

# NEWS

## EBL organises Sky Academic Awards



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Eastern Bank PLC (EBL) has organised the Sky Academic Awards 2025 to celebrate and recognise the outstanding academic achievements of 20 students in the SSC 2025 examinations under Dhaka Education Board.

The award ceremony was held at the bank's head office in Dhaka on September 18, said a press release.

Each of the students who demonstrated exceptional performance received a certificate of excellence along with a pre-loaded complimentary prepaid card as a special gift from EBL.

The prepaid cards not only serve as a meaningful token of appreciation but also help introduce these young achievers to modern banking solutions, encouraging them to embark on their digital financial journey at an early stage. Iqbal Mohasin, director, FID, Bangladesh Bank; Ashish Chakraborty, director, and Tawfiq Imam, head of products, Visa (Bangladesh, Nepal, and Bhutan); EBL Managing Director Al Reza Iftekhar, Additional Managing Director and COO Osman Ershad Faiz, and Deputy Managing Director and Head of Retail and SME Banking M Khorshed Anowar were present on the occasion.

## 2 bridges collapse

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produce, while traders cannot move goods to markets. Many locals are now risking their safety by attempting to cross the broken bridge on foot.

Earlier, another bridge over the Bhairab river in Monohorpur village, near Ilisher Jol field, was washed away by strong currents on Wednesday night.

Jibannagar Upazila Nirbahi Officer Al Amin visited both sites yesterday along with Upazila Engineer Ashraful Islam, local representatives and

political leaders.

"The heavy current in Bhairab river caused the collapse of the bridge in Monohorpur. Later, the bridge in Santoshpur also fell. These bridges are very important to the people of this area," the UNO told reporters.

"We have discussed with the relevant authorities about rebuilding them. Alternative routes will be arranged soon, and we are also considering temporary measures for people's movement in the meantime," he added.

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## Fahim stresses accountability

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"After one year of struggle by general students, we are finally having an election. For many of us, this will be our first-ever vote, and that makes us all the more excited," said Reza, a student of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

Asked why he was contesting from the Shibir-backed panel, Reza said, "For 15 years, Shibir was denied democratic space. After August 5, students had the chance to observe what this organisation is about. They uphold the spirit of the July uprising, organised programmes, and have shown their honesty and skilled leadership. I believe working with them will benefit the campus."

"Our panel also includes those injured in the July uprising and students from minority groups... Together, we represent almost all sorts of students on our campus."

Reza outlined his

priorities if elected: ensuring regular Rucusu polls by including them in the academic calendar; addressing student concerns on accommodation, food, healthcare, transport, and research; and introducing subsidies in canteens.

He also promised safe drinking water, more research funding, reduced fees, better library facilities, and improved campus healthcare.

"We will ensure that cultural and social organisations can operate spontaneously. We want shuttle or e-car systems for commuting and a campus where women can move safely, 24/7," he added.

Reza emphasised accountability as his top priority.

"We will introduce a system for students to evaluate teachers. The administration must also be accountable. As Rucusu representatives, we ourselves will publish

## 29 districts vulnerable

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"According to a recent Prothom Alo investigation, nearly 80 attacks on shrines and dargahs occurred within the first six months of the interim government. Police records cite 44 attacks on 40 shrines between August 2024 and January 2025," he said.

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regular updates so students can monitor our progress transparently."

On his chances, Reza said, "After Shibir's massive victories in Ducusu and Jucusu, the Rucusu polls are a challenge for us. But if students trust us, we can bring meaningful changes for a better campus."

Despite high enthusiasm, he alleged that a section of teachers and groups were trying to obstruct the polls.

"We see this as a conspiracy. But we, the students, will resist. No one can stop the Rucusu election," he said.

## Bribery

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Deputy Commissioner Dr Mohammad Shahid Uddin Chowdhury, during a views exchange meeting with journalists recently, said irregularities in the land acquisition section will be looked into with due seriousness.

"I have already discussed the issue with the ADC (revenue). Action will be taken," he assured.

Asked, Patuakhali EPZ Project Director Md Shafiqul Islam, said, "We have already transferred all land acquisition funds to the DC Office. Disbursement of compensation is their responsibility. If there is any irregularity, I am not aware of it."

She sought government intervention for taking the project forward.

Prof Nazmul Hossain, director general of the

## Tasin pushes for 10-year academic

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individuals. We study with taxpayers' money but fail to give back to the country," she said.

Citing a large gap between education and employment, Tasin said her candidacy was motivated by the need to improve both the environment and the quality of education at RU.

"As a student of the Institute of Education and Research, I have several concrete plans. I want to reduce the gap between studies and employability."

Tasin, a former coordinator of Students Against Discrimination, stressed that she was running as an independent candidate without political ambitions.

Her panel, she pointed out, includes diverse voices -- three indigenous

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engaging for students."

She also promised to address students' basic needs, including food, transport, healthcare, and safety, and to work from the root level to resolve issues.

Her manifesto also calls for incorporating Rucusu into the academic calendar to ensure the election is held regularly every year.

On the election environment, she alleged that independent candidates faced an uneven playing field.

Tasin is reportedly the first woman to contest for Rucusu's VP post.

"Research is the lifeblood of a university. Yet only 2-3 percent of RU's budget is allocated for it, and even that is often used by teachers for promotions rather than innovation. I will work on making the process fairer and more

## Allocate more budget for medical

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Directorate General of Medical Education, said data and research carried out in Western countries are often used in Bangladesh without knowing whether they are suitable for the local population.

She said a project to establish National Cellular and Molecular Research Center was taken long ago to improve medical research but the project could not progress due to different problems.

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Adviser Nurjahan said neighbouring countries like India have made significant progress in medical research, which

became evident during the Covid-19 emergency. "But being from the same South Asian region, why have we not made similar progress?" she asked.

The adviser said she would encourage people to come forward for research but the research should be impactful.

She added that the main problem for the project is the land, as the area has been encroached upon by a group, and urged the authorities to first clear it.

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Memo No.: 05.41.2600.009.06.008.20- 3797

Date: 18 September 2025

## Invitation for Tender (LTM) Tender Notice No.- 01/2025-26

Sealed Tenders are hereby invited from enlisted tenderers in Limited Tendering Method (LTM) for the following works to be implemented under "Renovation, Development, Beautification and Conservation of unleased khas pond and water bodies of Dhaka Metropolitan and Upazila Areas to face the effects of climate change project (1<sup>st</sup> Phase)" under Climate Change Trust Fund (CCTF).

SI	Tender No.	Package No.	Name of the Work	Tender Security (Tk.)	Price of Tender Document (Tk.)
01	01/2025	CCTF/DHK/NAW AB/W-01	Renovation, development and beautification of different khas pond and water bodies of Nawabganj Upazila to make them usable.	2,50,000/-	2000/-
02	02/2025	CCTF/DHK/DOH AR/W-02	Renovation, development and beautification of different khas pond and water bodies of Dohar Upazila to make them usable.	3,25,000/-	2000/-
03	03/2025	CCTF/DHK/KER/ W-03	Renovation, development and beautification of different khas pond and water bodies of Keraniganj Upazila to make them usable.	1,20,000/-	1000/-
04	04/2025	CCTF/DHK/SAV AR/W-04	Renovation, development and beautification of different khas pond and water bodies under Upazila Land Office, Savar to make them usable.	3,25,000/-	2000/-
05	05/2025	CCTF/DHK/ASH U/W-05	Renovation, development and beautification of different khas pond and water bodies under Ashulia Revenue Circle to make them usable.	2,50,000/-	2000/-
06	06/2025	CCTF/DHK/ASH U/W-06	Excavation, Renovation, Ghar Construction and Beautification of Dhananjaypur Pond under Ashulia Revenue Circle to make it usable.	2,50,000/-	2000/-
07	07/2025	CCTF/DHK/TEJ & AMIN/W-07	Excavation, Renovation, Ghar Construction and Beautification of different khas pond and water bodies under Tejgaon & Aminbazar Revenue Circle to make them usable.	1,00,000/-	1000/-
08	08/2025	CCTF/DHK/DHA M/W-08	Renovation, development and beautification of Kani Beel of Dhamrai Upazila to turn it into a tourist spot (Part-1)	2,50,000/-	2000/-
09	09/2025	CCTF/DHK/DHA M/W-09	Renovation, development and beautification of Kani Beel of Dhamrai Upazila to turn it into a tourist spot (Part-2)	2,50,000/-	2000/-
10	10/2025	CCTF/DHK/DHA M/W-10	Renovation, development and beautification of different khas pond and water bodies of Dhamrai Upazila to make them usable.	2,50,000/-	2000/-

Name of the Project	Renovation, Development, Beautification and Conservation of unleased khas pond and water bodies of Dhaka Metropolitan and Upazila Areas to face the effects of climate change project (1 <sup>st</sup> Phase)
Source of Fund	Climate Change Trust Fund (CCTF)
Time, date & place of pre-tender meeting	28/09/2025, 3:00 pm Conference Room, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Dhaka
Last Date, Time & Place of Selling Tender Documents	05/10/2025, Within office time Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Dhaka (Room No-207) Office of the Upazila Nirbahi Officer (All), Dhaka
Last Date, Time & Place of Tender Submission	06/10/2025, 01:00 pm Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Dhaka (Room No-207)
Date, Time & Place of Tender Opening	06/10/2025, 01:30 pm Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Dhaka (Room No-207)

### Conditions:

- 1) Interested tenderers must be enlisted as 1<sup>st</sup> class contractor of any government, semi-government or autonomous institution.
- 2) Tenderer must submit with tender a) Updated trade licence, b) Updated income tax certificate (with acknowledgement of submitted income tax), c) VAT Registration Certificate, d) Copy of NID, e) Line of credit (In format attached with tender document) issued by any registered bank in favour of tenderer/ Bank Statement, f) Certificate of enlistment as 1<sup>st</sup> class contractor as well as all other documents mentioned in the tender document.
- 3) All works of the tender will be performed according to "Public Procurement Act, 2006" & "Public Procurement Rule, 2008". In case of any ambiguity of tender notice and tender document provisions of "Public Procurement Act, 2006" & "Public Procurement Rule, 2008" will be applicable.
- 4) Tender Security must be paid through pay order to The Project Director.
- 5) The tenderer or his/her one authorized representative is allowed to stay present during opening of tender.
- 6) VAT & Income Tax will be deducted according to latest financial provisions during payment.
- 7) The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any tender/ take any decision about the tender without showing any reason to anyone.

18.09.2025

Md. Abdur Raufi Alam

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Project Director

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