

‘Hello DC’ app for Dhaka to be introduced

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Dhaka district administration is set to launch the “Hello DC” app at the end of this month, aimed at reducing public suffering and ensuring greater transparency and accountability in administrative activities.

Farida Khanom, district magistrate and deputy commissioner in Dhaka, shared the information yesterday during a views-exchange meeting with the Court Reporters’ Unity and other media personnel in the DC’s conference room.

“Citizens from across the district will be able to access services online easily and lodge complaints regarding public issues using the app between 9:00am and 1:00pm daily,” she said.

“They are encouraged to record their problems through phone calls using the app, and necessary action will be taken accordingly,” said Farida, also Dhaka’s first female DC.

She added that the app’s launch would help curb corruption and the influence of middlemen in administrative services and also reduce public suffering in availing government-related services.



A potter dips the rim of a finished earthen water pitcher into paint to give it a deeper shade of brown in Godagari upazila, Rajshahi. With summer setting in, demand for these pitchers has risen in rural areas as they help keep water cool. Potters sell them for Tk 150 to Tk 200, although market prices are allegedly higher. The photo was taken in the Premtoli area recently.

PHOTO: AZAHAR UDDIN

LPG sector growth outpaces safety oversight

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Regulatory Commission, LPG Operators Association of Bangladesh, and Energy and Power magazine at the BERC conference room.

BERC Chairman Jalal Ahmed said, “Use of LPG is increasing day by day, but safety measures are not being taken properly even though it should be the first concern.”

Presenting the keynote paper, Prof Md Easir Arafat

Khan of the Department of Chemical Engineering at BUET said LPG remains a safe, clean and reliable fuel only when handled properly.

He said improper handling, negligence and non-compliance with safety regulations were the primary causes of most major LPG accidents.

Prof Arafat said many facilities still lack certified gas detectors, emergency shutdown systems,

alarms and adequate fire protection measures.

“In fire hazards, fuel, oxygen and ignition sources are required. Since LPG itself is the fuel and oxygen already exists in the atmosphere, preventing gas leakage and accumulation becomes the key safety priority,” he said.

“Delay in leak detection and emergency response can allow gas accumulation, which may eventually lead to catastrophic explosions or fires,” he warned.

“Weak regulatory enforcement and oversight are also contributing to the risks,” he added.

Prof Arafat said around 90 percent of autogas stations are reportedly operating without valid licences from the Department of Explosives, indicating major gaps in safety verification and regulatory compliance.

He warned that unauthorised and unlicensed LPG road tankers are contributing to unsafe transportation practices.

Mohammad Serajul Mawla, president of the Bangladesh LPG Autogas Station and Conversion Workshop Owners’ Association, said operators are struggling with growing safety and regulatory problems while continuing operations without proper licences and compliance.

“Non-standard equipment, lack of proper training and low awareness about safe use are major concerns,” Mawla said.

He also criticised the LPG regulations introduced in 2016, saying stakeholders were not adequately consulted about practical complications during policy formulation.

He demanded more realistic and enforceable amendments to the policy.

Muhammad Mehedi Islam Khan, assistant inspector at the Department of Explosives, said limited manpower makes it difficult to oversee explosives, gas and flammable liquids across the country.

Iqbal Bahar Bulbul, assistant director of Bangladesh fire service, said many domestic accidents occur after gas accumulates overnight inside enclosed kitchens because the cooker is not properly turned off.

Later, all it takes is a spark to cause an explosion, he said.

He recommended keeping fire extinguishers and fire blankets in kitchens as preventive measures.

Syeda Sultana Razia, member for petroleum at BERC, questioned the effectiveness of transportation safety oversight.

“Authorities should inspect not only licences but also emergency valves, firefighting systems and vehicle safety conditions,” she said.

She also questioned whether the BRTA is handling transportation oversight strongly enough.

Razia expressed concern over irregular propane-butane composition in LPG cylinders available in the market, warning that incorrect composition can alter cylinder pressure and create additional safety risks.

AKM Fazlul Hoque, joint secretary to the Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Division, acknowledged loopholes in existing regulations and said amendments are being prepared.

LOAB President Mohammed Amirul Haque urged all stakeholders to work together to improve safety standards.

Interim govt skipped

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expected to supply the Vitamin A capsules by June 10. I spoke to them four days ago and requested to provide the measles vaccine as quickly as possible.”

Bangladesh is expected to receive more than 10 million Vitamin A capsules within the next 5-7 days, he said, adding, “Once supply arrives, we will begin full-scale distribution.”

Referring to his visits to hospitals treating measles-infected children, the minister said malnutrition was one of the key reasons

behind the worsening condition of infected children. He stressed the importance of maternal nutrition and breastfeeding, urging doctors to create greater public awareness of the issue.

“After a baby is born, if the child does not receive proper nutrition from the mother, various diseases may mutate and reappear in new forms,” he said, warning that emerging health threats could continue to affect the population if preventive measures are not taken seriously.

Why so few women

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lawmakers, seven women were elected to general seats, and 50 others to reserved seats, taking the total number of female MPs to 57.

“We hope this number will rise further in local government elections,” he said.

“The gap between male and female voters was nearly three million. It has now been reduced to 1.8 million, and efforts are underway to narrow it further,” Akhtar said.

He said the delegation was also informed that

the recent election saw no violence or ballot snatching.

“They [UN Women] are working with us on gender issues and assured us that this collaboration will continue.”

The delegation was led by Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda. Christine Arab, Gitanjali Singh, Navnita Sinha and Tapati Saha were also present.

Chief Election Commissioner AMM Nasir Uddin and EC member Tahmida Ahmad also attended the meeting.

Dr M Rezaul Huq passes away

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Dr M Rezaul Huq, son of late Fahim Uddin Biswas

and late Anowara Khatun of Godagari, Rajshahi, passed away on May 15, at Duke Hospital, North Carolina, USA, said a press release.

He leaves behind his wife and two daughters, who mourn his death.

He was the brother of former IGP Dr M Enamul Huq, late Barrister Aminul Huq, and late Engineer Dr Asaduzzaman.

He was the third among eight brothers and one sister.

Dr Rezaul Huq was among the early scholars from this region to study at Oxford University, UK. He later joined NASA and devoted his life to science and research at Duke University.

All are requested to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.



Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Local Government Engineering Department
Resilient Infrastructure for Adaptation and Vulnerability Reduction (RIVER) Project
Workshop Bhaban (Level-3), Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207.
www.lged.gov.bd

Memo No.: 46.02.0000.670.07.048.2026-2423 Date: 17/05/2026.

e-Tender Notice
Tender Notice No. 24/2025-2026

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP Portal System (<http://eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following works details are given below:

Sl. No.	Tender ID & Name of the Project	Description of Works	Tender Last Selling (Time & Date)	Tender Closing (Time & Date)	Tender Opening (Time & Date)
1.	1271735 & Resilient Infrastructure for Adaptation and Vulnerability Reduction (RIVER) Project	Improvemrnt of 11 Nos. Community Infrastructure, Growth Center, Other Road and Connecting Road at Rajbari District. (Package No.: LGED/RIVER/RAJ/21-22/GCCR-9)	17.00 hrs 21-Jun-26	14.00 hrs 22-Jun-26	14.00 hrs 22-Jun-26
2.	1271743 & Resilient Infrastructure for Adaptation and Vulnerability Reduction (RIVER) Project	Improvemrnt of 05 Nos. Community Infrastructure, Growth Center, Other Road and Connecting Road at Rajbari District. (Package No.: LGED/RIVER/RAJ/21-22/GCCR-21)	17.00 hrs 21-Jun-26	14.00 hrs 22-Jun-26	14.00 hrs 22-Jun-26

This is in online Tender, where only e-Tenders 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 the e-GP downloading e-Tender Documents from National e-GP System portal have to be deposited online through any registered Banks Branches up to 22-Jun-2026 upto 13.00 hours. The notice is also published in the www.lged.gov.bd & www.riverbd.org websites.

Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP System portal and from e-GP helpdesk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Livestock Officer
Government Goat Development Farm, Sylhet
Department of Livestock Services (DLS)
Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock

Invitation for e-Tender Date: 17/05/2026

This is an online tender, where only e-Tender will be accepted in the National e-GP Portal and no hard copies will be accepted. Further information and guidelines are available in the National e-GP Portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd)

Sl. No.	Tender ID & Reference No	Name of Tender	Last Selling Date and Time	Closing Date & Time
01	1276480, 33.01.0000.344.07.001.26-80	Procurement of Wheat Bran, Gram, Soybean Meal and Vitamin Mineral Premix (DB) under Government Goat Development Farm, Sylhet	02-Jun-2026 12:00	02-Jun-2026 14:00
02	1276482, 33.01.0000.344.07.001.26-81	Procurement of Khesari Bran, Maize, Di Calcium Phosphate (DCP) and Salt (Iodine Mix) under Government Goat Development Farm, Sylhet	02-Jun-2026 12:00	02-Jun-2026 14:00

(DR MD MAHBUB ALAM)
Livestock Officer
Government Goat Development Farm, Sylhet
Department of Livestock Services (DLS)
Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock

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Don't show Khairul

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arrested in two cases, should not be declared illegal.

The HC bench of Justice Razik-Al Jalil and Justice Debashish Roy Chowdhury issued the order following a petition filed by Khairul’s son Advocate Md Asik Ul Haque.

In the petition, Asik said Justice Khairul had been shown arrested in cases filed with Jatrabari Police Station on August 26, 2024,

and Adabor Police Station on August 22, 2024, in an illegal, arbitrary and mala fide manner.

Khairul was arrested at his Dhanmondi residence in Dhaka on July 24, 2025, nearly a year after the fall of the Awami League government.

He was later shown arrested in multiple cases, including several filed over killings during the July uprising, and has remained in jail since then.

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Executive Engineer
PWD E/M Wood Workshop Division-1, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka

Memo No-25.36.2680.534.14.170.26-2207 Date: 17/05/2026

e- Tender Notice

This is to notify all concern that the following tenders are invited in the national e-GP portal:

Tender ID No.	Last Selling Date	Opening Date
1278078	31/05/2026	01/06/2026
1277136 & 1277154	07/06/2026	08/06/2026

This tenders are online Tender where only e-Tenderer 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 portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) is required. Further information and guidelines are available in the national e-GP system portal and from e-GP help desk (helpdesk@eprocure.gov.bd).

Executive Engineer (E/M)
PWD E/M Wood Workshop Division-1, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka.
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NOTICE FOR EXTENSION OF SUBMISSION DEADLINE
Ref. Request for Proposal (RFP) Grounds Development Works at National Cricket Ground (NCG), Purbachal, Dhaka

Ref: BCB/Grounds/T&P/Grounds Development Works-NCG/2026/438 Date: 18th May 2026

EXTENSION OF RFP SUBMISSION DEADLINE

This is to inform all prospective bidders that the proposal submission deadline for the tender invitation issued by the Bangladesh Cricket Board in national dailies vide Tender Reference No. BCB/Grounds/T&P/Ground Development Works-NCG/2026/206 dated 16th March 2026, BCB/Grounds/T&P/Grounds Development Works-NCG/2026/323 dated 13th April, 2026 and BCB/Grounds/T&P/Grounds Development Works-NCG/2026/366, 27th April 2026 regarding the Grounds Development Works at National Cricket Ground (NCG), Purbachal, Dhaka, has been extended Upon due consideration, the board has decided to extend the submission deadline for 02 (two) weeks, which was primarily scheduled for April 12, 2026. Henceforth, the revised submission deadline for the sealed proposal submission is July 13 2026, until 12:00 p.m., and the last tender schedule selling date is July 12 2026, until 04:00 p.m.

All other terms and conditions as stipulated in the original RFP shall remain unchanged.

Chief Executive Officer
Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB)
Management Office: Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium, Mirpur-2, Dhaka 1216
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PADMA OIL PLC
(An Enterprise of Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation)
Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram

International Tender for “Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 13 Nos. Petroleum Product Flowmeter incl PLC/SCADA for Daulatpur Depot of POPLC at Daulatpur, Khulna, Bangladesh on Turnkey Basis”.

1	Ministry/Division	Energy and Mineral resources Division
2	Agency	Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC)
3	Procuring Entity Name	Padma Oil PLC.
4	Procuring Entity Code	Not used at present
5	Procuring Entity District	Chattogram
6	Invitation for	Tender
7	Invitation Ref No	E&P/DLP/Capex-51/F-21/P-41/25-26
8	Date	13/05/2026
KEY INFORMATION		
9	Procurement Method	ICT
FUNDING INFORMATION		
10	Budget and Source of Funds	Own Fund of POPLC
11	Development Partner (if applicable)	None
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
12	Project / Programme Code (if applicable)	N/A
13	Project Name	N/A
14	Tender Package No.	N/A
15	Tender Package Name	“Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 13 Nos. Petroleum Product Flowmeter incl PLC/SCADA for Daulatpur Depot of POPLC at Daulatpur, Khulna, Bangladesh on Turnkey Basis”.
16	Invitation for Tender Ref No	E&P/DLP/Capex-51/F-21/P-41/25-26
17	Tender Publication Date	13/05/2026
18	Tender Last Selling Date	12/07/2026 upto 1200 Hrs
19	Tender Closing Date and Time	Date (dd/mm/yyyy) Time 13/07/2026 02:00 PM
20	Tender Opening Date and Time	13/07/2026 03:00 PM
21	Name & Address of the Office(s)	Address(s) a) Padma Oil PLC, Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram. b) DGM, Dhaka’s Office, BTMC Bhavan 11 th floor, Kawan Bazar, Dhaka. c) Padma Oil PLC, Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram. d) DGM, Dhaka’s Office, BTMC Bhavan 11 th floor, Kawan Bazar, Dhaka.
22 Place/Date/Time of Pre-Tender Meeting (Optional)		
	Place	Padma Oil PLC, Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram.
	Date	21/6/2026
	Time	1100 hours
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
23	Eligibility of Tenderer	(a) The Tenderer shall have a minimum of 10 (Ten) years of overall experience in supply of Petroleum Product Flow Meter and related services. (b) The minimum specific experience in supply of similar Goods of at least 1 (one) contract successfully completed within the last 7 (seven) years, each with a value of at least USD 320,000.00 or Equivalent BDT 40.00 Million with a Government, Semi-Government or Autonomous body in Bangladesh or in any other Petroleum Refinery/ Marketing Terminal around the world (counted backward from the date of publication of the IFI). (c) The minimum supply and/or production capacity of Goods is/ are: 25 nos. per year. (d) The minimum amount of liquid asset or working capital or credit facility is BDT 91.00 (Ninety one) Million or US Dollar 700000 (Seven hundred thousand) or equivalent.
24	Brief Description of Goods	Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 13 Nos. Petroleum Product Flowmeter incl PLC/SCADA for Daulatpur Depot of POPLC at Daulatpur, Khulna, Bangladesh on Turnkey Basis.
25	Brief Description of Related Services	Training program for the complete system atleast for 4-5 (Four-Five) days from flow meter vendor and 10-15 (Ten-Fifteen) days from PLC/SCADA Vendor on operation and basic maintenance of the flow meter PLC/SCADA.
26	Tender Document Price	US \$ 100 or BDT 12500 Per Tender Schedule (Non Refundable)
27	Location and Estimated Date of Completion of Works:	Padma Oil PLC’s Daulatpur Depot, Daulatpur, Khulna, Bangladesh & August, 2027
28	Type of Payment for Tender Price	On Cash Payment
29	Type of Payment for Security Amount	As Per Tender Schedule
LOT INFORMATION		
	Lot No	Identification of Lot
		Location
		Tender Security Amount in Taka
		Completion Time in weeks /months
30	1	N/A
		Daulatpur Depot, Padma Oil PLC, Daulatpur, Khulna, Bangladesh
		The amount of the Tender Security shall be US\$ 20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand) or Bangladesh Taka 26, 00,000.00 (Twenty six lac) in favour of Padma Oil PLC.
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
31	Name of Official Inviting Tender	Md. Faruk Hossain Mahmud
32	Designation of Official Inviting Tender	Deputy General Manager (Operations)
33	Address of Official Inviting Tender	Strand Road, Sadarghat, Chattogram, Bangladesh.
34	Contact details of Official Inviting Tender	Telephone: +88 0233360430, Fax: 8801618312, e-mail: farukmahmud90@gmail.com
35	The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject all tenders	

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