

# Filling up a canal for playground

GODNAIL AREA IN NARAYANGANJ

Residents allege local councillor trying to grab land

SAURAV HOSSAIN SIAM, from Narayanganj

A canal has been filled up with sand in the name of establishing a playground in the Godnail area of Narayanganj City Corporation.

Locals alleged the canal was filled using dredger pipes two weeks ago under supervision of local councillor ltekhhar Alam Khokon, also publicity and publication secretary of Awami League's Narayanganj city unit.

The century-old canal, which flows to the Shitalakshya river, is located in Baghpara area under Ward-10.

The canal drains rainwater during monsoons, minimising waterlogging in three nearby wards. Residents of those wards said they will suffer if the canal's flow remains blocked.

They also alleged Khokon wants to grab the land, using the playground as an excuse.

Two weeks ago, we suddenly found the ditch and canal filled with sand. Even during construction of the road, the canal was not touched. Now, it has been filled in the name of making a playground," said Taslima Akter, a local.

"This canal has existed since the British period. Earlier, it had strong water flow and navigability, with boats and trawlers operating in it. Although water flow was no longer strong, at least it was preventing waterlogging," said Abdus Samad, 78,



This is what's left of the canal in Godnail area of Narayanganj after the waterbody was filled up with sand using dredger pipes. Locals alleged that the councillor filled up the century-old canal in guise of setting up a field.

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another resident.

Neighbouring ward councillor Ruhul Amin said if the canal's flow is stopped, locals will suffer from waterlogging. It shouldn't be allowed to happen. Also, NCC had taken on a project to dredge, restore and beautify this canal.

Visiting the area recently, this correspondent saw the canal's water flow was blocked, as it was filled with sand at the entry point of Baghpara area. A ditch in

railway land beside the canal was also filled up. Some dredger pipes were lying there.

A signboard there read, "This space is selected by Shahid Majibur Sporting and Academy as a playground for football and cricket." Earlier, an NCC team, led by surveyor Kalam Molla visited the spot.

This is a government canal, no one can fill it without NCC's permission as it is within the city area. Another part is owned by the railway, he said.

"We got to know this canal and ditch had been filled under supervision of local councillor Khokon. We informed the mayor in this regard," said Kalam.

Abul Bashar, former member of Godnail union parishad, said locals met Khokon to protest the actions but he said the field is being established for their benefit.

Contacted, Khokon claimed local youth requested him to establish a playground and sporting club there, adding that he allowed them on goodwill.

"But I told them they can't block the canal's entry point in any way. They assured me that a drain will be made there. However, some locals objected to this, so I asked them to stop the work," he said.



Contacted, NCC Mayor Selina Hayat Ivy said, "We have developed several fields on our own initiative. When we are working to save canals and waterbodies, a playground cannot be made by filling up a canal. It's a crime. We have asked the councillor to give an explanation in writing."



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DHAKA-MAWA EXPRESSWAY

## Three hurt as bus catches fire

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Munshiganj

At least three people were injured as a bus caught fire at the Dhaleswari toll plaza on the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Expressway in Munshiganj yesterday.

A team from Sirajdikhan fire service brought the blaze under control in 20 minutes, said the fire station in-charge Badal Rahman.

"We were told by the staffers of the toll plaza that the fire started as the engine overheated. We also think that it was the reason for the fire. One of the injured has been sent to Sheikh Hasina National Institute of Burn and Plastic Surgery in the capital," he said.

Infrastructure of the toll plaza got damaged in the fire.

## One hurt as RCC councillor comes under attack

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

A man sustained bullet wounds during an alleged attack on a ward councillor of Rajshahi City Corporation on Thursday night.

Akrumul Haque Guddu, 35, an aide to councillor Md Moniruzzaman of ward-27, was admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital with a bullet injury to his right leg, said Md Suhrawardy Hossain, officer-in-charge of Boalia Police Station.

The injured was later transferred to Dhaka for better treatment, the OC said.

Followers of Tarikul Islam, an expelled Chhatra League man, carried out the attack around 11:00pm in Baliapukur area, said the police officer, adding that the BCL man is now on the run.

The attackers fired at least eight shots and one of the shots hit Guddu, he added.

Police went to the spot and brought the situation under control, the OC said.

"At least four of the attackers were carrying pistols," said Moniruzzaman.



MAWTS, a trust of Caritas Bangladesh, celebrated its golden jubilee on its campus yesterday. Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chowdhury and Dr Atiur Rahman, Emeritus Professor at Dhaka University and former governor of Bangladesh Bank, among others, were present on the occasion.

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## Elephant found dead in Cox's Bazar

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

An elephant was found dead near a forest of Eidgaon upazila in Cox's Bazar yesterday morning.

Anwar Hossain Khan, range officer of Eidgaon Range under Cox's Bazar North Forest Division, said locals spotted the female mammal, aged around 40 to 45, at the foothill of Uttarshia Para under Eidgaon union in the morning and informed them.

No external injuries were found in the elephant's body and it seems that the animal died due to old age complications, Anwar said.

Dr Zulkarnaim, veterinary officer of Dulahazra Safari Park, who conducted the autopsy, said in primary examination it was found that the elephant died due to heart complications.

"We didn't find any mark of electrocution in the body," he added.

## Truck set on fire in Sitakunda

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Misceants set a truck on fire on the Dhaka-Chattogram highway in Chattogram's Sitakunda upazila early yesterday.

The truck, owned by one Jamal Uddin Saodagar, was parked by the highway in front of a garage in Banur Bazar area, said OC Tofail Ahmed of Sitakunda Police Station. Unknown miscreants torched the truck around 5:00am, he added.

Locals managed to douse the blaze, he said.

However, no casualty was reported in the incident. Police were investigating the matter, the OC added.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Water Resources

Bangladesh Water Development Board

INVITATION OF TENDERS

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Water Resources			
2. Agency	Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB)			
3. Procuring Entity Name	Khulna Dredger Operation Division			
4. Procuring Entity District	Khulna			
5. Invitation for	Tender - Single Lot			
6. Invitation Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM)			
7. Budget and Sources of Funds	Government			
8. Department Partners (if Applicable)				
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
9. Project/Program Code (if Applicable)	-			
10. Project/Program Name	Protection of Barishal Airport from Sugandha River erosion at Babuganj Upazila, Barishal.			
11. Tender Package No.	BSL/AIRPORT/DR-03/L3			
12. Tender Package Name	Dyke Construction in connection with Sugandha River Dredger from Km 0.000 to Km 1.600 = Total 1.600 KM at opposite side of Barishal Airport area in Babuganj, Barishal.			
13. Tender Publication Date	27-Nov-2023, 12:30			
14. Tender Last Selling Date	12-Dec-2023, 14:30			
15. Tender Last Submission Date & Time	12-Dec-2023, 15:00			
16. Tender Opening Date & Time	12-Dec-2023, 15:00			
17. Name & Address of the office of Selling/Receiving/Opening of the Tender Document.	Khulna Dredger Operation Division, BWDB, Labonchara, Khulna, Bangladesh.			
18. Place/Date/Time of Pro Tender Meeting (Optional)	As mentioned in e-GP notice.			
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER				
19. Eligibility of Tenderer	All national contractors who are eligible at e-gp portal.			
20. Brief Description of related Services	Dyke Construction in connection with Sugandha River Dredger from Km 0.000 to Km 1.600 = Total 1.600 KM at opposite side of Barishal Airport area in Babuganj, Barishal.			
21. Tender Document Price	BDT. 2000			
22. S.N	Identification of lot	Location	Tender Security (TK.)	Completion time
1	Dyke Construction in connection with Sugandha River Dredger from Km 0.000 to Km 1.600 = Total 1.600 KM at opposite side of Barishal Airport area in Babuganj, Barishal.	Babuganj, Barishal	250500	30-Jun-2025
23. Name of Official inviting Tender	Shaon Ahmed			
24. Designation of Official inviting Tender	Executive Engineer.			
25. Address of Official inviting Tender	BWDB, Labonchara, Khulna, Khulna-9000, Bangladesh.			
26. Contact Details of Official inviting Tender	<a href="mailto:xenkdd@gmail.com">xenkdd@gmail.com</a>			
27. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept any or reject all the Tenders. The tender notice is also available at e-GP.				

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(Engr. Shaon Ahmed)

Executive Engineer

Khulna Dredger Operation Division,

BWDB, Khulna.

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Office of the Chief Commercial Manager (East)

Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.

INVITATION FOR TENDER

1	Ministry Division	Ministry of Railway			
2	Agency	Bangladesh Railway.			
3	Procuring Entity Name	Chief Commercial Manager (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram			
4	Invitation for the Service's				
	Package No	Name of the Service's			
	(i) NCS-1	(i) Outsourcing of category-4 (Skilled Labour) for Dhaka Metropolitan Area DCO/Dhaka jurisdiction for 6 months.			
	(ii) NCS-2	(ii) Outsourcing of category-2 & 4 (Skilled Labour) for Dhaka Metropolitan Area DCO/Dhaka jurisdiction for 6 months.			
	(iii) NCS-3	(iii) Outsourcing of category-4 (Skilled Labour) for Dhaka City Corporation, DCO/Dhaka jurisdiction for 6 months.			
	(iv) NCS-4	(iv) Outsourcing of category-4 (Skilled Labour) for Dhaka City Corporation & others area, DCO/Dhaka jurisdiction for 6 months.			
	(v) NCS-5	(v) Outsourcing of category-2, 3 & 4 (Skilled Labour) for Chattogram City Corporation, DCO/Chattogram jurisdiction for 6 months.			
	(vi) NCS-6	(vi) Outsourcing of category-4 (Skilled Labour) for Chattogram City Corporation, DCO/Chattogram jurisdiction for 6 months.			
	(vii) NCS-7	(vii) Outsourcing of category-4 (Skilled Labour) for Chattogram Division Chattogram City Corporation & Others Area, DCO/Chattogram jurisdiction for 6 months.			
5	Invitation reference No & date	(i) 54.01.1500.107.11.001.23 (NCS-1), Date: 23.11.2023 (ii) 54.01.1500.107.11.002.23 (NCS-2), Date: 23.11.2023 (iii) 54.01.1500.107.11.003.23 (NCS-3), Date: 23.11.2023 (iv) 54.01.1500.107.11.004.23 (NCS-4), Date: 23.11.2023 (v) 54.01.1500.107.11.005.23 (NCS-5), Date: 23.11.2023 (vi) 54.01.1500.107.11.006.23 (NCS-6), Date: 23.11.2023 (vii) 54.01.1500.107.11.007.23 (NCS-7), Date: 23.11.2023			
KEY INFORMATION					
6	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (OTM) (OSTEM)			
7	Tender publication date	25.11.2023			
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 10.12.2023			
10	Time for submission of tender	Up to 12:00 hrs. of 11.12.2023			
11	Time for opening of tender	At 12:30 hrs. on 11.12.2023			
12	a. Name and address of the selling tender document (Principal)	Office of the Chief Commercial Manager (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.			
	b. Name and address of the selling tender document (Others).	(i) Office of Chief Commercial Manager (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram. (Package: NCS-1 to 7). (ii) Office of Divisional Commercial Officer, Bangladesh Railway, Dhaka (Package: NCS-1 to 4). (iii) Office of Divisional Commercial Officer, Bangladesh Railway, Chattogram (Package: NCS-5 to 7).			
	c. Name & Address of the receiving Tender document.	Office of Chief Commercial Manager (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.			
	d. Name & Address of the Opening Tender document.	Office of Chief Commercial Manager (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.			
INFORMATION FOR TENDER					
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 (DIFE) for Manpower Supply iii) Other qualifications are stated in the tender document.			
14	Brief description of the Service's	Same as serial no-4.			
15	Price of tender document's (Take)	Tk. 2000/- (Take two thousand) only for each package tender document (Nonrefundable) By A challan).			
16	Package No.	Identification of Package.	Location	Tender security Amount (Take)	Completion time in months
	(i) NCS-1	(i) NCS-1	(i) Dhaka.	(i) Tk. 1,17,500/- only.	(i) 06 (Six)
	(ii) NCS-2	(ii) NCS-2	(ii) Dhaka.	(ii) Tk. 80,000/- only.	(ii) 06 (Six)
	(iii) NCS-3	(iii) NCS-3	(iii) Dhaka.	(iii) Tk. 71,000/- only.	(iii) 06 (Six)
	(iv) NCS-4	(iv) NCS-4	(iv) Dhaka.	(iv) Tk. 1,21,000/- only.	(iv) 06 (Six)
	(v) NCS-5	(v) NCS-5	(v) Chattogram	(v) Tk. 72,000/- only.	(v) 06 (Six)
	(vi) NCS-6	(vi) NCS-6	(vi) Chattogram	(vi) Tk. 87,000/- only.	(vi) 06 (Six)
	(vii) NCS-7	(vii) NCS-7	(vii) Chattogram	(vii) Tk. 81,500/- only.	(vii) 06 (Six)
(In the form of Pay Order/Bank Draft with MICR shall be submitted in favor of FA & CAO/East, Bangladesh Railway, Chattogram).					
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS					
17	Name of official inviting tender	Mohammad Nazmul Islam			
18	Designation of Official invitation	Chief Commercial Manager (East), Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Tender.			
19	Address of official inviting tender	Office of the Chief Commercial Manager (East), Room no 114, Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.			
20	Contact details of official inviting tender	Mobile : 01711-506114 e-mail: <a href="mailto:ccme@railway.gov.bd">ccme@railway.gov.bd</a>			
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. Bank Guarantee is not acceptable as tender security.		
		(B)	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) of the notice.		
		(C)			
এস(২৩) (৩৬৭)		Mohammad Nazmul Islam Chief Commercial Manager (East) Bangladesh Railway, CRB, Chattogram.			
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