

Reforms to be recommended

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investigation service; constitutional amendment related to the judiciary; organisational structure of subordinate courts; financial independence of the judiciary; use of information technology in judicial proceedings; reducing harassment of litigants; prevention of corruption in the judiciary; legal aid programme; alternative dispute resolution and reduction of case backlog.

Earlier, the commission sent two summary reports to Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan, who is coordinating all the reform commissions, with the recommendations for decentralisation and expansion of the judiciary by establishing permanent High Court benches at every divisional city and civil and criminal courts at upazilas.

Barrister Tanim Hussain Shawon, a member of the Judiciary Reform Commission, said the commission has held

29 meetings among themselves and 37 meetings with the stakeholders for preparing the report.

Around 15,000 people, including lawyers, judges and others, gave their views on reforms to the commission so far, he added.

The eight-member Judiciary Reform Commission was formed on October 3 last year with former Appellate Division judge Justice Shah Abu Nayeem Mominur Rahman as its chief.

Dr AR Mallick's death anniv observed

CITY DESK



The 28th death anniversary of Dr AR Mallick, an eminent educationist and the first technocrat finance minister of the country, was observed yesterday, said a press release.

To mark the occasion, various programmes were held.

Dr Mallick was a professor at the University of Pennsylvania, USA, in the early 1960s and the founding vice chancellor of Chittagong University.

He served as the president of the Liberation Council of Intelligentsia in 1971, the first education secretary, the first high commissioner to India, and was also elected chairman of the Asian Development Bank.

Dr AR Mallick Lecture Halls were inaugurated at Dhaka University, Jahangirnagar University, and Rajshahi University.

Dr Mallick began his academic and professional career in the Department of History in 1941.

He was the first emeritus professor at Jahangirnagar University.

His publications include 'British Policy and the Muslims in Bengal' and 'Amar Jibon Kotha O Bangladesher Mukti Sangram'. Bangla Academy has published 'Dr AR Mallick Sharak Grontho' comprising articles by renowned personalities from home and abroad, along with 50 commemorative photographs and texts of his speeches.

Enam Ahmed

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He joined the Civil Service of Pakistan in 1960 and served as deputy commissioner of Khulna and Jashore before 1971. After independence, he held key positions, including the posts of joint secretary to the industries and commerce ministry and director general of the Export Promotion Bureau.

Between 1975 and 1981, he was the economic minister at Bangladesh High Commission in London. Later, he worked as a UN official in Bangkok and served as secretary of the Economic Relations Division and shipping ministry.

He was also elected president of the International Maritime Organization.

Chaudhury was a vice president of the Islamic Development Bank from 1993 to 1998. From 2001 to 2006, he served as chairman of the Privatization Commission under the BNP-led government, holding the rank of a state minister.

Saad followers

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first, then we will sit with the government and ask why we will not be able to hold Ijtema from next year."

The home ministry notification also said Saad followers must vacate the ground after Maghrib prayers on February 18. The ground will be handed over to the followers of the Shura-e-Nizam (Maulana Zubair), on February 20.

Meanwhile, the notification said followers of Zubair, who are now holding the second session of the first phase of six-day Ijtema, will have to hand over the Ijtema ground to the administration following the Maghrib prayers tomorrow.

The first session began on January 31 and ended on February 2 with the Akheri Munajat. The Akheri Munajat for the second session will take place today.

Ensure safety

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"Girls are increasingly vulnerable to sexual harassment and violence. Incidents of this nature are reported regularly, yet perpetrators often go unpunished," said MJF Executive Director Shaheen Anam.

"Out of fear of retaliation, many girls suffer in silence, as they lack a safe space to voice their distress," she added.

Quoting news reports in the media, MJF mentioned that an eighth-grade student was abducted on January 16, subsequently gang raped and murdered, with her body discovered in the Hatirjheel area on February 2.

Following the incident, two suspects were apprehended in connection with the crime, it added.

Shaheen Anam also highlighted the need for measures to protect young girls and expressed dissatisfaction over the lack of effective coordination to ensure their safety.

The majority of rape victims are aged between 7 and 14, including street children, children with disabilities, ethnic minorities, and child domestic workers, the MJF statement added.

MJF urgently called upon authorities to prioritise this critical issue and implement necessary measures, including the strict enforcement of laws, widespread awareness campaigns for parents and teachers about child protection, community mobilisation against violence, and effective collaboration between government agencies, NGOs, and community members.

PRAYER TIMING
FEBRUARY 5
Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrib Esha
AZAN 5-30 12-45 4-15 5-52 7-15
JAMAAT 6-05 1-15 4-30 5-56 7-45
SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

MRT-6 extension unlikely this year

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SERVICE EXPANSION PLAN

Rouf said rising passenger numbers have prompted plans to expand services.

Currently, metro trains operate from 3:00pm on Fridays, and efforts are underway to introduce morning services.

They are also conducting surveys to assess the feasibility of increasing trip frequency, he said.

On average, 3.5 lakh people use the metro daily. This Monday, 3,82,088 passengers were transported, the highest in a single day, surpassing the previous record of 3,81,055 on January 23, he said.

Rouf also said in the 2023-24 fiscal year, metro ticket sales generated Tk 243.09 crore.

DMTCL top officials and RRR leaders attended the meeting. Earlier, RRR members visited the metro workshop and other facilities.

Notice

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)
COMPANY MATTER NO.02 OF 2025

IN THE MATTER OF: An application for condonation of delay in holding Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the respondent No. 2, Union Bank PLC under Section 81(2) and 85(3) read with section 396 of the Companies Act, 1994.

IN THE MATTER OF:
Qazi Mozibar Rahman
Petitioner

.....VERSUS.....
Registrar, Joint Stock Companies & Firms
& others
Respondents

Notice is hereby given that an application for condonation of delay in holding Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the respondent No. 2, Union Bank PLC under Section 81(2) and 85(3) read with section 396 of the Companies Act, 1994 has been moved before the Company Bench of the Hon'ble High Court Division and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel upon hearing admitted the application on 06.01.2025 and directed the petitioner publish notice within 3 (three) weeks from date and to file an affidavit in compliance on or before 09 February, 2025 regarding publication of such notice.

Any person interested in the matter may appear in the hearing either personally or through appointed Advocate. Copy of the said application may be obtained from the under signed on payment of prescribed fees.

Mirza Sultan-Alraza
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"Invitation For Tender"

01. Procuring Entity Name	:	Comilla Palli Bidyut Samity-3
02. Procuring Entity District	:	Comilla
03. Invitation Tender for	:	O&M Materials
04. Invitation Tender Reference No.	:	Memo No-27.12.1936.572.01.038.25.3048, Date-29/01/2025
05. Procurement Method	:	Open Tendering Method (OTM)
06. Budget and Sources of Funds	:	PBS's Own Fund
07. Tender Package No	:	LPBS.Comilla-3.G.24-25.72-01 LPBS.Comilla-3.G.24-25.72-02
08. Tender Publication Date	:	05/02/2025
09. Tender Last Selling Date & Time	:	Date- 04/03/2025 (During Office Time)
10. Tender Receiving & Closing Date & Time	:	Date-05/03/2025, Time-12:00 (Noon)-(BST.)
11. Tender Opening Date & Time	:	Date-05/03/2025, Time-12:30 (Noon)-(BST.)
12. Name & Address of the Offices- (a) Selling Tender Document	:	(1) Director, PBS Monitoring & Management Operation (EastZone) Directorate, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, Head Office Building, Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229. (2) General Manager, Comilla palli Bidyut Samity-3, Headquarter, Gouripur,Daudkandi,Comilla
(b) Receiving Tender Document	:	Brigadier General Sabih Uddin Ahmed Auditorium, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, Head Office Building, Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229.
(c) Opening Tender Document	:	Brigadier General Sabih Uddin Ahmed Auditorium, Bangladesh Rural Electrification Board, Head Office Building, Nikunja-2, Khilkhet, Dhaka-1229. (Intending Tenderer or their authorized representative may choose to attend at the time of opening the tenders)
13. Eligibility of Tenderer	:	Bangladeshi Manufacturer/Supplier
14. Price of Tender Document (Each)	:	TK. =3000.00 (Three Thousand) Only
15. Brief Description of Goods	:	Supply of-Conductor & Guy Accessories; (Details Shows in the following Table-15.1)
*Table-15.1		
Tender Package No.	For the Material of-	Tender Security Amount (TK.)
LPBS.Comilla-3.G.24-25.72-01	Conductor & Guy Accessories (BREB Item N0: E-15)	=9,00,000.00
LPBS.Comilla-3.G.24-25.72-02	Conductor & Guy Accessories (BREB Item N0: E-17 ,18)	=16,50,000.00
16. Regarding Tender Document	:	The Tender Document may be purchased by the interested Tenderers on the submission of a written application to the addresses as mentioned in serial no. 12(a) and upon payment of a non-refundable fee TK.=3000-(Three Thousand). The method of payment will be by Pay order in favour of General Manager, Comilla palli Bidyut Samity-3. No Tender Document will be sent by Courier or mail. One Tender Document cannot be used for submission of tender proposals by more than one Tenderer. One tenderer, however, may submit tenders against any number of packages included in the tender document by purchasing only one copy of the tender document.
17. Mode of Payment	:	Payment will be made by "Comilla palli Bidyut Samity-3, Gouripur, Daudkandi, Comilla" directly to the supplier in Bangladeshi Currency (Taka).
18. Delivery Period	:	Delivery period shall begin from the date of signing of contract or on 28 th day from the issuing date of Notification of Award (NOA) which is earlier.
19. Special Instruction	:	The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without showing any reasons.

Muhammad Nurul Hossain
General Manager
Comilla Palli Bidyut Samity-3