

### 3 assaulted while trying

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individuals physically abusing a woman in Jahaj Bari area near Dhanmondi Lake.

When they protested the incident, some 10-12 perpetrators gathered and beat up the three youths.

The woman managed to flee the scene.

"One of them was carrying an axe and hacked my lower back with it, causing profuse bleeding. I had to get treatment later," said Yeamin.

Yeamin and Sadad managed to flee, but Hisham was left behind and beaten up severely. The attackers left the scene after Hisham fell to the ground, the GD added.

The victims said they feared further harm and urged police to take necessary actions to ensure their safety.

"Police are investigating the incident. CCTV footage from the spot will be collected to identify the perpetrators," said SI Tanvir.



The Mayor Annisul Huq Road (Tejgaon-Satrapata) continues to be occupied by illegally parked trucks, leaving very little space for passing vehicles. On a busy day, tailbacks and endless traffic are a common sight on this road. Despite the late mayor's attempt to free this road of such practices eight years ago, owners and workers of these trucks remain undeterred due to lack of enforcement by the city corporation.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

## Discrimination-free society a must to honour martyrs

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nation. Although we achieved independence, we have failed to establish a society free from discrimination, where everyone is equal. Now, we have another opportunity. We often create chances but fail to seize them."

"The student-public movement has opened the door to new possibilities. We must ask ourselves why our potential does not translate into success. The time has come to question

why we cannot build the Bangladesh of our dreams," he added.

Referring to the corrupt elites of the country, Mahfuz Anam pointed out that while poor labourers toil abroad and send money back home, a segment of the elite enjoys the benefits of the country while laundering money overseas.

He remarked that some among the elite lack patriotism.

"Will we not honour the

sacrifices of those who have died in the movement?" he asked. "I believe that you [participants] will play a significant role in building a country for all," he added.

The programme was chaired by Lion SM Ashraf Alam Arju, while District Governor Kohinor Kamal presided over the event.

At the event, Lion Ashada Jalal was awarded a gold medal for her philanthropic activities towards the betterment of the society.

### Abu Sayed passes

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have rejoiced, their sacrifices validated by his achievement. His brothers and sisters, who once had to forgo their own dreams, would have celebrated their youngest sibling.

"Why did they kill my brother? If he were alive, our dreams would have come true," told his brother Ramzan Ali yesterday.

"We used whatever little we earned to support his education," Ramjan continued, "we were hoping for days like this. But police killed him," he added.

Abu Sayed showed academic prowess throughout his academic life.

He had earned a talent pool scholarship in primary school, passed his SSC and HSC exams with GPA-5, and later got enrolled at the BRUR.

"Yet, the past regime killed him just because he wanted a fair shot to get a respected job," his brother said in tears.

This year's teacher registration exam had 348,680 candidates, with 83,865 passing across various levels; candidates must succeed in the preliminary, written, and viva exams to qualify for teaching positions in non-government educational institutions in Bangladesh.

## Backlog leaves over 20,000 workers in limbo

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They also called for expediting visa application submissions within 30 days of receiving appointment emails and resolving visa applications within a maximum of 60 working days after submission. They also urged for an end to the rude and unprofessional behaviour of VFS Global staff and a tracking system for backlogged appointment emails, while demanding an end to exploitation and harassment by brokers.

Another victim, Md Mohiuddin Ahmed, said he had been waiting for an appointment for the

past eight months. He has visited the VFS Global office at least seven times in pursuit of updates but has received no satisfactory answers.

Pritam Ahmed, another victim of the appointment backlog, expressed frustration at the financial toll of securing the work permit while waiting for an appointment.

Md Rigan Uddin, speaking on behalf of the group, explained that the appointment booking process for Italian visas began via email on March 31, 2024, as advertised on the VFS Global website and their verified Facebook page.

"Following that process, we emailed VFS Global. Those of us who emailed after May 11 have not been given an appointment slot even after almost six months. Our neelasta was issued more than 1-2 months before we sent the email, so we've been waiting for 7-8 months," he said.

Since late August, the number of appointment seekers has surged to over 20,000-25,000, leaving many feeling increasingly anxious about their prospects.

VFS Global and the Italian Embassy in Bangladesh could not be contacted for comments.

## A new addition to Benazir's legacy of deceit

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The scheme began on October 11, 2010, when Benazir, then serving as deputy inspector general, surrendered his handwritten passport (No E0017616) and applied for an MRP.

On his application, Benazir falsely listed his profession as "private service", bypassing an NOC. Fazlul Haque, despite knowing Benazir's true identity, approved the issuance of an ordinary passport without verification.

The same tactic was repeated on two subsequent occasions --

once in 2014 while Benazir was the DMP commissioner and again in 2018 when he was director general of Rab.

In each instance, the officials involved turned a blind eye, allowing Benazir to secure new passports without proper scrutiny.

The most recent case came in 2020 when Benazir applied for an e-passport, this time with the help of co-defendant Abdullah Al Mamun, again bypassing the SB verification and NOC requirements.

The accused officials conspired with him in violations of Penal Code sections related to cheating, forgery, and abetment, as well as the Prevention of

Corruption Act, 1947, and the Bangladesh Passport Order, 1973, as per ACC sources.

ACC Director General Akhtar Hossain said Benazir's actions constitute a blatant breach of the law.

In an investigation launched in April, the ACC began probing allegations of illegal asset accumulation by Benazir, his wife Zeeshan Mirza, and their two daughters.

Selina Banu, additional director general of the department of immigration and passports, said, "SB verification is mandatory for government officials. However, in these cases, Benazir Ahmed resorted to fraud."

**PRAYER TIMING**  
OCTOBER 15

Fajr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4:45	12:45	4:15	5:45	7:15
JAMAT 5:20	1:15	4:30	5:50	7:45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

**TENDER NOTICE**

Sealed tenders hereby invited by Prime Bank PLC. from reputed companies in the relevant field for providing below items:

SL	Name of Works	Period of Sale		Last date of Submission
		From	To	
1	Supply, Installation and Implementation of Hardware and Software for Prime Bank PLC.	15.10.2024	12.11.2024	12.11.2024
2	Supply and Installation of Network Switches for Prime Bank PLC.	15.10.2024	30.10.2024	30.10.2024

Details are given on the Prime Bank website.  
<https://www.primebank.com.bd/tenders>

Head of Facility Management Division

**TENDER NOTICE**

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Sub-Office in Cox's Bazar hereby announces the launch of the following tender:

TENDER REFERENCE NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION
RFP/HCR/CXB/2024/014	FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FRAME AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF INTERMEDIARY EVALUATION OF THE SAFE ACCESS TO FUEL AND ENERGY PLUS PROGRAMME (SAFE+2) FOR UNHCR - BANGLADESH

Interested and bona fide vendors are invited to participate in this Request for Proposal (RFP) by accessing and downloading the tender documents at the following web link:  
<https://www.unhcr.org/Public/Notice/249312>

**Bids to be submitted:** Bids should be submitted as per the guidance in section 2.6 of the RFP document via the URL: <http://etenderbox.unhcr.org>

**Bid submission deadline:** Thursday, 31 October 2024 - 12:00 hrs. BST. Bangladesh time.

Kindly note that no hard copy is acceptable. The offer to be submitted only through link above.

**Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF)**  
PKSF Bhaban, E-4/B, Agargaon Administrative Area, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar Dhaka-1207 Phone: 02-222218331-31, Website: [www.pksf.org.bd](http://www.pksf.org.bd)

**OPEN TENDER NOTICE (Goods)**

Memo no: 53.23.0000.001.03.054.24.3654 Date: 14 October 2024

Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) was established by the Government of Bangladesh for poverty alleviation through employment generation. PKSF invites Tender in sealed envelopes from competitive tenderers for 'Supply and Installation of PABX Intercom IP-Telephone System, Public Address System and CCTV Security System for PKSF's Shyamoli Building' under Package No: PKSF/Shyamoli Building/2024-2025/G-01.

The tender document including specification for 'Supply and Installation of PABX Intercom IP-Telephone System, Public Address System and CCTV Security System for PKSF's Shyamoli Building' should be submitted using prescribed 'Tender Document', which can be collected from PKSF during office hours from 15/10/2024 to 03/11/2024 upon payment of a non-refundable amount of BDT. 1000/- (Taka One Thousand) only in cash.

Tender documents should be submitted at the office of PKSF by 2:00 pm on or before 04/11/2024. Tender documents will be opened at 2:30 pm on 04/11/2024 in presence of the tenderers or their representatives.

Interested suppliers are requested to visit the link: <https://pksf.org.bd/tender/> for detail tender notice and instructions regarding the tender procedures.

PKSF reserves the rights to accept or reject any or all the bid documents without showing any reason whatsoever.

(Dr. Md. Jashim Uddin)  
Additional Managing Director

## HSC results today

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"This year, there will be no central programme or press conference," said Prof Tapan Kumar Sarkar, head of the Bangladesh Inter-Education Board Coordination Committee and chairman of the Dhaka Education Board.

Over 14 lakh students were registered for the HSC examinations under the general, technical, and madrasa boards this year.

The exams, which began on June 30, were disrupted by violent protests during the quota reform movement.

Following these disruptions, the remaining exams were postponed, and after the fall of the Hasina-led government, the interim government rescheduled the exams for September 11.

However, amid

ongoing protests by some candidates, the remaining exams were cancelled on August 20.

As a result, the government decided to calculate the scores for the six cancelled exams using the subject mapping method, based on students' results from their SSC exams.

Meanwhile, Education Adviser Wahiduddin Mahmud yesterday said if all HSC candidates are given an auto pass, it will undermine the results of the majority students who passed the examinations through their hard work and efforts.

"I've heard that a small number of students has raised a demand regarding the upcoming HSC examination results, saying that all should be given auto-pass," the adviser told BSS.

## Mental health

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Poddar said, "Compared to many developing countries, we do not spend as much on health and education sector. If we need to increase the budget for health and education, I see no alternative but public awareness regarding this issues."

Cancer specialist Prof Habibullah Talukdar Raskin said the first necessity in mental health treatment

is to provide patients with encouragement, which helps maintain their well-being.

Rukhsana Afroz, president of Center for Cancer Care Foundation, presided over the seminar.

Prof Shubhagata Chowdhury and Saiduzzaman Chowdhury Apu, director of Gonoshasthaya Nagar Hospital, also spoke.

## Action against those

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the government, that question will be answered."

Mentioning the Representation of the People Order (RPO) as the most significant law, Badiul said, "We are thoroughly reviewing the RPO. It is the foundation of all laws for national elections."

"We also have laws governing local government elections. All of these need to be reviewed, and recommendations will be made accordingly," he added.

He said the commission is prioritising the law on appointments to the Election Commission.

**পুট বিক্রয়**  
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**Commercial Flat Sale**  
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Ref. No: AUST/OTM/Tender/03/2024-25

**RE-TENDER INVITATION**

Re-tenders are invited from the intending suppliers/firms for the following items:

**Procurement of:**

(a) Supply of Two NEW NON AC BUSES for the Office of the Proctor, AUST  
(b) Supply of Internet Gateway Firewall (License renewal including hardware appliance) for the office of ICT Center, AUST.

The schedules of the items with terms and conditions (hard copy) can be obtained from the Procurement Officer of the University within **October 22, 2024 during office hours** on working days. The interested bidders are requested to submit the tender schedule (hard copy) by **October 23, 2024 within 02.30 p.m.** Hard copy of the tender must be dropped in the tender box kept at the office of the Treasurer of the University and will be opened on the same day (**October 23, 2024**) at **03.00 p.m.** at the Treasurer's Office/VC Seminar Hall in presence of the bidders (if any). AUST authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason.

The bidders must mention the "Name of the item and department" at the top of the envelope, otherwise the bid documents will be treated as canceled.

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**Bangladesh Milk Producer's Co-Operative Union Ltd.**  
Head Office: Dugdha Bhaban  
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**e-Tender Notice**

Memo No. 47.67.0000.007.07.206.21.290 Date: 09/10/24

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 (<https://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for downloading of the e-Tender documents of following package from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through and registered bank's branches.

Sl No.	Name of goods	Tender ID	Tender publish date & time	Tender last submission, opening date & time
1	Paper Carton for 100 ml. Sweet Curd Cup & Lyner Curd Board (Frame Work Contract)	1024032	16/10/24; 15:00	31/10/24; 15:30
2	Birch Wooden Spoon (Frame Work Contract)	1024041	16/10/24; 15:00	31/10/24; 16:00
3	Plastic Container with lid & foil for packaging of 500 gram Sour Curd (Frame Work Contract)	1024040	17/10/24; 15:00	11/11/24; 15:30
4	Plastic Container with lid & foil for packaging of 1 kg. Sweet Curd (Frame Work Contract)	1024037	17/10/24; 15:00	04/11/24; 15:30
5	Cocoa Powder (Alkalised) (Frame Work Contract)	1024039	20/10/24; 15:00	04/11/24; 16:00
6	Plastic Container with lid & foil for packaging of 500 gram Sweet Curd (Frame Work Contract)	1024036	20/10/24; 15:00	05/11/24; 15:30
7	Net Bag(s) (Frame Work Contract)	1024033	21/10/24; 15:00	05/11/24; 16:00
8	Plastic Container with lid & foil for Packaging of 1 kg. Sour Curd (Frame Work Contract)	1024035	21/10/24; 15:00	06/11/24; 15:30
9	Steam Jacketed Mixing Vat	1024034	22/10/24; 15:00	06/11/24; 16:00
10	Plastic Pallets (Danies) (Frame Work Contract) (Re-Tender)	1024736	22/10/24; 15:00	07/11/24; 15:30
11	Veterinary Medicine (Frame Work Contract)	1024038	23/10/24; 15:00	07/11/24; 16:00
12	Printing Item(s) (Frame Work Contract)	1024042	23/10/24; 15:00	11/11/24; 16:00

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