

Mutual Trust Bank unveils logo at annual town hall

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Mutual Trust Bank PLC (MTB) organised "MTB Annual Town Hall 2025" in Dhaka recently.

MTB's Annual Town Hall 2025 served as a platform to celebrate past achievements, outline future strategies, and reinforce the bank's position as a trusted financial institution in Bangladesh.

The event marked a milestone as MTB unveiled its new logo, signifying the bank's transformation and future-forward vision.

Syed Manzur Elahi, chairman of the bank, joined the event virtually and launched the logo, the bank said in a

press release.

Speaking on the occasion, Elahi highlighted the importance of evolution and adaptability in today's banking landscape.

With this rebranding, a new era begins for MTB—one of innovation, resilience, and unwavering mutual trust.

The event, themed "Navigating Challenges, Building Trust," brought together over 3,000 employees from across the country.

MTB's new logo launch symbolises a bold new identity built on the bank's unwavering #LineofTrust. It reflects MTB's commitment to innovation, reliability, and progress—ushering in a future where trust leads the way.



Rashed Ahmed Chowdhury, vice-chairman of Mutual Trust Bank, and Syed Mahbubur Rahman, managing director and CEO, pose for photographs at the "MTB Annual Town Hall 2025" in Dhaka recently.

PHOTO: MUTUAL TRUST BANK

Commercial Bank of Ceylon teams up with It's Humanity Foundation for training

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The Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC has collaborated with It's Humanity Foundation (IHF), a non-profit organisation in Dhaka, for a corporate social responsibility initiative, aimed at providing vocational training to underprivileged young adults.

This programme, facilitated through IHF's "Hatey Khor" project, will equip selected youth with technical skills to secure livelihoods upon graduation, according to a press release.

Najith Meewanage, chief executive officer of the bank, handed over a cheque of the CSR fund to Noor-E-Fayzun Nahar, general member of IHF, at the bank's head office in Dhaka recently.

This initiative highlights the bank's commitment to empowering communities and fostering self-reliance among youth.

Bashira Harun, chief executive officer of IHF, and Maisha Lubaba, general secretary, along with other officials from both the organisations, were also present.



Noor-E-Fayzun Nahar, general member of It's Humanity Foundation, receives a cheque from Najith Meewanage, chief executive officer of the Commercial Bank of Ceylon, at the bank's head office in Dhaka recently.

PHOTO: COMMERCIAL BANK OF CEYLON

Guardian Life Ins partners with Robi to enhance employee well-being

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Guardian Life Insurance Limited recently signed a partnership agreement with Robi Axiata Limited, aimed at providing comprehensive insurance coverage to over 1,450 employees and their dependents.

Sheikh Rakibul Karim, additional managing director and acting CEO of the life insurer, and Mohammad Maruf Alam Chowdhury, acting chief human resources officer of the mobile service operator, signed the deal in Dhaka, said a press release.

Through this agreement, employees

of Robi, RedDot Digital Limited, Axentec PLC, r ventures, and their families will benefit from Guardian Life's group insurance plans.

Discussions at the event reflected the mutual dedication of both the organisations to provide a supportive and secure environment for the workforce.

Employee welfare is increasingly being recognised and prioritised across the world as a prerequisite for organisational success.

Keeping up with the trend, Robi has now set a standard for corporate responsibility and employee care by partnering with Guardian Life Insurance.

Through this agreement, employees

Sheikh Rakibul Karim, additional managing director and acting CEO of Guardian Life Insurance, and Mohammad Maruf Alam Chowdhury, acting chief human resources officer of Robi Axiata, pose for photographs after signing an agreement in Dhaka recently.

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Prime Bank organises open credit programme for farmers in Narail



Md Abdul Kuddus, additional director of the Bangladesh Bank Khulna office, and Md Nazeem A Choudhury, deputy managing director of Prime Bank, pose for photographs with farmers at an open credit programme in Kalia upazila of Narail yesterday.

PHOTO: PRIME BANK

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Prime Bank PLC has extended agricultural loans to 40 farmers in Kalia upazila of Narail as part of its commitment to fostering the growth and development of the country's agricultural sector.

Prime Bank organised an open credit programme with farmers of the district yesterday, said a press release.

Md Abdul Kuddus, additional director of the Bangladesh Bank Khulna office, attended the event.

Speaking at the event, Md Nazeem A Choudhury, deputy managing director of Prime Bank, said, "Agriculture is indispensable for ensuring food security, creating employment, and alleviating poverty in Bangladesh."



MA Akmall Hossain Azad, chairman of Jamuna Oil Company and member (senior secretary) of the Physical Infrastructure Division at the Planning Commission, presides over the company's 530th board meeting at its Dhaka liaison office in Karwan Bazar recently.

PHOTO: JAMUNA OIL COMPANY

Jamuna Oil Company holds board meeting

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Jamuna Oil Company Limited held its 530th board meeting at its Dhaka Liaison Office in Karwan Bazar recently.

MA Akmall Hossain Azad, chairman of the company and member (senior secretary) of the Physical Infrastructure Division at the Planning Commission, presided over the meeting, according to a press release.

Important decisions of the company were made during the board meeting.

Nurunnahar Chowdhury, Kaosar Zahura, Md Shamsul Alam Bhuiyan, Kabin Mahmood, Anika Chowdhury, Manzarey Khorshed Alam, Shaikh Al Amin, Saleh Ahmed Khasru, and Mustafa Qudrat Elahi, directors of the company, attended the meeting.

Md Masudul Islam, company secretary, was also present.


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Dollar advances against major currencies

REUTERS, New York

The US dollar advanced against major currencies on Friday, while the Canadian dollar weakened and the Mexican peso edged higher after the White House reiterated that President Donald Trump will impose tariffs on Saturday.

Reuters had earlier reported, citing sources familiar with the tariff deliberations, that Trump would announce tariffs on Canadian and Mexican imports on Saturday but delay collection of the duties until March 1 and offer a limited process for certain imports to be exempted.

White House spokesperson Karoline Leavitt denied the report, calling it "false", adding that tariff duties would be published on Saturday and would take effect immediately.



Earlier on Friday, US Commerce Department data showed that the Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) Price Index rose 0.3 percent last month, the largest increase since last April, amid a surge in consumer spending, suggesting the Federal Reserve would probably be in no hurry to resume cutting interest rates.

"It's very much tariffs and the administration that's driving this over-dollar-strength move; one of the biggest challenges is that the stronger dollar has been one trade that has sustained itself if you wanted to put out a theory that there's a Trump trade out there," said Marvin Loh, senior global market strategist at State Street in Boston.

PRICES OF KEY ESSENTIALS IN DHAKA CITY			
	PRICE (FEB 2, 2025)	% CHANGES FROM A MONTH AGO	% CHANGE FROM A YEAR AGO
Fine rice (kg)	Tk 70-Tk 85	0.65 ↑	13.14 ↑
Coarse rice (kg)	Tk 54-Tk 56	4.76 ↑	5.77 ↑
Loose flour (kg)	Tk 40-Tk 45	0	-13.27 ↓
Lentil (kg)	Tk 105-Tk 110	0	0
Soybean (litre)	Tk 174-Tk 176	6.38 ↑	8.36 ↑
Potato (kg)	Tk 20-Tk 30	-52.38 ↓	-39.76 ↓
Onion (kg)	Tk 45-Tk 55	-31.03 ↓	-41.18 ↓
Egg (4 pcs)	Tk 44-Tk 48	-3.16 ↓	-3.16 ↓

SOURCE: TCB

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Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

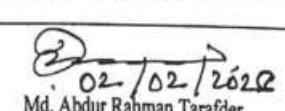
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Memo No. 25.00.0000.016.26.001.24-42

Date: 02.02.2025

Invitation for Tenders

1. Ministry/Division	: Ministry of Housing and Public Works			
2. Agency	: Ministry of Housing and Public Works			
3. Procuring Entity Name	: Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Public Works			
4. Invitation for	: Hiring of 01 Sedan Car Vehicle for 2 nd Court of Settlement			
5. Procuring Entity District	: Dhaka			
6. IFT Ref. No.	: 25.00.0000.016.26.001.24-			
7. Date	: 02.02.2025			
Key Information				
8. Procurement Method	: Open Tendering Method (OTM)			
Funding Information				
9. Budget and Source of Funds	: GoB (Non-Development)			
10. Development Partners (if applicable)	: N/A			
Particular Information				
11. Project/Program Code (if applicable)	: N/A			
12. Tender Package No.	: Mohpw/2024-25/03			
13. Tender Package Name	: Hiring of 01 Sedan Car Vehicle for 2 nd Court of Settlement			
14. Publication Date	: 03.02.2025			
15. Tender Last Selling Date (must be the date prior to the day of tender closing date)	: 17.02.2025			
16. Tender closing Date and Time	: 18.02.2025; Time: 03:00 PM			
17. Tender Opening Date and Time	: 18.02.2025; Time: 03:00 PM			
18. Name and Address of the office's Selling tender document (Principal) -Receiving Tender Document -Opening Tender Document	: Ministry of Housing and Public Works			
19. Place/date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	: On demand of tenderer			
Information For Tenderer				
20. Eligibility of Tenderer	: As mentioned in the Tender Document			
21. Name of Services	: Hiring of 01 Sedan Car Vehicle for 2 nd Court of Settlement			
22. Brief Description of Services	: Hiring of 01 Sedan Car Vehicle including Driver, Fuel, etc for 2 nd Court of Settlement			
23. Price of Tender document	: 1000/-			
Package No	Identification of Package	Location	Tender Security Amount (Tk)	Completion Time in Weeks/Months
01	Hiring of 01 Sedan Car Vehicle for 2 nd Court of Settlement (Minimum 1500-1800CC- Minimum 05 Seater, Model: Not before 2017)	Dhaka Metropolitan Area	25,000/-	12 (Twelve) Months
Procuring Entity Details				
24. Name of Official Inviting Tender	: Md. Hamidur Rahman Khan			
25. Designation of Official Inviting Tender	: Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Public Works, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.			
26. Address of Official Inviting Tender	: Room No-202 Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Public Works, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.			
27. Contact Details of Official Inviting Tender	: Phone: 02-55100520, 02-946255, 02-9512231; Email: addsecadmin1@mohpw.gov.bd			
28. The procuring entity reserves the right to reject all the Tenders or annul the Tender proceedings (Details of Procuring Entity/Authorized Officer).				


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