

Mastercard, Mutual Trust Bank and Pathao unveil youth-focused prepaid card

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Global digital payment solutions provider Mastercard, in partnership with Mutual Trust Bank PLC and Pathao Pay, a digital payment platform in Bangladesh, yesterday launched a range of youth-oriented real-time companion prepaid cards, offering a personalised and enhanced payment experience.

Available in three vibrant designs – Starlit Horizon, Purple Haze and Sunshine Beach – the cards enable Mastercard holders to withdraw cash from ATMs nationwide.

Offered in both physical and virtual formats, the cards grant users greater control and flexibility in managing their finances.

Fahim Ahmed, managing director and CEO of Pathao, Syed Mahbubur Rahman, chief executive officer and managing director of the bank, and Syed Mohammad

Kamal, country manager for Bangladesh at Mastercard, inaugurated the cards in Dhaka, according to a press release.

Commenting on the launch, Ahmed stated, "With Pathao Pay's wallet-linked cards – a first of its kind innovation in Bangladesh – users can transact as they wish, access funds whenever needed, and manage their finances with complete autonomy."

"These innovative cards are tailored to meet the dynamic needs of today's youth," he added.

Rahman remarked, "Through the introduction of this product, we aim to empower our customers with the benefits they seek and ensure an enjoyable, seamless payment experience."

Kamal commented, "These new prepaid cards will not only offer a secure and enhanced payment experience but also assist users in managing their finances efficiently."



Syed Mahbubur Rahman, chief executive officer and managing director of Mutual Trust Bank PLC, Fahim Ahmed, managing director and CEO of Pathao, and Syed Mohammad Kamal, country manager for Bangladesh at Mastercard, pose for photographs at the launch of a range of youth-oriented real-time companion prepaid cards for customers in Dhaka yesterday.

PHOTO: MASTERCARD

Jamuna Bank signs MoU with National Pension Authority

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Jamuna Bank PLC has entered into a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the National Pension Authority (NPA) to facilitate the collection of contribution instalments for various schemes under the Universal Pension Scheme.

The bank is entitled to commence its collection services shortly after the MoU signing.

Mirza Elias Uddin Ahmed, managing director and CEO of the bank, and Md Mohiuddin Khan, executive chairman of the NPA, at a conference hall of the finance division under the Ministry of Finance in Dhaka on Monday, according to a press release issued by the bank.

Md Khairuzzaman Mozumder,

secretary of the finance division, attended the event as the chief guest.

This collaboration seeks to streamline operations and broaden the reach of the Universal Pension Scheme (UPS) by leveraging Jamuna Bank's extensive network of branches, sub-branches, agent banking outlets and digital platforms.

Under the terms of the MoU, Jamuna Bank will serve as a principal service and collection hub, facilitating enrolment, contribution deposits, and account management for UPS subscribers.

The strategic partnership empowers Jamuna Bank PLC to collect pension instalments via both digital and in-person banking channels, thereby enhancing accessibility and convenience for citizens across the country.

PHOTO: JAMUNA BANK

Trust Bank holds workshop on anti-money laundering and counter-terrorism financing

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Trust Bank PLC recently organised a daylong workshop, titled "Prevention of Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism (AML & CFT)", for its senior officials from the Dhaka region.

The initiative was aimed at raising awareness and enhancing the compliance capabilities of the bank's senior personnel in line with regulatory expectations and global standards.

Hasna Hena Chowdhury, deputy managing director and chief anti-money laundering compliance officer (CAMLCO) of the bank, inaugurated the programme as the chief guest at the Trust Bank Training Academy in Dhaka, according to a press release.

In her address, Chowdhury underscored the vital importance of strict adherence to AML and CFT regulations and shared key directives to ensure full compliance with both national laws and international best practices.

Md Rayhanul Islam, additional director of the Bangladesh Financial Intelligence Unit (BFIU), and ANM Kalim Uddin Hasan Tushar, joint director, served as resource persons. They delivered insightful sessions addressing the current threat landscape of money laundering and outlined effective mitigation strategies.

ABM Moinul Hasib, executive vice-president and deputy CAMLCO of the bank, also attended the event alongside other officials from the bank's head office.



Hasna Hena Chowdhury, deputy managing director and chief anti-money laundering compliance officer of Trust Bank PLC, poses for group photographs with participants of the workshop, titled "Prevention of Money Laundering and Combating the Financing of Terrorism", organised for senior officials of the bank's Dhaka zone, in the capital recently.

PHOTO: TRUST BANK

Social Islami Bank signs MoU with National Pension Authority

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Social Islami Bank PLC has recently signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the National Pension Authority (NPA) to facilitate seamless registration, contribution collection, and API integration under the Universal Pension Schemes.

Md Mahiuddin Khan, executive chairman of the NPA, and Shafiuzzaman, managing director of the bank, signed the agreement at the conference room of the finance division under the Ministry of Finance in Dhaka, according to a press release.

This partnership is expected to enhance public access to the Universal Pension Scheme while supporting the expansion of its technology-driven operations. Md Khairuzzaman Mozumder, secretary of the finance division, attended the signing ceremony as the chief guest.

PHOTO: SOCIAL ISLAMI BANK



Shafiuuzzaman, managing director of Social Islami Bank PLC, and Md Mahiuddin Khan, executive chairman of the National Pension Authority, shake hands and exchange signed documents of the memorandum of understanding at the conference room of the Finance Division in Dhaka recently.

PHOTO: SOCIAL ISLAMI BANK

ONE Bank celebrates 26th founding anniversary

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ONE Bank PLC has celebrated the 26th anniversary of the commencement of its commercial operations in Bangladesh's banking industry.

To mark the occasion, the bank organised a series of programmes across its branches and corporate head office nationwide.

ASM Shahidullah Khan, chairman of the bank, inaugurated the celebrations at the corporate headquarters in Dhaka on Monday, according to a press release.

Anannya Das Gupta and Shawket Jaman, directors of the bank; Shabbir Ahmed, managing director (current charge); and Abu Zafra Md Saleh, additional managing director and head of Islami banking; were present at the event.

Established on July 14, 1999 as a private sector commercial bank, ONE Bank has since grown significantly.

The bank now operates through 114 branches, 184 ATM and CRM booths, 48 sub-

branches, 19 collection booths, and 276 agent outlets across the country.

John Sarkar, deputy managing director, company secretary and head of human

resources division, and Md Anwarul Islam, deputy managing director, chief legal officer and head of recovery division; along with senior executives of the bank, were also present.



ASM Shahidullah Khan, chairman of ONE Bank PLC, inaugurates the 26th founding anniversary of the bank at its corporate headquarters in Dhaka on Monday.

PHOTO: ONE BANK

Nvidia says it will resume sales of 'H20' AI chips to China

AFP, Beijing

US tech giant Nvidia said on Tuesday it will resume sales of its H20 artificial intelligence chips to China, after Washington pledged to remove licensing curbs that had put a stop to exports.

The California-based firm produces some of the world's most advanced semiconductors but is not allowed to ship its most cutting-edge chips to China owing to concerns that Beijing could use them to boost its military capabilities.

It developed the H20 – a less powerful version of its AI processing units – specifically for export to China, although that plan hit the skids when the Trump administration firmed up export licence requirements in April.

The company said in a statement on Tuesday that it was "filing applications to sell the Nvidia H20 GPU again".

"The US government has assured Nvidia that licences will be granted, and Nvidia hopes to start deliveries soon," the statement said.

Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang said in a video published by Chinese state broadcaster CCTV on Tuesday that "the US government has approved for us (to file) licences to start shipping H20s, and so we will start to sell H20s to the Chinese market".

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"I'm looking forward to shipping H20s very soon, and so I'm very happy with that very, very good news," Huang, wearing his trademark black leather jacket, told a group of reporters.

Zhang Guobin, founder of the Chinese specialist website centrend.com, said the resumption would "bring (Nvidia) substantial revenue growth, making up for the losses caused by the previous ban".

It would also ease the impact of trade frictions on the global supply chain for semiconductors, he told AFP.

But he said Chinese firms would remain focused on domestic chip development, adding that "the Trump administration has been... prone to abrupt policy shifts, making it difficult to gauge how long such an opening might endure".

Huang will attend a major supply chain gathering on Wednesday, the event organiser confirmed to AFP.

It will be his third trip to China this year, according to CCTV.

China is a crucial market for Nvidia but in recent years the US export squeeze has left it battling tougher competition from local players such as homegrown champion Huawei.

Beijing has decried Washington's curbs as unfair and designed to hinder its development.

Huang, an electrical engineer, told Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng on a visit to Beijing in April that he "looked favourably upon the potential of the Chinese economy", according to state news agency Xinhua.

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1128408	Repair & Renovation Works at Uttar Khorey Hazipara Dakhil Madrasah, Gongachara, Rangpur.	29.7.2025 15.00	30.7.2025 12.00
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