

Media enjoying greater freedom now: Shafiqul

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The law and order situation in the country remains stable; however, the media portrayal of human rights violations does not reflect the actual reality, Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said yesterday.

"Since newspapers have got a lot of freedom, they say many things," he said, adding that Bangladesh's media is enjoying greater freedom now.

He made the remarks at a roundtable on the post-July uprising human rights situation, organised by Sapran at the Bishwo Sahitya Kendra in Dhaka.

At the event, rights organisation researcher Apsara Islam presented a keynote paper which said following the July uprising, mob violence, attacks on journalists, border clashes, and religious conflicts increased, while enforced disappearances, extrajudicial killings, and custodial deaths under state patronage declined.

According to the findings, between August 2024 and July 2025, a total of 496 journalists were attacked. During the same period, there were 2,878 murders, 195 incidents of mob violence, 35 attacks on minorities, 640 cases of child abuse, and 35 extrajudicial killings.

The report was prepared based on information published in mainstream media, the organisers said.

Shafiqul questioned the method of preparing rights reports based solely on newspaper coverage. He said one of the main weaknesses of such reports in Bangladesh is their heavy reliance on media reports, whose authenticity and accuracy are often disputed.



A large gap has appeared between the bridge and its approach road over the Dhaleshwari River in Tangail's Charabari area, cutting off communication with five surrounding unions after the west-side approach collapsed under heavy water pressure early yesterday.

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Job Announcement: Administrative Director

GEG Bangladesh Limited is seeking a qualified and experienced **Administrative Director** to lead a respected English-medium American Curriculum Christian School in Chattogram.

GEG Bangladesh Limited is committed to academic excellence in American traditional education, moral development, and leadership. We welcome applicants who have strong English, experience with traditional American education, and share our core values of respect, responsibility, integrity, service, discernment, and compassion.

Position Title: Administrative Director

Location: Chattogram, Bangladesh

Reports To: GEG Bangladesh Limited Board

Employment Type: Full-time

Contract Duration: Three years (renewable)

Salary and Benefits: Competitive salary and benefits commensurate with experience and educational degrees.

Deadline: Applicants must apply within 25 October 2025 along with CV, educational certificates, experience certificates, and other relevant documents.

Key Responsibilities

- Provide strategic leadership and operational oversight of school administration, including human resources, finance, compliance, and logistics.
- Ensure effective coordination between the academic and operational functions of the school.
- Implement, select, and evaluate academic and administrative staff.
- Lead and supervise administrative departments and support staff to maintain efficiency and accountability.
- Work with Bangladeshi government bodies to ensure compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements.
- Develop and implement policies and procedures that align with GEG's mission, vision, values, and strategic objectives.
- Oversee risk management in building maintenance, financial integrity, and campus safety.
- Conduct professional development for teachers that will strengthen their ability to use the American curriculum and teaching techniques, as well as promote Christian morality and values.
- Develop and maintain an international culture that prepares students for higher education abroad, and cultivates a love for Bangladesh that encourages students to study abroad and return to Bangladesh to further develop their motherland.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree earned from an American University (required); Master's degree in Education, Administration, Business, or a related field (preferred).
- Minimum of 5 years of senior leadership experience, preferably in an international or cross-cultural setting.
- Proven administrative, organizational, and cross-cultural leadership skills.
- High level of personal integrity, professionalism, and commitment to servant leadership.
- Excellent English communication and interpersonal skills.
- Practicing Christian with a mature faith and alignment with GEG's mission, vision, and values.

Application Instructions

To apply, please submit the following documents:

- A cover letter addressing your interest in this role
- A current CV or résumé
- Contact information for three professional references
- A short introductory video

GEG Bangladesh Limited is an equal opportunity employer. We encourage applications from individuals of all backgrounds who are committed to excellence and integrity in American education. Please send applications by email at directorg@gegbd.com.

Address: GEG Bangladesh Limited, Ground Floor, 1986A, Zahir Hossain By-lane, East Nasirabad, Chattogram 4000, Bangladesh



TENDER NOTICE

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Sub-Office in Cox's Bazar, hereby announces the launch of the following tender:

TENDER REFERENCE NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION
BGD - UNHCR ITB 1732- Furniture	FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FRAME AGREEMENTS FOR THE SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND ASSEMBLY OF FURNITURE FOR UNHCR OPERATIONS IN BANGLADESH

Interested and potential vendors are invited to participate in this Invitation to Bid (ITB) by accessing and downloading the tender documents from the UNHCR Cloud ERP Supplier Portal.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

Please confirm your participation for BGD - UNHCR ITB 1732- Furniture by using the "Acknowledge Participation" functionality in the Cloud ERP Supplier portal.

It is very important to subscribe (Acknowledge Participation) to an ongoing negotiation that you wish to participate in, as this is the only way to receive automatic email notifications with information on any changes related to this negotiation.

Instruction to Bidders:

UNHCR will organize an online supplier pre-bid conference on 12 October 2025 at 10:00 am BST via Microsoft Teams. Bidders may also join the meeting by scanning the QR Code:

To register as a prospective supplier and submission of bids, please follow the guidelines: <https://www.unhcr.org/media/guidelines-unhcr-suppliers-how-use-supplier-portal>

Existing suppliers use this link: <https://supplier-portal.unhcr.org/> to log in with your email address and password. Do not create a new profile if you are already registered. If you have forgotten your password, click on **Forgot Password** to reset your password.

Bid submission deadline: Sunday, 26 October 2025 - 05:00 PM Bangladesh time.

Kindly note that no hard copy is acceptable. The offer must be submitted only through the Cloud ERP portal.



US Navy warship docked here on goodwill mission Says ISPR

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The United States Navy destroyer USS Fitzgerald (DDG 62) arrived in Bangladesh yesterday on a three-day goodwill visit, according to an Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) media release.

Bangladesh Navy ship BNS Abu Ubaidah welcomed the vessel upon arrival, where officers from both navies exchanged greetings.

The visit aims to strengthen professional ties through the exchange of knowledge, experience, and expertise.

ISPR said that joint activities and direct observation of professional excellence would enhance mutual understanding and coordination between naval personnel of the two countries.

It said the visit would provide an effective platform for skills sharing and help the Bangladesh Navy advance in line with modern naval technology. USS Fitzgerald is scheduled to leave Bangladeshi waters on October 10.



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Teachers forced

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cooperate in the payment process, necessary action will be taken against them in accordance with the rules.

The directive has been sent to all relevant offices, including the director general of the Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education (DSHE), divisional commissioners, deputy commissioners, and district education officers.

Meanwhile,

in

Patuakhali and Barguna,

despite strict drives by local administrations, some fishermen continue catching hilsa at night, defying the ban.

Locals detained several

fishermen while fishing

near Fakirhat in Barguna's

Taltoli

upazila and

handed them over to the

authorities, said acting UNO Md Roknuzzaman Khan.

On October 7 alone, 23

mobile courts in Patuakhali

conducted 93 drives, seizing

1,945 metres of nets worth

around Tk 37 lakh, filing 10

cases, jailing five fishermen,

and collecting Tk 64,000 in

fines, said Md Kamrul Islam, district fisheries officer in Patuakhali.

A river police team in

Chandpur, led by Officer-in-Charge ASM Iqbal, detained three fishermen and seized three boats, several hilsa, and illegal current nets during a drive yesterday afternoon in the Padma and Meghna rivers.

"Such drives will

continue during the

ongoing fishing ban," OC Iqbal said.

The ban will last till

October 25.

In Munshiganj, 26 drives

were carried out by four

mobile courts between

October 4 and 7. Authorities

seized 73 kilogrammes of

hilsa and 1,80,000 metres

of illegal nets worth Tk 36

lakh. However, no fishermen

were arrested or fined.