

Find a way to implement CEDAW

Speakers tell discussion

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The government should withdraw reservations about articles 2 and 16.1 (c) of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) to ensure the equality of women in society, said speakers at a discussion yesterday.

Signed in 1984 by 186 countries, including Bangladesh, the full implementation of the treaty still remains a distant possibility. However, its implementation is necessary to meet Sustainable Development Goal 5, which advocates the reformation of discriminatory property and inheritance rights for men and women, they added.

The discussion themed, "Crafting non-discriminatory laws and implementation of CEDAW", was organised by Bangladesh Mahila Parishad at the capital's Topkhana Road, marking the signing day of the treaty.

Ferdous Ara Begum, a former member of the UN CEDAW Committee, stressed that discussions should be held among the parties concerned including religious leaders to come across the opposition to the treaties.

"A total of 29 Muslim countries have ratified the treaty without any reservations. If they can do it, why can't we?" she said, adding that Bangladesh has signed many international treaties but most of them haven't been implemented or incorporated into the law.

Dr Shahnaz Huda, professor of law at Dhaka University; Fauzia Moslem, president of Mahila Parishad; and Gita Biswas, vice president of Mahila Oikya Parishad, among others, spoke.

We maintain

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given us, we're maintaining a friendly relation equally with all. Because, our goal is to uplift the socio-economic condition of our country's people."

He said her government has so far been successful in achieving its goal to improve people's life.

The premier was addressing the Bangladesh Navy and Bangladesh Air Force Selection Board-2023 at the Secretariat of Navy Chief in Dhaka.

She extended her sincere thanks to the armed forces and all others concerned for their cooperation with the government.

"We'll not engage in a war with anyone. We'll maintain a friendly relation with all. We want to live in peace. But we'll have to ensure all sorts of preparations to safeguard our independence and sovereignty," she said, stressing the need for modernising the country's armed forces.

"We've earned self-dependency economically. Not only that, a brightened image of Bangladesh has also been created before the entire world. Bangladesh has been able to emerge as a role model for development," she said.

Childhood lost

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manager of Khaja Traders, said, "I will investigate it, and whoever sells dandy to street children will be punished," he added.

According to the Department of Narcotics Control (DNC), a total of 47 children have taken treatment from the indoor department of the government rehabilitation center in 2016, which rose to 608 by 2021. It was 74 in 2017, 80 in 2018, 109 in 2019, and 496 in 2020, shows the DNC database.

Manjurul Islam, deputy director of DNC, told The Daily Star that most of these children are dandy-addicted and mostly stay on the streets.

"We have increased the monitoring and vigilance in the last couple of years, so the children are now taking assistance from the rehab center to get rid of the problem," he said.

Asked about the unregulated sale of the glue, Manjurul said "We have already brought the manufacturers and wholesalers under licensing."

However, it is not possible to bring the retailers, shoemakers, and rickshaw repair shops under licensing, he explained.

"We have increased our

awareness in these sectors so that these glues are not sold to children," he added.

During a visit to the capital's Old Dhaka, these correspondents found some more children sniffing dandies sitting in the shade of Banglabazar foot bridge. Their eyes reflect a haunting emptiness instead of being filled with curiosity.

"I do not have any family. I live alone in this big city. Dandy is all I have," one of them said.

According to Dr Sifat E Sayeed, a child mental health specialist at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University, the widespread availability and affordability of the drug make it easily accessible to street children, enabling them to easily obtain and share it amongst themselves.

"It serves as a gateway to more severe addictive drugs," she added.

She explains that the drug poses a dual threat to the human body, causing two distinct forms of damage.

"Firstly, it leads to inflammation or wounds on the nasal tract lining, and secondly, it contains carcinogenic elements, making it highly harmful to health," she said.

40,000 exposed

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are in risk of being devoured by the Rupsha any time.

"I was a self-sufficient farmer a decade back. Now I am struggling to bear my family of seven. Who will compensate my losses?" he said.

Batiaghata upazila chairman Md Ashraful Alam Khan said extensive repairs to the river embankment must be done as the river current always erodes away mud from embankment.

More than 2,000 acres of arable land in 12 villages under the three unions have been lost in Rupsha and Kazibasa river erosion in the previous years, he said.

"Around 10,000 people in my union will not be able to live if WDB does not build a sustainable dam. The river banks should be protected with concrete blocks. The mud structures built in a disaster-prone area like this will not hold up if the banks are not preserved," Ashraful added.

Md Sanaul Islam, a professor of Soil Science department at Khulna University, said that while constructing dams in the country's south-west regions it should be kept in

mind that the soil there is different from that in other regions.

"Many things might have been overlooked during the construction of this dam," Prof Sanaul added.

Md Ashraful Alam, executive engineer of WDB (Khulna-2) said they have already repaired some portion of the embankment.

"Measures have been taken to preserve the river bank," he added.

BR workers'

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unresolved. We now hope for the Prime Minister's intervention to resolve the issue," said Mokhlesur Rahman, a protester.

Meanwhile, eight trains failed to run as per their schedules due to the sit-in, causing inconvenience to the passengers waiting at Kamalapur Railway Station for hours. However, the ticket prices, purchased both online and offline, were refunded.

Kamalapur station manager Mohammad Masud Sarwar said, "Train services resumed around 2:30pm."

Death anniv of M Abdur Rahim today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Today is the seventh anniversary of M Abdur Rahman, a close associate of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and western zone chairman of the then Mujibnagar government, said a press release.

A Liberation War organiser, Rahim was a lawyer and recipient of the Swadhinata Padak.

On this occasion, family members and different organisations have arranged various programmes including doa mahfil and Qurankhwani.

PRAYER TIMING

SEPTEMBER 4

Fajr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
4:30	12:45	4:45	6:33	8:00

JAMAAAT 5:05 1:15 5:00 6:36 8:30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

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শিল্প ও বাণিজ্যিক বিজ্ঞান
শ্রমিকরা ভবন
১৮, মতিবিল বাণিজ্যিক এলাকা, ঢাকা-১০০০

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

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১.	দরপত্র নির্দিষ্টকৃত দ্রব্য	১,০০০/- (টাকা একশতবছর)	
২.	নির্দিষ্টকৃত দ্রব্যের স্থান	অর্থ বিভাগ, বাংলাদেশ মুক্তিযোদ্ধা কল্যাণ ট্রাস্ট, ১৮, মতিবিল বা/এ, ঢাকা।	
৩.	নির্দিষ্টকৃত দ্রব্যের তারিখ	আগামী ১৯/০৯/২০২৩ তারিখ পর্যন্ত (যদিও প্রকল্পের সময় ভাড়া করা যাবে)	
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কমার্শিয়াল স্পেস বিক্রয়

মতিবিল দিলকুশার ইউসুফ ট্রেড সেন্টারের চ-১৮/০৩/২০২৩ কার্পাস ৬ ২টি কার্পাস বিক্রয়ের একটি কমার্শিয়াল স্পেস বিক্রয় করা হবে।

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Fuel strike postponed

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Bangladesh Tank-lorry Owners Association, Bangladesh Fuel Oil Distributors Association, Khulna Divisional Tank-lorry Sramik Union and Padma, Meghna and Jamuna Tank-lorry Sramik Kalyan Samity observed the strike for 16 hours.

In Khulna, strikers staged blockades at the three state-owned depots, cutting fuel supply in at least 14 districts of the division and the greater Faridpur area.

The Daily Star correspondents visited at least 13 petrol pumps in different areas of Dhaka and found only four pumps were selling fuel as usual.

Four other pumps were found selling fuel partially. In Banasree, a sign hung in front of a petrol pump read "Octane stock out".

However, the pump was selling other products. Till 12:00pm, this newspaper visited six refuelling stations in the Mohakhali, Tejgaon and Satrastra areas and found two were providing their usual services.

But later both the stations ran out of stock. Only diesel was available at one station.

Petrol pumps in Matsya Bhaban, Shahbag and Asadgate areas were found

shut in the afternoon.

Palash Das, an employee of a private organisation, was seen waiting at Elina Oil Pump at Notunrasta More in Khulna.

He said he rushed here knowing the news, but couldn't manage to refill his bike.

"I was supposed to go to my working station at Batiaghata which is 25 km away from here. Now, I have to take oil from the roadside shops at a higher rate," he added.

Meanwhile, over three hundred tank-lorry drivers were waiting at different parts of three state-owned oil depots - Padma, Meghna and Jamuna - of the Khalishpur area in Khulna. (Our Correspondent, Khulna contributed to this report)

It's for govt

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Junaid Saki, chief coordinator of Ganosanhati Andolon, said the government needs this law to maintain its power and legitimise the suppression of dissent.

"No matter what we discuss here, these laws will remain in place as long as they are in power. So, the movement to repeal this law is the movement to remove the government from power."

To keep people in fear is a tool of this government, the detention of Jagannath University student Khadijatul Kobra in jail for a year is just an example of that, Saki said.

Saiful Huq, general secretary of Biplabi Workers' Party, said, "It's [CSA] not about cybersecurity; it's actually a law for the government's security."

Japan

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discussion with some Japanese companies the day after tomorrow.

"We would like to hear their voices and try to support them," he said.

Creating a better investment environment is really a key and important area for satisfying Japanese companies, he added.

He praised the recent start of direct flight between Dhaka and Narita, saying this could be an important factor in satisfying Japanese businesses.

Nakanishi also said Japan is working to build a value-chain industry between Bangladesh and the northeastern states of India which might benefit the countries in the expansion of businesses.

TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders hereby invited by Prime Bank Limited from reputed Suppliers/Manufacturers/Authorized Distributors in the relevant field for providing below item:

Name of Work	Period of Sale		Date of Submission & Opening
	From	To	
Procurement of 60 units Cash Recycler Machines (CRM)	04.09.2023	04.10.2023	04.10.2023

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Vice President & Head
Facility Management Division

Save the Children

Date: September 04, 2023

Invitation for Tender

Save the Children International (SCI) is hereby inviting for tender from interested experienced bona fide vendors for Providing **Internet Bandwidth & Data Networking Services under Framework Agreement** for its offices and other locations in Bangladesh. For details, please see the IFT schedule, which is available on <http://procurement.scibd.info/> under tender notification. Downloaded copy is acceptable for tender participation.

SL	Name of IFT	Reference No.	Pre-Tender Meeting Schedule and Place	Last date of Tender Submission
1	Internet Bandwidth & Data Networking Services under Framework Agreement	IFT/SCI/BDCO/FY-23/0010 (Manual)	Pre-bid Meeting: September 10, 2023 at 3:00 PM https://zoom.us/j/94587238754?pwd=QWFDRUpqbzNCNUFISVg5Z2JpNlplZz09 Meeting ID: 945 8723 8754 Passcode: 461863	September 25, 2023, at 3:00 PM

Special Instruction: (a) All activities in connection with the said procurement of Goods/Services will be guided as per the SCI's Procurement Policies. **(b)** If it is not possible to receive & open the tender on the scheduled date for any unavoidable circumstances, the same will be received and opened on the following working date at same time and same place. **(c)** If the Tenderer(s) submit any false/incorrect or fake documents then the provided bid by tenderer will be considered as disqualified. **(d)** The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders.

Head of Supply Chain

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Academic Qualification:

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Essential Requirements:

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- Experience in managing online admission systems

Experience:

- At least 5 years, preferably in academic institutions.

Age: Not exceeding 35 years.

Pay Scale: Tk. 25,383-2,538-63,456 (as per NSU policy).

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- Proficient in oral and written English and Bangla, good interpersonal communication skills, supervisory experience, and well conversant in computer applications in MS Office, email and social media.
- Willingness to work during holidays and after-hours if necessary.
- Third division/ class/ equivalent CGPA of the candidates in any educational level will not be accepted.

NSU reserves the right not to appoint anyone if suitable candidates are not found.
Any prior communication or persuasion to the position will be considered as a disqualification. Interested candidates are requested to apply through jobs.northsouth.edu by 3rd October 2023.

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INVITATION FOR RE-TENDER

Memo No-25.36.2600.142.07.009.23-2284

Dated:----- 1430 Bang.
31.08.2023 Eng.

e-tenders are invited in e-GP System portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) by the Executive Engineer, Azimpur PWD Division, Newmarket, Dhaka.

Tender ID No.	Brief Description	Tender Documents Publication Date & Time.	Tender Documents Last Selling Date & Time	Tender Documents Closing/Opening Date & Time
863012	Construction of Multi-storied residential flat for Government officers in Azimpur Govt. Colony (Zone-A), Dhaka. Sub head: Rainwater harvesting for 15 Buildings. FY: 2022-2023	04-Sep-2023 10:00	17-Sep-2023 16:00	18-Sep-2023 13:00

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender 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>). Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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Date- 03/09/2023

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Tender ID No.	Last Selling Date	Opening Date
869608, 869615, 869616, 869628, 869629, 869642, 869644, 869655, 869656, 869658, 869662, 869663, 870103 & 870165	13/09/2023	14/09/2023

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Local Government Engineering Department
Office of the Executive Engineer
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Date: 03/09/2023

e-Tender Notice

Invitation for Tender No. 07/e-GP/2023-24

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Sl No.	Tender ID	Name of scheme	Last selling date & time	Closing date & time
01	867722 (LTM)	LGED/SHER/VRP/Re-hab/23-24/W-21 Rehabilitation of Dudnal UZR-Moriunnagar Mission Road from Ch 00m-1500m (Road ID: 389375024) under Jhenagati Upazila District: Sherpur.	19-09-2023 14:00	20-09-2023 14:00
02	867723 (LTM)	LGED/SHER/VRP/Re-hab/23-24/W-22 Rehabilitation of Dupuria-Bilashpur Road from Ch. 00m-2600m (Road ID: 389375037) under Jhenagati Upazila, District: Sherpur	19-09-2023 14:00	20-09-2023 14:00
03	867724 (LTM)	LGED/SHER/VRP/Re-hab/23-24/W-23 Rehabilitation of Fakrabad Bazar-Holdigram Pathorghat via Haldigram Bazar R&H Road from Ch. 735m-1500m (Road ID: 389374034) under Jhenagati Upazila, District: Sherpur.	19-09-2023 14:00	20-09-2023 14:00
04	867725 (LTM)	LGED/SHER/VRP/Re-hab/23-24/W-24 Rehabilitation of Kanduli VR-A Rd-Shannashitala Road from Ch. 00m-1110m (Road ID: 389375013) under Jhenagati Upazila, District: Sherpur	19-09-2023 14:00	20-09-2023 14:00
05	869435 (LTM)	IRIDP-3/SHER/MW-49 Maintenance of Nallitabari-Sherpur RHD (Nalgora Bazar) – Nanni RHD Road at (Ch. 00-2000m) (Road ID- 389704014) under Nallitabari Upazila, District: Sherpur	19-09-2023 14:00	20-09-2023 14:00
06	869436 (LTM)	IRIDP-3/SHER/MW-50 (a) Maintenance of Indipur Bazar-Kalibari Bazar Road at (Ch. 00-3910m) (Road ID-389904021) (b) Construction of 04 Nos. (0.625mx0.600m) U-Drain on same road at Ch. 1020m, 1705m, 2915m & 3890m, under Sreebordi Upazila, District: Sherpur.	19-09-2023 14:00	20-09-2023 14:00

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