

SM Abu Mohsin no more
STAR REPORT

SM Abu Mohsin, former director and chairman of NCC Bank, passed away on Monday at Apollo Imperial Hospitals, Chattogram due to heart attack. He was 72, said a press release.

He left behind his wife, four sons and a host of relatives and well-wishers.

His first namaz-e-janaza was held at Jamaatul Falah Jame Masjid, Chattogram after Zohr prayers yesterday. He was buried at his family graveyard at Kadurkhil village in Boalkhali upazila following the second janaza after Esha prayers. SM Abu Mohsin was born in Chattogram in 1952. He was the chairman of Alliance Deep Sea Fishing Ltd, JM Shipping Lines, Food & Accommodation Co Ltd and Managing Director of Brothers Oxygen Ltd.



Protect privacy without curtailing E-waste

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Alam was speaking at a roundtable titled "Cyber Security Law: Balancing Security and Freedom of Expression," organised by the Telecom and Technology Reporters Network Bangladesh (TRNB) and Anwar Technologies at the BRAC Inn Centre, Mohakhali, Dhaka.

Syed Almas Kabir, former president of BASIS, emphasised the need for a clear definition of free speech within the law, along with public awareness campaigns to educate citizens about their rights and responsibilities.

"There should also be a practice of self-censorship in the news media to curb sensationalism and clickbait journalism," he added.

Kabir called for a fresh approach in drafting the CSA, considering the emergence of new cybercrimes in the digital age. He advocated for a complete rewrite of the law with progressive language, abolishing the current version.

ICT Secretary Shish Haider Chowdhury stressed the importance of transparency in cybersecurity-related legal frameworks.

"The law should not be repressive. We must ensure it protects both security and the right to free expression," he said.

He said concerns would be addressed when the government drafts a new law or amends the current one.

Chowdhury also acknowledged the need to strengthen the National Cyber Security Authority, which currently operates with limited staff.

BTRC Chairman Maj Gen (Retd) Emdad Ul Bari echoed concerns about balancing data protection and free speech, highlighting the complexities of individual rights versus institutional responsibilities.

While acknowledging the necessity of the Act to combat rising cyber threats like hacking, identity theft, and online fraud, participants raised

concerns about its potential misuse to stifle dissent and curtail civil liberties. Specific provisions allowing for content blocking and arrest without warrant were cited as problematic, with fears that these clauses could be exploited to target journalists and government critics under vague charges such as "spreading misinformation" or "hurting religious sentiments."

Anwar Technologies co-founder Waez R Hossain warned of increasing risks posed by artificial intelligence, urging the government to ensure intellectual property protection to foster innovation in the software and startup sectors.

The roundtable was chaired by TRNB President Samir Kumar Dey. The keynote paper was presented by former TRNB President and Views Bangladesh Editor Rashed Mehedi, while TRNB General Secretary Masduzzaman Robin delivered the welcome speech.

E-waste

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"Lead exposure can severely impact the nervous systems of newborns and children, while mercury can damage the brain and adversely impact cognitive functions. The health risks are exacerbated for those handling e-waste without proper protective gear," he added.

Contacted, Md Anisur Rahman, chief waste management officer of KCC, said a project on integrated waste management is underway.

"The Tk 52.70 crore project titled 'Integrated Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility-Shalua' is part of the Second City Region Development Project of Local Government Engineering Department and financed by the Asian Development Bank," he said.

"Once implemented, this facility will improve the segregation and management of all types of waste, including e-waste, and incorporate a more systematic approach to waste treatment," he added.

Mirpur-10 station

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soon test the station's preparedness and inform the Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges adviser about the outcome before making a final decision about resuming the station.

Unidentified individuals went on a rampage at Mirpur-10 and Kazipara metro stations on July 19, amid the student movement for quota reform, which later turned into a people's uprising toppling the Sheikh Hasina-led government.

Metro rail operations remained suspended for over a month afterward.

The then Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader had said that reopening the metro stations would not be possible even in one year.

Although metro rail operations resumed on August 25, the two stations remained closed. The authority reopened Kazipara station on September 20.

A DMTCL official said they have brought some equipment from Bijoy Sarani and Uttara South stations to replace the damaged equipment.

Some of the equipment was also brought from the training institute of DMTCL, he said, wishing anonymity.

Two DMTCL officials said the road transport and bridges adviser directed them to reopen the stations as soon as possible.

All the equipment that was damaged was imported from abroad, and replacing them with new units from abroad once again would be a long and time-consuming process.

So, they replaced the damaged equipment with those from relatively less-used stations, they said.

Suspended

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department at Begum Rokeya University, Rangpur and a coordinator of the anti-quota movement, was the first student killed in police firing during the movement.

Tapasi, who drew attention for her Facebook post criticising the chief adviser, was suspended yesterday.

Earlier, she was transferred to the Rangpur Divisional Commissioner's Office and made officer on special duty (OSD).

Washington

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"Of course we want to see the rights of minorities protected in Bangladesh," he said.

A UN Fact-Finding Mission is already probing the human rights violations that took place in Bangladesh from July 1 to August 15, accountability for violation.

Lubna Choudhury passes away

STAFF CORRESPONDENT
Lubna Choudhury, founding principal and chairperson of Bangladesh International Tutorial (BIT), passed away on Monday.

Her Namaz-e-Janaza will be held at Gulshan Azad Masjid at 4:30pm today, according to an announcement on BIT's verified Facebook page.

Choudhury was widely recognised for her contributions to education, with her vision shaping BIT into a leading institution.

Over the years, she inspired countless students and educators with her commitment to academic excellence and holistic development. As a trailblazer in the field of education, her legacy will continue to inspire future generations of students and educators, the post from BIT said.



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Name of Work	Period of Sale		Last Date of Submission
	From	To	
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Details are given on the Prime Bank website.
<https://www.primebank.com.bd/tenders>

Head of Facility Management Division

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e-Tender বিজ্ঞপ্তি

পাওয়ার গ্রিডের গ্রিড সার্কেল, ঢাকা (উত্তর) দপ্তরের আওতাধীন নিম্নলিখিত দরপত্র e-GP পোর্টালে প্রকাশিত হয়েছে।

ID	Title of Works
1023995	Disc Insulator Deep cleaning, dead line checking of 400 kV & 230 kV Transmission lines Tower and Annual Bay Maintenance for Kaliakoir 400/230/132 kV Grid Substation under Grid Circle, Dhaka (North), Power Grid Bangladesh PLC.
1024322	Bay Re-conducting work and 400 kV Annual Maintenance work at Aminbazar Grid Substation under Grid Circle, Dhaka (North), Power Grid Bangladesh PLC.

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বীর মোস্তাহার হোসেন
জ্ঞাবধায়ক প্রকৌশলী, গ্রিড সার্কেল, ঢাকা (উত্তর)

Employment Opportunity

KAFACO Karnaphuli Fertilizer Company Limited (KAFACO) is an international joint venture leading Ammonia & Urea Fertilizer manufacturing company in Bangladesh. The Plant is located at Rangadia, Anowara, Chattogram with its Corporate Office at Dhaka. KAFACO is inviting applications from eligible candidates against the below mentioned positions for the Plant Site Office at Chattogram.

Maintenance Engineer (Electrical)

Requirements:

- Education-B.Sc. in Electrical & Electronic Engineering from reputed Public University.
- Minimum CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 in B.Sc. level.

Maintenance Engineer (Mechanical)

Requirements:

- Education-B. Sc. in Mechanical Engineering from reputed Public University.
- Minimum CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 in B.Sc. level.

Process Engineer

Requirements:

- Education-B. Sc. in Chemical Engineering from reputed Public University.
- Minimum CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 in B.Sc. level.

Process Executive

Requirements:

- Education-B.Sc.(Hons) & M.Sc. in Chemistry/ Applied Chemistry from any reputed Public University.
- Minimum CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 in B.Sc. Honors level;
- Minimum CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 in Masters Level;

Additional Requirements for all posts

- For all posts Maximum 30 years of age as on 31st October 2024.
- Sound health for industrial environment. The offer for job shall be subject to medical examination by Company Medical Officer.
- Can work under pressure, self motivated, oriented with company goals. Willing to work in rotational shifts.
- Job Location-KAFACO Plant, Rangadia, Anowara, Chattogram.

Application Procedure

- Name of the post should be mentioned clearly on the envelope and on the CV.
- Candidate should send their CV, attested copies of all Academic Certificates & Mark Sheets and Experience Certificates, Copy of NID and a recent passport size photograph (These are mandatory document) to HR Department, KAFACO, IDB Bhaban (13th Floor), E/8-A, Rokeya Sharani, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka 1207 at the latest by 31st October 2024.

Recognise all

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system itself remains unchanged," he added.

Indigenous researcher Pavel Partha, the event's lead speaker, highlighted Larma's pluralistic constitutional philosophy, which seeks to represent all classes, castes, and communities.

"Larma fought against imposing the 'Bangalee' identity as the sole national identity during the drafting of the 1972 Constitution, as it denied the distinct identities of indigenous groups and other minorities," Partha said.

He said Larma's ideas resonate with today's demand for an inclusive Bangladesh.

"Hindus, Muslims, Buddhists, Christians, and Indigenous communities—together we are

Bangladesh. This reflects Larma's philosophy of equality," he said.

Former Dhaka University professor Amena Mohsin emphasised the importance of defining the identity of indigenous people, critiquing the Bangalee dominance imposed on the Chittagong Hill Tracts. She called for reforms to the 1900 Chittagong Hill Tracts Regulation, which undermines indigenous rights, and urged addressing the conflicting aspects of the CHT Peace Accord.

Samanta Sharmin, spokesperson for Jatiya Nagorik Committee, said true citizens' dignity in the new constitution requires inclusion of all classes, saying, "Cooperation and peace will be the foundation for building a future Bangladesh."

Sundarbans tiger

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MA Aziz, professor of Zoology at Jahangirnagar University, said, "The Sundarbans provides a favourable environment for tiger breeding, and it is likely that the tiger population will continue to grow in the future."

Over a period of 318 days, 1,210 cameras were deployed across 605 grids in key regions of the Sundarbans, including Satkhira, Khulna, Chandpai, and Sharankhola ranges. This year's survey captured 7,297 tiger photos, the

highest number ever recorded.

In an effort to further protect this critically endangered species, the government has designated over half of the Sundarbans (53.52 percent) as a protected area, prohibiting resource extraction.

To reduce human-tiger conflicts, a 60-kilometer nylon fence is being erected near human settlements, and 12 raised earthen shelters have been built within the forest to safeguard wildlife during storms.

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PURCHASE & PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT,
HEAD OFFICE, DHAKA

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Requirements

Master's degree in any discipline | 10 years' experience in a similar role | Proficient in both English and Bangla | Strong command in MS Office and Modern Office Equipment

Salary and Benefits

Negotiable

Application Instructions

Candidates are requested to send their updated resume, along with a photograph to Human Resources Department, Meghna Group of Industries, Head Office, Fresh Villa, House No-15, Road No-34, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh or E-mail: career@mgi.org, by October 25, 2024.

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Bangladesh Election Commission
Election Commission Secretariat
Identification System for Enhancing Access to Services (IDEA) 2nd Phase (1st Revised) Project
8th floor, Nirbachan Bhaban
Agargaon, Dhaka-1207.

Memo No.: 17.14.0000.240.07.176.2024-3092 Date: 08/10/2024

Corrigendum
e-Tender Notice (OTM)

All intended tenderers are to be notified that the following modification if the e-GP tender notice no 176/2024-2718 have been made due to unavoidable circumstances. Such changes shall be part and parcel of the tender document.

Tender ID & Package No.	Package name	Description	Old Date & Time	New Date & Time
1008034	Purchase of necessary hardware for the Data Center to establish an archive	Document Last Selling Date & Time	09-Oct-2024; 17:00 pm	20-Oct-2024; 17:00 pm
GD-14.1		Closing Date & Time	10-Oct-2024; 11:30 am	21-Oct-2024; 11:30 am
/07.176.2024		Opening Date & Time	10-Oct-2024; 11:30am	21-Oct-2024; 11:30 am

Other terms and conditions of the tender shall remain same.

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GD- 666

Government of The People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Project Director
Establishment of 100 Technical School and College (TSC) in Upazilla
Directorate of Technical Education
Agargaon, Dhaka 1207.
Web: www.techedu.gov.bd

Memo No: 57.03.0000.070.007.203.024. Date: 08 October 2024

e- Tender Amendment/Corrigendum Notice

Tender Ref. 57.03.0000.070.007.203.24-736 Date: 02.08.2024

Tender ID & Brief - 1010368 & Chemistry Lab 03 - Supply & installation of Equipment for Chemistry Lab For 17 TSC

Sl. No.	Amendment Item	Published as	To be replaced with
01.	Item No. 24. Magnetic Stirrer & Hot Plate	Power Consumption: 500W	Power Consumption: 500 - 700W
	Item No. 25. Hand Held Refractometer	Measuring range: 0-32% sugar scale, With zero adjusting screw driver.	Measuring range: 0-32% or Higher sugar scale, With zero adjusting screw driver, Supplied with box
02.	Closing Date & Time	07/10/2024 12:00	17/10/2024 12:00
03.	Opening Date & Time	07/10/2024 12:00	17/10/2024 12:00
04.	Last Date and Time for Tender/Proposal Security Submission	07/10/2024 11:30	17/10/2024 11:30

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 system portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required

The fees for downloading the e-GP tender documents from the national e-GP system portal have to be deposited online through any registered bank's branches up to specified date & time mentioned in the e-GP system.

Further information and guidelines are available in the national e-GP system portal and from e-GP helpdesk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.

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Project Director (Deputy Secretary)
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PRAYER TIMING
OCTOBER 9

Fajr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4-45	12-45	4-15	5-53	7-30
JAMAAT 5-20	1-15	4-30	5-56	8-00

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