

# CTG EXPRESSWAY Century-old raintrees to be felled for a ramp

SIFAYET ULLAH, Ctg

Defying its own policy, Chattogram Development Authority (CDA) has decided to fell 46 trees -- including two century-old rain trees -- in CRB area of Chattogram city to construct a ramp of Chattogram Elevated Expressway.

The CDA has already gotten permission from the Forest Department to cut these trees, including 11 rain trees.

According to a survey conducted by a teacher of Chittagong University's botany department and an NGO, the CRB area is home to 225 rare plant species.

Meanwhile, a Detailed Area Plan (DAP) prepared by CDA, which was published in Gazette on January 25, 2009, designated CRB as a cultural heritage site.

According to the gazette, no part of CRB can be used for commercial purposes, and no high-rise buildings can be constructed there.

However, CDA itself is going to construct this ramp, violating its DAP.

"We gave permission to CDA as per their demand following the existing forest act," said SM Kaiser, divisional forest officer of the Chattogram North Forest Division.

He said as the land is owned by Bangladesh Railway (BR), it can step in to protect these trees.

Contacted, Mahfuzur Rahman, director of the Chattogram Elevated Expressway project and executive engineer of CDA, told The Daily Star, "The ramp construction is not possible without cutting down the trees."

However, Delwar Majumdar, former chairman of the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh (Chattogram centre), told reporters that there is a chance to access the elevated expressway from GEC intersection and Agrabad.

Hence, there is no need to construct the ramp at Tigerpass between these two places, he added.

However, some environmental organisations have already announced a demonstration in the CRB area to protect the trees.

Ritu Parvee, co-founder of Green Fingers Bangladesh, SEE PAGE 4 COL 6

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Former chairman of the IEB (Chattogram centre)

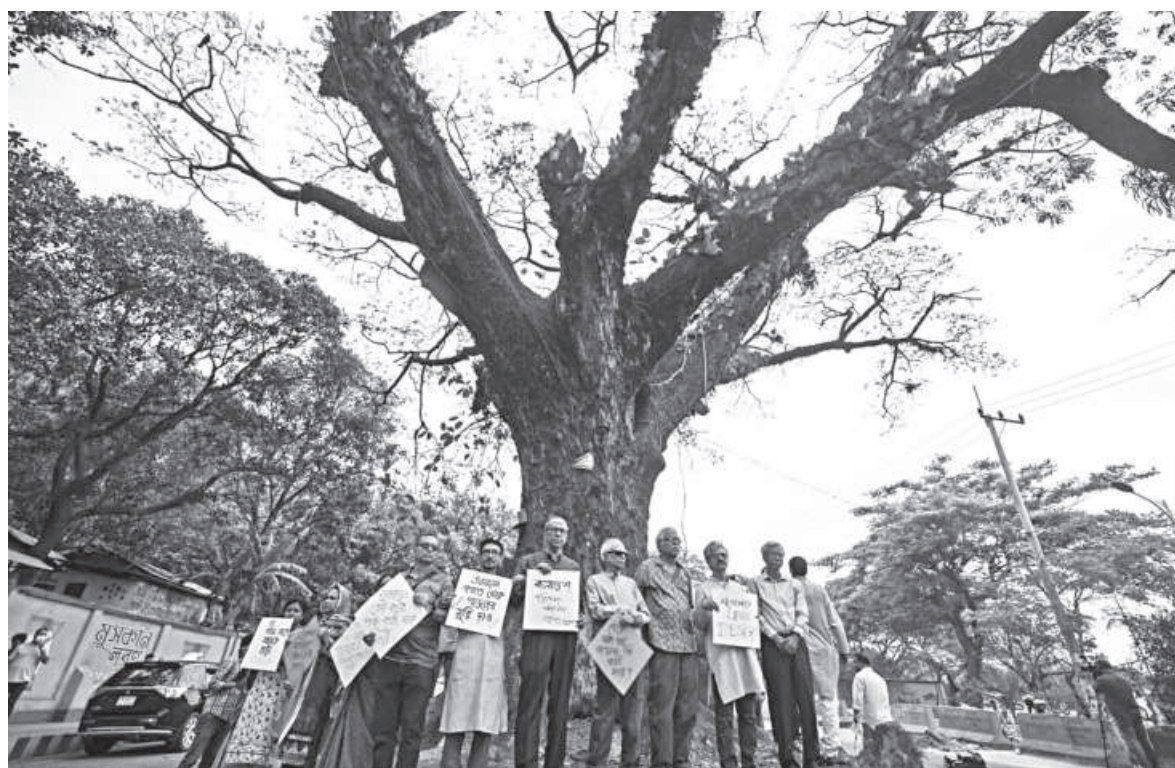


PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN  
Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon formed a human chain at Chattogram city's Tigerpass area yesterday, protesting against a move to fell trees for the construction of a ramp for the Chattogram Elevated Expressway.

## KILLING OF FOREST OFFICER

# Not the first time in Cox's Bazar

MOKAMMEL SHUVO, Cox's Bazar

The killing of Sazzaduzzaman, 30, a forest officer in Cox's Bazar, was not the first time that a forest official got killed by those involved in hill razing and tree felling in the forest areas of Cox's Bazar.

Sazzad, a beat officer Doohari Forest Beat of Ukhiya range under Cox's Bazar South Forest Division, tried to stop a dump truck carrying stolen earth from a razed hill on

Sunday when the truck ran over and left him dead on the spot.

Earlier on July 30, 2020, Md Yousuf Uddin, 30, a forest officer of Maheshkhali Range, was injured when he came under attack by miscreants damaging a forest area in order to make space for growing betel leaf.

Yousuf later succumbed to his injuries while undergoing treatment at the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of Chattogram Medical

College Hospital (CMCH) seven days later.

A case was filed in this connection on August 1, 2020, in which five persons were arrested. However, four of the accused walked out of jail in 2022 after securing bail from the High Court, said Mohammad Belayet Hossen, divisional forest officer, Coastal Afforestation Division, Chattogram.

There were numerous incidents SEE PAGE 4 COL 7

## 12TH NATIONAL POLLS

# AL says it spent Tk 2.76cr

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The ruling Awami League spent Tk 2.76 crore in the 12th national election, as stated in their expenditure report submitted to the Election Commission.

After submitting the report, HN Ashkur, the party treasurer, told the media that the expenditure was Tk 1.5 crore in the 11th national election.

A delegation of AL, led by its presidium member Kazi Zafarullah submitted the report to the EC secretary Md Jahangir Alam at the EC office in the capital's Agargaon.

"The total expense of Awami League for the polls stands at Tk 2,76,78,120. Candidates usually spend from their own funds, which is why the party's expenditure is relatively low," said HN Ashkur Rahman.

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# CHT lagging behind in maternity service: speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rangamati, Khagrachari and Bandarban -- under Chattogram Hill Tracts are lagging behind in maternity services, said speakers at an event yesterday.

The rate of maternal mortality in CHT is higher than the other districts due to the lack of proper doctors, midwifery services and infrastructural development, the speakers added.

They emphasised proper coordination and an integrated plan among the government's organisations, NGOs, community health service providers, and stakeholders to ensure safe birth and maternity services.

The speakers came up with the opinion while addressing a workshop titled "Expanding Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) and Health Sector Response to Gender-based Violence (HGBV) services in hard-to-reach areas of Chattogram Hill Tracts".

Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs jointly

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০২	দরপত্রের নাম	Procurement of Goods
০৩	দরপত্রের পদ্ধতি	উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি
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০৮	দরপত্র তফসিল নথিভুক্ত স্থান	ক/ সক্রিয়তা, প্রতিরক্ষা সার্ভে অধিদপ্তর, বাংলাদেশ জরিপ অধিদপ্তর (স/স) পলিটেক, ২৩০০০৭/নিল হাজার টাকার, বাংলাদেশ জরিপ অধিদপ্তর (স/স) মাসেমোবা, সিঙ্গল স্ট্রুপ অফিস, বাংলাদেশ জরিপ অধিদপ্তর (স/স) নিরাপত্তা ও কল্যাণকর অফিস, বাংলাদেশ জরিপ অধিদপ্তর
০৯	কর্মী	দরপত্র জমাফত কার্য সম্পাদকের সময়
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১১	সেবা/সেবার নাম ও বিবরণ	নিম্নে স্বাক্ষরকারী ব্যক্তির মেসোযোগ্য করতে হবে।
১২	বিশেষ বিবেচনা ও সরবরাহকারী/সিডিএস অফিসের বৈধ প্রতীক নথিভুক্ত, সিডিএসের সার্টিফিকেট, যাতে প্রতিবেদনের সার্টিফিকেট এবং, যাতে সর্বশেষ সিডিএসের সার্টিফিকেট থাকবে।	
১৩	কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ মর্মেণ্ডা বাহিনীতে কে কোন/সরকারি বাহিনী অথবা গ্রহণ করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।	

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# YOUTH MURDER No headway even in six months

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Barishal

Law enforcers are yet to make any significant progress in the investigation of a case filed over six months ago in connection with the murder of a physically challenged youth in Ujirpur upazila of Barishal.

Moreover, the investigation officer in the case has been changed four times since the case was filed.

On August 28 last year, Mehedi Hasan, 19, went out of his house in Machhranga village under the upazila around 8:00pm, but did not return home later.

His blood-stained body was recovered from the courtyard of his house two days later.

Mehedi's father Kashem Bepari filed the case against unidentified accused with Ujirpur Police Station on August 30.

After police failed to make any headway in the investigation, it was later transferred to the Detective Branch of police, confirmed Ali Arshad, officer in charge of the police station.

"Although Mehedi was physically challenged, he was the lone earner of the family. My other son Naim went missing around six years ago. Now Mehedi is also no more. How will we live now?" said Mehedi's mother Hasina Begum.

Police had arrested a local Jamal Kha and his associate Sourav in the case, but they were later released on bail.

"Jamal Kha and their associates often forced my son to marry his sister's housemaid, but Mehedi

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# Three killed in road accidents

STAR REPORT

At least three people were killed in road accidents in Khulna and Dhaka yesterday, according to the reports from our correspondents.

In Khulna, two people were killed when a cement-carrying truck hit a bicycle on Meherpur-Chudanga road in Chandbil area.

One deceased was identified as Hasan Ali, 21, of Chandbil village.

Additional Superintendent of Police (Circle) Abdul Karim said the accident left the bicycle riders dead on the spot. On information, two teams of fire service and police went to the spot and arrested truck driver Babul.

The bodies were sent to Meherpur General Hospital morgue for autopsy.

Meanwhile, a 60-year-old man died after being hit by a private car in Dhaka's Dhanmondi area.

The deceased, identified as Anisur Rahman, was a security guard at a factory in Jurain.

The accident occurred around 1:30am as he was crossing Mirpur Road near Labaid Hospital, said Monirul Islam, a sub-inspector of Dhanmondi Police Station.

He was critically injured after the private car hit him. He was rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where doctors declared him dead around 3:30am, he added. The car sped away after the incident, the SI added.

The body was sent to the hospital's morgue for autopsy.

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**e-Tender Notice: No. 29/2023-2024**

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the following public procurement:

Sl. No.	Tender ID No.	Name of work	Tender Document last selling Date and Time	Tender Closing Date and Time
1.	968649	Repair of flexible pavement and surfacing with DBS wearing course at 15th km (p), 16th km (p), 17th km (p) and 18th km (p) of Domar-Chilahati-Vaulaganj Road (25706) under Road Division Nilphamari during the FY 2023-2024.	16-Apr-2024 17:00	17-Apr-2024 11:00
2.	968852	Repair of flexible pavement and surfacing with DBS wearing course at 18th km (p), 19th km (p), 20th km (p), 22th km (p) and 23rd km (p) of Domar-Chilahati-Vaulaganj Road (25706) under Road Division Nilphamari during the FY 2023-2024.	17-Apr-2024 17:00	18-Apr-2024 11:15

This is an online tender, where only e-Tenders 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. The fees for downloading the e-Tender Documents from the National e-GP system portal have to be deposited online through any registered Bank Branch up to particular date and time specified on the Tender Notice. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and also can be obtained from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd). For more details please contact e-GP help desk contact numbers. The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept any or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

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Memo no. 29.31.0000.011.07.602.23-242, Date: 01-04-2024

**e-Tender Notice**  
(Open Tendering Method)

This is to notify all concerned that the following tenders have amendment through e-GP portal:

Tender ID & Package No	Description	Publication Date & Closing Date
962717 & CHTDB/224382500/2023-2403	Construction of bridge over Wagga chara in front of Wagga chara BGB camp under Kaptai Upazila under the project of CONSTRUCTION OF R.C.C. GIRDER BRIDGES WITH APPROACH ROADS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM IN THE REMOTE AREAS OF RANGAMATI HILL DISTRICT.	01-Apr-2024 09:00:00 , 30-Apr-2024 12:00:00
962718 & CHTDB/224382500/2023-2401	Construction of connecting bridge between Khagrachari village and North Sarostoli village at Sarostoli union in Baghaichari upazila under the project of CONSTRUCTION OF R.C.C. GIRDER BRIDGES WITH APPROACH ROADS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM IN THE REMOTE AREAS OF RANGAMATI HILL DISTRICT.	01-Apr-2024 09:00:00 , 30-Apr-2024 12:00:00
962722 & CHTDB/224382500/2023-2404	Construction of bridge over Bara Mahapuram Canal on the road to Bhuiadana Mahasatipathan Dhutanga Aranya Sadhana Kendra at Ghilachari Union in Naniarchar Upazila under the project of CONSTRUCTION OF R.C.C. GIRDER BRIDGES WITH APPROACH ROADS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM IN THE REMOTE AREAS OF RANGAMATI HILL DISTRICT.	01-Apr-2024 09:00:00 , 30-Apr-2024 12:00:00
962726 & CHTDB/224382500/2023-2402	Construction of Bridge over Tintila chara at 6 No ward in 35 No Banglatoli Union under Baghaichari Upazila under the project of CONSTRUCTION OF R.C.C. GIRDER BRIDGES WITH APPROACH ROADS TO IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SYSTEM IN THE REMOTE AREAS OF RANGAMATI HILL DISTRICT.	01-Apr-2024 09:00:00 , 30-Apr-2024 12:00:00

The interested firms/persons may visit the website: [www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) to get the details of the Tender.

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**Invitation for Tenders (Works) LTM**  
Tender Notice No. 12/2023-2024

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the eligible bidders as defined in the tender documents for the undermentioned work(s) as per terms & conditions stated below:

Project Name	Local Government Division (LGD), UPC-2-2023-24				
1	Source of Funds: GOB				
Name of Works & Package No.	Estimated cost (Tk.)	Amount of tender security (Tk.)	Time for completion (days)	Price of tender document (Tk.)	Minimum amount of free funds cash liquid asset
Repair of Pankhali Union Parishad Complex Bhabon, Under Dacope Upazila, Khulna. (Package No- Repair/Pankhali-UPC/KHU/DAC/23-2401).	10,00,000/-	30,000/-	30	1000/-	5,00,000/-
Repair of Dacope Union Parishad Complex Bhabon, Under Dacope Upazila, Khulna. (Package No- Repair/Dacope-UPC/KHU/DAC/23-2402).	9,90,000/-	30,000/-	30	1000/-	5,00,000/-
Repair of Loudobe Union Parishad Complex Bhabon, Under Dacope Upazila, Khulna. (Package No- Repair/Loudobe-UPC/KHU/DAC/23-2403).	9,90,000/-	30,000/-	30	1000/-	5,00,000/-
Repair of Tildanga Union Parishad Complex Bhabon, Under Dacope Upazila, Khulna. (Package No- Repair/Tildanga-UPC/KHU/DAC/23-2404).	9,90,000/-	30,000/-	30	1000/-	5,00,000/-
Repair of Bajua Union Parishad Complex Bhabon, Under Dacope Upazila, Khulna. (Package No- Repair/Bajua-UPC/KHU/DAC/23-2405).	9,90,000/-	30,000/-	30	1000/-	5,00,000/-

4. Date, time & places of pre-tender meeting: Date: 02.04.2024 Time: 12.00. Places: (a) Office of the undersigned

5. Last date & time and selling tender documents: Date: 17/04/2024, Time: 04.00pm, Places: (a) Office of the undersigned, (b) The Executive Engineer, LGED, Dist: Khulna, (c) The Upazila Engineer, Batiaghata, Khulna.

6. Last date, time and places of receiving tender: Date: 18/04/2024, Time: 1.00pm, Places: (a) Office of the undersigned, (b) The Executive Engineer, LGED, Dist: Khulna, (c) The Upazila Engineer, Batiaghata, Khulna.

7. Date, time and place of opening of tender: Date: 18/04/2024, Time: 3.00pm, Place: Office of the undersigned.

8. If Rate Quoted by the Contractor 5% Excess Above/Less than Estimated cost, the tender will be directly rejected.

9. Maximum two contracts will be awarded (in case of lottery) to one tenderer under this Invitation for Tender (IFT). If the tenderer has three or more contracts already in hand which are running beyond intended completion date, the tenderer will be treated as poor performing and may not be considered for award.

10. Tender shall be valid for a period of 60 days after tender opening and must be accompanied by the tender security specified above. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons whatsoever. Interested tenderers may obtain further information from the undersigned and purchase the tender documents in Cash/Treasury Chalan/Bank Draft from the places mentioned above. The tenderer or their authorised representatives are allowed to attend the opening of tenders.

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