

Begum Waheeda Wasiuddin passes away

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Begum Waheeda Wasiuddin, wife of late Lt Gen Khwaja Wasiuddin, passed away in Maryland, USA, on January 27. She was 92, said a press release.
She is survived by three sons, one daughter, grandchildren, and a host of relatives.
Her namaz-e-janaza will be held today after the Zohr prayers at Dilkusha Masjid in Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka, after her body is brought home.
Her family has requested everyone to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.



Farmer Md Habib carries washed and bundled Boro paddy seedlings to a field for transplanting at Moddhokorapur village in Barishal Sadar upazila. Sown in the Bengali month of Magh, the crop is expected to be harvested in early Joishthya. The photo was taken recently.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

Travel ban on DNCC administrator

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday imposed a travel ban on Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) administrator Mohammad Azaz over allegations of corruption.
Judge Md Sabbir Faiz of the Metropolitan Senior Special Judge's Court passed the order following a petition by Anti-Corruption Commission Assistant Director Md Ashiqur Rahman, who is leading the inquiry, said court bench assistant Riaz Hossain.
ACC Public Prosecutor Samsuddin Mohammed Abul Kalam moved the petition on behalf of the anti-graft watchdog, he added.

According to the ACC petition, Azaz is under investigation over abuse of power, irregularities, corruption and bribery in several DNCC-related matters.

According to the ACC application, the allegations include irregularities in leasing the Mirpur-Gabtolli cattle market, the e-rickshaw project and taking control of Borak Tower or Hotel Sheraton.

The allegations further relate to the allocation of shops at Banani kitchen market, construction and allocation of shops in the parking area of Khilgaon Taltola Super Market, the city corporation's van service and allocation of shops on footpaths, among other matters involving the corporation's interests.

The ACC said Azaz was served a notice to appear for a hearing and record his statement, but he did not comply.

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Azmi recounts ordeal during ICT-1 testimony

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Brig Gen (ret'd) Abdullahil Amaan Azmi, a victim of enforced disappearance, yesterday testified before the International Crimes Tribunal-1 as the third prosecution witness in a case over enforced disappearance and illegal confinement of 24 victims at the Joint Interrogation Cell (JIC), operated by the Directorate General of Forces Intelligence (DGFI) during the Awami League regime.

In the testimony, Azmi said he was held in a pitch-dark cell without natural light or air, completely cut off from the outside world for 2,908 days, and was subjected to relentless physical and mental suffering, denied proper food and medical care, and forced to endure constant, jarring mechanical noise that caused headaches and reduced his hearing capacity considerably.

The noise was deliberately used to block outside sounds and ensure that screams during interrogations could not be heard beyond the facility, he added.

Azmi is the son of late Ghulam Azam, former Jamaat-e-Islami chief who was convicted for war

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Series of fires at households sparks panic in Mirsarai

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A series of fires at houses and land belonging to members of the Hindu community in Mirsarai upazila of Chattogram has caused panic among locals.
Locals and police said houses were set on fire in the Dhar Para area of Jafrabad village under Wahedpur union. No casualties have been reported so far, police said.
Mirsarai police confirmed two fire incidents and said they are working to uncover the truth.
Locals and victims, however, said the incidents occurred between January 23 and January 29, from 6:00am to 7:00pm, claiming that six to seven fires have taken place so far.

Tobacco sales banned near health facilities

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The health ministry has directed all field-level health administrations to ensure that tobacco products are not sold within a 100-metre radius of health facilities.
It also asked them to keep all hospitals, clinics, health centres and adjoining areas tobacco-free in line with the anti-tobacco law, which was recently made stricter.
The ministry sent a letter in this regard to all directors and superintendents of hospitals, civil surgeons, and upazila health and family planning officers on January 29, a ministry official said yesterday.
The move came more than a month after the interim government amended the Smoking and Tobacco Products Usage (Control) Act, expanding the definition of tobacco products and introducing several new provisions to control their use,

particularly emerging ones.
The new ordinance banned the sale of tobacco products within a 100-metre radius of educational institutions, hospitals, playgrounds and children's parks.
"The directive was issued in line with the ordinance, asking health authorities to ensure its full implementation," said the official, who wished not to be named.
The original 2005 regulation designated hospitals as public places where smoking had been prohibited and stipulated a Tk 50 fine for violations. The fine was later increased to Tk 300 through an amendment in 2013.
The ordinance raised the fine to Tk 2,000 for both smoking and the intake of any kind of tobacco-based products in designated public places.
The ministry also asked health facility authorities to display placards prohibiting smoking.

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BURNING BODIES IN ASHULIA ICT-2 to deliver verdict on Feb 5

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The International Crimes Tribunal-2 is set to deliver its first verdict on February 5 in a crimes against humanity case over the killing of seven people, including the burning of six bodies, during the July 2024 uprising in Ashulia.
A three-member tribunal led by Justice Md Nozrul Islam Chowdhury announced the date yesterday.
The tribunal declared the case ready for a verdict on January 20 after arguments from both the prosecution and the defence concluded.
Of the 16 accused in the case, eight are currently in custody while the remaining eight are absconding. The accused include former Awami League lawmaker from Savar Muhammad Saiful Islam, former Dhaka Range DIG Syed Nurul Islam, and former Dhaka SP Md Asaduzzaman Ripon.
Meanwhile, ICT-1 yesterday took cognisance of two sets of formal charges in separate crimes against humanity cases.
In one case, charges were pressed against eight

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HC issues rule over

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child, he was subjected to a horrific human rights

violation."
"After all these years, the court has finally reopened the door for a proper investigation and moved closer to a formal declaration that his fundamental rights were violated, as well as an order to compensate him for the harm he has suffered," she said.

This journey toward justice could not progress for the past 15 years due to repeated attempts to suppress the truth, she also said, adding that although the HC had earlier issued several directives for investigation and ordered that all medical treatment be provided by the state, those orders were never properly implemented.
Barrister Sara Hossain also thanked media professionals, saying, "It was the journalists who first broke this story -- revealing how Limon Hossain was shot by Rab, left in a hospital, and then falsely implicated in multiple fabricated cases. Without the media's role, this story might never have come to light."

A team of Rab-8, led by then deputy assistant director Lutfor Rahman, reportedly shot Limon in the left leg while he was fetching his family's pet calf from a field near their house in Chhaturia village of Jhalakathi on March 23, 2011.

On the same day, Lutfor Rahman filed two cases against Limon and several others with Rajapur Police Station on charges of possessing arms and ammunition, obstructing law enforcers from discharging their duties, and attempted murder. Later, Limon's wounded leg had to be amputated.

Limon's mother filed a case against six Rab men on April 11, 2011.
Rajapur police initially refused to record the case even after a court order. However, they recorded it on April 26 following a 48-hour deadline set by a Jhalakathi court.

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION
For Grounds Equipment's & Machineries

Bangladesh Cricket Board

Ref No: BCB/Admin/T&P/Grounds/2026/45 Date: 02nd February 2026

The Bangladesh Cricket Board hereby invites reputed, experienced & bona fide organizations, Authorized Distributors/Dealers, suppliers, manufacturers for the supply of Grounds Equipment's & Machineries for BCB. A detailed technical specification and requirements of the requisite items are given as follows:

Sl No	Particulars	Specifications	Qty.	Place of Delivery		
1	Organization	Bangladesh Cricket Board				
2	Procuring Entity Name	Chief Executive Officer, BCB				
3	Invitation for	Supply of Grounds Equipment's & Machineries for BCB.				
4	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka, Bangladesh				
5	Invitation Ref:	BCB/Admin/T&P/Grounds/2026/45				
6	Procurement Method	Open tendering Method (OTM).				
7	Budget and source of Fund	Bangladesh Cricket Board				
8	Tender Submission Date and Time	08/03/2026 at 12.15 pm				
9	Tender Opening date and Time	08/03/2026 at 12.30 pm				
10	Place of Submission & Opening Tender	Management Office of Bangladesh Cricket Board at Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1216.				
11	Description of the Items	Lawn Mower - Jeep	Nominal Power 17-25 HP	02 Nos	To be delivered at SBNCs, Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1216	
		Grass Cutting Machine (3-Wheeler) with attached built-in Grass Box	Cutting Deck 42" Staggered SD Height Adjustment 5 Positions (Minimum) PTD Manual Country of Origin USA / Australia / UK			
		Hand Pushed Grass Cutting Machine (Walk-Behind)	Nominal Power 6 - 6.5 HP Self-Propelling Hand Push Cutting Width 46 cm Grass Height 10 - 15 cm (max)			
		Manual Hand Roller	Dia-15", Length-36", Handle-75", Weight: 300 Kg.			
		Manual Hand Roller	Dia-20", Length-36", Handle-75", Weight: 500 Kg.			
		Manual Hand Roller	Dia-29", Length-36", Handle-75", Weight: 700 Kg.			
		Manual Hand Roller	Dia-29", Length-36", Handle-75", Weight: 1000 Kg.			
		Ground Utility Vehicle (Soft Wheel)	Transmission Automatic Recommended Grille Guard Dump Bed: 36" L x 45" W Dump Bed Type: Manual Features			03 Nos
		Boundary Rope	Dia: 4" - 4.5", Running Feet: 1440 Rft., Material: Plastic			70 Set

Eligibility of Tenderers:
• The Tenderer must be an authorized distributor or a bona fide supplier.

Submission of Tender:
• A sealed envelope quotation must be submitted attaching the following relevant business documents i.e. (i) valid Trade License, (ii) updated Tax Identification Number (TIN), (iii) Business Identification Number (BIN), and (iv) the latest Tax Return Certificate, at the designated Quotation Box located at the BCB Management Office, Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1216, no later than Sunday, 08th March, 2026 12:15 pm (BST).

Delivery & Installation:
1. Delivery must be completed within forty-five (45) days from the date of issuance of the formal Work Order, and it must be delivered to BCB Central Store, Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium (SBNCs), Mirpur-2, Dhaka-1213.

Warranty & After-Sales Service:
i. A minimum warranty of 24 months must be provided for all equipment and machinery.
ii. The Tenderer shall ensure after-sales service support, availability of spare parts, and maintenance service for all equipment and machinery.

Price Quotation:
i. The price must be quoted in Bangladeshi Taka (BDT), inclusive of applicable VAT, transportation, delivery, and installation costs (if any).

The BCB reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason. Further, BCB also reserves the right to cancel the entire tender process and / or modify, add or alter the terms of the document and/ or the conditions for Tender by issuing an addendum(s) at any time prior to the submission of the Tender.

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লট নং-০১ : গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, বালুয়া সোনাডালা শাখা অফিস ভবন নির্মাণ কাজ।
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লট নং-০৩ : গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, ধামুরা উজিরপুর শাখা অফিস ভবন নির্মাণ কাজ।
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লট নং-০৪ : গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, কাঁচেরকৈল শৈলকুপা শাখা অফিস ভবন নির্মাণ কাজ।
মৌজা : উত্তর কচুয়া, পোঃ উত্তর কচুয়া, উপজেলাঃ শৈলকুপা, জেলাঃ বিনাইদহ।

গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, যোনা অফিস, কক্সবাজার (হেক টাওয়ার, খুকশকুল সংযোগ সড়ক, কক্সবাজার পৌরসভা, কক্সবাজার-৪৭১০)।
লট নং-০৫ : গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, হোয়াইকং টেকনাফ শাখা অফিস ভবন নির্মাণ কাজ।
মৌজা : উত্তর নীলা, পোঃ হোয়াইকং, উপজেলাঃ টেকনাফ, জেলাঃ কক্সবাজার।

গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, যোনা অফিস, যশোর (চাকলাদার ভবন, কোতোয়ালী, যশোর-৭৪০০)।
লট নং-০৬ : গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, রোহিতা মনিরামপুর শাখা অফিস ভবন নির্মাণ কাজ।
মৌজা : কোদলাপাড়া, পোঃ রোহিতা, উপজেলাঃ মনিরামপুর, জেলাঃ যশোর।

গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, যোনা অফিস, নেত্রকোনা (বারহাটা রোড, নেত্রকোনা সদর, নেত্রকোনা)।
লট নং-০৭ : গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, পূর্বধলা শাখা অফিস ভবন নির্মাণ কাজ।
মৌজা : পূর্বধলা, পোঃ পূর্বধলা সদর, উপজেলাঃ পূর্বধলা, জেলাঃ নেত্রকোনা।

১) দরপত্রের সাথে উল্লেখিত কাজের টেন্ডার সিকিউরিটি বাবদ মোট উদ্ধৃত দরের ২.৫% পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট/ব্যাংক গ্যারান্টির মাধ্যমে যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হতে "গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, প্রধান কার্যালয়" এর অনুকূলে জমা দিতে হবে।
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৫) উল্লেখিত কাজের টেন্ডার দলিল গ্রামীণ ব্যাংক, প্রধান কার্যালয়, নির্মাণ শাখা, মিরপুর-২, ঢাকা-১২১৬ এবং সংশ্লিষ্ট যোনা অফিস হতে ০২-০২-২০২৬ তারিখ থেকে ১৮-০২-২০২৬ তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে সংগ্রহ করা যাবে।
৬) আগামী ০২-০২-২০২৬ তারিখ থেকে ১৮-০২-২০২৬ তারিখ পর্যন্ত অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে এবং ১৯-০২-২০২৬ তারিখ বেলা ১১:০০ টা পর্যন্ত উপরোক্ত স্থানসমূহে সক্রিয় টেন্ডার বাস্কেট টেন্ডারসমূহ গৃহীত হবে এবং ঐদিন অর্থাৎ ১৯-০২-২০২৬ তারিখ বেলা ১১:৩০ টায় ঠিকাদার বা তাঁদের প্রতিনিধিদের উপস্থিতিতে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) টেন্ডার বাস্কেট খোলা হবে। টেন্ডার বাস্কেট খোলার দিন কোন টেন্ডার দলিল বিক্রি করা হবে না।
৭) টেন্ডার দাখিলের নিয়মাবলী টেন্ডার দলিলের সাথে সংযুক্ত থাকবে।
৮) দরদাতাকে প্রধান ঠিকাদার/উপ-ঠিকাদার হিসেবে কমপক্ষে ৩ বছরের অভিজ্ঞতা সম্পন্ন হতে হবে।
খ) গত ৩ বছরের মধ্যে একক কার্যাদেশে সফলভাবে সম্পন্নকৃত ন্যূনতম ১.৬ (এক দশমিক ছয়) কোটি টাকার ভবন নির্মাণ কাজের অভিজ্ঞতা থাকতে হবে।
গ) গত ৩ বছরে গড় বার্ষিক আর্থিক লেনদেনের পরিমাণ ৩ (তিন) কোটি টাকার বেশি হতে হবে।
ঘ) টেন্ডারদাতার ন্যূনতম Liquid Asset / Working Capital অথবা Credit Line (ঋণ সীমা) ১.৬ (এক দশমিক ছয়) কোটি টাকা হতে হবে। তবে টেন্ডার জমাদানের পূর্ববর্তী ৭ (সাত) দিনের আগে ইস্যু করা তরল সম্পদের সনদ মূল্যায়নের জন্য গ্রহণযোগ্য হবে না।
কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকেই উক্ত টেন্ডার গ্রহণ/বাতিল, সংশোধন, পরিবর্তন করার ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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