



Following lunch break, farm workers go back to fields in Jamtoli village under Dinajpur Sadar. Working from dawn to dusk, they earn Tk 200-300 daily. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: KONGKON KARMAKER

## The 'confession' of an AL leader

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objections," he assured.  
The video of his speech went viral on social media.  
Contacted, Gias Uddin, who contested independently against Mahbub for Chattogram-1, said, "AKM Jahangir Bhuiyan is the general secretary of Mirsarai upazila unit Awami League. I have been saying since January 7 that voters were

not allowed to exercise their rights freely... all the misdeeds have been done under his leadership."  
Regarding Bhuiyan's confession, Gias, a former upazila chairman and member of the executive committee of Chattogram north district unit AL, said, "I feel that he wanted to lighten the burden of the crime by confessing to the public."

Contacted, Jahangir said he came up with the statement to assure voters no irregularities will take place in the upazila polls. He said he did it to encourage the voters to exercise their rights to franchise against BNP's campaign of polls boycott.  
This correspondent could not reach Ruhel for comments.

## Ensure their

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in fostering prosperity and catalysing economic growth in Bangladesh.  
He highlighted the importance of upholding basic freedoms, fostering pluralistic dialogue, and advocating for the rights of all people.  
Katie Croake, chief of party at Counterpart International, also spoke.  
Gwendolyn Appel, vice-president at Counterpart International, presented the Dalit and Gram Bikash Schaok Songstha (GBSS) organisations with Counterpart International's inaugural Civic Champions Award in recognition of their efforts to support and expand the civic participation of Dalit and Cobbler communities.

## Govt, greed

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of the Geography and Environment Department at Dhaka University, said the lack of greenery, water bodies, and open spaces are primary reasons behind the ongoing heat wave.  
He said the state is directly accountable, and failure to restore greenery would lead to further issues.  
Presiding over the programme, Nur Mohammad Talukder, president of Bapa, said, "It is crucial for politicians to become more environmentally conscious."

## Barrister

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about him.  
The BIAF on April 20 relieved Khokon from BIAF for taking responsibility as SCBA president ignoring the forum's prohibition.  
BJAF termed the reasons for the action against him "violation of the party discipline".  
On April 20, Khokon at a press conference made some "unexpected" comments about Kayser for removing him from the organisation.

## জমি বিক্রয়

গুলশান-১ সল্টলা নর্থ বাডায় লেক সাইড রোড হতে ১মিনিট দূরত্বে ৩.২৫কঠার গুট বিক্রয়। রাজউক হতে পতলা পান পাশ করা। শুধুমাত্র প্রকৃত ক্রেতাসহ যোগাযোগ করুন ০১৭৮০০২০০০

**ACME Pesticides Limited**

**PRICE SENSITIVE INFORMATION (Q-3)**

This is to inform all concerned that, the Board of Directors Meeting of ACME Pesticides Limited held on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 during 5.00 P.M at its Liaison office-24/1-2, Hall Building (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor-West Side), Khiljee Road, Shyamoli, Dhaka-1207 and approved the Un-Audited Financial Statements of the Company for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter period ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 and took the following decisions:

Financial Performance	01 July 2023 to 31 March, 2024	01 July 2022 to 31 March, 2023	01 January, 2024 to 31 March, 2024	01 January, 2023 to 31 March, 2023
Revenue in BDT	578,154,843	951,626,959	185,915,938	293,528,762
Gross Profit in BDT	14,472,274	239,728,554	26,409,693	52,971,352
Net Profit/(Loss) After Tax in BDT	(79,328,777)	115,840,633	(4,662,021)	22,949,185
Earnings Per Share (EPS)	(0.59)	0.86	(0.03)	0.17
Cash Flow Position	01 July, 2023 to 31 March, 2024	01 July, 2022 to 31 March, 2023		
Net Operating Cash Flow per Share (NOCFPS)	0.001	0.57		
Financial Position	As on 31 March, 2024	As on June 30, 2023		
Net Asset Value (NAV) Per Share	17.76	18.35		

Dated: Dhaka 30 April, 2024

By order of the Board  
Sd/-  
Sabuj Kumar Ghosh  
Company Secretary (Acting)

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Office of the Principal  
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Memo No. 57.03.9131.304.07.001.23.1224 Date: ১২ বৈশাখ ১৪৩১ বঙ্গাব্দ  
25 April 2024

**e-Tender Notice**

e-Tender Notice will be invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.procure.gov.bd>) for following procurement.

Sl. No.	Tender ID No.	Description	Online notice publication date & time	Online tender opening date & time
1	977785	Repair of Residential buildings	29-Apr-2024 23:40	14-May-2024 10:45
2	977786	Repair of Other buildings & structures	29-Apr-2024 23:40	14-May-2024 10:45
3	977787	Supply of Furniture of CI & Others Room	29-Apr-2024 23:40	14-May-2024 10:45

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To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.procure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for selling/downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered banks branches. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP Portal and from e-GP help desk ([helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd](mailto:helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)), +8809609112233, +8801762625528, +8801762625529.

Sd/-  
Mohammed Rehan Uddin  
Principal (Additional Charge)  
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**এসেনসিয়াল ড্রাগস্ কোম্পানী লিমিটেড**  
৩৯৫-৩৯৭ তেজগাঁও শিল্প এলাকা,  
ঢাকা-১২০৮।  
**দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

ইডিসিএল নিম্নোক্ত আইটেমটি প্রকৃত স্থানীয় প্রস্তুতকারী/সরবরাহকারীদের (সংশ্লিষ্ট ব্যবসার সাথে জড়িত) নিকট হতে সীলমোহরকৃত দরপত্র আহবান করছে :-

ক্রমিক নং	দরপত্র নং ও তারিখ	বিবরণ	পরিমাণ
০১।	ইডিসিএল/ক্রয়/স্থানীয়/দরপত্র/২০২৪/১৮১ তারিখঃ ২৯/০৪/২০২৪ইং	Propylene Glycol BP (সিডিউল মোতাবেক)	১,০০০ কেজি

সিকিউরিটি/আর্নেস্ট মানি	দরপত্র শিডিউলের মূল্য (অফেরতযোগ্য)	দরপত্র গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়
২.৫%	টাকা ৭৫০.০০ প্রতি সেট	১৫/০৫/২০২৪ইং বেলা ১২-০০ ঘটিকা	১৫/০৫/২০২৪ইং বেলা ১২-১৫ ঘটিকা

সকল কার্যবিবেসে অফিস চলাকালিন সময়ে উপরোক্ত কার্যালয় হইতে শর্ত ও নিয়মাবলীসহ দরপত্র সিডিউল ক্রয় করা যাইবে। উল্লেখ্য যে, যাহাদের ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন নাই তাহাদের দরপত্রে অংশগ্রহণ করার প্রয়োজন নাই।  
দরপত্র খোলার দিনে কোন দরপত্র শিডিউল বিক্রয় করা হইবে না।

মহা-ব্যবস্থাপক, প্রকিউরমেন্ট পক্ষে ব্যবস্থাপনা পরিচালক।

( ৪.৫ ইঞ্চি ৪ কলাম )

## Seraj Uddin Ahmed's death anniv

### STAR REPORT

Today is the 39th death anniversary of Seraj Uddin Ahmed, founder chairman of Elite Paint Group of Companies, said a press release.  
He was also founder director of ArabBangladesh Bank Ltd, former president of Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industries and former chairman of Tea Traders Association of Bangladesh. A milad mahfil will be held at Golf Garden, Army Golf Club, Dhaka. Similar programme will also be held in Chattogram.



## 36pc domestic

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Accessing healthcare, especially mental health services, is challenging there due to shortage of facilities, skilled professionals, medicine, and diagnostic centres, alongside unaffordable private healthcare options.  
Professor Emeritus at BRAC University Ainun Nishat said climate change has lasting effects on people and their livelihoods. Nishat also highlighted the importance of research beyond baseline studies.  
Helal Uddin Ahmed, associate professor of National Institute of Mental health, Danial Novak, first secretary (health sector) of Embassy of Sweden and Jesmin Nahar, deputy secretary of environment ministry, also spoke at the event.

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Islam and Justice Md Atabullah issued the order and rule following a writ petition filed by Shamsud Doha, managing director of Grameen Krishi Foundation, challenging the legality of the filing and proceedings of the case.  
Citing the petition, Barrister Abdullah Al-Mamun said Golam Mostafa cannot file the case with the labour court as he was an administrative officer of Grameen Krishi Foundation.

He should have filed the case with a civil court under the Code of Civil Procedure, the lawyer said.

Make sure  
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members Jyotirindra Bodhipriya Larma (Santu Larma) and Sudatta Chakma.  
State Minister for Chattogram Hill Tracts Kujendra Lal Tripura and Member of Hill Chattogram Regional Council Gautam Kumar Chakma were also present on the special invitation.  
In the meeting, a seven-member committee was reconstituted under the State Minister for CHT Affairs to discuss the problems and issues related to the matters of the departments/offices handed over to the three hill district councils.

It's an insult to our culture  
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that they have "hurt religious sentiments" is turning into a trend, said the press release, adding that this violates civic rights.  
"Religious sentiments are subjective. Associating someone's opinions with the act of 'hurting religious sentiments' is ill-intentioned communalism," said Naripokkho.  
It is an abuse of the law to arrest someone based on such complaints, they added.  
Naripokkho demanded that Sanjoy's case be fully dismissed.

## Deprived at every turn

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cooking oil, let alone rice. Sometimes, we even have to skip meals altogether," said an emotional Sukon.  
Ruplal Harijan, a 37-year-old sweeper, shares Sukon's outrage over their negligible pay. "Day in and day out we clean this town - through scorching heatwaves, monsoon rains, and howling storms. Yet, the wages we receive are barely enough to survive, let alone thrive," he said.  
"We aren't provided with basic equipment like shoes, raincoats, or even safety gear. Most times we buy our own brooms!" Ruplal added.  
Dilip Basfor, president of the Sreemangal Upazila Committee of the Bangladesh Harijan Yolkha Parishad (BHYP), explained the community's long history.  
"Our families have resided in the Sreemangal sweeper colony since the British era around 1938. While the municipality covers the colony's electricity and water bills, residents have no claim to the houses or land they occupy," he said.

Sagar Basfor, general secretary of the BHYP Sreemangal, provided details about the colony's demographics.  
"Currently there are 85 families residing in this colony across 1.2 acres of land. After independence, the municipality constructed 27 single-room houses of approximately 224 square feet each. While these houses accommodated

27 families initially, the population has grown steadily, placing immense strain on the limited housing resources," he said.  
Many have resorted to building makeshift structures out of tin sheets right next to the existing houses for more space.  
The existing houses, built by the municipality decades back, are in a state of severe disrepair. Years of neglect has caused metal roofs to rust and walls to crumble. Leaks are a common problem during monsoon.  
Currently, the Sreemangal municipality employs around 37 Harijan workers. Of them, 33 work as sweepers, three on garbage trucks and one as Jamadar (Sardar).  
The Jamadar is the group leader, who earns Tk 580 monthly.  
Md Mahsin Mia, mayor of Sreemangal municipality, said, "Although their salary is low, we provide them with accommodation and other facilities. I have asked them to do more tasks like regularly cleaning the drains. Then I will pay them Tk 350 daily. But they don't agree to do such work."

The claim of providing accommodation facilities is nothing unique, as all city corporations and municipalities provide various facilities such as housing to the community.  
Compared to the situation in Moulvibazar, the minimum wage for Harijan sweepers increased to Tk 3,500 per month

from Tk 500 in last eight years alone, according to Fozlur Rahman, mayor of Moulvibazar municipality.  
Philip Gain, a researcher and director of SHED, said, "Even Bangalee cleaning staff employed on a daily basis receive more, (Tk 400 per day). Government leadership must take proactive steps to rectify these injustices," he added.  
Economist Dr Hossain Zillur Rahman expressed outrage over the abysmal wages paid to Sreemangal's Harijan sanitation workers. "A mere Tk 550 a month is simply unconscionable in 2024," he said.  
Rahman offered a two-pronged approach to address the issue.  
"Firstly, we need to shine a light on this injustice. Secondly, we must hold those in power responsible for ensuring fair treatment of essential workers," he said at an event yesterday.  
Dr Tanzimuddin Khan, professor of International Relations at Dhaka University, argued, "Instead of setting wages for each sector individually, all worker unions should unite to establish a universal minimum wage."

**PRAYER TIMING**  
MAY 1

Fazz	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4-15	12-45	4-45	6-31	8-00
JAMAAT 4-50	1-15	5-00	6-35	8-30

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

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Memo No. 46.03.8600.061.07.099.23-1068/2 Date: 28-04-2024

**Invitation for e-Tender/Re-Tender Notice**

Sl. No.	Ministry/Division	Local Government Division.
1.	Ministry/Division	Local Government Division.
2.	Implementing Agency	Department of Public Health Engineering
3.	Project/Program Name	Revenue Budget.

SL. No.	e-Tender ID	Descriptions of work	Opening/ closing date
4.	1. 877943	Construction of Main Gate with Guard Room at EE, DPHE, Shariatpur District Office under Revenue Budget during the FY-2023-24.	13-May-2024 Time: 11:00
	2. 977944	Installation of 35 Nos. Deep Tube well with 6 No. Hand Pump for House built for landless hand houseless families if Mujib Shotoborsho at all upazila of Shariatpur District under Revenue Budget during the FY-2023-24.	13-May-2024 Time: 11:00

5. Name, designation and address of / Md. Fazlul Haque, Executive Engineer, DPHE, Shariatpur district, Shariatpur. official inviting tender

6. This is online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/hard copies will be accepted. Interested persons/firms can see details in the website: [www.eprocure.gov.bd](http://www.eprocure.gov.bd)

Md. Fazlul Haque  
Executive Engineer, DPHE  
Shariatpur district, Shariatpur

GD- 693

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সড়ক বিভাগ, লালমনিরহাট।  
☎: ০৫৯১-৬১৭৭০, ☎: ০৫৯১-৬১৭৭০  
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**"সেতু ইজারা কোটেশন আহবান বিজ্ঞপ্তি"**

ভ্যাট ও আয়কর সনদধারী প্রতিষ্ঠান/নাগরিক, সরকারী/বেসরকারী/ব্যয়বহািসিত সকল প্রতিষ্ঠানের টিকাদাৰণনের নিকট হতে ৩ বই লাইসেন্স-এর ক্ষমতা/অভিজ্ঞতা অনুযায়ী সীলমোহরকৃত নামে কোটেশন আহবান করা যাবে।

ক্রমিক নং	ইজারা কোটেশন নং	বিবরণ
০১।	০১-ইউ/ইজারা/এলআরডি/২০২৩-২০২৪ (০২ম আহবান)	
০২।	২০২৪-২০২৫, ২০২৫-২০২৬ ও ২০২৬-২০২৭ অর্থ বর্ষের জন্য লালমনিরহাট সড়ক বিভাগীয় রংপুর-কুড়িয়ায় (এন-০০৬) জাতীয় মহাসড়কের ২১তম কিলোমিটারে তিন্তা সড়ক সেতুতে টোল আদায়ের নিমিত্তে ইজারাদার নিয়োগ।	
০৩।	ইজারা চুক্তির মেয়াদ	১০৯৫ দিন বা ৩ বর্ষ
০৪।	ইজারা কোটেশনের সিডিউল মূল্য	টাকা ৫০০০.০০ (টাকা পাঁচ হাজার) মাত্র (অফেরতযোগ্য)।
০৫।	বায়নার টাকার পরিমাণ	উদ্ধৃত মুদ্রার ১০% (শতকরা দশ ভাগ)। বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের তফসিলভুক্ত যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হইতে পে-অর্ডার/ ব্যাংক ড্রাফট ইত্যাদি আকারে নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী সওজ, লালমনিরহাট সড়ক বিভাগ এর অনুমুল কোটেশনের সহিত জমা দিতে হবে।
০৬।	ইজারা কোটেশন বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়।	১৫-০৫-২০২৪ খ্রিঃ তারিখ বিকাল ৫:০০ পর্যন্ত।
০৭।	মুদ্রক অবস্থায় ইজারা কোটেশন গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়।	১৬-০৫-২০২৪ খ্রিঃ তারিখ দুপুর ১২:০০ মিনিট পর্যন্ত।
০৮।	ইজারা ডাকে অংশ গ্রহণের যোগ্যতা।	ভ্যাট ও আয়কর সনদধারী প্রতিষ্ঠান/নাগরিক, সরকারী/বেসরকারী/ব্যয়বহািসিত সকল প্রতিষ্ঠানের টিকাদাৰ।
০৯।	যে সকল কার্যালয়ে ইজারা কোটেশন গ্রহণের জন্য পাওয়া যাবে	নির্বাণীয় কর্মশালার, রংপুর বিভাগ, রংপুর/অতিরিক্ত প্রধান প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, রংপুর জোন, রংপুর/অভিযুক্ত প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক সার্কেল, রংপুর/নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, প্রাণি/বিভাগ-১, সড়ক ভবন, কেম্পেইট, ঢাকা/নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, রংপুর/কুড়িয়া/লালমনিরহাট/উপ-বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক উপ-বিভাগ, লালমনিরহাট।
১০।	যে সকল কার্যালয়ে ইজারা কোটেশন মুদ্রক অবস্থায় গ্রহণ করা হবে।	ক) নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক বিভাগ, লালমনিরহাট খ) জেলা প্রশাসক, লালমনিরহাট গ) তত্ত্বাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক সার্কেল, রংপুর ঘ) অতিরিক্ত প্রধান প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, রংপুর জোন, রংপুর
১১।	ইজারা কোটেশন খোলার স্থান, তারিখ ও সময়।	স্থান : নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর কার্যালয়, সওজ, সড়ক বিভাগ, লালমনিরহাট। তারিখ : ১৬-০৫-২০২৪ খ্রিঃ। সময় : বেলা ০৩:০০ ঘটিকা।
১২।	ইজারা আহবানকারী যে কোন সময় যে কোন কোটেশন/সকল কোটেশন বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।	

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