

## Veteran journo

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followed by a second janaza at Dhaka Reporters Unity at 3:00pm. After the funeral prayers, he was laid to rest at the family graveyard in Mirpur-11.

Born in Dhaka in 1952, Saleem studied at Shaheen School. He obtained his undergraduate degree from Jagannath College in 1976. In 1994, he obtained his master's degree from Colorado State University in the US.

On November 29, 2002, Saleem was arrested on charges of sedition. Before his death, he himself had stated that he was subjected to physical torture during interrogation in custody. He was released from prison about 50 days later.

In a Facebook post on October 7, Saleem said that he had been forced to leave the country in 2004. He returned to Bangladesh six years later.

His writings had appeared in international publications including

TIME magazine, India Today, Outlook (India), and South Asia magazine (Pakistan).

Beyond journalism, Saleem had played a significant role in training and mentoring small-town journalists in Bangladesh on social development issues.

He also conducted workshops on environment and development journalism for South Asian journalists in Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Over the course of his career, he had worked as a media specialist for several organisations, including the US-based Academy for Educational Development (AED), the Environment and Social Development Organisation (ESDO), the Bangladesh Centre for Development, Journalism and Communication (BCDJC), the Bangladesh Human Rights Journalists Forum (BMSF) and Forum of Environmental Journalists of Bangladesh (FEJB).

## Father recounts son's death

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A long-time resident of the area, he said he knew many local AL leaders, whom he alleged openly carried firearms and shot directly at students.

"One bullet struck my son in the head," he said. Breaking down, Kamal recounted how he ran forward and lifted Sifat into his arms.

"When I touched his wound, my two fingers went straight inside his skull. That's how big the bullet hole was," he told the tribunal, drawing gasps from the courtroom.

Beside Sifat lay another wounded boy, writhing in pain, his eye blown out by a bullet, he said.

As he searched for a rickshaw, local AL activists forcibly took Sifat inside a nearby house. Only after repeated pleas did they allow Kamal to take him away. He then carried both Sifat and the other injured boy by rickshaw to Al Helal Hospital. Doctors there

referred them to Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College Hospital, where Sifat was pronounced dead.

Kamal further testified that when he brought his son's body home to Mirpur, local AL activists prevented him from performing funeral rites or even washing the body.

Later, he arranged an ambulance and took his son's blood-soaked body to their village home in Kalkini, Madaripur, where Sifat was finally laid to rest.

Earlier, first prosecution witness Emran Hossain, 33, from Puthia in Rajshahi, told the tribunal how he permanently lost his right leg after being shot during clashes at Mirpur-10 on July 19, 2024.

A technician at a pest control company, Emran, said he had gone to Mirpur-11 for official duty.

While returning, a bullet fired by police and helmet-wearing attackers at protesting students struck his leg near the Mirpur-10 roundabout.

He remained hospitalised for nearly 40 days.

Sitting in the witness box, visibly disabled, Emran broke down while recounting the agonising moments of uncertainty in securing hospital admission and managing treatment costs, as none of his family members could travel from Rajshahi due to curfew restrictions.

Both witnesses held senior AL leaders, including Anisul and Salman, responsible for the violence.

After the testimonies, defence counsels for Anisul and Salman cross-examined both witnesses. The tribunal fixed March 3 for the next hearing.

## No let-up

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behind the incident, claiming it has become a source of fear in the area.

On the same day in Basila, another CCTV clip reportedly captured an extortion threat, warning that an entire market would be shut down if money was not paid.

Police arrested Faruk alias Kala Faruk from the Kolata area in Keraniganj yesterday in connection with the incident, Mesbah Uddin, officer-in-charge of Mohammadpur Police Station, told The Daily Star.

Amid the incidents, Inspector General of Police Baharul Alam yesterday asked field-level officers to take strict measures against extortion, snatching and drug-related crimes.

"Law and order must be maintained at any cost. If anyone commits extortion, terrorism or drug-related crimes, legal action must be taken against them irrespective of party and opinion affiliations," he told officers.

He issued the directives during a virtual meeting with all police unit heads, metropolitan police commissioners, range DIGs and district police superintendents from Police Headquarters, according to a release.

## Three killed in road accidents

STAR REPORT

Three people, including two elderly pedestrians and a schoolteacher, were killed in separate road accidents over the last two days, according to reports from our correspondents.

In Thakurgaon Sadar upazila, Rahima Begum, 60, died after being run over by a speeding truck on the Dinaipur-Panchagarh highway yesterday morning.

The accident occurred around 8:30am at Tetultala in Jagannathpur union while she was walking along the road.

Nirmal Chandra Mahanto, officer-in-charge of Boda Highway Police Station, said the truck, heading towards Panchagarh, crushed her on the spot. The driver and his helper fled, leaving the vehicle behind.

Police seized the truck and are trying to identify those involved. Filing of a case was underway.

In another incident, Monoranjan, 80, of Matigara village, died after being hit by a speeding motorcycle on the Kachubari-Shasla Peyala road in the district on Saturday evening.

He succumbed to his injuries at Thakurgaon General Hospital early yesterday. A case was filed.

In Puthia upazila of Rajshahi, a schoolteacher was killed in a road accident yesterday morning.

The victim, Abdur Razzak, 50, of Dhopapara village was standing by the roadside near the Fire Service station at Puthia Bazar around 11:30am when a stone-laden dump truck lost control and rammed him.

Officer-in-Charge Mozammel Haque of Paba Highway Police Station said the truck dragged him along the road, killing him on the spot. The vehicle could not be seized immediately, but efforts are underway to identify and arrest those responsible. The body was handed over to the family after legal formalities.

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**e-Tender বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

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ID	Reference	Title of Works
1219795	GMD Sirajganj/OTM Notice/Ullapara 132 KV/2	Procurement of Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of IP Camera Based Surveillance Systems at Ullapara 132/33 KV Grid Substation under GMD Sirajganj, Power Grid Bangladesh PLC
1219867	GMD Sirajganj/OTM Notice/GMD Office/4	Procurement of Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Grid Connected Net Metering Solar PV Systems with a Total Capacity of 40 kW at Substations under GMD Sirajganj, Power Grid Bangladesh PLC

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**National Human Resource Development Fund (NHRDF)**  
A State-Owned Company under Finance Division  
Probashi Kalyan Bhaban (Level-6)  
71-72 Old Elephant Road  
Eskaton Garden, Ramna, Dhaka-1000.  
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**Invitation for Tender for 'Procurement & Installation of Air Conditioner (AC) for NHRDF (Package-1)'**

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Finance
2	Agency	Finance Division
3	Procuring Entity Name	Managing Director & CEO, National Human Resource Development Fund (NHRDF)
4	Procuring Entity Code	None
5	Procuring Entity District	Dhaka
6	Invitation for	Procurement & Installation of Air Conditioner (AC) for NHRDF
7	Invitation Ref No	FD/NHRDF/02.03.00.15.26-131
8	Date	22 February 2026

**KEY INFORMATION**

9	Procurement Method	Open Tendering Method (National)
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**FUNDING INFORMATION**

10	Budget and Source of Funds	Government of Bangladesh
11	Development Partners (if applicable)	N/A

**PARTICULAR INFORMATION**

12	Project/ Program Code (if applicable)	N/A
13	Project/ Program Name (if applicable)	N/A
14	Tender Package No.	NHRDF-GD-10
15	Tender Package Name	Procurement & Installation of Air Conditioner (AC) for NHRDF (Package-1)
16	Tender Publication Date	23 February 2026
17	Tender Last Selling Date	09 March 2026
		Date Time
18	Tender Closing Date and Time	10 March 2026 2:00 p.m.
19	Tender Opening Date and Time	10 March 2026 2:30 p.m.
20	Selling Tender Document	National Human Resource Development Fund (NHRDF) Probashi Kalyan Bhaban (Level-6), 71-72 Old Elephant Road, Eskaton Garden, Ramna, Dhaka-1000. Telephone No: 55138350

NO CONDITIONS APPLY FOR SALE, PURCHASE OR DISTRIBUTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS

<b>Receiving Tender Document</b>	Room # 1201, Building # 11, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka
<b>Opening Tender Document</b>	Office of the General Manager (Admin & Finance), NHRDF Room # 1201, Building # 11, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka

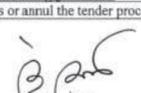
21	Place/ Date/ Time of Pre-Tender Meeting	Not Applicable
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**INFORMATION FOR TENDERER**

22	Brief Eligibility and Qualification of Tenderer	As per Tender Document			
23	Brief Description of Service	Procurement of Air Conditioner (AC) & Installation for NHRDF			
24	Price of Tender Document (Taka)	1000.00 (Taka One Thousand Only) (Cash Only)			
25	Package No	Identification of Package	Location	Tender Security Amount	Completion time in Weeks/ Months/ Days
	NHRDF-GD-10	Procurement & Installation of Air Conditioner (AC) for NHRDF (Package-1)	Probashi Kalyan Bhaban (Level-6) 71-72 Old Elephant Road, Eskaton Garden, Ramna, Dhaka-1000.	Pay-order BDT 30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand) in favor of Managing Director & CEO, NHRDF	30 Days from the Signing of Contract

**PROCUREMENT ENTITY DETAILS**

26	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Md. Touhidur Rahman
27	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Managing Director & CEO
28	Address of Official Inviting Tender	National Human Resource Development Fund (NHRDF) Probashi Kalyan Bhaban (Level-6), 71-72 Old Elephant Road, Eskaton Garden, Ramna, Dhaka-1000.
29	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Telephone No: 0255138350 e-mail address: <a href="mailto:nhrdfmd@gmail.com">nhrdfmd@gmail.com</a>
30	The procuring entity reserves the right to reject any or all tenders or annul the tender proceedings	

  
(Md. Touhidur Rahman)  
Managing Director & CEO  
National Human Resource Development Fund (NHRDF)  
Finance Division

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## A century of flavour

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recently rediscovered the bakery's jilapi and returned on Sunday for more. "I found it very delicious, so I came again," he said.

During Ramadan, the bakery sells around 60 different items daily. Among the most sought-after are suti kebab paratha, murg musallam, beef halim, jilapi and chicken lollipop.

Even well-known food entrepreneurs frequent the shop. On Sunday afternoon, Haji Babul, owner of the popular Nanna Biryani, was seen purchasing iftar items.

"I don't usually come myself; my family members buy from here. Today I purchased paneer samosa and nimki," he said.

Junayed Ahmed, a fourth-generation member

of the owning family, said the confectionery's journey began with his great-grandfather, Chan Mian, in 1920.

"My great-grandfather started the business in Faridpur. Later, it shifted to Raowza on a small scale at home and gradually expanded," he said.

Besides its main outlet in Old Dhaka, Ananda Confectionery now has branches at Jahangir Gate and Wari. The shops operate from 8:00am to 10:00pm, while the main outlet remains open until midnight, he added.

Abdul Karim, a third-generation member of the owning family, said the bakery maintains its tradition by selling exclusively on a retail basis and focusing on quality over expansion.

## 13th JS convenes

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Immediately after the House goes into its maiden sitting, the speaker and deputy speaker will be elected and sworn in by the president.

After their election, the session is likely to be adjourned for 15 to 20 minutes for the oath-taking.

The new speaker will then preside over the House session.

The Business Advisory Committee of the new parliament will also be formed at the first sitting, with the new speaker as its head.

The committee will decide the tenure of the inaugural session and other business of parliament.

The main task of the treasury bench on the first

sitting will be to place those ordinances before the House which the government wants to turn into law.

The interim government promulgated or amended a total of 130 ordinances during its 18-month tenure.

The standing committees on different ministries are likely to be formed during this session.

At the first sitting, the House will also adopt an obituary motion.

The current parliament was formed through the February 12 national election in which the BNP-led alliance secured 212 seats, while BNP alone won 209 seats.

The Jamaat e-Islami-led alliance bagged 76 seats, with Jamaat securing 68.

## Inu's defence witness

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The prosecutor claimed Inu's double role was revealed in audio phone conversations with former prime minister Sheikh Hasina.

The tribunal adjourned proceedings in the case till today.

In a separate case, the tribunal framed charges against 11 former police officers over the killing of Imam Hasan Bhuiyan Tayim, a 12th grader, in Dhaka's Jatrabari on July 20 during the uprising.

The tribunal said it found sufficient grounds to frame charges in the case.

The accused are former Dhaka Metropolitan Police commissioner Habibur Rahman; former DMP joint police commissioner Sudip Kumar Chakraborty; former Wari Division deputy commissioner Iqbal Hossain; former additional deputy commissioner

(Demra Zone) Md Masudur Rahman Monir; former ADC (Wari Zone) SM Shamim; former assistant police commissioner Nahid Ferdous; former Jatrabari OC Abul Hossain; Inspector (Investigation) Md Zakir Hossain; Inspector (operation) Md Wahidul Haque Mamun; and sub-inspectors Sajjad Uz Zaman and Md Shahadat Ali of the same police station.

Two of the accused, Abul Hossain and Zakir Hossain, who are currently in custody, pleaded not guilty before the tribunal yesterday.

The tribunal set March 29 for opening statements and recording witness testimonies.

Tayim, the son of a police officer, was seen in widely circulated video footage being shot at close range by another policeman while a friend tried to pull him away.

## Probe NCT, Pangaon

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It also alleged that the deals were concluded with "unusual haste" and under non-disclosure agreements.

The group called for a comprehensive probe into the NCT lease process as well as the Laldia and Pangaon concession deals

to determine whether any bribery or illicit financial transactions occurred.

It also urged authorities to examine the local and overseas bank accounts of those involved and take steps to prevent evidence tampering or possible flight abroad during the investigation.

**বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংক**  
(সেন্ট্রাল ব্যাংক অব বাংলাদেশ)  
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১৭ ফেব্রুয়ারি, ২০২৬

**নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

ব্যাংকার্স সিলেকশন কমিটির সদস্যভুক্ত বেসিক ব্যাংক পিএলসি এর ১. প্রিন্সিপাল অফিসার (আইসিটি)- ডাটাবেইজ এডমিনিস্ট্রেটর (জব আইডি-২৫১২২); ২. প্রিন্সিপাল অফিসার (আইসিটি)-নেটওয়ার্ক এডমিনিস্ট্রেটর (জব আইডি-২৫১২৩); (৩) প্রিন্সিপাল অফিসার (আইসিটি)-আইসিটি সিকিউরিটি স্পেশালিস্ট (জব আইডি-২৫১২৪) এবং (৪) অফিসার (আইসিটি)-ইওডি স্পেশালিস্ট (জব আইডি-২৫১২৫) পদসমূহে প্রতিযোগিতামূলক পরীক্ষার মাধ্যমে সরাসরি নিয়োগের নিমিত্তে প্রকৃত বাংলাদেশি নাগরিকের নিকট হতে Online এ আবেদন এবং আবেদনের সপক্ষে দলিলাদি প্রেরণ করার আহ্বান করা যাচ্ছে। আবেদন দাখিলের বিস্তারিত নিয়ম ও শর্তাবলী বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের ওয়েবসাইটে (<https://erecruitment.bb.org.bd>) পাওয়া যাবে।

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১।	মহাপালয়/বিভাগ	: সড়ক পরিবহন ও মৎস্যকর্ষ বিভাগ।
২।	বিক্রয় স্থান/নাম	: চেয়ারম্যান, বিআরটিসি।
৩।	বিক্রয় পদ্ধতি	: উন্মুক্ত দরপত্র পদ্ধতি।
৪।	দরপত্র বিক্রয় নং	: ০৫.০৪.০০০০.০১৭.০০.৬৬৩.২৬
৫।	দরপত্র সিডিউল পাতওয়ার স্থান	: <a href="http://www.brtc.gov.bd">www.brtc.gov.bd</a> হতে ডাউনলোডকৃত সিডিউল।
৬।	ডাউনলোডকৃত দরপত্র সিডিউল গ্রহণের তারিখ ও শেষ সময়	: ২৩/০২/২০২৬ ইং হতে ১৫/০৩/২০২৬ ইং এবং বিকাল ৫:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
৭।	দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য	: দরপত্রের প্রতিটি সিডিউলের মূল্যাবল ৫,০০০/- (পাঁচ হাজার) টাকা (অফেরৎযোগ্য) "চেয়ারম্যান, বিআরটিসি" অনুকূলে যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হতে পৃথক পৃথক ড্রাকট/পে-অর্ডার এর মাধ্যমে ডাউনলোডকৃত দরপত্র সিডিউলের সাথে দাখিল করতে হবে। সিডিউলের মূল্যাবল পে-অর্ডার ব্যক্তি দরপত্র বাতিলযোগ্য।
৮।	দরপত্র দাখিলের তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	: ১৬/০৩/২০২৬ ইং দুপুর ১২:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত ক্রয় বিভাগ (৯ম তলা), বিআরটিসি, ২১, রাজউক এভিনিউ, ঢাকা-১০০০ হতে ডাকযোগে/কুরিয়ারযোগে দরপত্র দাখিল করতে হবে (ডাকযোগে/কুরিয়ারযোগে প্রেরিত দরপত্র প্রধান কার্যালয়, ক্রয় বিভাগে ১৬/০৩/২০২৬ ইং দুপুর ১২:০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত না পৌঁছালে দরপত্র গ্রহণযোগ্য হবে না)।
৯।	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ, সময় ও স্থান	: ১৬/০৩/২০২৬ ইং দুপুর ১২:০০ ঘটিকা বিআরটিসি, ক্রয় বিভাগ (৯ম তলা), ২১, রাজউক এভিনিউ, ঢাকা-১০০০।
১০।	দরপত্রের সাথে জামানত (আর্নেটম্যানি)	: মোট উক্ত মূল্যের ন্যূনতম ১০% জামানত (আর্নেটম্যানি) "চেয়ারম্যান, বিআরটিসি" অনুকূলে যে কোন রাষ্ট্রায়ত্ত্বাধীন ব্যাংক হতে প্রদত্ত পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাকট এর মাধ্যমে ডাউনলোডকৃত দরপত্র সিডিউলের সাথে জমা করতে হবে।
১১।	সিডিউলের সাথে যে সমস্ত ডকুমেন্টস সংযুক্ত করতে হবে	: (ক) <a href="http://www.brtc.gov.bd">www.brtc.gov.bd</a> হতে ডাউনলোডকৃত সিডিউল, (খ) ট্রেড লাইসেন্স, (গ) আয়কর প্রত্যয়ন পত্র, (ঘ) ভ্যাট রেজিস্ট্রেশন সনদপত্র, (ঙ) ব্যাংক স্বাক্ষরকার সনদপত্র, (চ) আত্মীয় পরিচয়পত্র, (ছ) ০২ কপি পাসপোর্ট সাইজের রশ্মি ছবি। দরপত্র সিডিউলে বর্ণিত কাগজপত্র হাল নাশাদ নবায়িত এবং প্রথম শ্রেণীর কর্মকর্তা কর্তৃক সত্যায়িত করে দাখিল করতে হবে।
১২।	বিক্রয়স্থল মালিকের সংক্ষিপ্ত বিবরণ	: বিআরটিসি'র অযোগ্য ঘোষিত ১০টি গাড়ী (একতলা ও দ্বিতল বাস) নিলামে বিক্রয়।
১৩।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর নাম ও পদবী	: ইমাম হোসাইন, ম্যানেজার (ক্রয়)।
১৪।	দরপত্র আহ্বানকারীর অফিসের ঠিকানা ও টেলিফোন নং	: ক্রয় বিভাগ, ৯ম তলা, বিআরটিসি, ২১, রাজউক এভিনিউ, ঢাকা-১০০০, ৪১০১০৪৩।
১৫।	কর্তৃপক্ষের ক্ষমতা	: কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতীতকে যে কোন বা সকল দরপত্র গ্রহণ কিংবা বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণের দরপত্রের শর্তাবলী সংযোজন, সংকোচন, পরিমার্জন ও পরিবর্তনের ক্ষমতা রাখেন এবং সর্বক্ষেত্রে কর্তৃপক্ষের সিদ্ধান্তই চূড়ান্ত বলে গণ্য হবে।
১৬।	নির্দেশনা	: অসম্পূর্ণ, ভ্রষ্টমূল্য ও জামানতবিহীন (আর্নেটম্যানি) দরপত্র বাতিল বলে গণ্য হবে।

  
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