

Former IGP

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involved would be brought to trial.

"We cannot disclose names at this stage, but we are finding involvement of many officials," he said, adding that none found culpable -- whether civilian, police, Rapid Action Battalion (Rab), or army personnel -- will be prosecuted.

Previously, Mamun, who also served as the deputy inspector general of Dhaka range between 2013 and 2015, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment by the International Crimes Tribunal-1 on November 17 last year, in a crimes against humanity case. Deposed prime minister Sheikh Hasina and former home minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal were sentenced to death in the same case.

The chief prosecutor also said former IGP Mamun would be prosecuted for incidents that took place while he was in service, including alleged extrajudicial killings during his time as the Rab chief.

Islam said separate chains of command and decisions in different incidents -- such as the Shapla Chattar crackdown in 2013 -- allow for distinct legal proceedings, dismissing concerns over double jeopardy.

PRAYER TIMING				
APRIL 16				
Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4:35	12:45	4:45	6:24	7:45
JAMAAT 5:10	1:15	5:00	6:28	8:15
SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION				

Country has 1.98 lakh Govt eyeing new labour markets

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The minister further said increasing the honorarium allowance for freedom fighters is not currently under government consideration.

The minister highlighted the various allowances provided to freedom fighters. At present, each freedom fighter receives a monthly honorarium of Tk 20,000, a festival allowance of Tk 10,000, and a Bangla New Year allowance of Tk 2,000. Moreover, living freedom fighters receive a Victory Day allowance of Tk 5,000.

In addition, through the Bangladesh Freedom Fighters Welfare Trust, each martyr's family receives a monthly honorarium of Tk 23,000, while each Bir Sreshtho family receives Tk 28,000.

Martyrs' families receive a medical allowance of Tk 2,000 each and a food allowance of Tk 5,000.

Among the gallantry-awarded freedom fighters, a Bir Sreshtho family receives a monthly honorarium of Tk 30,000 and a Bangla New Year allowance of Tk 2,000. A Bir Utm family receives a monthly honorarium of Tk 25,000; Bir Bikram receives a monthly honorarium of Tk 20,000; and Bir Protik receives a monthly honorarium of Tk 20,000.

Besides, they receive two festival allowances of Tk 10,000 every year and a Bangla New Year allowance of Tk 2,000.

Meanwhile war-wounded freedom fighters are receiving a monthly honorarium of Tk 30,000 under the "A" category, Tk 28,000 under "B" category, Tk 23,000 under "C"

category, and Tk 20,000 under "D" category.

In response to separate questions, the minister explained that if allegations arise against a gazetted freedom fighter, claiming they are not genuine, the matter is investigated by a sub-committee of the Jatio Muktiyoddha Council (JAMUKA). If proven false, recommendations are made to remove the individual from the list. Since August 2024, JAMUKA has received 842 such complaints. After verification and investigation, the gazette/recognition of 481 individuals has been cancelled.

Since its establishment, JAMUKA has held 103 meetings and recommended the cancellation of gazettes for 6,465 individuals.

Helal placed

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On Tuesday, Helal, proprietor of Hamidul Haque Arms and Co in Chattogram, was arrested from Hares Shah Mazar Lane in Chattogram's Chawkbazar.

On December 12 last year, Hadi, an independent aspirant for the Dhaka-8 constituency, was shot in Dhaka's Paltan area while campaigning. He died on December 18 while undergoing treatment in Singapore.

On December 14, Inqilab Moncho's Member Secretary Abdullah Al Jaber filed an attempted murder case with Paltan Model Police Station against Faisal and several

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Ashraf Uddin during the question answer session.

The premier said initiatives were underway to sign bilateral agreements with Serbia, Greece, North Macedonia, Romania, Portugal, Brazil and Russia to expand overseas employment opportunities.

He added that efforts are actively progressing toward reopening the Malaysian labour market. High level visits have also been arranged to strengthen bilateral relations with countries outside the Middle East that recruit foreign labour.

An initiative has been

taken to sign a labour recruitment agreement with Thailand, he added.

The prime minister said the government is continuing efforts to reopen the Malaysian market, answering a related question from BNP MP Nayab Yusuf Ahmed.

The minister and adviser in charge of the Ministry of Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment visited Malaysia from April 8-11, and bilateral discussions during the visit are expected to pave the way for sending Bangladeshi workers to the country, he added.

In response to a question from Nurul Islam, MP of Barguna-2, the prime minister said

the government has already taken steps to plan for the maritime zone and assess potential national gains.

He said to ensure sustainable and long-term development of the blue economy by balancing marine resources, fisheries, tourism and environmental conservation, the establishment of an institutional framework in the 2027 fiscal year is under active consideration.

Responding to another question from the Barguna-2 MP, Tarique said the government has decided to recruit five lakh government employees. Of them, the process

of recruiting 2,879 people against vacant posts in the Ministry of Public Administration and subordinate offices and organisations is already underway, he said.

Replying to a question from Chattogram-7 MP Humam Quader Chowdhury, the prime minister said there are currently 3,76,489 teachers in primary schools, of whom 1,30,000 have received training in English.

Under the upcoming Fifth Primary Education Development Programme, set to begin on July 1, plans are in place to provide English training to the remaining teachers, he added.

Jamalpur AL leader dies in jail custody

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Jamalpur

SM Ziaul Haque Zia, a local Awami League leader in Jamalpur, died at Mymensingh Medical College Hospital on Tuesday night while in jail custody.

According to family, Zia, a member of the advisory council of Jamalpur district AL, also served as adviser to Dignat union AL in Sadar upazila.

Mohammad Shafiqul Alam, superintendent of Jamalpur district jail, said Zia had been in custody since January 15 in a corruption case. On Tuesday, special meals were served in the jail marking Pahela Baishakh. Zia fell ill shortly after lunch. He was first taken to Jamalpur General Hospital. As his condition deteriorated, doctors referred him to Mymensingh Medical College Hospital.

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Date: April 15, 2026

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(Individual Consultant Selection)

Country : Bangladesh
Project Name : Economic Acceleration and Resilience for NEET (EARN)
Credit No. : IDA-7364-BD
Assignment Title : Selection of Junior Procurement Specialist
Reference No. : Package No. - S15.9

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Economic Acceleration and Resilience for NEET (EARN) Project (P178077) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The scopes of the consulting services ("the Services") will include but not limited to:

- Developing the procurement plan for goods, works, and services under the project specially those are designated to be done by LGED.
- Prepare and regular update of the procurement plan and other procurement transactions of LGED for the project as and when needed through the World Bank's Systematic Tracking of Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system.
- Preparing all procurement documents (Request for Expressions of Interest, Request for Proposal/bidding documents, etc.), working in collaboration with technical staff, consultants, Focal Person of LGED and Project Director (PD) of the project.
- Participating in pre-bid/pre-proposal meetings and bid/proposal opening meetings.
- Help the members of the tender/bid/proposal evaluation committee in the evaluation of bids/proposals, including following up with the Technical Evaluation Committee and compiling and consolidating bid/proposal evaluation reports prepared by the bid evaluation committee before submission to the approving authorities.
- Monitoring the procurement processes to ensure compliance with the approved procurement plan and preparing procurement progress reports on the progress of each procurement package, identifying any bottlenecks and recommending measures for resolution. Guiding and advising the concerned government officials involved with procurement in ensuring that all procurement financed under the EARN project is carried out according to the applicable World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers.
- Reviewing and anticipating potential issues on procurement or any other issues and bringing them to the attention of the focal person of the LGED and PD.
- Monitoring and keeping track of the deliverables during implementation of goods/works/ services contracts.
- Carry out the procurement activities under the project through electronic government procurement (e-GP), where applicable.
- Provide operational advice on concepts, policies, and procedures for international and local procurement matters.
- Closely monitor procurement activities in reference to the Procurement Plan timeline and the procurement approval process of the Government and bring any slippage of activities immediately to the attention of the LGED Focal Person and Project Director.
- Prepare reports regularly on procurement status and procurement risk mitigation framework and arrange submission of the same to the Government and the World Bank through an appropriate system for review.
- Work under the guidance of the Project Director in implementing all aspects of procurement under the project.
- Any other procurement-related task assigned by the Project Director.
- The Junior Procurement Specialist will report to and work under the overall guidance of the Project Director.

Educational Qualifications:

- At least a Bachelor's Degree in any discipline.
- Masters in Procurement / Supply Chain / Engineering / Economics / Law / Business Development Studies will be considered as an added advantage.
- Professional qualifications in procurement/ purchasing and supply chain management will be given preference.

General Experience:

- At least 08 (eight) years of overall experience in implementing development projects under any government/semi-government/autonomous organizations or any other reputed international donor organizations.

Relevant Experience:

- At least 03 (Three) years specific experience of providing consultancy services in Public Procurement sector at Junior position under development projects of Government/ Semi-Government/ Autonomous Organization/ Development Partner/ Donor Agency.
- Experience of working directly with the World Bank will be considered as an added advantage.
- Experience of working in high value service procurement will also be considered as added advantage.
- Experience of working in high value goods/ ICT procurement will also be preferred.
- Hands-on experience in managing all steps in the procurement process, including procurement planning, preparation of bidding/contract documents, bid/proposal evaluation, contract award and implementation monitoring, and internationally competitive procurement of goods, works and consultant services.
- Hands-on working experience in the electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) or in the World Bank's Systematic Tracking of Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system will be considered a strong advantage.

Professional Accreditation:

- Membership in a national/internationally reputed professional body is preferred.

Suitability:

- Candidates having training in World Bank Procurement Regulations, Public Procurement of GoB and e-GP are highly desirable.
- Working knowledge following the World Bank Procurement Regulations, PPA-2006, PPR-2008 or PPR 2025 is required.
- Analytical capability in identifying and resolving procurement issues. Strong coordination and communication skills in presenting, discussing, and resolving difficult issues.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and computer operations.
- Must be proficient in English and Bengali writing and speaking and able to communicate professionally with the donor agencies and other stakeholders.

Regional/Country Experience : Bangladesh

Date of Commencement : 1st week of June 2026 (Tentative)

Assignment Period : 25 months from the date of commencement. The duration of the assignment may be increased or decreased depending upon the performance of the consultant, the needs and budget allocated for the Project and the duration of the Project. Depending on the satisfactory performance of the Procurement Specialist his/her period of service might be continued till the project period.

Place of Working: Primarily at PMU of EARN and also at the office of EARN Cell of LGED, where necessary, with field visits anywhere in Bangladesh if required.

Logistics Support: The EARN Project will provide office space, logistics, and institutional support to the consultant in carrying out the assignment.

Payment: This is a time-based contract which would require full time involvement of the consultant. Thus, the payment shall be made monthly (that is, payments made each month will be for services rendered during the immediately preceding month), subject to the submission of timesheets by the consultant. Time sheet of the activities for each month needs to be verified by the concerned officials and approved by the PD. The detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) for the assignment is available in <https://dyd.gov.bd/site/page/7578b924-2f8a-4b8a-891f-788a83980259/Open-Tender-Method>.

The Department of Youth Development now invites eligible candidates ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are qualification (academic, professional, training), experience (general & specific) and suitability for the assignment.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A consultant will be selected following the Open Market Approach of Individual Consultant Selection (ICS) method as set forth in the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers," dated November 2020.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours:

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Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail or by e-mail) by 30 April 2026 at 15:00 Hours BST


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Invitation for Tender

1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Science and Technology			
2. Agency	Bangladesh Atomic Energy Commission			
3. Procuring Entity Name	Atomic Energy Centre.			
4. Procuring Entity District	Dhaka.			
5. Invitation for	Supply and Installation of Scientific Equipment, Air Cooler, Office Instruments & Others Item for Atomic Energy Centre, Dhaka, Bangladesh.			
6. Invitation Reference no	Tender No. 39.01.2675.271.07.012.25			
7. Date	12-04-2026.			
KEY INFORMATION				
8. Procurement Method	Open Tender Method (NCT)			
FUNDING INFORMATION				
9. Budget & Source of Fund	Revenue Budget			
PARTICULAR INFORMATION				
10. Tender Publishing Date	16-04-2026			
11. Tender last Selling Date	27-04-2026			
12. Tender Closing Date and Time	28-04-2026 up to 12:30 pm.			
13. Tender Opening Date and Time	28-04-2026 at 12:45 pm.			
14. Name & Address of the Office(s)	Address			
- Selling Tender Document	Tender document will be available in the Accounts Branch, Atomic Energy Centre, 4-Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000 on written request to and prior permission of the undersigned.			
- Receiving Tender Document	Tender should be dropped in the tender box kept at the Atomic Energy Centre, Committee Room (1 st Floor), 4-Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000. Tenders may be hand delivered, posted by mail or courier services within the specified date and time.			
- Opening Tender Document	Committee Room (1 st Floor), of Atomic Energy Centre, 4-Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Shahbag, Dhaka-1000. Interested Tenderers or their authorized representatives are allowed to attend, if there is any transport disruption or Govt. holiday on the date for receiving/opening of the Tender, the next normal working day will be considered valid date for receiving/opening of the Tender.			
INFORMATION FOR TENDER				
15. Eligibility of Tender	While Purchasing Tender Document Copies of: (i) Up-to-date Trade license. (ii) Up-to-date Income Tax Clearance Certificate. (iii) Up-to-date Financial Solvency Certificate & liquid assets (It must be the date after the tender is published in the newspaper). (iv) VAT Registration Certificate. (v) Manufacturer's Authorization Certificate if possible (vi) Three (03) years' of general experience in supplying similar nature of Goods to Govt./Semi-Govt./Autonomous/Semi-Autonomous Organization for all lot must be enclosed with the application in the letter head pad of the firm and attested copies of the relevant papers must be submitted with the Tender (vii) The minimum specific experience as supplier of similar Goods to Govt./Semi-Govt./Autonomous/Semi-Autonomous Organization at least 02 contacts successfully completed within the last 03 years each with a value of at least Tk.11.55 lac taka for Lot-1, Tk.3.20 lac taka for Lot-2, Tk.7.35 lac taka for Lot-3, Tk.1.68 lac taka for Lot 4 & Tk.6.80 lac taka for Lot 5. (viii) The minimum amount of liquid assets i.e. working capital or credit line(s) of the Tenderer shall be Tk.14.00 lac for Lot-1, Tk.3.88 lac for Lot-2, Tk.8.92 lac for Lot-3, Tk.2.00 lac for Lot-4 & Tk.8.26 lac for Lot-5.			
16. Brief Description of works	Supply and Installation of Scientific Equipment, Air Cooler, Office Instruments & Others Item for Atomic Energy Centre, Dhaka, Bangladesh.			
17. Price of Tender Document (Tk)	Tk.1000.00 (Taka. One Thousand) only (Non-refundable).			
Lot No	Identification of lot	Destination of Goods	Amount of Tender Security	Completion of Time from the date of work order.
01	Supply & Installation of Ultra-Pure Water system use for Chemistry Division, of AEC, Dhaka.	Atomic Energy Centre, Dhaka.	Tk.42,000.00	02 (Two) Months
02	Supply of Furniture & Others Item Use for AEC, Dhaka.	-Do-	Tk.12,000.00	02 (Two) Months
03	Supply & Installation of Air Conditioner use for AEC, Dhaka.	-Do-	Tk.26,000.00	02 (Two) Months
04	Supply of Monohari & Stationary Items use for AEC, Dhaka.	-Do-	Tk.6,000.00	02 (Two) Months
05	Supply of CRM use for Chemistry Laboratory (AECL), AEC, Dhaka.	-Do-	Tk.24,000.00	02 (Two) Months
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS				
18. Name of the Official Inviting Tender	Abdur Rahman			
19. Designation of the Official Inviting the Tender	Administrative Officer (Proc.)			
20. Address of Official Inviting the Tender	Procurement Branch, Atomic Energy Centre, 4-Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, P.O. Box-164, Shahbag, Dhaka.			
21. Contact details of Official Inviting the Tender	Tel-58610902.			
22. The Procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders.				


(Abdur Rahman)
Administrative Officer (Proc.)