

Probe NCT, Pangaon, Laldia deals

Citizens' platform demands
STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A citizens' platform named Deshpremik Nagarik Samaj yesterday demanded an investigation into alleged corruption and commission-seeking in moves to award concession deals of Chattogram Port's New Mooring, Laldia and Pangaon terminals to foreign operators.

The group's spokesperson Md Al Amin Hossain and co-spokesperson Mohammad Ibrahim Khalil Chowdhury made the demand while speaking to reporters in front of the Anti-Corruption Commission in Dhaka.

The platform accused former BIDA chairman Ashik Chowdhury and former international affairs envoy to the chief adviser Lutley Siddiqui of involvement. It also named Chattogram Port chairman Rear Admiral SM Moniruzzaman and former naval adviser Sakhawat Hossain.

The platform alleged that efforts are underway to lease the New Mooring Container Terminal (NCT) to a UAE-based company under a concession agreement. Despite a stalled previous attempt following protests, fresh moves have reportedly begun to reopen talks with the same firm, the speakers claimed.

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A father and son mix fertiliser in Gabaram Chandrapur village of Jhalakathi yesterday to boost yields from Boro paddy, usually planted at the start of Falgun and harvested in Jaishtha.

PHOTO: TITU DAS

Bogura-6 by-polls, Sherpur-3 election by April 14: EC

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Election Commission yesterday said the Bogura-6 by-polls and the rescheduled election in Sherpur-3 will be held by April 14.

Election Commissioner Abdur Rahman Masud explained that the commission is aiming for this timeline as storms and heavy rains are common during Pchela Baishakh. "We are trying to complete the polls before then, and we expect to succeed," he added.

On the reserved seats for women, Masud said the process has already begun since these elections are essentially determined by parliamentary parties nominating candidates. "By this time, they may have already started. Formally, it must be completed within 90 days of oath-taking, and we will ensure that," he said.

Asked about the timing of local government elections, Masud said, "As far as I know, the ordinance has annulled the provision for voting with party symbols in local government elections. Now parliament will sit. If the bill or ordinance is ratified in parliament, it will proceed accordingly. If it is changed or reverted to the previous state, then it will be different. We are just waiting for the parliament session."



Toxic effluent from sugar mill pollutes Chandana

SUZIT DAS, Faridpur

Untreated toxic effluent from Faridpur Sugar Mill has been discharged into the Chandana River in Madhukhali upazila during the sugarcane crushing season for years, polluting the river and adjoining areas.

Faridpur Sugar Mills was set up by the government in 1974 and went into production in 1976. The mill is located around 300 metres upstream of the river.

During a recent visit, this correspondent found that wastewater from the mill was being released directly into a canal that flows into the river at the Madhukhali Shmashana Ghat area. People crossing the area were seen covering their noses with cloth due to the strong smell of toxic chemicals in the water.

According to locals, around 5,000 residents of four villages near the canal, more than 1,500 students of two schools, and traders at a nearby market have long been suffering due to the foul-smelling, polluted water.

"We cannot pay attention in class due to the strong smell coming from the canal beside the school," said a student of Faridpur Sugar Mills High School.

Md Masudul Islam, a governing body member of Ideal Academy near the mill,

said the institution has been witnessing a decline in the number of students due to the deterioration of the academic environment caused by pollution. "We urged the mill authorities to take steps in this regard, but they did not respond."

Md Shajahan Munshi, 56, a trader at Mill Gate Bazar, said, "Our businesses are suffering



as customers cannot even stay a few minutes due to the strong smell emanating from the canal beside."

Contacted, Rakib Hossain, executive engineer of Bangladesh Water Development Board in Faridpur, said he had inspected the site recently.

"The water of the river and canal is severely

polluted due to toxic discharge from the mill. I requested the mill authorities to take steps in this regard," he added.

Nasreen Jahan, Faridpur district fisheries officer, said Chandana is a very important river in the area. "A spot visit revealed that fish in the river are dying due to the pollution. The matter has been raised in the recent district coordination meeting," she added.

Syed Anwar, deputy director of the Department of Environment in Faridpur, said the site would be inspected and the mill authorities would be directed to take necessary steps.

Rousona Jahan, Madhukhali UNO, however, said the mill authorities had told her they dump their wastewater in their own ponds after treatment in their effluent treatment plant. She said that she would discuss the matter further with the mill's managing director.

Contacted, Tarek Farhad, MD of the sugar mill, said, "Presence of lime and sulphur dioxide in the effluent discharge causes the strong smell. We dump the effluent in our mill's pond after treating it in the ETP; I do not know if it flows into the river. It is possible that some wastewater seeps through the bottom and enters the canal and river. We will take measures to solve the issue."



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JP alleges 'engineered'

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the election as a "hybrid vote", claiming it was marred by ballot stuffing, vote engineering and administrative interference.

"The interim government cannot evade responsibility for the irregularities. Ensuring a credible election was not its objective," he said.

He also alleged that turnout was inflated with official support, adding that similar complaints were made by several

parties. On constitutional reform, Shameem said the BNP had made the "right decision" by not taking the oath in the reform council.

"There was no consensus over the July Charter from the outset. Any referendum or constitutional amendment must be carried out through parliament," he said.

He further criticised the continuation of "mob culture" and called for its immediate end.

Pakistan Team's Tour of Bangladesh 2026
Worldwide Media Rights

Ref No: BCB/Worldwide Media Rights /2026 /123 Date: 23rd February 2026

Expression of Interest (EOI)

The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) invites Expression of Interest (EOI) along with financial offers from the TV Broadcasters, Digital Platforms and Marketing Agencies / Consortia / Firms for acquiring the Worldwide Media Rights of Pakistan Team's Tour of Bangladesh comprising of 03 ODIs (only) to be held from 09th March 2026 to 16th March 2026.

Categories of Media Rights :

01. Satellite TV (Linear) Rights - Worldwide including Bangladesh
02. Digital OTT (Over-the-Top) Rights - Worldwide including Bangladesh

Area of Rights :

A detailed EOI document has been developed incorporating all necessary EOI details and documents for acquiring the abovementioned Worldwide Media Rights of Pakistan Team's Tour of Bangladesh 2026 involving Bangladesh National Cricket Team (Men).

Eligibility Criteria :

a) Companies related to Tobacco, Alcohol (surrogated and non-surrogated), Betting or Online Betting and its surrogate shall not be eligible to participate in the EOI process.
b) Any person(s) or entities with an existing unresolved dispute (i.e. Financial, Disciplinary and any other) with BCB or ICC on a point of law or fact shall be ineligible to acquire the aforementioned rights or to participate in the EOI Process.
c) The Broadcaster / TV Channel must be in operation (on air) for at least 03 (Three) years. Marketing agents must have the capability and reasonable experience in marketing international standard cricket events.

EOI Document Collection Procedure:

a) Interested parties need to obtain a copy of the EOI Document (General Guidelines) related to EOI will be available at the BCB's Official Website: www.tigercricket.com.bd
b) The details of the EOI process, Series Itinerary, Production Specifications etc. set out in the EOI Document. EOI document will be available from 24th of February 2026 to 28th of February 2026.

EOI Submission Procedure:

The EOI along with financial offer (prepared in accordance with the EOI Document) must be submitted at the BCB Management Office at Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka 1216, Bangladesh by 1st of March 2026 during office hours (between BST 1000 to BST 1700) and should be in a sealed envelope to be addressed to: Chief Executive Officer, Bangladesh Cricket Board. Interested participant may also submit EOI along with financial offer electronically via email at : sponsorship.rights@bcb-cricket.com

The EOI needs to be accompanied with the following documents:

01. Company Profile and Individual Directors' / Owners' Profile.
02. Updated auditor's report on financial statements (In case of consortium, each party's auditor's report needs to be submitted individually).
03. Bank Solvency Certificate along with Bank Statement.
04. Certified copy of Memorandum and Articles of Association along with certificate of Incorporation or similar constitutional documents.
05. Updated VAT Registration Certificate, Trade License and Tax Identification Number (TIN) Certificate or similar documents.
06. In case of Consortium, notarized consortium Agreement.

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

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Reference: 40.00.0000.038.07.005.25-415

e-Tender Notice

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following work:

e-Tender ID No.	Package No.	Name of the goods	Last date and time for tender/proposal security submission	Tender/proposal closing date and time
1224420	40.00.0000.038.07.005.25-244 (Lot-1)	Purchase of Computer and Relevant Goods	09-March-2026 13:00pm	09-March-2026 14:00pm

This is online tender where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no offline/ hard copies will be accepted. To submit e-Tender, registration in the National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. The fees for downloading the e-Tender documents from the National e-GP System Portal have to be deposited online through any e-GP registered bank's branches.

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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TENDER NOTICE

Tender No. NSU/25-26-T07

North South University is inviting sealed offer from bona fide/reputed organization/ distributors/ business partners/ agents for supplying various lab equipment for various department of NSU as described in the tender schedule.

The details of the lot are mentioned below:

Sl. #	Department	Lot
Sl. # 1	Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences	Lot-01
Sl. # 2	Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering (DCEE)	Lot-02
Sl. # 3	Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (ECE)	Lot-03

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The bidders must submit **earnest money @ 2.5%** of the quoted price in the form of Pay Order issued from any scheduled bank drawn in favor of North South University along with their offer. The sealed offer must be submitted on **March 11, 2026 by 2:15 p.m.** at the office of the undersigned. The offers will be opened at 2:30 p.m. on the same day. Representatives of the participating bidders may remain present at the time of opening the bids. NSU authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without showing any reason.

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