

MATHBARIA UPAZILA HEALTH COMPLEX

Construction stalled for 10 months, patients suffer

KMHABIBUR RAHMAN, Pirojpur

Patients at the Mathbaria Upazila Health Complex in Pirojpur are facing severe hardship as construction of the hospital's new building has remained suspended for the last 10 months, badly affecting both indoor and outdoor services.

Since the construction began, key facilities such as X-ray and caesarean sections relied upon by residents of at least five surrounding upazilas have remained closed, forcing patients to seek treatment elsewhere or endure delays.

The project to upgrade the 50-bed hospital to a 100-bed facility started in August 2023 at a cost of around Tk 31.5 crore under the Health, Population and Nutrition Sector Programme (HPNSP). The five-storey building, with a foundation for six storeys, is scheduled to be completed by June next year.

However, after around 45 percent of the work was completed, the contractor abandoned the project citing a fund crisis, leaving the construction site idle for months.

The project also includes



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residential facilities for doctors, nurses and staff, as well as vertical expansion of the old building. With the new structure incomplete, indoor services are now being provided from an old staff quarters building, where male and female patients are forced to stay in the same rooms. Due to space constraints, patients suffering from infectious diseases are also being kept together.

"There are nine beds here, but at best four can be properly arranged," said Majnu Mia, a patient's relative, adding that the lack of basic facilities has made hospital stays extremely difficult.

Another attendant, Jahanara Begum, said they were compelled to share rooms with male patients despite feeling uncomfortable. "Although we are unwilling, we have no other option. We are

passing our days amid serious difficulties," she said.

Outdoor patient Farjana Akter said the hospital lacks minimum facilities, while long waits are common due to an acute shortage of doctors. "Patients often wait for hours but still fail to see the expected doctor," she said.

Echoing her frustration, Doly Akter said, "I cannot express in words how much difficulty we face while receiving services."

Resident Medical Officer Dr Md Ferdous Islam acknowledged the crisis, saying inadequate space has worsened patient suffering.

He noted that only six doctors, including administrative staffers, are serving more than 500 patients daily against 31 sanctioned posts. "Posting more doctors and completing the building would ease the situation," he said.

Tanjila Ferdousi, executive engineer of the Health Engineering Department in Pirojpur, said funds were allocated by Ecneec on November 10 to complete unfinished work. "Once the funds are released, necessary procedures will begin," she said, without giving a timeline.

Ctg cop dies while on duty

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A police constable of Chattogram Metropolitan Police (CMP) died while on duty at the court building in Chattogram's Court Hill area last evening.

The deceased, Mozammel Hoque, from Ashuganj in Brahmanbaria, was attached to Double Mooring Police Station under CMP's West Zone, police officials said.

Police said he had come to the court with documents and files from the police station. He collapsed in a corridor while walking out after submitting the files to the section concerned.

Aminur Rashid, assistant commissioner of police and spokesperson of CMP, said, "The constable was rushed to Chattogram Medical College Hospital, where the on-duty doctor declared him dead."

He added that doctors said he had a stroke.

EIGHT-POINT DEMAND Rangamati agri institute students boycott classes

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangamati

Students of Rangamati Agricultural Training Institute yesterday staged a protest by boycotting classes and examinations, pressing for their eight-point demand.

They observed the programme by locking the administrative and academic buildings as well as the main gate, leaving teachers and staff standing outside.

The students said diploma agriculturists should have opportunities to pursue higher education at independent public agricultural universities and that deputy assistant agricultural officers should be upgraded to second class gazette posts.

They said the movement aims to realise the eight-point demands to improve the quality of diploma agricultural education, including addressing the shortage of teachers.

"As our demands have not been implemented, we have started the agitation by skipping examinations," a student said, adding that the movement would continue until the demands are met and the boycott of classes and exams would remain in force.



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Trader killed in road crash

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A vegetable trader was killed and two others were injured when a vegetable-laden truck hit a parked truck loaded with cement on the Dhaka-Chattogram highway in Mirsarai upazila yesterday.

The deceased is Shamsul Alam, 45. The injured were truck driver Rabiul Hossain, 33, and his assistant Emran Hossain.

According to fire service and police sources, the accident occurred around 3:30am at Chinki Astana in Baraiyarhat municipality. The vegetable-laden truck reportedly lost control and smashed into the rear of the parked truck.

Borhan Uddin, sub-inspector of Jorarganj Highway Police, said both trucks have been seized and taken to the police station.

The body of Shamsul was handed over to highway police.

Navy seizes 2 cement-laden boats bound for Myanmar; 23 held

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Cox's Bazar

Bangladesh Navy on Tuesday detained 23 people and seized two motorised boats carrying 1,750 bags of cement during an alleged smuggling attempt to Myanmar in the Bay of Bengal.

The seizure was made during a patrol in the Kutubdia outer anchorage area, following a tip-off, according to a press release.

After spotting two suspicious boats -- identified as FB Azizul Haque and FB Runa Akhtar -- about 46 nautical miles off the Kutubdia lighthouse, Navy personnel signalled them to stop, but they attempted to flee. Navy ship Shahid Mohibullah chased them down and intercepted.

The detainees reportedly told interrogators they were transporting the consignment to Myanmar for profit. The seized items and the detainees were handed over to Patenga Model Thana for further legal action.

172 new dengue cases

BSS, Dhaka

Around 172 new dengue cases were recorded across the country yesterday, according to the DGHS.

So far this year, Bangladesh has recorded 1,01,053 dengue cases and 409 deaths.

Last year, dengue claimed 575 lives.

STATUTORY NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BANGLADESH
HIGH COURT DIVISION
(ORIGINAL STATUTORY JURISDICTION)
COMPANY MATTER NO. 2234/2025

IN THE MATTER OF :
An application under Sections 81(2), 85(3) read with section 396 of the Companies Act, 1994.

AND

In the Matter of
Md. Mobarak Hossain, shareholder of NATIONAL TEA COMPANY LTD. at Dakkhingao of Holding No. 970, Kusumbag of Basaboo, P.S. Sabujbag, Dhaka-1214

-----Petitioner-----

-VERSUS-

NATIONAL TEA COMPANY LTD., a Public Limited Company having its Office- at BGIC Tower (7th floor), 34, Tophkhana Road, P.S. Shahbag, Dhaka-1000 representative by its Managing Director H.S.M. Ziaul Ahsan and another.

-----Respondents-----

Notice is hereby given that an application under Sections 81(2) and 85(3) read with section 396 of the Companies Act, 1994 was moved in the High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh on 14.12.2025 by the petitioner for condoning the delay in holding the Annual General Meeting of 2024 of the company name & style as "NATIONAL TEA COMPANY LTD." The Hon'ble Company Judge Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohail has admitted the said application on 14.12.2025 and Hon'ble Court directed the petitioner to publish the notices within 3(three) weeks from the date and also to submit affidavit-in-compliance on or before 18th January, 2026. Any person interested in the said application may appear before this Hon'ble Court. A copy of the said application may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of charges.

(A.B.M. Mostafa Kamal)
Advocate
Supreme Court of Bangladesh
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116, Segun Bagicha, Dhaka.

Career Opportunity

Ref No: BCB/Admin/HR/2025/953

Date: December 18, 2025

The Bangladesh Cricket Board is the national governing body for cricket in Bangladesh, responsible for the promotion and development of the game at all levels. With a dynamic and fast-growing cricket ecosystem, BCB plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of the sport nationally and internationally.

Position Title : HEAD OF HUMAN RESOURCES (HR)

Organization: Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB).

Location: Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Reports to: Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Board of Directors.

Employment Type: Full-Time.

Position Overview :

The Head of Human Resources (HR) at BCB is responsible for providing the organization's strategic leadership and operational oversight of all people functions across the BCB supported by modern HR systems and guided by best practices. This role involves advising the Board and CEO on the HR implications of strategic initiatives and overseeing the HR practices comply with Bangladeshi labor laws, international sporting regulations, and BCB's own governance standards. This position requires a strategic thinker with strong leadership skills, capable of driving HR performance and supporting operational excellence across the organization.

Key Responsibilities :

Strategic HR Leadership

- Develop and execute HR strategy aligned with BCB's vision and goals.
- Lead workforce planning, recruitment, learning and development, performance management, talent management, people governance initiatives.
- Advise CEO and Board on HR trends, risks, and opportunities.

Talent Acquisition & Retention

- Oversee local and expatriate recruitment, onboarding, and succession planning.
- Build and maintain a diverse, inclusive and skilled workforce.
- Implement retention strategies for critical roles.

Performance Management & Employee Relations

- Manage performance appraisal at required intervals, goal setting, and feedback.
- Resolve employee relations issues, ensuring fairness and transparency.
- Promote a positive organizational culture and high employee morale.

Compensation, Benefits & HR Operations

- Oversee payroll, compensation structures, fund management and benefits administration.
- Benchmark salaries and benefits against industry standards.
- Ensure accuracy and timeliness of HR operations.

Learning & Development

- Design and implement training and development programs.
- Develop leadership and succession programs for BCB staff.
- Encourage continuous professional development across the organization.

Governance & Compliance

- Ensure compliance with labor laws, BCB Code of Ethics and Conduct.
- Maintain HR policies, procedures, and employee handbooks.
- Prepare HR reports and metrics for the CEO and Board.

Qualifications & Experience:

- Masters degree in Human Resources, Business Administration, or related discipline.
- Minimum 12-15 years' progressive HR experience, including 5 years in a leadership role.
- Strong knowledge of labor law, HR governance, and compliance.
- Experience in sports organizations or large corporate settings desirable.
- Proven expertise in talent management, employee relations, and organizational development.

The interested candidates are requested to send their CV along with a forwarding letter mentioning expected salary and 01 (One) recent photographs to the Chief Executive Officer, Bangladesh Cricket Board, Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka 1216 at the email: job@bcb-cricket.com on or before 01 January 2026. Only the short listed candidates will be called for an interview. Please mention the position of the application applied for on the top of forwarding letter.

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Reports to: Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Board of Directors.

Employment Type: Full-Time.

Position Overview :

The Head of Procurement is responsible for the organization's strategic leadership, governance, and operational oversight of all procurement and inventory-related activities at BCB. The role ensures transparency, efficiency, and ethical compliance across sourcing, vendor management, purchasing, and inventory operations. Advising the Board and CEO, the Head of Procurement plays a vital role in driving cost efficiency, risk management, and stakeholder confidence while ensuring uninterrupted provision of goods and services to support BCB's operations.

Key Responsibilities :

Strategic Planning & Policy Leadership

- Develop long-term procurement strategies aligned with BCB's financial and operational goals.
- Establish and enforce procurement policies, covering tendering, vendor selection, and conflict-of-interest protocols.
- Oversee implementation of supply chain risk management practices.

Procurement Operations Oversight

- Supervise category management, purchasing, and logistics functions.
- Ensure purchase orders, contracts, and payments are processed efficiently.
- Monitor adherence to approved procurement policies through audits and compliance checks.

Vendor & Stakeholder Management

- Lead strategic sourcing initiatives for major contracts (broadcasting, sponsorship, construction, etc.).
- Manage relationships with high-value suppliers and stakeholders.
- Negotiate favorable terms while ensuring supplier compliance with ethical and quality standards.

Inventory Management Leadership

- Oversee budget allocation and policy compliance for inventory management.
- Act as the escalation point for major inventory discrepancies or losses.
- Ensure inventory systems are accurate, efficient, and transparent.

Risk Management & Compliance

- Identify potential risks in procurement and supply chain processes.
- Implement anti-fraud controls and due diligence mechanisms.
- Ensure full compliance with BCB, government, and ICC procurement regulations

Reporting & Governance

- Prepare procurement and vendor performance reports for BCB leadership.
- Track procurement metrics (savings achieved, cycle times, supplier ratings).
- Provide visibility of procurement and inventory performance through dashboards and presentations

Qualifications & Experience:

- Master's degree in Supply Chain Management, Business Administration, or related field.
- 12-15 years of procurement and supply chain experience, with at least 5 years in a senior leadership role.
- Professional certification (e.g., CIPS, CPSM) strongly preferred.
- Demonstrated success in strategic sourcing, vendor negotiations, and procurement governance.
- Experience with large-scale sports organizations or public procurement desirable.

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