

NATIONAL POLLS

Send applications for int'l observers by Nov 21: EC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Election Commission has called for applications from international observers and media, with a deadline of November 21, to oversee the 12th parliamentary elections.

The EC yesterday issued a notice in this regard, stating the polls are scheduled for the first half of January 2024 and emphasising the importance of observers to ensure transparency in the election process.

The Election Commission is committed to hold free, fair, credible and peaceful elections. It wants foreign election observers and Foreign media worldwide alongside local observers to observe the upcoming parliamentary elections, said the notice signed by EC secretary Jahangir Alam.

According to the Guidelines for International Election Observers and Foreign Media, applicants, whether individuals or organisations, should possess practical experience in the fields of good governance, elections, democracy, peacebuilding, and human rights.

Additionally, applicant organisations must provide proof of registration with their respective country's relevant authority and adhere to the election laws of Bangladesh.

The commission will not consider any observer accreditation applications from individuals convicted of electoral or any other fraud-related offenses.



Marking Asthami, 11 girls were worshipped at Radha Govinda and Shantaneshwari temple in Chattogram city yesterday. Referred to as "Kumari" or "Kanya" puja, this ritual celebrates several forms of the goddess Durga.

PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN

'Election train will leave in November'

Says Quader

BSS, Dhaka

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader yesterday said the next parliamentary elections will be held in line with the country's constitution.

"The election train will leave in November," he said, adding that if BNP misses the train, it will fall behind.

The minister was speaking at a discussion at Osmani Memorial Auditorium marking National Road Safety Day.

Quader expressed dissatisfaction over the movement of three-wheelers on highways and poor enforcement of the road safety act.

"Although the court has imposed restrictions on the movement of such vehicles on 22 roads, it did not stop in most places. Their movement stops when I visit the places," he said.

Quader said many roads, constructed spending millions of taka, are being damaged for a lack of load control stations. He stressed the need for installing such stations on roads and highways.

Ex-Barguna DC made OSD

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakali

Home Ministry's Public Security Division's Joint Secretary and former deputy commissioner of Barguna Md Habibur Rahman has been made an officer on special duty (OSD).

The Ministry of Public Administration issued a circular in this regard yesterday, signed by deputy secretary of the Public Administration Ministry's Senior Recruitment-2 Branch. The order will come into effect immediately, reads the notification.

On July 7, while working as the DC of Barguna, Habibur was served with a legal notice by a woman seeking compensation of Tk 5 crore. She alleged that Habibur had established a physical relationship with her promising marriage.

Habibur has not responded to the notice yet. Recently, videos allegedly of their intimate moments went viral.

Habibur couldn't be reached for comments despite repeated attempts.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Chief Electrical Engineer (East)
Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram

Invitation for Tender

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Railways.
2	Agency	Bangladesh Railway.
3	Procuring entity name	Chief Electrical Engineer (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.
4	Invitation for the services	
Package No.		Name of the services
(i) NCS-1	(i) Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for Divisional Electrical Engineer (Chattogram).	
(ii) NCS-2	(ii) Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for Divisional Electrical Engineer (Dhaka).	
(iii) NCS-3	(iii) Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for Divisional Electrical Engineer (Pahartali).	
(iv) NCS-4	(iv) Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for Senior Assistant Electrical Engineer (AC) Pahartali.	
5	Invitation Reference No. & date	(i) 54.01.1500.115.02.201.23, Date: 23.10.2023 (ii) 54.01.1500.115.02.202.23, Date: 23.10.2023 (iii) 54.01.1500.115.02.203.23, Date: 23.10.2023 (iv) 54.01.1500.115.02.204.23, Date: 23.10.2023
KEY INFORMATION		
6	Procurement method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)
7	Tender publication date	23.10.2023
8	Budget and source of fund	GOB Revenue.
9	Period and last date for selling of tender document	On all office days within working hour from 9.00 hrs. to 16.00 hrs from the date of advertisement of the tender notice up to 03.12.2023
10	Time for submission of tender	Up to 11.00 hrs of 04.12.2023
11	Time for opening of tender	At 11:30 hrs on 04.12.2023
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a.	Name and address of the selling tender document (principal)	Chief Electrical Engineer (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.
b.	Name and address of the selling tender document (others)	(i) Office of Divisional Electrical Engineer, Bangladesh Railway, Dhaka. (ii) Office of Divisional Electrical Engineer, Bangladesh Railway, Chattogram. (iii) Office of Divisional Electrical Engineer (Pahartali) Bangladesh Railway, Chattogram. (iv) Office of Senior Assistant Electrical Engineer (AC), Pahartali, Bangladesh Railway, Chattogram.
c.	Name & address of the receiving tender document	(i) Office of chief Electrical Engineer (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram. or (ii) Office of Divisional Superintendent, Carriage & Wagon Workshop, Bangladesh Railway, Pahartali, Chattogram.
d.	Name & address of the opening tender document	Office of Chief Electrical Engineer (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
13	Eligibility of tenderer	(i) Tenderer eligible to provided service according to PPA/2006 & PPR/2008 and other relevant laws of Bangladesh. (ii) Tenderer must have valid license from Department of Inspection for Factories and Establishments for Manpower Supply. (iii) Other qualifications are stated in the tender document
14	Brief description of the services	(i) NCS-1: Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for maintenance works under Divisional Electrical Engineer (Chattogram). (ii) NCS-2: Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for maintenance works under Divisional Electrical Engineer (Dhaka). (iii) NCS-3: Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for maintenance works under Divisional Electrical Engineer (Pahartali). (iv) NCS-4: Procurement of skilled & unskilled labor service for maintenance works under Senior Assistant Electrical Engineer (AC) Pahartali.
15	Price of tender documents (Taka)	Tk. 1000/- (Taka one thousand) only for each package tender document (non-refundable).
16	Package No.	Identification of package
(i) NCS-1	(i) NCS-1	(i) Chattogram.
(ii) NCS-2	(ii) NCS-2	(ii) Dhaka.
(iii) NCS-3	(iii) NCS-3	(iii) Chattogram.
(iv) NCS-4	(iv) NCS-4	(iv) Chattogram.
		Tender security amount (Taka)
		(i) Tk. 1,30,000/- only. (ii) Tk. 1,30,000/- only. (iii) Tk. 1,30,000/- only. (iv) Tk. 1,30,000/- only. (In the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft with MICR shall be submitted in favor of FA & CAO/East, Bangladesh Railway, Chattogram).
		Completion time in months
		(i) 12 (Twelve) (ii) 12 (Twelve) (iii) 12 (Twelve) (iv) 12 (Twelve)
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
17	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Habibur Rahman
18	Designation of official invitation tender	Chief Electrical Engineer (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.
19	Address of official inviting tender	Office of the Chief Electrical Engineer (East), Room No. 418, Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.
20	Contact details of official inviting tender	Mobile: 01711-506127 e-mail: cee@railway.gov.bd
21	The procuring entity reserve the right to accept or reject all tender or part thereof.	
22	Special instruction (A) If the office remains close on the last date of selling of the tender documents, date of dropping and opening of the tender, the next following working day at same time shall be deemed as the last date of selling of the tender documents, date of dropping & opening of the tender respectively. (B) Bank Guarantee is not acceptable as tender security. (C) Tenderer may collect tender document from any of the places stated in 12(a) & (b) and may submit it in any of the places stated in 12(c) & (d) of the notice.	

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Gas crisis in Ctg as LNG supply drops

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Many places in Chattogram have been experiencing a severe gas shortage from 9:00am to 3:00pm for the past two days due to low gas supply from the LNG Terminal in Moheshkhali, Cox's Bazar.

The status quo may persist until December, according to Karnaphuli Gas Distribution Company Limited (KGDCL) officials.

Manik Mia, a private car driver, was seen waiting for hours in a long queue at the Intraco CNG Filling Station in the Tigerpass area yesterday.

"Before coming here, I went to two other filling stations, but couldn't find gas anywhere. I experienced a similar situation on Saturday," he said.

Due to the gas supply interruption from 9:00am, residents flocked to hotels and restaurants to purchase food. Shaila Binte Hosain, a homemaker in Khulshi Residential area, said gas supply was unavailable from 9:00am to 3:00pm, and supply resumed in a limited scale afterwards.

Contacted, KGDCL General Manager Engineer Md Shafiqul Alam Azam Khan said the gas supply disruption is a result of receiving 280 million cubic feet (mmcf) of gas per day from the LNG

Terminal in Moheshkhali, which falls short of the daily demand of 312 mmcf.

Of this, 90 mmcf gas goes to two fertiliser factories, 37 mmcf to a power plant, and 12 mmcf is allocated to filling stations. The remaining gas is utilised to meet the demands of residential areas and commercial clients.

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Seeking anonymity, a Petro Bangla official stationed at Moheshkhali LNG Terminal, said while the terminal had been supplying 750 mmcf of gas, it has now decreased to 600 mmcf since Saturday.

This reduction is due to a slight crisis in the current LNG stock, as adjustments are made to maintain a balance with the next scheduled supply.



Vehicles queue up in front of a filling station for gas in port city yesterday.

PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN

CURBING LEAD POISONING

'We must ensure public, private collaboration'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

There must be collaborations between public and private organisations to regulate the use of lead and support safe practices to curb the menace, said speakers at an event yesterday.

They also highlighted the role of media in raising awareness.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Ministry held the national dialogue, marking the first day of International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week.

The dialogue, organised in collaboration with Eco Social Development Organisation (ESDO) and UNICEF, was held at the Department of Environment auditorium in the capital.

"Around 35.5 million children are affected by lead poisoning in Bangladesh. The country also witnesses 31,000 deaths from it annually," said Anwar Sadat, deputy programme manager of Planning, Monitoring and Research wing of Directorate General of Health Services.

Syed Marghub Morshed, chairperson of ESDO, and Emma Brigham, deputy representative of Unicef Bangladesh, also spoke at the event.

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দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১	এজেন্সি/সেভা	১	কারা অধিদপ্তর, বাংলাদেশ, ঢাকা
২	দরপত্রের নাম ও মেয়াদ	১	বিভিন্ন প্রকার কারাদণ্ড, ০১-০১-২০২৪ হতে ৩০-০৬-২০২৪
৩	দরপত্র আবেদনকারীর নাম	১	সিনিয়র জেল সুপার, চট্টগ্রাম কেন্দ্রীয় কারাগার
৪	দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তির বাক্য ও তারিখ	১	১। কারা অধিদপ্তরের স্মারক নং-৫৮/০৪.০০০০.০০০.১২.০০১.২২-২৩৯(৯৯), তারিখ ২৪-০৭-২০২৩খ্রিঃ ২। কারা উপ-মহাপরিদর্শকের কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম এর স্মারক নং-৫৮/০৪.১৫০০.০০১.০৪.০১১.২০২৩-১৭৪২, তারিখ ১৯-১০-২০২৩
৫	উদ্ধৃত শর্তাবলীর সূত্রসমূহ	১	দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে শর্তাবলী মোতাবেক
৬	দরপত্রের আবেদন পদ্ধতি	১	আইসি মন্ত্রণালয়
৭	দরপত্রের আবেদন পদ্ধতি	১	উদ্ধৃত শর্তাবলী
৮	দরপত্রের আবেদন স্থান	১	১। কারা উপ-মহাপরিদর্শকের কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম বিভাগ, চট্টগ্রাম। ২। কারা উপ-মহাপরিদর্শকের কার্যালয়, ঢাকা বিভাগ, ঢাকা। ৩। সিনিয়র জেল সুপারের কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম কেন্দ্রীয় কারাগার।
৯	দরপত্র নথি বিজ্ঞপ্তির শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১	২০-১১-২০২৩ বেলা ২:০০টা পর্যন্ত।
১০	প্রি-টেন্ডার মিটিং এর তারিখ ও স্থান	১	১২-১১-২০২৩ সিনিয়র জেল সুপারের কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম।
১১	দরপত্র জমা দেয়ার তারিখ ও সময়	১	২১-১১-২০২৩ সকাল ৯:০০টা হতে বেলা ১২:০০টা পর্যন্ত।
১২	দরপত্র জমা দেয়ার স্থান	১	১। বিভাগীয় কার্যালয়ের কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম। ২। প্রধান কার্যালয়, চট্টগ্রাম কেন্দ্রীয় কারাগার। ৩। মেসোজার্মা বাসা, চট্টগ্রাম।
১৩	দরপত্রের বাস্তবায়নের সময়	১	দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে
১৪	দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে	১	৪০০০/- (চার হাজার) টাকা মাত্র
১৫	দরপত্রের আবেদন পদ্ধতি	১	কারা কর্তৃপক্ষ কর্তৃক নির্ধারিত হারে দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে।
১৬	দরপত্রের সাথে যে সকল কাগজপত্রাদি সংযুক্ত করতে হবে	১	দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে শর্তাবলী।
১৭	দরপত্রের প্রতি বিশেষ নির্দেশনা	১	দরপত্র নথি (STD) শর্তাবলী পূর্ত করে দরপত্রের আবেদন করতে হবে।
১৮	দরপত্র সংক্রান্ত অন্যান্য তথ্যের জানার জন্য চট্টগ্রাম কেন্দ্রীয় কারা কর্তৃপক্ষের সাথে যোগাযোগ করা যেতে পারে।	১	দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে
১৯	কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণে দরপত্রের আবেদনকে বাতিল করে দেবে	১	দরপত্র নথি (STD) উদ্ধৃতিতে

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e-Tender Notice (OTM)

This is to notify all concern that, the following tenders have been published through National e-Government Procurement Portal (<https://www.eprocure.gov.bd>).

Sl No.	Tender ID	Tender name	Tender publishing date and time	Tender closing and opening date and time	Tender method
01	ID: 889009 Ref No: BKB/Admin-42/part02 (CCTV)/2023-24/787	Supply Installation and Commissioning of CCTV Camera for 90 Branches of Bangladesh Krishi Bank under Sylhet Division	17 Oct 2023 12:00	08 Nov 2023 12:00	OTM

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-Government Procurement Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-Government Procurement Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-Government Procurement Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) and you can also ask help from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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