# # BUSINES

#### Eastern Bank launches offshore banking deposit programme

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Eastern Bank yesterday launched an account onboarding and deposit programme through an offshore banking channel for non-resident Bangladeshis, foreign nationals and corporate customers from all over the

Earnings from the deposits will get tax exemptions, the bank said in a press

Ali Reza Iftekhar, managing director of the bank, launched the programme at a ceremony held at the bank's head office in the capital's Gulshan.

"Off-shore banking facilities will enable Bangladeshi banks to widen their horizon by bringing into the fold expat communities and corporates abroad. It will eventually contribute positively to the country's foreign exchange reserve and forex liquidity," Iftekhar said.

The bank has taken initiatives to on board customers from across the globe through a web-based portal, ensuring security as well as enhancing their banking experience.



Md Nazeem A Choudhury, deputy managing director of Prime Bank, and Daniel C Gomes, master chef of International Culinary Institute, pose for photographs after signing a deal at the bank's corporate office in the capital's Gulshan recently.



Ali Reza Iftekhar, managing director of Eastern Bank, poses for photographs after inaugurating an account onboarding and deposit programme through offshore banking channel for non-resident Bangladeshis, foreign nationals and corporate customers at the bank's head office in the capital's Gulshan yesterday. PHOTO: EASTERN BANK

### Prime Bank strikes deal with Int'l Culinary Institute

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Prime Bank recently signed an agreement with the International Culinary Institute

Md Nazeem A Choudhury, deputy managing director of the bank, and Daniel C Gomes, master chef of International Culinary Institute, and affluent segment of the bank, along penned the deal at the bank's corporate office in the capital's also present.

Gulshan, according to a press

Under the agreement, ICI will provide a Tk 5,000 discount voucher to the bank's customers for a one-year diploma in global culinary arts and SQA professional chef course level 2.

Shaila Abedin, head of women banking with officials of both organisations were

## Achieving revenue target will be a challenge

Says a chartered accountant

STAR BUSINESS DESK

There will be challenges in achieving the revenue target set for the upcoming fiscal year, said Snehasish Barua, a chartered accountant.

He made the comments at a programme hosted by Snehasish Mahmud & Co, a chartered accountancy firm, at the Sheraton Dhaka on Sunday, according to a press release.

Barua, a founding partner at the firm, delivered a comprehensive technical presentation, focusing on the overview of the proposed budget and changes introduced through the Finance Bill,

He discussed possible challenges in achieving the revenue target and the implication of proposed changes in taxation law on individuals

Highlighting the business-friendly changes and area of caution for taxpayers, he also presented an analysis of effective tax rates across different industries

Zareen Mahmud Hosein, a partner of the firm, made the introductory remarks, welcoming participants and laying the foundation for the

### BB digital efforts

The platform is yet to gain popularity due to a lack of user-friendly features, a lack of efforts aimed at popularising it, and unwillingness on the part of banks, said a senior central

Currently, eight banks, three MFS providers, and two payments service providers offer services through the platform.

The banks are Sonali, UCB, Eastern, BRAC, Mutual Trust, Pubali, Al-Arafah, and Midland while the three MFS providers are bKash, Rocket, and mCash.

99,498 Some transactions were carried out through the platform between November 2022 and May 2023. It stood at 80,934 between June and November last year, central bank data showed.

The transaction amount was Tk 21.25 crore from November 2022 to May 2023. It was Tk 14.41 crore between June to November

Haque, Mezbaul spokesperson of the BB,

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acknowledged the slower-Binimoy.

the central bank. He said the department is now the platform. upgrading the technology behind the platform.

"Several features are being added and the work is underway on how to perform inter-account transactions. When more features are put in place, more banks will be interested in joining Binimoy."

Bangla QR

BB rolled out Bangla QR, a uniform digital payments system, to significantly cash-based transactions in an economy that is mostly cash-based. More than a year has passed but most banks have not adopted it.

QR (quick-Bangla response code) enables paying bills for goods and services through mobile banking apps, MFS, and payment service providers. BB inaugurated TakaPay,

A senior official of than-expected transactions the central bank said the card, to cut users' reliance and registrations with volume of transactions through Bangla QR was Haque is the executive not satisfactory. Therefore, director of the Payment the BB recently asked Systems Department of several banks to increase cashless transactions on

> Most banks don't have apps to offer services digitally. "This is a major obstacle," he said.

Dhaka Bank is one of the banks that has adopted Bangla QR.

Emranul managing director of the private commercial lender, said campaigns In January last year, the to promote Bangla QR should be accelerated. Simultaneously, central bank should ensure effective services of the platform.

> bank allowed banks to show their expenses related to the marketing of Bangla QR in the CSR (corporate to commercially launch it. responsibility) accounts.

TakaPav debit card

the local currency debit on international cards and save much-needed US dollars needed to pay for goods and services while travelling abroad.

The central introduced the card, the first of its kind in the country. Eight banks have been allowed to issue the cards. However, more than six months have passed, but the card is yet to be unveiled commercially.

Bankers said the card is based on magnetic stripe, an outdated technology that is being phased out globally and replaced with more secure microchip technology. Thus, banks have not issued any cards.

However, Spokesperson Mezbaul Last month, the central Haque said it would take some time to issue the card because banks are now upgrading their technology

He said a chip, which provides consumers with additional security, will be In November 2023, the added to make TakaPay

# Ensure cash in ATMs during Eid: BB

STAR BUSINESS REPORT

Bangladesh Bank yesterday asked banks to ensure the availability of cash in automated teller machines (ATMs) during the Eid-ul-Azha holidays.

Banks will have to deliver ondemand financial services through ATMs, points of sale (POS), internet

banking and mobile financial services (MFS), said a central bank notice. The central bank notice said if

any ATM faces a technical glitch, the respective bank must have it up and running in the quickest possible time.

The banking regulator also asked banks to ensure POS service during the holidays and to use awareness programmes to keep clients alert

so that they can avert fraudulent

Banks will have to ensure the use of the two-factor authentication system as a security tool for clients settling transactions through online banking.

The MFS providers will have to cater to demands of clients during



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e-Tender Notice-CCC.CONG.MECH.JUN-1/2024

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 System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) is required.

The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents of following packages from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered bank branches up to particular date specified on tender notice.

SI No.	Package No.	Name of works	Tender ID	Tender/proposal document last selling/ downloading date and time	Last date and time for tender/proposa security submission
1	CCC.MECH FN 38-24/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-1.	997342	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
2	CCC.MECH FN 38-25/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-2.	997344	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
3	CCC.MECH FN 38-26/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-3.	997346	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
4	CCC.MECH FN 38-27/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-4.	997348	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
5	CCC.MECH FN 38-28/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-5.	997351	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
6	CCC.MECH FN 38-29/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-6.	997352	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
7	CCC.MECH FN 38-30/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/ labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-7.	997353	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
8	CCC.MECH FN 38-31/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-8.	997358	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
9	CCC.MECH FN 38-32/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Myteilla Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-9.	997359	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
10	CCC.MECH FN 38-33/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Akmal Ali Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-1.	997361	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
11	CCC.MECH FN 38-35/24	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil at a safe distance by excavators/dump trucks/labourers etc. from Akmal Ali Canal, Ward No. 39, South Halishahar under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-2.	997362	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
12	CCC.MECH CON.KISAN. CANAL.LOT- I	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil/garbage by excavator/dump truck etc. from West Bakolia Kisan Canal Ward No. 17 under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-1.	997364	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
13	CCC.MECH. CON.KISAN. CANAL.LOT- 2	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil/garbage by excavator/dump truck etc. from West Bakolia Kisan Canal Ward No. 17 under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-2.	997365	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
14	CCC.MECH.C ON.KISAN. CANAL.LOT3	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil/garbage by excavator/dump truck etc. from West Bakolia Kisan Canal Ward No. 17 under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-3.	997366	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30
15	CCC.MECH.C ON.KISAN. CANAL LOT. 4	Excavation, transportation and removal of soil/garbage by excavator/dump truck etc. from West Bakolia Kisan Canal Ward No. 17 under Chittagong City Corporation, Lot-4.	997367	27-Jun-2024 13:30	27-Jun-2024 14:30

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd).

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> Date: 11.06,2024 e-Tender Notice (LTM) No-04/2023-24

e-Tender is invited from the Enlisted Tenderers under Benapole Pourashava in the National e-GP system portal (http://:www.eprocure.gov.bd) for the procurement of works as mentioned in the following table:

Tender ID No.	Package No.	Description of Works	On-line(e-GP System) tender publication date & time	On-line(e-GP System) tender closing date & time
998039	BENA/ADP/ACV /2023-24/P-6	Construction of Drain and BFS road at Boro-Anchra Terminal para from Selim's house to Mostafa's house via Sukur Ali's and Pinkee's house under Benapole Pourashava.Drain-170.00m, BFS Road-65.00m.	13-Jun-2024 09:00:00	27-Jun-2024 13:00:00

There are an online tender, where only, e-tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no off line/hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-tender, registration in the National e-GP system portal (http://:www.eprocure.gv.bd) is required. The fees for downloading the e-tendering documents from the national e-GP Portal have to be deposited on line through any registered banks branches up to 27-06-2024 on and guideline in the National e-GP system portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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

Notice No:- EED/Manikganj/Computer/2023-24/38

Date: 10-06-2024

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

SL No.	Tender ID	Name of Works	Online Tender Publishing Date (On/After)	Online Tender Opening & Closing (Date & Time)
01	997888	Supply of Desktop Computer, Laser Printer, Scanner, Online 1200VA UPS, Power Extension Board/Power Strip at Office of The Sub-Assistant Engineer, Education Engineering Department, Daulatpur, Ghior & Shihalaya Unazila Manikoani District	10-June- 2024	Please visit the Tender Notice or the e-GP Website

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 System Portal (http://www.eprocure.gov.bd) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender Documents of following Package 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 Procuring Entity Office, National e-GP System Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).



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