



A young girl looks at clay toys on display at a local fair in Baraikhali village of Barishal's Babuganj upazila. Artisans and vendors from various areas gather at the fair to sell handcrafted clay and bamboo items. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

## HABIGANJ MUNICIPALITY

# Road or dumpsite?

MINTU DESHWARA

The Habiganj Bypass has turned into a dumping ground for municipal garbage, causing serious disruptions to traffic and posing health risks to residents and commuters alike.

Garbage dumped along the roadside is now spilling over onto the main carriageway while the stench from the growing piles of waste has made the road nearly impassable for both pedestrians and vehicles.

"This is one of the busiest roads in the city, but every day we are forced to cover our nose and mouth even while inside vehicles," said Bappy Rahman, a pedestrian.

The bypass road runs past key landmarks including Brindaban Government College, Habiganj Modern Stadium, and the Ansar Academy.

Abdul Hakim, a professor in the accounting department of Brindaban Government College, said teachers and students travelling on the bypass road are suffering due to the pile of garbage.

"When there is a lot of wind, a bad smell spreads throughout the campus," he said.

This is not the first time the issue has surfaced. During the tenure of



former mayor Aatur Rahman Selim, the municipality, in coordination with the district administration, had temporarily shifted the dumping site to a designated area outside the city. However, the effort failed to yield long term results, as garbage returned to the bypass within weeks.

Tofazzal Sohel, general secretary of the Habiganj unit of Bapa (Bangladesh Poribesh Andolon), recommended three immediate actions: the municipal authorities must urgently allocate and secure a permanent, environmentally approved landfill site outside the city; implement a door-to-door

waste collection system with proper segregation of organic and inorganic materials; and launch a public awareness campaign about waste disposal responsibilities.

Md Zahidur Rahman, administrator of Habiganj municipality, said, "Around 30 tonnes of waste are generated in the municipality every day. Initially, we place the waste along the bypass road before moving it to a permanent dumping site. The entire process is under our supervision." When asked whether the waste is being restricted from being dumped at a designated site, he replied, "I have no such information."

## Appeal hearing of Azharul deferred

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Supreme Court yesterday deferred to May 6 the hearing of an appeal filed by Jamaat-e-Islami leader ATM Azharul Islam challenging his death penalty for crimes against humanity during the Liberation War.

A full bench of the Appellate Division comprising all the seven judges including the chief justice will hold the hearing on May 6 considering the importance of the case, his lawyer Mohammad Shishir Manir told reporters.

Several Jamaat leaders and activists including its Secretary General Mia Golam Parwar were present in the court yesterday.

On February 27, the apex court allowed Azharul to move a fresh appeal before the court.

# 6-year-old abducted, tortured, forced to beg

## Police rescue him after 6 months, boy now undergoing treatment

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

It was six months ago in October last year when a six year old boy vanished from a village field in Pabna.

While his mother went from one police station to another, clutching his photo and begging for help, her son was locked away in a dark room. He received no food, no sunlight, but just beatings.

He was starved for days at a time. The six year old went through unbearable torture. His small fingers were broken. The abductors did everything to make the boy appear disabled. Then they paraded him across cities to beg, from one ferry terminal to another, using the boy's shattered body to win sympathy from strangers.

Six months passed. And then, last Friday, police found the boy lying unresponsive beside a man at Rupsha ferry ghat in Khulna. The man, later identified as Rafikul Islam Biplob, 30, was begging with the boy in tow. He was arrested on the spot.

When the child was brought back home, his mother could barely recognise him. "At first glance, I was so shocked that I asked the police, 'are you sure this is my boy?'" she said, standing at her son's bedside in Pabna General Hospital.

"He was so thin, I could count every bone. His face had changed. His body was full of wounds. He didn't say a word to me," she added. She said her son had gone out to play on October 2 near their home in Pabna Sadar upazila. That was the last time anyone saw him.

"Biplob lured the boy with biscuits," said Md Abdus Salam, officer-in-charge

of Pabna Sadar Police Station. "He kept him in confinement and tortured him, starving him for days. Once the boy was too weak to resist, he began taking him from place to place to beg."

The abductors had once called the mother, he said. And from that point, they began tracing him using mobile phone surveillance. They finally tracked him to Khulna's Rupsha area with help from local police, he added.

"When we found him, he wasn't even able to sit properly," said OC Salam. "His fingers were twisted, his back marked with injuries."

## He is severely malnourished. There are signs of prolonged physical abuse.

Dr Rafikul Hasan, Pabna General Hospital

The boy has since undergone surgery to repair broken bones in his hand.

"He is severely malnourished. There are signs of prolonged physical abuse," said Dr Rafikul Hasan, assistant director of Pabna General Hospital. "But the psychological trauma will take much longer to heal. He's afraid of people. He doesn't speak," he said.

Biplob, who hails from Shanikdiar village in the same upazila as the victim, has been sent to jail through court proceedings. Meanwhile, the child's mother waits at the hospital. "I just want him to smile. That's all I want," she said.

(Names of the mother and child have been withheld to protect their identities)

# Woman tied to tree and tortured

## Two arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Brahmanbaria

A woman was tied to a tree and tortured allegedly by two of her brothers-in-law in Brahmanbaria on Monday.

The incident took place at Sadar upazila between 5:00pm and 8:00pm, said police and locals.

The victim, wife of an expatriate, used to live with her two children at her in-law's house.

Based on a complaint filed by her with Sadar Model Police Station on Monday, police arrested her brothers-in-law, Mangal Mia and Zainal Abedin, yesterday afternoon, said Officer-in-Charge Mohammad Moazzafar Hossain.

A video clip of the incident went viral on social media.

Police recorded the complaint as a case, the OC said.

According to the case statement, Mangal had been harassing her for a long time.

On Monday, when she protested, he started beating her, it added. Later, Zainal and other family members joined him. They tied her to a tree and continued to beat her, the

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01	Tender ID: 1100838 Tender Package No: 4/2024-2025, Reference No. BKB/HO/ADC/ATM-17(3)/2024-2025/607	Supply Installation & Commissioning of 10(Ten) ATM(Automated Teller Machine) for Bangladesh Krishi Bank	Date: 06-05-2025 Time: 16:00	Date: 07-05-2025 Time: 15:00	OTM

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SI No.	Package/ Lot No.	Tender ID	Description of goods	Last selling date & time	Closing/opening date & time
01	GR-3 Press Lot-10	1098839	Procurement of 4th Class Employees Uniform and others item of Settlement Press of DLR&S	06.05.2025 17:00pm	07.05.2025 12:15pm

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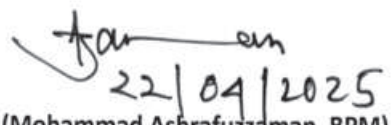
**Invitation for Local Tender**

Memo No.44.01.0000.024.05.001.2021-672

Date: 22 April 2025

Sealed tenders are hereby invited from the bonafied business organization/suppliers in their official letter head pad for purchase of the following items for Bangladesh Police. Tenderer must read and fill up the tender documents cautiously, so that the offered package complies with the tender documents. Conditional or alternative offer shall not be evaluated.

1.	Ministry / Division	Ministry of Home Affairs/ Public Security Division.		
2.	Agency	Police Headquarters, Dhaka.		
3.	Head of Procuring Entity Name	Inspector General, Bangladesh Police.		
4.	Invitation for	Purchase of Water Craft		
5.	Invitation Reference No	44.01.0000.024.05.001.2021-15 (FY-2024-2025)		
6.	Date	22 April 2025.		
KEY INFORMATION				
7.	Procurement Method	One stage two envelop		
FUNDING INFORMATION				
8.	Budget and Source of Fund	Gov. Revenue Budget		
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
9.	Tender Publication date	23 April 2025		
10.	Tender Selling last date	20 May 2025		
11.	Tender closing date and time	21 May 2025 at 12.00pm		
12.	Tender opening date and time	21 May 2025 at 12.30pm		
13.	Name & Address of the officer	Addl. DIG (Transport), 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Police Headquarters, Phoenix Road, Fulbaria, Dhaka-1000.		
	Selling Tender Document			
	Receiving Tender Document			
14.	Opening Tender Document	13 May 2025 at 03.00 pm		
	Place, date & time of pre-tender meeting (optional)			
NCCOM, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Police Headquarters, Dhaka-1000.				
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER				
15.	Eligibility of tender	(i) Up to date trade license (ii) VAT registration Certificate (iii) Up to date income tax clearance certificate (iv) Manufacturers or Local Agents shall not be black listed by any other organization in Bangladesh and (v) Other Conditions shall be described in standard document (STD).		
16.	Price of tender document (BDT)	TK. 2000 (Two Thousand) Only (non-refundable).		
17.	Brief description of goods			
	Lot No	Identification of Goods	Tender Security (Taka)	Completion Time
	Lot-1	Patrol Boat	8,00,000/- (Eight Lac) only.	30 June 2025
	Lot-2	Speed Boat	8,00,000/- (Eight Lac) only.	
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS				
18.	Name of official inviting tender	Mohammad Ashrafuzzaman, BPM		
19.	Designation and address of the official inviting tenderer	Addl. DIG (Transport) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, NCCOM Centre, Police Headquarters, Dhaka-1000		
20.	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone : +88 02 223384779 E-Mail: addldigtrans@police.gov.bd		
21.	Special Instruction			
	a.	No tender will be received after the deadline of submission.		
	b.	The Procuring Entity reserves the right to reject all/ any tender or annul the tender proceeding without causing any reason.		
	c.	The Procuring Entity reserves the right to omit, increase and/or decrease the quantity of any item (s).		
	d.	The bidders must abide by the decision of the HOPE.		
	e.	The procurement process will be performed according to the Public Procurement Act- 2006 & PPR- 2008.		

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