

Built for farmers, agri markets stay unused for 15yrs

S DILIP ROY, *LaMonirhat*

A total of 32 agricultural markets were constructed across seven districts of Rangpur division to enable farmers to sell their produce directly to consumers, bypassing middlemen and ensuring fair prices. However, nearly one and a half decades later, not a single one of these markets has been made operational.

Despite government expenditure of around Tk 62 crore, farmers continue to sell produce by the roadside, often at unfairly low prices.

A field visit to the BDR Haat agricultural market in LaMonirhat Sadar upazila revealed a locked, long-abandoned facility. Locals said a few influential individuals have taken over the site and converted it into a storage warehouse for rice, paddy, fertiliser and other goods.



Badiar Rahman, 60, a farmer from Kornopur village, said he harvests vegetables daily and takes them to the local haat, but due to a lack of designated space, he is forced to sell them to wholesalers at lower prices.

In Rangpur city, the Mahiganj agricultural market has reportedly been converted into a community centre by a powerful local figure, while another market near the truck terminal is being used as a slaughterhouse and meat shop under lease by the city corporation.

Nabin Chandra Barman, 65, a farmer from Mahiganj, said, "This market has never been used for agriculture. As soon as the structure was built, it was taken over. We've only heard of it as an 'agricultural market' in name."

According to the agriculture department, under the National Agricultural Technology Project (NATP) and the National Community Development Programme (NCDP),

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We must boost climate negotiation capacity

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Dwijen Mallick, research fellow at the Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies, said Bangladesh has received inadequate climate financing from both domestic and external sources, which poses a major obstacle to addressing its challenges.

He identified sectors such as agriculture, forestry and other land uses (AFOLU), along with waste management, as critical sectors where Bangladesh could make progress in climate mitigation.

Globally, around 35 percent of emission reductions could come

from AFOLU and waste management, he noted.

Khushi Kabir, chairperson of ALRD and coordinator of Nijera Kori, highlighted the need to monitor greenhouse gas emissions from the agriculture sector.

ALRD Executive Director Shamsul Huda criticised large polluting countries for making lofty commitments at forums like COP but rarely following through.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION
COMPANY MATTER NO. 1205 OF 2025
IN THE MATTER OF: CF Global Limited, represented by its Managing Director, Mr. Rayan Moyen
-VERSUS-
The Registrar, Joint Stock Companies and Firms & others, TCB Bhaban (6th Floor), 1 Kawran Bazar, Dhaka -1215. Respondent

Notice is hereby given that an application under Section 81(2) and 85(3) read with Section 396 of the Companies Act 1994 was moved in petitioner to Condonation of delay in holding the 2023 Annual General Meeting of the Company named CF Global Limited. Upon preliminary hearing on 26.06.2025 his Lordship Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel has admitted the said application on 16.07.2025 if any person interested in the said application may appear on the date of hearing either himself or through his Advocate. A copy of said application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of prescribed fees.

Mohammad Golam Kibria FCS, Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh
GK CHAMBERS, 218, Syed Nazrul Islam Saroni, Tropicana Tower (9th Floor), Suite # 9A, Purana Paltan, Dhaka. Mobile: 01707-429282

STATUTORY NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
COMPANY MATTER NO. 1200 OF 2025
An application under section 81(2) read with section 85(3) of the Companies Act, 1994
IN THE MATTER OF:

Md. Fazlul HaquePetitioner
-vs-Respondent
RJSC

Notice hereby given that an application under section 81(2) read with section 85(3) of the Companies Act, 1994 was moved by the petitioner for condonation of delay in holding the Annual General Meeting of the Company named Sterling Apparel Ltd. Hon'ble Judge Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel has admitted the said application on 02.07.2025. If any person is interested in the said application, he may appear on the date of hearing either himself or through his Advocate. A copy of the said application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of prescribed fees.

Mr. Sifat Mahmud,
Barrister-at-Law, Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh, Room No. 103, Supreme Court Bar Association Building, Dhaka-1000.

STATUTORY NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
COMPANY MATTER NO. 1127 OF 2025
An application under section 81(2) read with section 85(3) of the Companies Act, 1994
IN THE MATTER OF:

Syed Asad AliPetitioner
-vs-Respondent
RJSC

Notice hereby given that an application under section 81(2) read with section 85(3) of the Companies Act, 1994 was moved by the petitioner for condonation of delay in holding the Annual General Meeting of the Company named Mastech IT Ltd. Hon'ble Judge Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel has admitted the said application on 02.07.2025. If any person is interested in the said application, he may appear on the date of hearing either himself or through his Advocate. A copy of the said application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of prescribed fees.

Mr. Sifat Mahmud,
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A Dhaka North City Corporation worker sprays pesticide in the Ring Road area of Mohammadpur in the capital yesterday, with the goal to curb the spread of dengue. Efforts have been ramped up, following rising number of dengue infections across the country.

PHOTO: RASHED SHUMON

No quota in govt jobs for July uprising victims Says Liberation War affairs adviser

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

There will be no quota in government jobs for the families of those killed or injured in the July uprising, said Faruk E Azam, adviser to the Ministry of Liberation War Affairs, yesterday.

He said while the government will provide various forms of support to those affected, no decision has been made to introduce a job quota for them.

The adviser made the remarks at a press conference held at the Secretariat, where he outlined the ministry's initiatives for the families of the July uprising victims.

In response to a question about whether a quota system would be introduced for the injured and the families of the deceased in the uprising, he said, "No, no quota will be there."

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One more Covid death, 364 new dengue cases

BSS, Dhaka

One person died of Covid-19 in the 24 hours till 8:00am yesterday, while three new infections were recorded during the same period, according to data from the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).

This brings the total number of Covid-19 deaths this year to 28. Since the start of the pandemic in 2020, the overall death toll stands at 29,527.

Meanwhile, 364 new dengue cases were reported in the same 24-hour period.

So far this year, dengue has caused 62 deaths and infected 17,582 people across the country.

5,206 pass 48th special BCS written test

BSS, Dhaka

A total of 5,206 candidates have passed the written test (MCQ type) of the 48th special Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) exams, according to the Bangladesh Public Service Commission (BPSC).

The results of the MCQ-type written examination, held on July 18, were officially published through a press release signed by BPSC Exam Controller Masuma Afrin.

Of the 5,206 successful candidates, 4,695 qualified for the surgeon post, while 511 were selected for the assistant dental surgeon post on a provisional basis. These candidates are now eligible to appear in the viva voce.

The full results can be viewed and downloaded from the commission's official website: www.bpsc.gov.bd.

PRAYER TIMING

JULY 22

Fazr Zohr Asr Maghrab Esha

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SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION

15 dead in as many training flight

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On July 1 of that year, two pilots -- Squadron Leader Md Serajul Islam and Squadron Leader Enayet Kabir Polash -- were killed in the crash of a K-8W training aircraft in Jashore Sadar upazila.

On December 17, 2017, two training aircraft -- both YAK130s -- of Bangladesh Air Force (BAF) crashed in Maheshkhali upazila of Cox's Bazar. All four crew members were rescued alive.

Flight Lieutenant Tahmid went missing when his F7 crashed into the Bay of Bengal on June 29, 2015.

On July 14, 2013, a training aircraft of Bangladesh Air Force crashed at Barailia union in Patiya upazila of Chittagong. Flight Lieutenant Abu Jihad Arafat escaped unharmed.

A training aircraft of the Bangladesh Air Force crashed near Barishal airport and killed two pilots -- Squadron leaders Farida Perveen, director at the Department of Agricultural Extension, shared that drones are now being used to assess flood damage in the country.

Among others, Rowshan Jahan Moni, deputy executive director of ALRD, also spoke at the event. The discussion was moderated by Tanjim Ferdous, in-charge of NGOs and Foreign Missions at The Daily Star.

2015.

A flight instructor and a trainee pilot escaped with serious injuries after

with the crash-landing and flipped during a training flight at Shah Makhdum Airport on April 13, 2013.

Another training aircraft of Parabat Flying Academy crashed on June 7, 2002 in Uttara, killing its pilot Moklesur Rahman Sakib on the spot.

Earlier,

on September 27, 1998, a training plane of Parabat Airlines crashed at Postogola in Dhaka due to a technical fault, leaving its pilot Faria Lara and co-pilot Rafiqul dead.

A training aircraft

crashed at a village in Banskhali upazila of Chittagong on July 30, 2002, leaving its pilot and three civilians killed and 10 injured.

FLYING ACADEMY ACCIDENTS

A trainee pilot died as

a training aircraft of a flying institute crashed at Shah Makhdum Airport in Rajshahi on March 31,

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Bid submission deadline: Sunday, 10 August 2025 – 23:59 hrs BST Bangladesh time.

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