

POST-UPRISING
ELECTION
Nepal govt
registers
125 political
parties

AFP, Kathmandu

Nepal's Election Commission said yesterday that 125 political parties had registered to contest the first parliamentary polls since a mass uprising in September ousted the government.

Many are established parties, but some of the movements vying for seats in the March 2026 vote were formed by youth activists who helped launch the anti-corruption protests that shook the country earlier this year.

"We are working with a belief that all political parties and citizens are eager to bring a new leadership to the country through the election," commission spokesman Narayan Prasad Bhattarai told AFP. Registration remains open for another two weeks. The final list, including the exact number of new parties and those associated with youth groups, will be released after the November 18 deadline.

The September protests, triggered by a brief ban on social media, quickly morphed into a nationwide movement against government corruption.



Police stand in front of migrants as authorities clear a camp beneath the overhead railway at Stalingrad metro station in Paris, France early yesterday.

PHOOT: AFP

Attack on key city in
Sudan's Kordofan kills 40
Says UN; US working with other countries to end war

AGENCIES

An attack on a funeral in the key city of El-Obeid in Sudan's central Kordofan region killed 40 people, the UN said yesterday, as paramilitaries looked poised to launch an offensive.

The United Nations' humanitarian office did not specify when the attack took place or who was behind it, but said that the situation in the Kordofan region was continuing to worsen.

The war in Sudan, which has killed tens of thousands of people and displaced millions more, has spread to new areas in recent days, sparking fears of an even greater humanitarian catastrophe.

The paramilitary Rapid Support Forces (RSF), at war with the military since 2023, was preparing to

launch an assault in Kordofan after capturing El-Fasher, the last army stronghold in the vast western Darfur region, reports AFP.

"Local sources report that at least 40 civilians were killed and dozens injured yesterday in an attack on a funeral gathering in El Obeid, the capital of North Kordofan State," the UN's OCHA agency said.

"Once again, OCHA calls for an immediate cessation of hostilities and for all parties to protect civilians and respect international humanitarian law."

The US is working with other nations to end the conflict in Sudan, the White House said on Tuesday.

The Rapid Support Forces' capture of Al-Fashir marked a milestone in the African country's civil war, giving the paramilitary group de facto control of more than a quarter of the territory, reports Reuters.

Modi readies
bellwether
polls in
poorest state

AFP, Patna

India's poorest state Bihar goes to the polls today, and for many of its 130 million people, one issue overshadows all others: money.

That's what Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) hopes to capitalise on, wooing voters with economic incentives in a bid to win full control.

A win here, strategists say, could "energise" the BJP's prospects in other key states heading into next year's elections.

Hindu-majority Bihar, the country's third most populous state -- roughly equal to Mexico -- is a bellwether battleground.

It remains the only state in the Hindi speaking north where Modi's Hindu nationalist party has never ruled alone.

For housewife Rajkumari Devi, feeding her three children depends on the daily wage her husband earns as a labourer in the Muzaffarpur district.

He takes home about 400 to 500 rupees on the days he does find work. "There is no stability," said the 28-year-old, outside her modest one-room home overlooking agricultural land.

EU strikes last-
ditch deal on
climate targets
as COP30 looms

REUTERS, Brussels

EU climate ministers agreed a 2040 climate change target in the early hours of yesterday after watering down the goal in last-minute negotiations, as they raced to clinch the deal before the UN COP30 summit in Brazil.

After negotiating late into Tuesday night, climate ministers from European Union countries approved in a public vote a compromise to cut emissions 90 percent by 2040, from 1990 levels, but with flexibilities to weaken this aim.

The weakened target would let countries buy foreign carbon credits to cover up to 5 percent of the 90 percent emissions-cutting goal. That would effectively weaken to 85 percent the emissions cuts required from European countries to cut emissions on Europe's behalf to make up the rest.

The EU also agreed to consider the option, in future, to use international carbon credits to meet a further 5 percent of the 2040 emissions reductions - potentially shaving another 5 percent off the domestic target.

Additionally, countries agreed a 2035 target to cut emissions in a range of 66.25-72.5 percent. The UN asked all governments to submit 2035 climate plans before the COP30 climate summit opens today. "Setting a climate target is not just picking a number, it is a political decision with far-reaching consequences for the continent," said Danish climate minister Lars Aagaard.



BNP nominee for Ctg-8 shot, one killed

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Ershad Ullah and his supporters were distributing leaflets in Khandaker Para of the Bayezid Bostami area when seven to eight armed assailants arrived in a microbus, opened fire, and fled.

After visiting the injured at the hospital, CMP Commissioner Hasib Aziz told the media that Sarwar, not BNP candidate Ershad Ullah, was the target of the attack. "Sarwar had a criminal history. The assailants wanted him dead," the commissioner said.

Mohammad Alamgir, brother of the deceased, said, "Sarwar had been receiving death threats from his rivals."

The Chief Adviser's Press Wing, in a statement, strongly condemned the attack. "An immediate investigation by the Chittagong Metropolitan Police indicates that Ershad Ullah was not the target of the attack but was hit by a stray bullet. The government wishes him a speedy recovery. A full probe has been ordered," the statement said.



"Violence and intimidation have no place in our political or social life. The CMP has already launched a manhunt for the attackers," it added, noting that the chief adviser has directed the security forces to spare no effort in identifying and apprehending the perpetrators and bringing them swiftly to justice.

According to reports, on March 30, Sarwar narrowly escaped after miscreants on motorbikes opened fire on a private car on the Bakalia access road in Chattogram. Two of Sarwar's

companions were killed in that attack. He was reportedly the intended target.

Over the years, several cases have been filed against Sarwar at different police stations. He had been in and out of jail multiple times on charges of possessing firearms, including an AK-47. According to locals, Sarwar was an associate of Sajjad Hossain Khan, one of the accused in the murder of eight Bangladesh Chhatra League leaders (from a now-banned organisation) in Chattogram city.

Later, Sarwar formed his own group.

In large parts of the Bayezid and Chandgaon areas, there have been recurring reports of disputes and clashes between the followers of Chhoto Sajjad, a close confidant of Sajjad Hossain Khan, and Sarwar over various criminal activities, including extortion. Locals claimed that Chhoto Sajjad's gang was behind the March attack on Sarwar.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Food

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Procurement Division

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Date: 05/11/2025.

INTERNATIONAL TENDER NOTICE FOR IMPORT OF NON-BASMATI PARBOILED RICE.

(Package-06, FY- 2025-2026)

International tender in sealed cover are invited from bonafide traders for supply of 50,000 (Fifty thousand) (±5%) Metric Tons of Non-Basmati Parboiled Rice. The particulars of international tender are furnished below:

GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH			
1	Ministry/Division	:	Ministry of Food
2	Agency	:	Not applicable
3	Procuring Entity Name	:	Director Procurement
4	Procuring Entity Code	:	Not applicable
5	Procuring Entity District	:	Dhaka
6	Invitation for	:	Procurement of 50,000 MT (±5%) Non-Basmati Parboiled Rice
7	Invitation Ref. No. & Date	:	13.01.0000.093.46.010.25-802, Dated: 05/11/2025
KEY INFORMATION:			
8	Procuring Method	:	International Open Tender Method
FUNDING INFORMATION:			
9	Budget and Source of Fund	:	GoB Fund
10	Development Partners (If applicable)	:	Not applicable
PARTICULAR INFORMATION:			
11	Project/ Programme / Code (If applicable)	:	Not applicable
12	Project/ Programme Name (If applicable)	:	Not applicable
13	Package No.	:	Package-06
14	Package Name	:	Procurement of 50,000 MT (±5%) Non-Basmati Parboiled Rice
15	Notice publication date	:	06 November, 2025
16	Selling of Tender schedule	:	06 November, 2025 to 19 November, 2025 up to 4.30 PM (BST)
17	Date and Time of closing	:	20 November, 2025, Upto Time 1.00 PM (BST)
18	Date and Time of opening	:	20 November, 2025, Time 2.00 PM (BST)
19	Name and Address of the Office(s):	:	Office Chamber of Director, (Procurement), Room No. 501, Directorate General of Food, 16 Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka.
	Selling Tender Documents	:	1) Office Chamber of Director, (Procurement), Room No. 501, Directorate General of Food, 16 Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka.
	Receiving place of Tender	:	2) Office Chamber of Additional Secretary, Room No. 114 (1 st floor), Building No. 04, Ministry of Food, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.
	Opening Place of Tender	:	Office Chamber of Director, (Procurement), Room No. 501, Directorate General of Food, 16 Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka.
20	Place/Date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	:	Not applicable
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER			
21	Eligibility of Tender	:	Necessary papers to be submitted complying the conditions mentioned in the tender documents.
22	Brief Description of Goods or Works	:	50,000 (±5%) (Fifty thousand) MT. of Non-basmati Parboiled rice at Chattogram (60%) and Mongla (40%) port on CIF Liner Out term. Cost of the Cargo, Insurance and Freight including Stevedoring, Overseas Handling and Lightering are on seller's account. Single price per MT is to be quoted in US\$.
23	Brief Description of Related Services	:	Not applicable
24	Price of Tender Document (Tk.)	:	Tk 5,000 (five thousand) or USD 100 (One hundred) non-refundable by Pay Order/Bank Draft drawn in favour of Director General, Directorate General of Food.
	Mode of Payment	:	Through Letter of Credit (L/C).
	Crop Year	:	2025 or latest
	Validity of the offer	:	04 December, 2025 Upto 5.00 PM. (BST)

25 Quality & Specification:

Quality parameters	Specification	Margin of tolerance with claim for deviation beyond specification	Rejection
Moisture (maximum)	13.5%	14.0%	above 14.0%
Broken grain (Maximum)	5.0% (Rice of size 3/4th and below will be considered as broken and less than 1/4th broken should not be more than 2%)	6.0% (Rice of size 3/4th and below will be considered as broken and less than 1/4th broken should not be more than 3%)	above 6.0%
Foreign matter (Maximum)	0.3%	0.5%	above 0.5%
Dead, damaged & discoloured grains (Maximum)	3% in total	4.0%	above 4.0%
Radio-Activity (maximum)	50 Bq/Kg of 137Cs/134Cs (Relaxable for the crop of SAARC and South-East Asian country)	50 Bq/Kg of 137Cs/134Cs (Relaxable for the crop of SAARC and South-East Asian country)	above 50 Bq/Kg of 137Cs/134Cs

All the parameters must be limited to percentage mentioned against each item individually and separately.

Pack	Identification of	Country of origin	Location	Tender Security Amount (US\$.)	Shipment period
Pack-06	50,000 MT (±5%) Non-Basmati Parboiled rice on CIF Liner out term	Any country of the world except Israel	Chattogram port-60% and Mongla port-40%	US\$ 300,000 (Three hundred thousand) in favour of Director General of Food for 50,000 MT Parboiled rice (±5%) in the form of a Bank draft/pay-order (No Bank Guarantee is allowed)	40 (forty) days from the date of opening of the L/C. Note that at least 50% of the total quantity must be shipped within 25 days of opening of the L/C.

PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS:

26	Name of official inviting tender	Md. Moniruzzaman
27	Designation of official inviting tender	Director (Procurement)
28	Address of official inviting tender	Office Chamber of Director, (Procurement), Room No. 501, Directorate General of Food, 16 Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka.
29	Contact details of official inviting tender	Phone: +88-02-41050178 E-mail: dgproc@dgfood.gov.bd
30	(i) Incomplete, conditional tender and alternate offer shall not be considered. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders partly or wholly without assigning any reason. (ii) Tenderer who has been awarded two NOAs (Notification of Award) waiting for signing the contract or has signed two contracts but shipment under any of the contracts has not yet set sailed for destination, shall not be eligible to participate in the tender. (iii) Tenderer who had been awarded NOAs (Notification of Award) earlier but could not execute contract by submitting PG (Performance Guarantee) on time, shall not be eligible to participate in the next two tenders. (iv) Tenderer whose bid-bonds had been forfeited twice for not submitting PG or signing contract on time, shall not be eligible to participate in the tender for the rest period of the current financial year, whether the money accruing from the bid-bonds so forfeited is deposited to the Government treasury or not. (v) Tenderer whose whole PG (Performance Guarantee) had been forfeited for non-supply of the contracted quantity, shall not be eligible to participate in the tender for the rest period of the current financial year, whether the money accruing from PG so forfeited is deposited to the Government treasury or not.	

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e-Tender Notice-01/2025-2026

Memo No.46.30.8200.002.07.001.25-147/10(1)

Date : ২০ কার্তিক, ১৪৩২ বঙ্গাব্দ

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e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following works, details are given below.

Sl no	Package No	Tender ID	Name of Method of Tender	Tender Last selling Date & Time	Closing & Opening Date & Time	Publishing date and time
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2	RZP/ADP/25-26/G-4	1159586	LTM	23.11.2025, 16:30	24.11.2025, 12:30:00	06.11.2025, 10:30:00
3	RZP/ADP/25-26/R-S-11	1159585	LTM	23.11.2025, 16:30	24.11.2025, 12:30:00	06.11.2025, 10:30:00
4	RZP/ADP/25-26/R-S-10	1159584	LTM	23.11.2025, 16:30	24.11.2025, 12:30:00	06.11.2025, 10:30:00
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7	RZP/ADP/25-26/R-S-7	1159581	LTM	23.11.2025, 16:30	24.11.2025, 12:30:00	06.11.2025, 10:30:00
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The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any registered bank's branches up to 23.11.2025, 16:30 P.M. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP system portal and from e-GP help desk(helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)

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