

Prosecutor suspended for trying to bribe judge

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Patuakhali

The Patuakhali District Bar Association yesterday suspended Advocate Md Ruhul Amin, Patuakhali's public prosecutor (PP) of the Women and Children Repression Prevention Tribunal, on charges of attempting to bribe a judge.

The decision came at an emergency meeting of the association around noon, following a written complaint from Judge Nilufar Shirin. A total of 184 members attended the meeting, which was presided over by Bar Association President Advocate MD Humayun Kabir.

A decision was taken in the meeting to issue a show-cause notice to Ruhul Amin, requiring him to explain his actions within seven days.

The complaint quoted



Children venture out to the banks of the Chengerkhal river and adjacent wetlands with fishing nets, bamboo traps, and baskets to catch fish. For them, fishing is not just a way to gather food, but also a game among friends. The photo was taken in Mogolgaon village of Sylhet Sadar upazila yesterday.

PHOTO: SHEIKH NASIR

Over 100 trees felled at RMU project site

Univ authorities suspect contractor did it; company denies involvement

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Over a hundred trees have allegedly been felled on the land acquired for Rajshahi Medical University (RMU), where its academic and administrative buildings are supposed to be constructed.

In a video, several people were seen cutting the trees, claiming they were acting on the instructions of "Hafiz bhai". However, no one has officially taken responsibility.

University authorities suspect that Hossain Construction Pvt Ltd, which is carrying out preliminary sand-filling work, may be involved in the tree felling. On August 13, the company was issued a show-cause notice.

Sirajum Munir, director of RMU's planning division, said the tree felling was not done on university instructions. "At least 137 trees have been cut; most of them were probably cut last Saturday and Sunday. We suspect the contractor might be involved, but they have denied it in their reply to our show-cause notice. If further investigation proves their involvement, action will be taken."

Delwar Hossain, manager (Rajshahi) of Hossain Construction Pvt Ltd, said, "We are a Dhaka-based company and work across the country. We have never faced such accusations before. Why



would we cut down the trees? This is a baseless accusation and a conspiracy."

Asked about Hafiz, Munir said, "There was a cattle farm on the land run by one Hafizul Islam. It was acquired from him with compensation. We are trying to find out who is behind the tree cutting."

Contacted, Hafizul Islam said, "I had a farm there but left after receiving a letter from the university authorities. I do not know anything about the trees being cut."

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Md. Saifuzzaman
Executive Engineer
PWD Division, Rajbari

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Fire guts 12 vehicles at Habiganj filling station

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A fire broke out at a CNG refuelling station in the Aushkandi area of Nabiganj upazila of Habiganj yesterday, destroying at least nine auto-rickshaws, a passenger bus, and two motorcycles.

The blaze erupted around 6:00am when a bus was being refuelled at Aushkandi station along the Dhaka-Sylhet highway.

A firefighting unit from Nabiganj fire

service went to the spot and brought the fire under control after more than two and a half hours.

Habibur Rahman, station officer of Nabiganj fire service, said, "The fire broke out during the refuelling of a bus when its cylinder exploded. Firefighters managed to bring the blaze

under control."

No casualties were reported at the time of filing this report.



Recognise

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The HC on August 15 last year issued a rule questioning the authorities' apathy and reluctance to take action in this regard.

The fact-finding team of the UNHCHR office analysed rights violations in Bangladesh between July 1 and August 15, 2024, after speaking to many protesters, including those seriously injured and published a report on this issue in February.

Later, the petitioner submitted a supplementary petition to the HC in May, attaching the report.

The HC on May 14 issued a rule asking the authorities to explain why the report should not be declared as a "historical document" and why the report should not be preserved as evidence.

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Request for Expression of Interest (EoI) for Selection of Consultant Firm/ Organization (National)

1.	Ministry/Division	:	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
2.	Agency	:	Department of Environment (DoE)
3.	Procuring entity name	:	Project Director
4.	Procuring entity district	:	Dhaka
5.	Expression of Interest for	:	Consultant Firm (National)
6.	Title of Service	:	Development of site-specific Management plan and operational guideline for Morjat baor.
7.	EoI Ref No.	:	22.02.0000.045.14.010.25-199
8.	Date	:	20 August 2025
KEY INFORMATION			
9.	Procuring method	:	Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)
FUNDING INFORMATION			
10.	Budget and source of funds	:	Global Environment Facility (GEF)
11.	Development partners	:	GEF-UNDP
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
12.	Project code	:	223053500
13.	Project name	:	Implementing Ecosystem-based Management in Ecologically Critical Areas in Bangladesh Project
14.	EoI closing date and time	:	28 September 2025, 02:00pm
INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS			
15. Eligibility of the Consulting firm/organization:			
a. The consulting firm/organization must have minimum 10 years' experience in developing conservation management plans and operational guidelines for similar ecosystems, NRM sector, Environment, climate change, institutional assessment, policy formulation.			
b. The consulting firm /organization should have a multidisciplinary team, including experts in ecology, hydrology, environmental policy, and community engagement.			
c. Submission of latest (2023-24 and 2024-25) Annual audit reports of the firm that should be at least BDT 02 crore net turnover from competent authority or firm.			
d. Successfully completion at least two (2) similar assignments in the last 10 years with the evidence of Job completion certificate/ Work Order/ Purchase order/ Any Professional contract from competent authority.			
e. Submission of bank solvency certificate along with last three months bank statement (Income statement and balance sheet to indicate its financial stability, liquidity, credit standing, and market reputation, etc)			
f. Submission of VAT and Tax Registration Certificate and evidence of payment issued by competent authority evidencing that the Bidder is updated with its tax payment obligations, or Certificate of Tax exemption, if any such privilege is enjoyed by the Bidder			
g. Certificate of Registration of the business, including Articles of Incorporation, or equivalent document if Bidder is not a corporation or valid trade license or registered as Joint Stock Company.			
16. Other Details (if applicable): The Terms of References (ToR) for the services including the scope of works, deliverables, team composition with educational qualifications, and experiences are available on the DoE's official website (www.doe.gov.bd). Applicants are advised to provide all the necessary information and proven documents with a cover letter. One original and two copies of the EoI must be submitted in a sealed envelope and be clearly marked the title of service for the EoI.			
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS			
17.	Name of official inviting EoI	:	Farhana Mustari
18.	Designation of official inviting EoI	:	Project Director, Implementing Ecosystem-based Management in Ecologically Critical Areas in Bangladesh Project
19.	Address of official inviting EoI	:	Department of Environment, 8th Floor, Room: 903, Poribesh Bhaban New Building, E/16, Agargaon Administrative Area Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.
20.	Contact details of official inviting EoI	:	Phone: +880-22222218305, Email: fmumunni@yahoo.com
21.	Place of submission of EoI	:	Office of the Project Director, Implementing Ecosystem-based Management in Ecologically Critical Areas in Bangladesh, 8th Floor, Room: 903, Poribesh Bhaban, E/16, Agargaon Administrative Area, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207
22.	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all EoIs.		

The Department of Environment (DoE) is implementing a project titled **"Implementing Ecosystem-based Management in Ecologically Critical Areas in Bangladesh"**. The project aims to apply an ecosystem-based framework for managing Morjat Baor Ecologically Critical Areas (ECAs) in Jhenaidah and proposed Biodiversity Heritage Haldia river in Chittagong in Bangladesh to enhance the conservation of globally significant biodiversity and support local livelihoods. The Project period is July 2024 to June 2029.

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