

## Biplopi Rani Jowardar passes away

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Biplopi Rani Jowardar, additional director of National Security Intelligence, passed away yesterday after battling cancer for a long time. She was 53, said Billal Hussain, additional SP of Jashore.

Biplobi was rushed to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Medical University after her condition deteriorated. She had previously received treatment in India and Singapore.

Biplobi, wife of Jashore Police Superintendent Praloy Kumar Jowardar, was born on July 25, 1970 in the district's Manirampur upazila.

She joined NSI in 1998 and was promoted to the post of its additional director in 2020.

NSI officials and family members of the deceased have expressed deep grief over her death.

All are requested to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

## PURE DRINKING WATER 54 years of wait comes to an end

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

For around 54 years, 90 families from Khasi community in remote Kalenjee Punjee in Moulvibazar's Kamalganj upazila have been suffering from lack of access to safe water.

Their prolonged ordeal has finally come to an end, thanks to concerted efforts of some individuals, community leaders and a web content creator.

Located 40-km away from Sreemangal upazila town, the Khasi punjee is situated on a hill. Residents of the punjee used to come around 300 feet down the hill to collect water from wells for daily use, and purchase water for drinking.

Neon Kheriam of Kalenjee Punjee said due to the lack of electricity, there was no way to pump water up the hill.

"We had to buy a jug of drinking water every two days for Tk 10 per family, and had to survive on this small quantity of water," said another resident Rozina Tongper.

Ghalib Ahmed, a resident of Dhaka, and five others, including three expatriates, came forward with help after a documentary on the plight of the Kalenjee Punjee residents was published by Info Hunter, a web content creator.

Contacted, Ghalib Ahmed said they set up an 8,000-watt generator for power supply, a submersible water pump, and seven large tanks, to pump up water to the punjee for the residents.



## Include more content on climate change in textbooks

Speakers tell event

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

To promote better adaptation and disaster management in climate affected areas, former Bangladesh Bank Governor Atiur Rahman yesterday called on the government to include more content on climate change and its impact on girls in the education curriculum.

He was speaking at "Promoting Girls' Education in Climate Impacted Areas Across Bangladesh", a conference organised by POPI in collaboration with Disabled Rehabilitation and Research Association (DRRA), Credit and Development Forum (CDF) and support from Malala Fund at a city hotel.

Atiur, also chairperson of Unnayan Shamannay, said climate change is already a crisis in Bangladesh, and girls in climate impacted areas are disproportionately affected by its impacts.

He called for the inclusion of more content on climate change in textbooks, adding that this would help reform mindsets and promote better adaptation and disaster management.

"If we can ensure education for all, then we can grow better economically," he added.

Musharraf Tansen, country



representative of Bangladesh at Malala Fund, presented the keynote at the conference, which was based on workshops and discussions conducted in haor, shoals, and other coastal regions.

More than 27 percent stakeholders in these areas pointed at early marriage as a major reason that bars the advancement of girls, while 21.9 percent said economic crisis plays a vital role in being an obstacle to girls' education. Another 20.5 percent said that girls' health issues have a negative impact on their education, said Musharraf.

He recommended building better communication systems in climate-affected areas, and taking measures in climate adaptation and disaster management.

Planning Minister Abdul Mannan said empowering girls and women in all areas, including the climate-vulnerable regions, is essential for the country's development and the well-being of its people.

Speakers also suggested introducing an education system familiar to these climate affected areas, and ensuring employment for poor families and pure water for people in those regions.

## Farhad Hossain new principal of GPH Int'l School

STAR REPORT

Brig Gen (rtd) Khandaker Farhad Hossain has joined GPH International School as its principal, said a press release.

On November 5, 2023, he officially took over the charge in the presence of all teachers, officials, and employees.

GPH International School, founded by the GPH family, is the only English-medium school in Munshiganj.

Farhad is also the founder principal of President Professor Dr Iajuddin Ahmed Residential Model School and College located in Munshiganj. He served as the principal of Ispahani Public School and College, situated in Cumilla Cantonment.

Furthermore, he has been a member of the Board of Directors of Cadet College and has held the position of president in all cantonment public schools and colleges and english medium schools.



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investments of US \$1.7 trillion for clean energy annually, to achieve net zero target, but those countries are getting only one fourth of the volume, Silva shared.

"Bangladesh has a commitment to the Paris Agreement, but cannot achieve the targets if climate actions have negative impacts on the population. Climate actions must be associated with the interface of reducing inequalities," he noted.

"Sometimes, you have finance and policy, but at the end if you don't have the capacity to implement, then the projects will not deliver the right outcomes," he added.

UNOPS can support the governments in technical capacity building, project design and quality infrastructure. Many countries are just building roads, power plants, schools and hospitals, but are not including the aspects of sustainability and resilience. This is more important for Bangladesh, as it is highly exposed to disasters like floods and cyclones, Silva explained.

Silva said 92 percent of SDGs depend on good infrastructure and 80 percent of current carbon emission is related to infrastructure.

"So, my message to Bangladesh is it is fundamental to align infrastructure with sustainable development, climate actions," he said.

Da Silva added that there is no sustainable development without the capacity to overcome inequalities and to eradicate poverty.

Asked if global funding will decline with Bangladesh getting LDC graduation by 2026, Silva said there are many stories of countries that saw LDC graduation, but fell in trouble.

The level of official development assistance (ODA) remains more or less the same, but its composition changes as there will be more loans than grants. Also, the level of concession changes and there will be more focus on transportation and energy, than health and education because of more private sector involvement. Thus, many countries face negative trajectory in terms of debt, he explained.

"So, I make a point to the donors -- do not discontinue the support and partnership to Bangladesh," Silva urged.

LDC graduation should be celebrated, but problems that come out of it is inequality, poverty, and lack of sustainability.

"My message to Bangladesh -- financing for social development is a marketplace. There is supply and demand. So, you need to ensure how you still attract investments, knowing that many other countries are also champions of investment," he concluded.

## SC to hear

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Hassan fixed the date after petitioners' lawyer Tanya Amir appealed for the hearing.

Syed Rezaul Haque Chandpuri, secretary general of Bangladesh Tariqat Federation, and two others submitted the petition on June 26, requesting the SC to issue an injunction on Jamaat.

Jamaat had filed the petition against a High Court verdict that on August 1, 2013 scrapped its EC registration.

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rules, and a draft copy could be finalised by the end of December this year.

"Under the current circumstances, they [sub-agents] play an important role [in labour migration] while remaining undetectable," he said.

He said the amendment, the subsequent creation of rules, and their enforcement would be very important for ensuring safe and orderly migration, and lowering the costs of migration.

The ministry needs input from a variety of stakeholders to create the rules, he added.

## HOW THE ACT DEFINES SUB-AGENT

The act defines a "sub-agent" or "representative" as a registered person who collects migrant workers for overseas employment as per the recruiting agent's demand.

It says a recruiting agent will be able to appoint a person registered as a sub-agent under a process determined by rules, and their role and responsibility will also be determined by rules.

According to the law, a recruiting agent will be punished with a one-year jail term or up to a Tk 5,00,000 fine for appointing a sub-agent while violating the law, and an unregistered person acting as a sub-agent will be handed a one-year jail term or up to a Tk 2,00,000 fine.

RMMRU founding chair Prof Tasneem Siddiqui said the law's amendment will not only help make sub-agents accountable, but be crucial to holding recruiting agents

accountable.

She said BMET, as a regulatory body under the expatriates' welfare ministry, should play the main role in holding sub-agents accountable.

For this, BMET should maintain a database of registered sub-agents, which will help it make them accountable more effectively, she added.

Syed Saiful Haque, chairman of Warbe Development Foundation, said recognition of sub-agents was a necessity to ensure fair recruitment and protect migrant workers from fraudulence and debt bondage.

He emphasised the need for speedy formulation of the rules and their implementation and said sub-agents should be provided with identification cards once they are formally enlisted.

Ali Haider Chowdhury, secretary general of Bangladesh Association of International Recruiting Agencies (Baira), said discussions are needed with recruiting agents and other stakeholders before formulating the rules.

He said Baira can play its role in ensuring accountability in the sector.

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by December next year. However, if not, we will surely complete it by June 2025," added the project director.

"There were 11 land acquisition cases related to the SASEC project. We have already received money for acquiring lands in Palashbari upazila and have started paying the

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When Sanjur didn't hand the child over within time, the HC on November 17 ordered Sanjur and police to produce the child before the court on November 21. It also directed Sanjur not to leave the country.

However, DMP informed the HC through Deputy Attorney General Begum Bagmar that Sanjur left the country with the child already, so the HC issued a contempt of court rule against Sanjur.

On December 15, the HC sentenced Sanjur to six months' imprisonment and fined him Tk 1 lakh in this connection.

Sanjur's lawyer Munshi Moniruzzaman told this correspondent that Sanjur came back to Bangladesh

owners. However, we are yet to receive the funds for Gobindaganj lands," said Md Zahid Hasan Siddiquee, additional deputy commissioner of Gaibandha district administration.

"We are yet to get money for acquiring lands in Gobindaganj. We will start the process upon getting the fund," he added.

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from Australia along with the child on October 17 this year and surrendered before the lower court concerned on October 23 in connection with the contempt of court case, and the lower court sent him to jail the same day.

Now the child will remain in the custody of his mother Sadika until the cases are disposed of by the family court, said Sadika's lawyer.

## PRAYER

## TIMING

NOVEMBER 7

Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 5:00	12:45	3:45	5:25	7:00
JAMAAT 5:35	1:15	4:00	5:30	7:30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION





**Request for Concept Note for 2023**

The Climate Bridge Fund (CBF) is a trust established by BRAC with support from Government of Germany through KfW. It is an innovative direct climate finance mechanism which will support any NGOs (registered under NGO Affairs Bureau) work in Bangladesh. CBF Secretariat invites project concept notes from NGOs to increase the resilience of people living in urban areas who are either displaced or are at risk of being displaced due to the impacts of climate change. The fund supports vulnerable communities in Rajshahi, Khulna & Barisal city corporations and Sathkira & Sirajganj municipalities. Each concept note should cover at least one aforesaid project area. Duration of the project may vary from 3 to 5 years and estimated budget should be limited within BDT 50 lakh to 3 crores.

In addition to local/national NGOs, also international NGOs are welcome to apply under the condition that the proposed projects include a strong collaboration with local/national NGOs.

For detailed instructions to apply, please visit our website: <http://www.brac.net/cbf>


All interested NGOs are requested to complete and submit the project concept note in approved template to: [cbf.info@brac.net](mailto:cbf.info@brac.net) with subject: **CBF/CCW/NGOs/2023/01**. Requested concept note must be submitted in English.

Deadline for submitting: **Sunday, 24 December 2023, 23.59 pm BST**

Any form of persuasion shall result in disqualification



**NOTICE : THE 21<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)**



**Cadet College Club Limited**

CCCL/SECT/MEETING/GB/00104A/205 06 November 2023

The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Cadet College Club Limited will be held as per Art. 49 of the Articles of Association.

**Date : Saturday, 09 December 2023**  
**Time : 1100 hours**  
**Venue : Cadet College Club Limited, Purbachal**  
(Plot # 002, Road # 203A, Sector-12, Purbachal New Town)

**Agenda :**

- Confirmation of the minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on Friday, 09 December 2022.
- Confirmation of the minutes of the Extra-ordinary General Meeting (EGM-1) held on Saturday, 30 September 2023 and adjourned meeting held on 04 November 2023.
- Confirmation of the minutes of the Extra-ordinary General Meeting (EGM-2) held on Saturday, 30 September 2023.
- Consideration of the Annual Report of the Executive Committee for the year 2023.
- Adoption of the Audited Statement of the Accounts for the Financial Year (FY) ended on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023.
- Adoption of the Annual Budget for the Financial Year (FY) ending on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
- Appointment of the Auditor(s) and fixation of the remuneration for the Auditor(s).
- Consideration and approval of budget for Permanent Club Complex (Phase-1) at CCCL, Purbachal.
- Discussion and Adoption of Resolution as proposed in the EGM 1 held on 30 September 2023 regarding the Associate Membership of Children of Primary Members after age of 30 years.
- Discussion and Adoption of Resolution(s), if any (proposed by members to EC and placed as per Article).
- Any other business allowed by the chair.
- Election of the Office Bearers for the year 2024.

Any Primary Members having cleared their respective Club dues latest by Thursday, 23 November 2023 are eligible to attend and vote in the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting of Cadet College Club Limited as per Art. 49 (f) of the Articles of Association of the Club.

Sd/  
**(TM Shahidul Islam)**  
Secretary General

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**Invitation for Tenders (IFT)**

Invitation Reference No. MIS/2/OTM/MAIL FILTER AND SITE LOCKER/2023-24 Date: 05.11.2023

Description of works	Type, method	Closing & opening date and time	Tender/proposal security
Mail filtering (including SSL Certificate) work and procurement of Site Locker Software and SSL Certificate to maintain the security of application software and to maintain spam free mail accounts of PWD. FY 2023-2024	OTM (Goods)	16-Nov-2023 12:00 16-Nov-2023 12:00	12,000 (twelve thousand Taka)

**Md. Nafiz Mahmood**  
Executive Engineer (E/M)  
PWD E/M MIS Division-2  
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**e-GP Tender Id No.**

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Memo No. 26.06.0000.007.07.001-23/1565 Date: 06.11.2023

**e-Tender Notice**

This is to notify all concern that the following tender have published through e-GP Portal.

Tender ID & Package No.	Name of goods	Publication date & time	Last selling and closing date & time
896921 RJSC-G-2023_24- PKG-01	Installation, Configuration & Maintenance support of RJSC IT Systems (Hardware)	08.11.2023; 10.00am;	23.11.2023; 12:00pm & 23.11.2023; 01:30pm

The interested persons/firms may visit the website [www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) to get the details of the tender. This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender registration in the National e-GP Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required.

Further information and guideline are available in the National e-GP System Portal and e-GP help desk ([helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)).

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