

## Mohammad Azaz new administrator of DNCC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mohammad Azaz, chairman of the River and Delta Research Centre,

has been appointed as the administrator of Dhaka North City Corporation.

He has been appointed as a full-time administrator for a one-year term. A notification was issued in this regard yesterday, signed by Mahbuba Irene, deputy secretary to the LGD.

## Nine hurt in clashes during BNP conferences

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Bagerhat

Nine people were injured in clashes among BNP leaders and activists during union conferences in Bagerhat's Kachua and Chitalmari upazilas on Tuesday.

In Kachua, police said three people were injured when two BNP factions fought over the formation of the Dhopakhalai union BNP committee.

Meanwhile, supporters of two BNP factions clashed in Chitalmari during the conference of Ward-4 BNP of Kalatala union, which left six people injured, said OC SM Shahadat Hossain.

## Lost signals, lost safety

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Matsyajibi Samitee, stressed the urgency of a robust communication system, stating that for nearly five lakh fishermen and their families, radio is a vital source of information.

With mobile networks failing at sea, a strong radio communication system is essential. "The authorities should either increase Barishal Betar's frequency or establish a relay station in Kuakata," he added.

Apu Saha, fisheries officer of Kalapara upazila, said mobile networks cover up to 55 kilometres offshore from Kuakata, but this coverage diminishes in bad weather.

Most fishing boats do not have radios, and some rely on mobile apps for Dhaka and Chattogram radio stations. However, they cannot receive broadcasts from the Barishal centre.

Bangladesh Betar's Barishal station was inaugurated on 12 June

1999, but its transmission capacity has remained unchanged since then, with AM transmission power at 18 kW, covering 80 to 100 kilometres, and FM transmission power at 2kW, covering approximately 50 kilometres.

Md Rafiqul Islam, regional director of Bangladesh Betar Barishal centre, said the station's coverage does not extend beyond Kuakata beach, meaning fishermen at sea cannot receive urgent weather updates.

Without a relay station or stronger transmission power, it is impossible to reach the estimated 125,000 deep-sea fishermen who rely on radio for survival, he added. He said they have also notified the issue to the higher authorities.

"Hopefully, they will try to come up with a solution soon by setting up a relay station in Kuakata or increasing the frequency," he added.

## Scuffle, sit-in, strike

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The protest ended around 4:00pm.

Meanwhile, candidates facing the cancellation of their appointments as assistant teachers in government primary schools continued their sit-in at Shahbagh, demanding reinstatement.

Around 150 protesters gathered in front of the National Museum at 1:30pm.

Since Monday, they have been demonstrating, disrupting traffic for hours. On Monday, police used batons, water cannons, and sound grenades to disperse the protesters. However, the demonstrators remained on the road.

The protesters claimed that their appointments had been revoked "unfairly". "A total of 6,531 candidates were included in the final merit list but haven't received appointments. We urge authorities to resolve this immediately," they said in a statement.

Besides, doctors at

the National Institute of Neurosciences (NINS) in Dhaka observed a three-hour work stoppage from 11:45am to 3:00pm, protesting an alleged attack on doctors.

They also demanded the resignation of Director Prof Quazi Deen Mohammad and joint director Prof Md Badrul Alam.

While emergency and ICU services remained operational, outdoor services were disrupted, causing patient suffering.

Doctors claimed at least 10 people, including three physicians, were injured in an attack by third and fourth-class employees and outsourced staff of NINS.

Asked about the work abstention, Joint Director Md Badrul Alam said, "A misunderstanding arose over the transfer of a doctor. There was a brief argument between the two sides."

He claimed there was no work stoppage by the doctors and the issue had been resolved.

## 'Secret note' sparks

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at the Chief Judicial Magistrate's (CJM) Court in Dhaka amid police security.

"Around 9:30am, Enamur and three others were brought to the court under police escort for hearing in several cases filed with Savar and Ashulia Police Stations," said a court staffer.

When asked about the incident, Inspector Harun Or Rashid, who was on duty at that time, said, "I did not notice any such incident."

Omar Faruq Faruqi, a state lawyer at the Dhaka court, said, "Without the court's permission, the accused cannot write or hand over a letter. They cannot even communicate with anyone other than their lawyers. If they do it, it will go against the laws."

Meanwhile, Enamur was placed on a five-day remand in a case filed over the death of Cumilla University student Abdul Kayum in Savar on August 5, after he was produced before the court with a 10-day remand prayer.

On August 25 last year, Kulsum, 51, mother of the victim, filed the murder case with Savar Model Police Station, accusing Hasina and 68 others. MAZUMDER PUT ON REMAND Former EXIM Bank

chairman Nazrul Islam Mazumder was brought to the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court of Dhaka for a hearing yesterday morning.

"If I had not been by Sheikh Hasina's side at that time... My elder brother was an MP for five years. That elder brother was killed in a crossfire. I would have faced the same fate. Please cancel my remand and allow me to be interrogated at the jail gate," he said at the time.

Dhaka Metropolitan Magistrate MA Azharul Islam conducted the hearing on a 10 day remand prayer, which was sought to interrogate Mazumder in connection with a case filed over the death of Emon Hossain Gazi in Dhaka's Jatrabari area on August 5.

The magistrate granted a five-day remand for Mazumder.

SHAMBHU LOSES TEMPER

Former AL lawmaker Dharendra Deb Nath Shambhu lost his temper while being taken to the CJM Court for a case hearing yesterday, as a journalist on the court premises was taking his pictures.

"Take as many photos as you want. You have nothing else to do! Isn't one photo enough? What's the point of taking so many?" he said, addressing journalists.

## Staff shortage

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give signals to trains, but closed stations do not, requiring loco masters to reduce speed to minimise the risk of accidents.

Mujibur Rahman, another loco master, echoed the same concern.

The shortage of manpower has also forced railway to operate many stations with retired station masters on a contractual basis, while most of the operational stations are running with half the required workforce.

Tarek Imran, deputy chief operating superintendent of railway's Eastern Zone, said the manpower crisis is worsening day by day and they are regularly reaching out to higher authorities to recruit more staff and resume operations at the closed stations. Md Sabuktagin, general manager of railway's Eastern Zone, said they have sent multiple letters to higher authorities urging them to address the crisis, but the issue remains unresolved.

**PRAYER TIMING**  
FEBRUARY 13

Fajr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 5-25	12-45	4-30	5-57	7-15
JAMAAT 6-00	1-15	4-45	6-01	7-45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

## 999 services now in English too

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that foreign officials in Bangladesh -- including those working with the UN, INGOs, foreign missions, and various development partners -- will now be able to seek emergency help more conveniently.

"Currently, we are rolling out the English service with a limited number of workstations to assess the response. Based on the feedback, we will expand the service," he said.

"The service provided

will be similar to the Bangla-language service. A 999 agent will communicate with the caller in English, relay the details to the service provider in Bangla, and then update the caller in English to ensure clear communication," he said.

He cited a recent case in which an Italian citizen was robbed on her way to a hostel from the airport. Although police recovered her valuables and arrested the culprits, she was unable to seek help from 999 at

the time as the service was not available in English.

Currently, the 999 helpline has 100 workstations and can handle 120 calls simultaneously. "We have approval to establish another 100 workstations in Purbachal," he said.

He said similar services are popular in Singapore, Malaysia, and the UAE.

Three inspectors -- Soyebur Rahman, Shahadat Hossain Selim, and Istiak Ansari -- conducted a one-month training session to prepare 20 officers to handle calls in English.

Inspector Soyebur Rahman told The Daily Star that it was a challenge for them, as the entire team was accustomed to Bangla.

Inspector Anwar Sattar, spokesperson for the helpline, said, "People now have confidence in 999. We are receiving more calls than ever before. Currently, we handle 20,000 to 25,000 calls daily."

## BR test runs

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dedicated railway bridge of the country will be inaugurated formally on March 18, Al Fattah Md Masudur Rahman, additional director general (infrastructure) of BR, told The Daily Star.

Masudur, also project director of bridge, said they have started using one of the two lines of bridge for the trial operation.

He said the president of JICA, the financier of the over Tk 17,000 crore project, will take part in the bridge inauguration programme.

The 4.8km double line dual gauge bridge over Jamuna River will boost rail connectivity between Dhaka and northwestern regions.

## Injured

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On February 7, at least 18 people were injured when alleged Awami League activists attacked a group of protesters near the ancestral home of Mozammel Haque in Gazipur.

Later that night, Kashmir's family learned that he was among the injured. Police took the injured to Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Medical College Hospital.

Twelve of the injured, including Kashmir, were later transferred to DMCH.

## Legal Notice

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH HIGH COURT DIVISION (STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

COMPANY MATTER NO. 150 OF 2025

IN THE MATTER OF:

An application under section 81(2) read with sections 85(3) and 396 of the Companies Act, 1994 and Rules 8 & 263 of the Companies Rules, 2009.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF:

Promote Builders Limited, represented by its Managing Director, Mr. Mahabubul Haque, having its registered address at Akram Tower (7th floor), Suite - 03, 199, Syed Nazrul Islam Sarani, Bijoynagar, Dhaka.

.....Petitioner

-VERSUS-

The Registrar Joint Stock Companies and Firms, TCB Bhaban, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Kawran Bazar, Dhaka-1215

.....Respondent

Notice is hereby given to all concerned that an application under section 81(2) read with sections 85(3) and 396 of the Companies Act, 1994 and Rules 8 & 263 of the Companies Rules, 2009 was filed before the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh on behalf of the above-named Petitioner for condonation of delay in holding the Annual General Meeting of Promote Builders Limited for the calendar year 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 and relieving the Directors and Shareholders of the Company from payment of fine or penalty.

Upon preliminary hearing, the Hon'ble Company Bench, comprising of its Lordship Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel vide order dated 02.02.2025 was pleased to admit the said application and directed to file an affidavit-in-compliance on or before 06.03.2025 after publication of this notice within 03(three) weeks from the date of the aforesaid order. Any person or persons having interest in the said application may appear either personally or through duly authorized Advocate on or before the date so fixed.

Copy of the said application may be obtained from the office of the undersigned on payment of required costs.

Yours faithfully

Faria Haq  
Head of Chamber, OHC & Associates  
Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh  
Barrister, Lincoln's Inn

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AND

IN THE MATTER OF:

Promote Living Limited, represented by its Managing Director, Mr. Md. Mahabubul Hoque having its registered address at 199, Syed Nazrul Islam Sarani, Akram Tower (7<sup>th</sup> Floor), Dhaka.

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**World Health Organization**  
Bangladesh

### VACANCY NOTICE

World Health Organization (WHO) invites applications from the interested and eligible candidates for the following position under following contractual modality:

- Executive Assistant- Data Management and GIS / SSA**

For further details on submission of applications including detailed post description please visit our websites:  
<https://www.who.int/bangladesh/about-us/employment>  
<https://careers.who.int/careersection/ex/jobsearch.ftl>

Qualified female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

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**AHSANULLAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
141-142, Love Road, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208  
Phone: 02 8870422 (Ext.-201) Web: www.aust.edu  
Ref. No. AUST/EEE, MPE & CE/OTM/Tender-10/2024-25

### TENDER INVITATION

Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology (AUST) is inviting sealed bids from bonafide/ reputed organizations/ distributors/ business partners/agents for:

- Supply of Lab Equipment (Overcurrent relay, directional relay & differential relay) for the Department of EEE (Re-Tender)
- Supply of Lab Equipment (Bioplux kit, Sensors & software) for the Department of MPE (Re-Tender)
- Supply & Installation of Direct shear test apparatus (ASTM D 3080-04) for the Department of Civil Engineering
- Supply of Lab Equipment (Total Station) for the Department of Civil Engineering

The bidders must submit earnest money @ 2.5% of the quoted price in the form of Pay Order issued from any scheduled bank drawn in favor of "Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology" along with their offer. Interested bidders may collect schedule of tender from Procurement Officer of AUST on all working days till Feb. 25, 2025. The sealed offer must be submitted on Feb. 27, 2025 by 1.30pm at the Treasurer's office and the tenders will be opened at 02:00pm on the same day (Feb. 27, 2025). Representatives of the participating bidders may remain present at the time of opening the tenders. The AUST authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason whatsoever and is not bound to award the work order to the lowest bidder.

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Reference No. and dated	SMC EL/Enlistment/01/2025 11 February 2025
Category of goods & services	1) Raw Materials (Local & Import), 2) Packaging Materials (Local & Import), 3) Printing & Packaging, 4) Computer & Computer Accessories, 5) Outdoor Advertising, 6) Promotional Gift Items, 7) General Order Supplier (Tour & Travel Agency, Freight Forwarder, CNF, Insurance Company, Gift & Stationary Items, etc.), 8) Advertising Agency (i.e. Creative, Media Buying, Events & Activations, Digital Media Buying) 9) Research Agency, 10) Training/HR Development Organization, 11) Vehicle Maintenance/Engineering Work Shop
Duration of Enlistment	02 Years
Schedule collection date, time, and place	Schedule will be available at <a href="http://www.smc-bd.org">www.smc-bd.org</a> to be downloaded and printed free of cost from <b>11 to 23 February 2025</b>
Application dropping place, date, and time	Potential vendors are invited to submit sealed envelope with application and necessary business documents into Tender Box at SMC Tower, Level 1, 33 Banani C/A, Dhaka-1213 from 11 to 23 February 2025 within 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. Category of goods & services should be mentioned on top of the envelope. SMCEL reserves the right to accept or reject any or all application(s) without conveying any reason whatsoever

**N.B: Already enlisted suppliers have to apply in this procedure**  
Deputy Managing Director (Operations), SMC Enterprise Limited  
SMC Tower, 33 Banani C/A, Dhaka. Phone: +88-02-222275074-80

### Notification

Dhaka Third Division Qualifying Cricket League (2024-2025)

**Bangladesh Cricket Board**

No.-BCB/CCDM/2024-25/871  
Date: 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2025

Dhaka Third Division Qualifying Cricket League (2024-2025) will be held in March 2025. According to the decision of the Bangladesh Cricket Board, the Teams / Clubs located in Dhaka Metropolitan Area only (Excluding corporate, office, and cricket academy teams) will be able to collect the prescribed application Form and terms & conditions from the office of CCDM, BCB by paying Taka 1,000/- (One Thousand) on 19, 20 and 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2025 (between 10 AM to 6 PM).

The interested clubs / teams need to submit the prescribed application form and necessary papers on official letterhead of the club along with the Pay Order of Taka 1,00,000/- (One Lac) in favor of "Bangladesh Cricket Board" (Entry Fee, Non-refundable) on 23 and 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 (between 10 AM to 6 PM) at the Office of CCDM, BCB (Sher-E- Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1216). Please note that no application will be accepted after the due date.

It must be mentioned that no team/club outside the Dhaka Metropolitan Area can participate in this league. All interested clubs/teams must comply with the terms & conditions prescribed by BCB.

**Member Secretary**  
Cricket Committee of Dhaka Metropolis (CCDM)  
Bangladesh Cricket Board, Dhaka

### Invitation for Tender for Hiring of Transport Services (Scheduled and Unscheduled)

1 Name Ministry/Division	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare			
2 Procuring Entity	icddr,b			
3 Invitation for Tender	Services			
4 Invitation Ref No	icddr,b/SCM/GoB/OTM/Pkg#PS-06&07/2024-25			
5 Date	13-02-2025			
<b>KEY INFORMATION</b>				
6 Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (National)			
<b>FUNDING INFORMATION</b>				
7 Budget and Source of Funds	Revenue Budget and Government of Bangladesh and Other Donors			
8 Development Partners (if applicable)	N/A			
<b>PARTICULAR INFORMATION</b>				
9 Tender Package No.	Pkg# PS-06 & 07/2024-25			
10 Tender Package Name	Pkg-06: Hiring of Transport Services- Staff Bus (Scheduled) Pkg-07: Hiring of Transport Services- Microbus, Sedan Car, etc. (Un-Scheduled)			
	Date	Time		
11 Tender Publication Date	13-02-2025	--		
12 Last Date of Selling Tender Document	12-03-2025	10:00 am to 02:30pm all working days		
13 Tender Closing Date and Time	13-03-2025	11:00 AM (Pkg-06) 11:00 AM (Pkg-07)		
14 Tender Opening Date and Time	13-03-2025	11:30 AM (Pkg-06) 12:00 PM (Pkg-07)		
15 Name & Address of the office(s) - Selling Tender Document	Address: Finance Office, Main Building, Level-4, icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212. Interested bidder is requested to deposit the price for each package Tender Document i.e. BDT 5,000/- to the Account Name: "icddr,b", Account No. 0200002442981, Agrani Bank PLC., icddr,b Branch and submit original Customer Copy to Finance Office while collecting the Tender Document within the stipulated time. Please bring NID card and business card while collecting tender documents and participating in the pre-bid meeting and use IPH (North) gate to enter at icddr,b premises.			
<b>NO CONDITIONS APPLY FOR SALE, PURCHASE OR DISTRIBUTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS</b>				
- Receiving Tender Document	Supply Chain Management Office, Chiller Building (Ground Floor), icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
- Opening Tender Document	Supply Chain Management Office, Chiller Building (1st Floor), icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
16 Place / Date / Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	FMS Meeting Room, Chiller Building (3rd Floor), icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.			
	Date	Time		
	February 24, 2025	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Pkg-06 & 07)		
<b>INFORMATION FOR TENDERER</b>				
17 Brief Eligibility and Qualification of Tenderer (Details eligibility criteria are described in the tender schedule)	Pkg #	Experience	Annual Turnover	Liquidity
	Pkg#06	5 years	3.5 Crore	2 Crore
	Pkg#07	5 years	3.5 Crore	2 Crore
18 Brief Description of Services	Pkg-06: Hiring of Transport Services- Staff Bus (Scheduled)			
19 Brief Description of Related Services	Pkg-07: Hiring of Transport Services- Microbus, Sedan Car, etc. (Un-Scheduled)			
20 Price of Tender Document (Tk)	BDT 5,000/- per set (non-refundable)			
21 Pkg No	Identification of Schedule	Location	Tender Security (BDT)	Completion Time in Months
Pkg-06: Hiring of Transport Services- Staff Bus (Scheduled)		icddr,b, 68 Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Sharani, Mohakhali, Dhaka 1212	13,000,000/-	Framework Agreement for 36 months
Pkg-07: Hiring of Transport Services- Microbus, Sedan Car etc. (Un-Scheduled)			13,000,000/-	
<b>PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS</b>				
22 Name of Official Inviting Tender	Mirza Muhammad Masud Rana			
23 Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Senior Manager, Supply Chain Management			
24 Address of Official Inviting Tender	68, Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212			
25 Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	02-22227001-10; 16340 extn: 4405/4403/4400	16340	e-mail: tenderquery@icddr.org	
26 The Procuring entity reserves the right to reject all Tenders or annul the Tender proceedings.				

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Senior Manager, Supply Chain Management  
icddr,b, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212.