

Police to probe

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(reserve office inspector). They have been tasked with examining several allegations related to the recruitment process.

One issue under investigation is whether candidates from other districts secured jobs by using false addresses and were treated as permanent residents based solely on land purchases in the recruiting district.

The committees will also examine allegations that some candidates were allowed to sit recruitment examinations in separate rooms under the supervision of special police members in exchange for unethical benefits.

Another matter under review is whether candidates were declared eligible or ineligible for recruitment based on their own or their family members' political affiliations.

Investigators will also scrutinise irregularities

between written and oral examination scores, including cases where candidates who scored low in written tests allegedly secured jobs after receiving unusually high marks in oral examinations.

They will further investigate allegations of question paper leaks and assess whether authorities took action against dishonest police personnel, broker networks, fraud rings, or others who may have disrupted the examination process.

The directive was sent to superintendents of police in all districts, according to the order forwarded for implementation by Additional DIG (Recruitment and Career Planning-1) Md Abu Hasan at PHQ.

Another PHQ official said the decision followed various allegations of irregularities in recruitment during the tenure of the Awami League government.

Largely ceremonial

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couldn't buy many books," she said. "But if I hadn't come at all, it would have felt like missing out on something important."

According to information collected from 269 participating publishers, total sales during the 17-day fair stood at around Tk 8 crore.

The fair hosted 584 participating institutions, including 570 publishing houses. Based on the available data, the fair management committee estimated that total sales across all publishers would reach about Tk 17 crore.

Selim Reza, member secretary of the fair management committee, said in many cases publishers with fewer stall units recorded higher sales than those with larger stalls.

Mahrukh Mohiuddin, managing director of The University Press Limited,

said the overall sales situation was alarming.

"Compared with normal years, book sales this year were about 70 percent lower," he said. "Nearly 90 percent of participating publishers could not even recover the basic cost of building their stalls. Around 30 percent sold books worth less than Tk 5,000."

He said the decline is part of an ongoing trend. "Political and economic instability already reduced sales at the 2025 fair by about 60 percent compared to 2024," he said. "This year, the situation worsened further. In fact, the business environment was worse than during the pandemic-era fair of 2021."

According to the fair's information centre, 2,007 new books were submitted during the event, though the actual number may be higher as not all publishers deposit copies of their books with the centre.

'Coordinated campaign' against unarmed

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It said the involvement of senior officials and police officers — entrusted with protecting lives — amounted to a profound betrayal of public trust and aggravated the crimes to the highest degree.

Seven senior officials — including former deputy inspector general Syed Nurul Islam and former superintendent of police Md Asaduzzaman Ripon — were sentenced to life imprisonment under the doctrine of command responsibility for failing to prevent or punish

crimes committed by their subordinates.

Two others received prison terms, while former police sub-inspector Sheikh Abzalul Haque was acquitted after testifying as an approver.

According to the judgment, the violence occurred in Ashulia and Bypail on August 4-5, 2024.

On August 4, armed cadres led by Saiful Islam and local police allegedly opened fire on around 800 students, killing protester Md Shahabul Islam.

The violence escalated the next day after the fall of the

Awami League government.

As a victory procession approached Ashulia Police Station, police and Awami League men opened indiscriminate fire, leaving at least 29 people dead.

Witnesses said police later collected blood-soaked bodies, loaded them onto a pedal van and moved them to a police pickup truck, where they were doused with petrol and set on fire.

The tribunal found that at least one victim was still alive when the fire was ignited.

A one-minute-14-second viral video showing officers dragging bodies and piling

them into a van beside the police station wall was presented as key evidence.

Forensic experts confirmed the footage had not been manipulated using artificial intelligence.

DNA tests by the Criminal Investigation Department identified several victims, including Md Omar Faruk and Abul Hossain.

The tribunal also ordered the government to confiscate the convicts' assets and create a compensation fund for victims' families and protesters who suffered permanent disabilities.

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1240753	54.01.1543.122.07.018.25	Procurement of Dress for Grade 11-16 & Grade 17-20 Staff. OTM (NCT)	16.03.2026 11:00	12.04.2026 16:00	13.04.2026 11:00	13.04.2026 11:30
1244638	54.01.1543.122.07.019.25	Procurement of Desktop Computer and Laptop. OTM (NCT)	16.03.2026 11:00	12.04.2026 16:00	13.04.2026 11:00	13.04.2026 12:10
1244792	54.01.1543.122.07.020.25	Procurement of Offset Paper and Gala. OTM (NCT)	16.03.2026 11:00	12.04.2026 16:00	13.04.2026 11:00	13.04.2026 12:20
1244865	54.01.1543.122.07.021.25	Procurement of Office Stationery Items and Other Accessories. OTM (NCT)	16.03.2026 11:00	12.04.2026 16:00	13.04.2026 11:00	13.04.2026 12:30

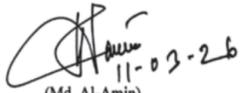
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One dies, another goes missing in storm

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A boatman died and another person went missing after being caught in a storm and hailstorm in Chilmari upazila of Kurigram on Saturday night.

The deceased — Mintu Mia, 41 — was from Gazirpara village.

Farid Uddin, 43, of the same area, remained missing in the incident that took place at Gazirpara boat ghat in Chilmari.

Locals said shortly after the Taraweeh prayers on Saturday night, a sudden strong storm began. At that time, Mintu Mia went to the Gazirpara boat ghat to tie his boat safely.

There he was caught in the storm and went missing. Later his body was recovered from a sandbar in the Brahmaputra River.

Everyone at the ghat managed to move quickly to safer places, but Farid Uddin, who was present there, did not return.

No trace of Farid Uddin had been found until yesterday afternoon.

In Charge of Chilmari River Police Outpost, Golam Mawla Shah, said the river police are assisting locals in the rescue efforts.

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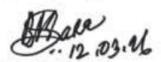
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01.	1241288	Renovation work of Rooms No. 217 and 226 of the Industrial Microbiology Division at Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR), Chattogram, in accordance with ISO standards.	31-March-2026 16:00	01-April-2026 16:00	01-April-2026 16:00
02.	1241294	Renovation and other related works of various rooms of the Hydrogen Energy Lab at Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR), Chattogram Research Laboratory.	31-March-2026 16:00	01-April-2026 16:00	01-April-2026 16:00
03.	1241295	Renovation and repair works of the rooms of the Chief Scientific Officers at Bangladesh Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (BCSIR), Chattogram Research Laboratory.	31-March-2026 16:00	01-April-2026 16:00	01-April-2026 16:00

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Request for Expression of Interest (EoI)

1	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
2	Agency	Bangladesh Climate Change Trust
3	Project name	Project on "Combating the Adverse Impacts of Climate Change through Awareness Raising and Training".
4	Procuring entity name	Managing Director, Bangladesh Climate Change Trust (BCCT)
5	EoI Ref No. and date	Ref. No. 22.06.0000.123.31.142.2025-25; Dated: 16-03-2026
6	Procuring entity district	Dhaka, Bangladesh
7	Expression of Interest Selection for	Hiring a Consulting Firm to Conduct a Study on Adverse Climate Impacts and Public Awareness, Develop Training Manuals, and Organize Workshops, Training Sessions, and National-Level Seminars under the "Combating the Adverse Impacts of Climate Change through Awareness Raising and Training" project.
KEY INFORMATION		
8	Procurement method	OCBS METHOD
FUNDING INFORMATION		
9	Budget and source of funds	Bangladesh Climate Change Trust Fund
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
10	EoI publication date	16-03-2026
11	EoI submission date & time	With all supporting document at or before 1.00pm on 15.04.2026
12	EoI opening date & time	15-04-2026, 01.30pm
INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT		
13	Title of service	Hiring a Consulting Firm to Conduct a Study on Adverse Climate Impacts and Public Awareness, Develop Training Manuals, and Organize Workshops, Training Sessions, and National-Level Seminars under the "Combating the Adverse Impacts of Climate Change through Awareness Raising and Training" project.
14	No. of service (firm)	01 (One)
15	Brief description of the assignment	This project aims to build awareness and strengthen capacity to face the adverse impacts of climate change. Through training, workshops, and information sharing, it will engage students, government officials, civil society, NGOs, advance/innovative farmers and environmentalists. The initiative focuses on capacity building, disaster management, and knowledge exchange to reduce risks and help communities adapt to climate challenges. [See details Terms of Reference (ToR), published in www.bcct.gov.bd]
16	Eligibility and required documents	1. Minimum 10 years of experience in preparing training manuals, climate study and public awareness, conducting training, workshop and seminar in national level 2. The firm must show academic linkage with foreign/national universities/government/semi govt. research institutes, in the field of climate change, with particular emphasis on adverse climate impacts and public awareness. 3. A detailed list of professionals and experts who will be working on this project having the criteria as per the required qualifications and experience in ToR. Preference will be given to a team with international professional/expert. 4. The team must consist of at least 01(one) professional/expert in each area which was described in the ToR. 5. Reasonably acceptable organizational profile. 6. Evidence of permanent office in Bangladesh, Evidence of updated trade license, income tax clearance certificate, TIN number, BIN number and proof of VAT submission status.
17	Location	1. Coastal Area: Satkhira, Khulna, Bagerhat, Patuakhali, Barguna, Bhola, Jhalokati, Barishal, Pirojpur, Cox's Bazar, Noakhali, Lakshimpur, Feni, Chandpur. 2. Haor Area: Sunamganj, Sylhet, Habiganj, Moulvibazar, Kishoreganj, Netrokona, Brahmanbaria, Mymensingh 3. Northern Area: Rajshahi, Naogaon, Chapainawabganj, Pabna, Natore, Bogura, Rangpur, Kurigram, Gaibandha, Lalmonirhat
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
18	Place of opening EoI document	Office of the Project Director, Bangladesh Climate Change Trust (BCCT), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Old Ban Bhaban (6th Floor), Room No. 703, 101, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212
19	Name of official inviting EoI	Dr. Muhammad Nuzmul Hoque
20	Designation of official inviting EoI	Director (Deputy Secretary) and Project Director of the Project "Project on Combating the Adverse Impacts of Climate Change through Awareness Raising and Training"
21	Address of official inviting EoI	Bangladesh Climate Change Trust (BCCT), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Old Ban Bhaban (6th Floor), Room No. 703, 101, Mohakhali, Dhaka-1212
22	Contact details of official inviting EoI	Tel: +8802222282593, Email: dir-pdn@bcct.gov.bd
23	Special condition:	(a) Consulting Firm will be selected in accordance with PPA-2006, PPR-2025 and Public Procurement Procedures issued by BPPA. (b) The Expression of Interest (EoI) shall be submitted in sealed envelope, delivered to the address of undersigned. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal or all EoI's without assigning any reason whatsoever.


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