



This is all that remains of the 500-year-old Nashrat Shah Dighi, locally known as Boro Dighi, in Hathazari, Chattogram. Structures built on the banks and dried portions have shrunk the Sultanate-era reservoir to a small pond, threatening a heritage site once dug as a lifeline for local communities. Bottom, a signboard describing the history of the waterbody.

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NASHRAT SHAH DIGHI

Once a vast reservoir, now trapped in concrete

SIFAYET ULLAH, Ctg

The Nashrat Shah Dighi in Chattogram's Hathazari upazila, a Sultanate-era reservoir dug in 1519, is on the verge of disappearing due to rampant grabbing.

Locally known as Boro Dighi, the waterbody once served as a vital source of drinking water for surrounding communities.

Over the years, at least 20 to 25 residential and commercial structures have been built by filling portions of the reservoir. Semi-pucca houses, makeshift structures, and small shops now occupy much of what remains.

Unchecked construction has turned the historic dighi into a dense settlement, erasing its significance and posing risks to a crucial natural water source.

During a visit, this correspondent observed that while some water remains at the centre, the area has been divided for fish farming. On dried-up portions along the edges, locals have cultivated vegetables. Most structures have been built

along the reservoir's western and northern sides.

"During my childhood, I remember the dighi was a vast expanse of clear water. Now, the entire western side has been turned into a settlement," said local resident Mohammad Iqbal.



Local trader Mohammad Oman echoed him.

Citing the late historian Shamsul Hossain, who was also a former curator of the Chittagong University Museum, Banglapedia notes that Crown Prince Nashrat Shah, son of Alauddin Husain Shah, excavated the dighi and built a mosque beside it in 1519. Both were named after him.

The reservoir originally spanned

45 acres and is considered one of the major Sultanate-era waterbodies excavated in Chattogram.

The Nashrat Shah Mosque, located on the western bank of the dighi near the Oxygen-Hathazari road, no longer retains any Sultanate-era architectural features. It appears entirely modern, but a small glass enclosure inside the compound preserves two pillar fragments reportedly unearthed during reconstruction work in 1988.

"Lack of preservation has already cost the area a valuable piece of Sultanate-era history," said Bangla Academy fellow and Chattogram-based researcher Md Shamsul Haque. He warned that if encroachment continues, the dighi will soon survive only as a name.

Contacted, Abu Isa Anchari, chief city planner of the Chattogram Development Authority, said the dighi has been designated as a "vegetation area" in the new master plan.

"As such, no one will receive approval to construct buildings within its boundaries," he said.

NOAKHALI GOVT COLLEGE

Unsafe buildings leave students, teachers at risk

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Noakhali

The teachers and students of Noakhali Government College are in distress as six of the institution's eight buildings have become dilapidated and hazardous.

Following the 5.7-magnitude earthquake on November 23, student attendance has dropped sharply amid fear that the vulnerable buildings could collapse at any time.

Established on March 1, 1963 and nationalised in 1968, the college spans 20.50 acres and has two campuses. The old campus hosts Higher Secondary courses, while the new campus offers honours, masters and degree pass courses. The college has around 22,000 students.

"After Friday's earthquake, student attendance was low today [Sunday]. We were in panic the entire time while in class because our academic building is vulnerable. Plaster has fallen off from the ceiling in several rooms, exposing rusty rods," said Rashedul Islam Sohag, a Sociology student.

Taslima Akter of the Botany Department said, "Our science building is extremely hazardous. Plaster often falls onto us. Many classmates did not attend today's class due to fear of collapse after Friday's earthquake."



Principal Prof Zakir Hossain said the Education Engineering Department has identified six out of eight buildings of the college as hazardous. "Students have long been attending classes amid risk. The earthquake on Friday further spread panic among them as well as among the teachers. Class attendance has been very low," he said.

The principal said the old tin-shed building of the higher

secondary section is being replaced with a new structure, but the six dilapidated buildings may collapse at any time or in the event of a stronger earthquake. "These should be demolished and new ones have to be constructed," he said.

The college is also facing other problems, including lack of security measures at the female students' hostel, persistent waterlogging during monsoon and inadequate transportation facilities for students and teachers.

"I have written to the authorities concerned about these issues time and again, but no response has come so far," the principal said.

Khandaker Nazmul Islam, executive engineer of EED in Noakhali, said construction has begun for a seven-storey academic building and a five-storey male dormitory at the old campus.

"For the new campus, an allocation for constructing the first floor of a six-storey academic building has been approved. Renovation work on some other buildings will also commence soon," he said.

HC verdict on govt move over NCT deal on Dec 4

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The High Court has set December 4 for delivering its verdict on a rule that questioned the legality of the government's move to initiate the process of awarding container-handling operations at Chattogram's New Mooring Container Terminal (NCT) to UAE-based DP World.

The bench of Justice Fatema Najib and Justice Fatema Anwar yesterday fixed the date after concluding the hearing.

Senior lawyers Zainul Abedin, Barrister AM Mahbub Uddin, Advocate Ahsanul Karim and Barrister Kayser Kamal, assisted by Barrister Md Anwar Hossen, appeared for the petitioner.

Attorney General Md Asaduzzaman and Additional Attorney General Aneek R Haque represented the state.

Don't put Hanif, others on trial for belonging to AL

Defence lawyer urges ICT-2

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A state-appointed defence lawyer yesterday urged the International Crimes Tribunal-2 not to put former Kushtia-3 lawmaker Mahbubul Alam Hanif and three other Awami League leaders on trial "simply because they belong to the Awami League".

Md Amir Hossain made the appeal after the prosecution presented the opening statement in the crimes against humanity case against the four over the killing of six people in Kushtia during last year's July uprising.

Responding to the defence's concerns, the two-member bench stressed its commitment to due process.

According to the formal charges, the four accused also facilitated and abetted attacks on unarmed demonstrators during the anti-discrimination movement in Kushtia.

Investigators say Hanif ordered ruling party supporters on July 27, 2024, to use "maximum force" against peaceful student protesters. On August 5, law enforcers and AL men allegedly opened fire, killing six.

Hanif is also charged with incitement and command responsibility for killings carried out nationwide during the uprising.

In the opening statement, prosecutor Mizanul Islam claimed they had placed "undeniable proof" before the tribunal.

The co-accused -- Kushtia district AL president and former zila parishad chairman Sadruddin Khan, district AL general secretary Azgar Ali, and Kushtia city AL general secretary Ataur Rahman Ata -- are all absconding.

The case involves 38 witnesses. Following a prosecution request, the tribunal fixed December 8 for recording testimony from the first witness.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)
COMPANY MATTER NO. 1435 OF 2025

In The Matter of:

An application under Section- 81(2) , 85(3) and 396 of the Companies Act 1994.

In The Matter of:

-And-

Khandaker Md. Quamrul Ahsan.Petitioner

Ocean Spirit Limited and another.Respondent

Notice is hereby given that the Petitioner above-named filed and moved an application under Section 81(2) and 85(3), read with section 396 of the Companies Act, 1994, whereupon the Company Bench of the Hon'ble High Court Division, presided over by His Lordship Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel was pleased to pass an order by admitting the same on 14.08.2025. If any related concern or anybody is interested to oppose the said application, he is entitled to do so by an advocate or in person. Copy of the said application may be obtained from the office of the undersigned upon payment of prescribed fees.

Khandaker Nazmul Ahsan

Advocate, Supreme Court of Bangladesh

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TENDER NOTICE

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	From	To	
PCI-DSS Consultancy, Gap Assessment, Remediation and Compliance Audit for Prime Bank PLC.	26.11.2025	14.12.2025	14.12.2025

Details are given on the Prime Bank website.
<https://www.primebank.com.bd/tenders>

Head of Facility Management Division

Prime Bank

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

১। প্রতিষ্ঠানের নাম: ৮ ইঞ্জিনিয়ার ব্যাটালিয়ন।

২। কাজের বিবরণ: ২০২৫-২০২৬ অর্থ বছরে অপারেশন কন্ট্রোলিং-এর যাবে অভিযানিক ও নিরাপত্তা সক্ষমতা উন্নীতকরণ বাদে এবং এডমিনিস্ট্রেশন বিবরণ বার নির্ধারিত।

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সাক্ষর সেলফিস

Request for Expression of Interest (EOI)

1. For Selection of Structural Engineer for Birdem General Hospital invites EOI from qualified Structural Engineers/Consulting Firms for structural design, BOQ preparation, and construction supervision of a Steel-Structure Based 3-Storeyed Building (GF to 2nd floor Total area: 2,528sqft).

2. **Minimum Qualifications:**
Five years experience. At least 2 similar steel-structure projects, IEB membership (for individual engineer), Valid TIN, BIN, Trade License.

3. **Submission Deadline:** 5 December 2025, Address: Room No. 208, BIRDEM General Hospital. The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs.

Procuring Entity
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EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING (EGM) OF THE SHAREHOLDERS AND CREDITORS OF TEKVISION (BD) LIMITED PURSUANT TO THE DIRECTION OF THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT DIVISION OF THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the direction of the Hon'ble High Court issued by Justice Ahmed Sohel on 9th November, 2025 in Company Matter No. 2015 of 2025, an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) of the Shareholders and the Creditors of **Tekvision (BD) Limited** ("the Company") will be held in the following manner:

Particulars	Date	Time	Venue
Shareholders	18th December 2025	10:00 am	Plot # 28 & 30 Gausul Azam Avenue, Sector 13, Uttara Model Town, Dhaka - 1230
Creditors	18th December 2025	11:30 am	

AGENDA of the EGM Shareholders and the Creditors:
Approval of the Scheme of Amalgamation **Tekwin (BD) Limited** ("Transferor Company") with **Tekvision (BD) Limited** ("Transferee Company") to consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as Special Resolution with or without modification:
"RESOLVED THAT draft Scheme of Amalgamation of **Tekwin (BD) Limited** ("Transferor Company") with **Tekvision (BD) Limited** ("Transferee Company") be and is hereby approved subject to the sanction of the Scheme by the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh in accordance with the provisions of sections 228 and 229 of the Companies Act, 1994, and approval of the same Scheme by the Shareholders and creditors of **Tekvision (BD) Limited** in the similar manner, Let the Transferor Company be amalgamated with the Transferee Company in terms of the Scheme.

By order of the Board

Dated: 24th November 2025

(Hasan Md. Ibrahim)
Company Secretary

Notes:
Draft Scheme of Amalgamation of **Tekwin (BD) Limited** with **Tekvision (BD) Limited** shall be kept open in the registered office of the Company for inspection by all concerned during office hours.

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Particulars	Date	Time	Venue
Shareholders	18th December 2025	12:00 pm	Plot # 28 & 30 Gausul Azam Avenue, Sector 13, Uttara Model Town, Dhaka - 1230
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