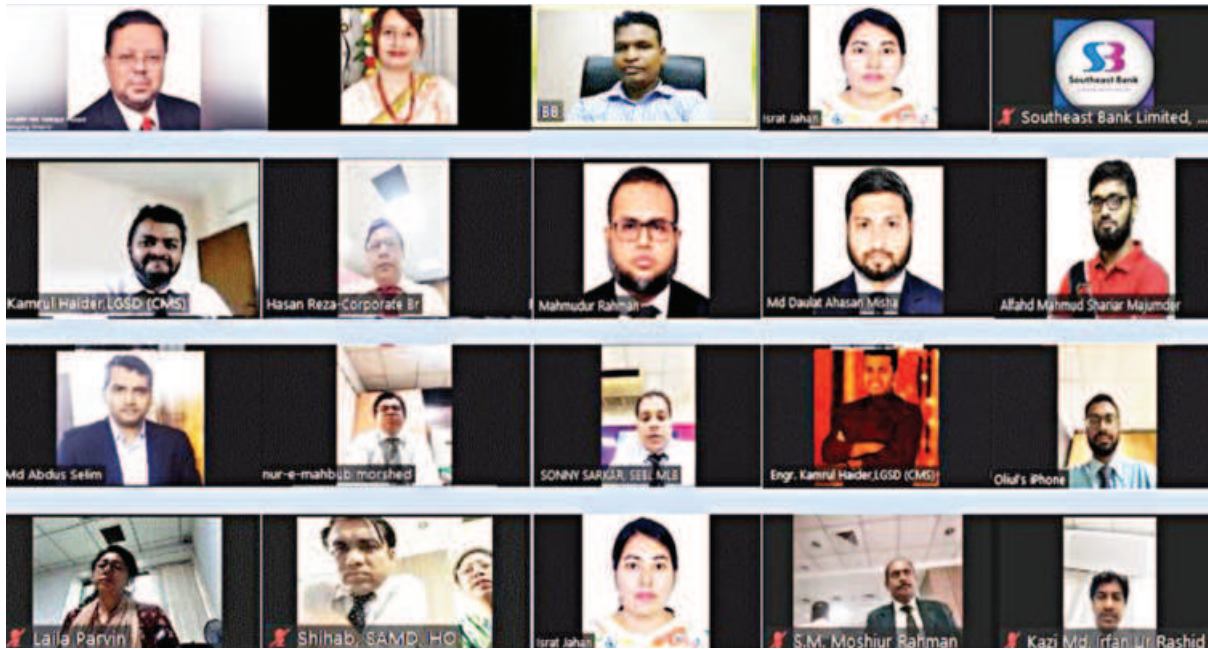
Mirza Elias Uddin Ahmed, managing director and CEO of Jamuna Bank, received the award from Abdur Rouf Talukder, governor of the central bank, at the latter's headquarters in Motijheel, Dhaka on Tuesday, said a press release.

The rating has been conducted on the bank's performance in total five criteria along with 89 sub-criteria broadly encompassing sustainable finance indicators, corporate social responsibility (CSR) activities, green refinancing, core banking sustainability and banking services coverage components.



Mirza Elias Uddin Ahmed, managing director of Jamuna Bank, receives an award from Abdur Rouf Talukder, governor of the Bangladesh Bank, at the latter's headquarters in Motijheel, Dhaka on Tuesday.

PHOTO: JAMUNA BANK



Nuruddin Md Sadeque Hossain, managing director of Southeast Bank, addresses a training session on “Prevention of malpractices in banks with special references to AML and CFT” virtually organised by Southeast Bank Training Institute yesterday. Md Al-Amin Reiad, joint director of Bangladesh Financial Intelligent Unit at Bangladesh Bank, attended the event as a resource person. A total of 150 participants representing 135 branches of the bank across the country joined the event.

PHOTO: SOUTHEAST BANK

Tougher actions to fuel essentials’ prices

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But yesterday, the commerce minister said he was with the prime minister at the Gono Bhaban for one and a half hours after the press conference but she did not speak about the issue.

Regarding the visit of the US delegation, Tipu Munshi said the council wants to invest in Bangladesh and has sought tax holidays for 15 years.

The visiting delegation also called for reducing the corporate tax rate, he said, adding that the members of the delegation did not say anything about the country's political situation.

Syed Ershad Ahmed, president of the American Chamber of Commerce

in Bangladesh (AmCham), said they are convinced that the AmCham Bangladesh and USBBC will actively promote economic cooperation and facilitate the business success of American companies and their counterparts in Bangladesh.

“We are highly confident that we are on the same page. Bangladesh has made good progress in recent years, notwithstanding the challenges posed by a foreign exchange crisis and high inflation amid the supply chain disruptions caused by the war.”

“To fortify the economy, we require more foreign investment and a more accessible capital market.”

He said some issues in the latest draft of the Data Protection Act have been addressed, but there are still a few important points that need immediate attention from the government.

“The AmCham and the USBBC will submit recommendations soon.”

The business leader said various exchange rates have made it challenging to comply with regulations when bringing in wage earner remittances to Bangladesh, leading to a significant loss of remittance and a surge in the use of unofficial channels.

“This is causing great distress to US remittance companies.”

Joint efforts to set up

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Hasanat, chairman and chief executive officer (CEO) of Viyellatex Group, told The Daily Star over the phone.

The government will buy the electricity at 10.20 cents per kilowatt hour (kWh) for 20 years, he said.

The electricity generated can power 5 lakh homes or 60-70 large composite mill, contributing \$6

billion to \$7 billion to the economy a year, he added.

It can also offset carbon or CO2 emission by 450,000 tonnes per year although the country's per capita CO2 emission is very low (0.52MT/capita), he said.

The power price rate is quite high compared to that in countries in the Middle East and Africa, where it is 2

cents to 3 cents per kWh, due to some reasons, explained Hasanat.

Land lease or acquisition and development cost accounts for almost 30 percent of the cost of the project having an economic life of 20 years, sun intensity is 40 percent less, lending cost is higher while the tax on solar panel imports is 75 percent to 80 percent higher, he said.

Oil extends gains



REUTERS, London

Oil prices extended gains on Wednesday after industry data showed a large draw in crude inventories in the US, the world's biggest fuel consumer, and as a hurricane in the Gulf of Mexico kept investors on edge.

Brent crude futures for October rose by 42 cents, or 0.49 percent, to \$85.91 a barrel by 0748 GMT. The October contract expires on Thursday and the more active November contract was at \$85.32, up 41 cents. US West Texas Intermediate crude futures rose 50 cents, or 0.62 percent, to \$81.66.

Both benchmarks rallied more than a dollar on Tuesday as the US dollar slid after prospects of further increases to interest rates eased after softer US job data. US crude stocks fell by a bigger than expected 11.5 million barrels in the week ended Aug. 25, market sources said, citing American Petroleum Institute figures on Tuesday.

PRICES OF KEY ESSENTIALS IN DHAKA CITY			
	PRICE (AUG 30, 2023)	% CHANGES FROM A MONTH AGO	% CHANGE FROM A YEAR AGO
Fine rice (kg)	Tk 60-Tk 72	-2.22 ↓	-8.97 ↓
Coarse rice (kg)	Tk 48-Tk 50	-2 ↓	-13.27 ↓
Loose flour (kg)	Tk 45-Tk 50	-6.86 ↓	-9.52 ↓
Lentil (kg)	Tk 95-Tk 100	2.63 ↑	-9.3 ↓
Soybean (litre)	Tk 155-Tk 160	-3.08 ↓	-12.5 ↓
Potato (kg)	Tk 42-Tk 45	14.47 ↑	61.11 ↑
Onion (kg)	Tk 80-Tk 95	40 ↑	61.11 ↑
Egg (4 pcs)	Tk 48-Tk 52	2.04 ↑	25 ↑
SOURCE: TCB			

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<div>e-Tender Notice-DRIIDARP/2023-24/03</div> <div>e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) for the procurement of following works:</div>				
Package/Lot No.	Tender ID	Identification of lot	Tender document last selling date and time	Tender closing & opening date and time
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W17/L3/A	860543	Dev. Nachia Ghona Lane bylane, Road and drain adjacent to Firoz Sha Lane (west Firoz Shah) and Road & Drain adjacent to Chowdhury Bari at 9 No. Ward.	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W34/L2/C	860544	Dev. of Artillery Road at 26 No. Ward.	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W34/L1/C	860545	Development of Halishahar main road (Boropole to Chouchala) at 26 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W-19/L3-A	860546	Development of Rani Rashmani Ghat Road and lane, Pran Haridas and Shapla R/A connecting road and Chodu Chy graveyard lane, North Green View Road and lane at 11 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W49/L1-C	862261	Construction of steel footover bridge in front Sanowara School at 4 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W49/L1/C2	862262	Construction of Steel footover bridge Kathgar and KEPZ More at 40, 41 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W16/L1/B	862263	Development of Bhalika Road & Maizpara Road, Ziaspukur graveyard road & Srom Kolyan Office Road (right to the Polytechnic Mor) and Tulatoli Abu Huraara Madrasa Road & Alfalah Road at 8 No. Ward.	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W36/L2/A	862264	Dev. of Sea View Club Road, Baroitola Road, Rashid Building Chairman Lane, Badamtali Nazir Bhandar Road, SK Mujib Road Osman Hazi Lane, Amir Hossain Dovash Road bylane, Dev. of Amir Hossain Road 1 No. & 2 No. Goli and Dev. of Kabir Toran. Dev. of Ataul Hoque Lane & Abediya School Road	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W46/L1/A	862265	Development of EPZ Mor to Chandar Para Moila Dipo Rail Bit road (rest part-1) at 38 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W09/L1-C	862266	Development of Haji Badshah Mia road, Ashcharjha Para road, Bhuiyan Gazi Road adjacent culvert, Malakarpara road at Nandirhat, Brammonpara road, Saleh Ahmed road, Ranjit Chakraborty Bari Main road, Jan Ali & Fela Gazi Road at 1 No. Ward.	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W49/L-1/C	862267	Development of South Potenga City Corporation High School east side to VIP road Madrasa Gate drain & slab and South para lane bylane, Elevating Charbasti Yunus Sowdagor Bari Road with retaining wall & drain, Development of Charbasti Bashir Ullah Bari Road with drain, Alam Bari Road Idris Mia Road, Solaiman Contractor Road, Sofor Muluk road, Abdul Barik Sarang Road, Rajak Ali Sukani road & bylane, Abdur Rashid Road & bylane at 41 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W48/L2/A	862268	Development of Khejurtola Natar Goli graveyard adjacent Hazi Imam Sharif road, Hazi Ibrahim mosque adjacent road, Saikat R/A road, Farsi Ahmed Jame Mosque road, Niribili R/A, Hazi Nur Mohammed west road, Khejurtola Madrasa road, Abbas Ali road, Solaiman Member Bari road, Shaymoli H/S road at 40 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W45/L2/B	862269	Development of Vendapara road, College Road bylane, Rupnagar R/A road and Barrister Ismail Bari bylane at 37 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W45/L2/C	862270	Development of Hamzar Dighi to Chandar para bylane, Nozir Ahmed Sarkar Bari bylane and Gullu Shah bylane with R/W at 37 No. Ward	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W24/L1/A	868112	Development of Abdul Hakim Sowdagor Road and Panchlaish R/A at 16 No. Chawkbazar Ward.	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W42/L5	868127	Development of Shutki Potti Kola Bagan Road with upgradation drain with slab, construction of culvert in front of Asadganj and carpeting work with RCC drain of Matinabad R/A road at 34 No. Ward.	01-October-2023 12.00	01-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W34/L3/A	868111	Development of Moimna Para Road at 26 No. Ward	05-October-2023 12.00	05-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W34/L2/D	868187	Development of Golichipa Para road at 26 No. Ward	05-October-2023 12.00	05-October-2023 14.00
DRIIDAR/2023-24/CCC/W12/L2-A	868304	Development of road from East Faridarpara Badshah Mia Sou. Bari to West Faridarpara, Chunnu Majhi Road (Dhalipara), Delamia Road (Majipara), Syed Kanushah Majar Road, Golam Ali Najirpara bylane, Faizullah Balir Bari, Zadu Baburci Bari, Dr. Mostak Bari, Khatibpara Road at West Faridarpara, Khatibari & Sonamia Chowdhuri Bari Road at 04 No. Ward.	05-October-2023 12.00	05-October-2023 14.00
The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.				
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