

Dhaka’s waste disposal still

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Maqsud Hashem, chief town planner of DNCC, said the main problem with Dhaka is that its population exceeds the city’s capacity.  
M Shahidul Islam, chairman of Department of Geography and Environment at the University of Dhaka, said irregularities occur because there is no public involvement in large urban projects. They should be more accountable.  
Notable attendees included Dr M Shahidul Islam from Dhaka University and Professor Mohammad Ali Naqi, vice president of the Institute of Architects Bangladesh, CAPS Chairman Prof Ahmad Kamruzzaman Majumder, Dharitri Kumar Sarkar, deputy secretary of the environment ministry and Karamot Ullah Biplob, president of South Asian Climate Change Journalist Forum.



The structures used by street vendors for selling goods are illegally placed on the road median, extending beyond the edges of the divider and increasing the risk of accidents for oncoming vehicles. This photo was taken on a VIP road in the capital’s Nayapaltan area yesterday.

Bangladesh

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ministry statement, Australia has also agreed to take in more Rohingya refugees, on top of the 2,000 they have already accepted.  
During his meeting with the chief adviser, the Australian minister said they want to bring its visa centre back to Dhaka from New Delhi and hold negotiations to prevent irregular migration between Bangladesh and Australia.  
Burke, whose constituency is home to a large number of Bangladeshi diaspora, said he followed events in the country with much interest and witnessed their big celebrations after the fall of the dictatorial regime.  
“There is a lot of optimism and hope,” he said about the post revolution expectations.  
Prof Yunus said, “The challenges are big. Dealing with expectations is the most difficult part. But people are patient. We’ve got to build the structures again.”  
During his meeting with Jahangir Alam Chowdhury, they discussed enhancing cooperation in tackling transnational crimes, civil maritime security and maritime safety, training and capacity building, human trafficking and Rohingya crisis.  
Meanwhile, Touhid Hossain told the Australian minister that Bangladesh is keen to work with Australia for promoting growing bilateral trade, enhanced student enrollment in Australian institutions.

Don’t let UN open

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rights policies. However, as a Muslim-majority country, Bangladesh not only religiously and socially prohibits homosexuality but also considers it a punishable offense under the state law.  
Allowing the UN Human Rights Commission to open an office in Dhaka would be extremely self-destructive, the statement

said.  
On October 29, Social Welfare Adviser Sharmeen S Murshid said an office of the UN Human Rights Commission will be opened in Dhaka soon.  
Meanwhile, leaders of Islamic Andolan Bangladesh have termed the decision “self-destructive” saying that it will promote homosexuality, and the people will resist it.

Appoint persons

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protector of corruption.  
“We believe that no individual involved in party politics should be considered for appointment as ACC chairman or commissioner. We also call for appointing individuals who are highly competent in anti-corruption efforts, free from political influence in their personal

lives, unaligned with bureaucratic interests, and demonstrate a strong stance against corruption,” Iftekharuzzaman also said.  
If these conditions aren’t met, the public’s high hopes, which were based on unprecedented sacrifices, will be shattered again, and the function of the interim government will be called into question, he added.

17,264 firearm

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submitted to the police stations by September 3, the notification reads.  
However, firearms issued for special purposes that may worsen the law and order situation will not be considered for return, it added.  
Additionally, individuals with ongoing criminal cases or those already convicted of criminal offences will also not be eligible for the return of their firearms, it also said.  
The district committee will submit a report to the ministry about the decision taken regarding the return of the firearms, it said.  
Md Amirul Kyser, deputy commissioner and district magistrate of Cumilla, yesterday said, “We have yet to receive the ministry

order. We will act as per the directives.”  
Asked about receiving any request to return firearms, he said, “They did not receive any application in the district to date.”  
Mohammed Saiful Islam, deputy commissioner and district magistrate of Khulna, said he received the ministry order and working accordingly.  
He, however, did not receive any request to return the firearms to date.

HC launches

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other documents of the cases.  
Senior Advocate SM Shahjahan, a defence counsel for the convicted accused, also placed the backgrounds of the cases, before the bench.  
The HC fixed November 7 for further hearing.  
Earlier, another HC bench of Justice Shahidul Karim and Justice Md Mostafizur Rahman had held hearings on death references and appeals of the case for around 100 working days since December 5, 2022.  
But this bench on August 18 this year dropped the cases from its hearing list as its junior judge had been assigned to another bench.  
Chief Justice Syed Refaat

Ahmed recently assigned the bench led by Justice AKM Asaduzzaman for holding a fresh hearing and disposing of the cases.  
DAG Jasim Sarker yesterday told this correspondent that the previous hearings of the August 21 attack cases will not be counted by the HC.  
A Dhaka court on October 10, 2018 sentenced 19 people, including former BNP state minister for home Lutlozzaman Babar to death in the two cases filed in connection with the grenade attacks. Nineteen others including BNP acting chairman Tarique Rahman, now in London, were given life imprisonment and 11 people were handed different terms in prison.

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PKSF has been implementing a 5-year-long project titled 'Sustainable Microenterprise and Resilient Transformation (SMART)' jointly financed by the World Bank and PKSF since August 2023. The objective of the project is to increase resource-efficient and resilient green growth of the microenterprises (MEs). PKSF hereby invites online applications from the eligible candidates for the following post under the SMART project:

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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**  
for Selection of Individual Consultant

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank and Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) for Implementing the Bangladesh Rural Water, Sanitation & Hygiene for Human Capital Development Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the 'Individual Consultant' services.

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Package No: RWSSP-SD-14.1	Environmental Safeguard Consultant		a) The ideal candidate will be a Post-graduate in Environmental Engineering or Environmental Science or suitable equivalent. b) Minimum 5 (Five) years working experience in the environmental sector especially in WASH sector with dynamic leadership skills to work as a team. c) Experience in preparing environmental assessments, integration of environmental issues in the design, implementation and operation of rural infrastructure projects. Experience in community driven projects, especially WASH projects is preferred. d) Detailed job responsibilities are given in the Terms of Reference (ToR) which is available in PKSF Website.

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