

15% of looted firearms still unrecovered

Says EC Sanaullah

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Around 15 percent of weapons and 25 percent of ammunition looted from law enforcement agencies remain unrecovered, Election Commissioner Brig Gen (ret'd) Abul Fazel Md Sanaullah said yesterday.

Drawing on past experience, he said arms circulation tends to increase during elections, strengthening the influence of criminal groups.

Following the July uprising, about 85 percent of looted firearms and 75 percent of ammunition were recovered, but the rest are still unaccounted for, he added.

"We must identify those who took these weapons and recover them. Creating such an environment will help restore public confidence," he said.

The commissioner made the remarks while addressing a meeting of the Law Enforcing Cell at the Circuit House in Chattogram.

Referring to his recent visit to Cox's Bazar, Sanaullah said the Rohingya camps and border areas would be sealed during the election, allowing only essential transportation.

"These measures will be implemented ahead of the election," he said.

Over 15 lakh register for postal voting

UNB, Dhaka

More than 15 lakh people have registered to vote through the postal balloting in the upcoming national election and referendum.

"A total of 15,33,683 voters completed the registration process (with Postal Vote BD app) to vote through the postal ballots," said Director (Public Relations) of the Election Commission Secretariat Ruhul Amin Mollik yesterday.

The deadline for the postal vote registration expired at 12:00am on Monday.

Among the registrants, a total of 7,61,140 voters are from Bangladesh, as the government staff posted outside their respective constituencies, the polling personnel and the prisoners are allowed to vote through the postal ballots this year.

Mymensingh struggles with waste management

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

Waste management and disposal remain a lingering concern for Mymensingh City Corporation (MCC) for years, despite repeated calls from civic bodies and residents to address the problem.

For around 30 years, the city's garbage -- including raw waste from markets and toxic medical waste from about 250 hospitals, clinics and diagnostic centres -- has been dumped in the open at Moilakanda in the Char Kalibari area, causing severe pollution.

Dr Md Zakiul Islam, deputy director of Mymensingh Medical College Hospital, said the hospital has no waste treatment plant. As a result, waste is stored in a shed and later collected by MCC dump trucks every evening.

Md Saiful Islam, deputy director of the Department of Environment in Mymensingh, said many hospitals and clinics have been ignoring instructions on sorting and disposing of medical waste.

Meanwhile, the dumping site at Moilakanda has become a serious nuisance for locals.

Although part of the site is enclosed by a boundary wall, the rest remains open, allowing garbage to spread to adjacent areas, including croplands, particularly during the monsoon.

"Due to waste seeping in from the dumping site, we have been facing difficulties cultivating our croplands and suffering losses for years," said Sharif Mia, 50, a local farmer.

Mazeda Khatun, another resident, said



stench from the dumping site pollutes the air, while flies and mosquitoes persist year-round.

Mohabbat Ali, conservation inspector of MCC, said around 500 tonnes of waste, including five tonnes of medical waste, are generated in the city daily.

As MCC has no experts to manage toxic medical waste, these are disposed of using traditional methods, he added.

He also said there is no separate system for collecting medical waste, meaning all types of waste are transported together by the same trucks to the Moilakanda dumping station.

Nobo Waste Management Service Ltd, a private organisation, collects medical waste from about 40 private hospitals and diagnostic centres under contractual arrangements.

Owners of other private facilities send their waste to MMCH's garbage shed, from where it is transported to Moilakanda, Ali said.

He said MCC contacted Prism Bangladesh Ltd, a private enterprise, in 2022 to treat waste using an effluent treatment plant and recycle plastic waste, but the work has yet to begin.

The enterprise has already set up a plant and is at the final stage of starting operations, he said.

Abul Hasnat Epu, managing director of Nobo Waste, said with MCC's support, the organisation has been collecting medical waste and dumping it at the city's Akua area since 2019.

"We collect medical waste in separate bins according to type and transport it to the dumping station in a covered van," he said.

Incepta Pharmaceuticals Limited

40, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, Tejgaon Industrial Area
Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh (the "Company")

NOTICE OF CREDITORS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to an Order dated 2nd December, 2025 passed in the Company Matter No. 2163 of 2025 of the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh, comprising of Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel, a creditors' meeting of all the creditors of the Company will be held on 22nd January, 2026 at 02.00 p.m. at 40, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh, to transact the following business:

"To consider the approval, with or without modification, of the Scheme of Amalgamation for the amalgamation of Incepta Pharmaceuticals Limited ("Transferee-Petitioner") with Incepta Vaccine Limited, Incepta Chemicals Limited, Incepta Herbal & Nutricare Limited, Incepta Hygiene and Hospicare Limited and Transuniverse Distribution Limited (collectively the "Transferor-Petitioners"), under Section 228 read with Section 229 of the Companies Act, 1994, whereby the entire undertaking of the Transferor-Petitioners as a going concern is proposed to be transferred and vested in the Transferee-Petitioner, with the Transferee-Petitioner being the surviving entity."

All creditors of the Company are requested to attend the said meeting either in person or through a duly appointed person by an authorization letter.

A copy of the Scheme of Amalgamation may be collected from the undersigned.

Sd.

Managing Director

No shortage in LPG

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BERC's recent adjustment. He said the recent increase in LPG prices -- by more than Tk 50 per cylinder -- encouraged certain market players to take advantage of consumers.

"This abnormal price hike has been carried out through collusion. It is not a natural market movement," he added.

To address the situation,

he said the government has initiated enforcement measures across the country. Mobile courts have been deployed at the district level to prevent hoarding, forced shutdowns, and artificial supply disruptions.

The adviser said the cabinet secretary had directed district administrations to take firm action in this regard.

Serves interest

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and our procurement are based on logical grounds; this will not affect those areas.

"The beginning was not from Bangladesh. Mustafizur is a fine, world-famous cricketer. Those who picked him did so after a thorough evaluation; they didn't take him out of charity. It is very unfortunate that they would suddenly stop [his participation]."

Salehuddin said sports should ideally remain separate from political friction. "Even during Hitler's time, the Olympics took place. Even those who hated Hitler attended. I think what happened here was driven by emotion. If both sides reconsider, a solution can be reached."

Echoing similar views, Energy Adviser Fouzul Kabir Khan said the government's stance was proportionate and justified, describing it as a natural reaction to the initial action taken by the other side.

"There are always an action and a reaction. We've to be careful so that no one goes overboard. When a Bangladeshi player is called and then suddenly withdrawn, a response is expected. I believe the response was proper,

robust, and appropriate."

He added that Bangladesh's position on issues such as IPL broadcasting and the discussion around venue changes for upcoming international tournaments sent a clear but measured signal.

"This response is not only justified but also makes the other side reflect," the energy adviser said, adding that voices within India itself have expressed concern over politicising sports.

"We hope that good sense will prevail from the side where this issue originated. Cricket should continue, and so should our economic and trade relations," he added.

Man dies

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BSF camp, he was provided with clothes and food. He reportedly developed convulsions and was taken to a hospital, where doctors declared him dead, BSF told BGB.

Based on information from BSF, Robiul's death is suspected to be from illness; the postmortem report would determine the exact cause of death, Mostafizur said.

Robiul's body bore some injuries, which might have been from baton blows.

"After receiving the written postmortem report, we will lodge a formal written protest with the BSF," he added.

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOSHIBA ASIA PACIFIC PTE. LTD. LIAISON OFFICE

Date: 07 January, 2026

We would like to inform you that TOSHIBA ASIA PACIFIC PTE. LTD. is currently undergoing a business restructuring process and will discontinue its operations through its existing liaison office in Bangladesh. The closing of the liaison office will be effective from 07 April, 2026.

All persons, with any and all outstanding claims against the liaison office of TOSHIBA ASIA PACIFIC PTE. LTD. in Bangladesh, are requested to communicate with us, in relation to the same, within 07 April 2026, for the full and final settlement of all outstanding claims and dues.

TOSHIBA ASIA PACIFIC PTE. LTD. is committed to the region and continues its operations through the Bangladesh liaison office. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience caused due to the closure and appreciate your co-operation and support.

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Incepta Chemicals Limited

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE OF EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF INCEPTA CHEMICALS LIMITED ("THE COMPANY")

This notice is hereby given to all the shareholders and members of the Company in accordance with the direction of the Company Bench of the Hon'ble High Court Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh, comprising His Lordship, Mr. Justice Ahmed Sohel, Hon'ble Justice of the High Court Division, by an order dated 02.12.2025 passed in the Company Matter No. 2163 of 2025, an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders and members of the Company will be held on 22.01.2026 at 10.00 a.m. at 40, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, Tejgaon Industrial Area, Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh to consider the following agenda and accordingly pass a special resolution:

"To consider and approve, with or without modification, the Scheme of Amalgamation for the amalgamation of Incepta Vaccine Limited, Incepta Chemicals Limited, Incepta Herbal & Nutricare Limited, Incepta Hygiene and Hospicare Limited and Transuniverse Distribution Limited (collectively the "Transferor Companies") with Incepta Pharmaceuticals Limited ("Transferee Company") under Section 228 read with Section 229 of the Companies Act, 1994, whereby the entire undertaking of the Transferor Companies as a going concern is proposed to be transferred and vested in the Transferee Company, with the Transferee Company being the surviving entity."

The shareholders and members of the Company are requested to attend the meeting on the date, time, and at the place mentioned above.

A copy of the Scheme of Amalgamation may be collected from the undersigned.

Sd.

Managing Director

Incepta Herbal & Nutricare Limited

40, Shahid Tajuddin Ahmed Sarani, Tejgaon Industrial Area
Dhaka-1208, Bangladesh (the "Company")

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Managing Director