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Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is handing over the credential of the National Cooperative Award -2012 to Yeaheea Biswas, Secretary, Dariapur WMCA Ltd. Sadar, Chapainawabganj in Agriculture Based Comprehensive Village Development category at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre on 1 November, 2014.

## WMCA received National Cooperative Award

Hon'ble Prime Minister of Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Sheikh Hasina distributed the National Cooperative Award-2012 to the winners at function organized by the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre on 1 November, 2014.

Syed Ashraful Islam, MP, Minister for Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives (LGRD&C) and Moshir Rahman Ranga, MP, State Minister for the same Ministry were special guests. The award giving ceremony was attended, among others by high officials of the Ministry and its associated departments.

Mr. Yeaheea Biswas, Secretary, Dariapur

Water Management Cooperative Association (WMCA) has been selected as the best in Agriculture Based Comprehensive Village Development Society Category to receive the award.

Mr. Yeaheea, a successful social organizer, has improved the efficiency of irrigation system to enhance agricultural outputs. The award has been given in recognition of outstanding contribution to irrigation-based agriculture development in subproject area as well as improving livelihood of the poor farmer and non-farmer members of Dariapur WMCA formed under Second Small Scale Water Resources Development Sector Project (SSWRDSP-2) of LGED.

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## Editor's Note

### LGED assists SEQAEP for poor students

LGED is assisting a project titled Secondary Education Quality and Access Enhancement Project (SEQAEP) to improve the quality of education and make available secondary education to all. It provides stipend and tuition fees to the poor meritorious students who are compelled to leave their schools due to extreme poverty. SEQAEP is also known as PMT stipend project. PMT is an evaluation process that means Proxi, which PMT identifies poor students considering their type of house and financial condition. The evaluation process is more transparent, accurate and applicable.

The government has taken the project with the financial assistance from the World Bank and it is being implemented by Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education under the Ministry of Education with the assistance given by LGED.

The PMT has some criteria to select the students under SEQAEP- i) Students studying class five can apply for stipend to study further in class six, ii) Students having two years study gap in between class six to ten are eligible, iii) tribal / retard students are also eligible. The students not in SEQAEP area would also be able to study in schools in the area under SEQAEP in the same district condition provided that they must have 75% attendance in classes, successful passing of annual examination and not getting married till SSC examination.

Financial assistance under this project is a proven step to increase the enrollment. Tk. 1200 as stipend and Tk. 300 as tuition fee are allocated for students in class six, Tk. 1500 and Tk. 300 for class seven, Tk. 1920 and Tk. 300 for class eight, Tk. 2160 and Tk. 360 for class nine while Tk. 3150 and Tk. 360 for students in class ten. Additionally Tk. 750 is given for form-fill-up of SSC Exam.

This is one of many areas where LGED has been working for betterment of the poor of our society through its various project and programmes.

### WMCA received National

Mr. Yeaheea has been leading a Water Management Cooperative Association formed under Dariapur CAD subproject presently being implemented under SSWRDSP-2 of LGED to provide improved agricultural benefit through better irrigation facilities which was further enhanced by Performance Enhancement support from PSSWRS Project running under LGED.

Besides, he organized a six-month long adult literacy program in cooperation with District Education Office and Zila Parishad, Chapainawabganj, that covered 80 female and 50 male adult members of the Association.

### LGED appoints 53 Assistant Engineers

LGED organized an orientation program for the newly appointed 53 Assistant Engineers at its headquarter

on Sunday, 7 December 2014. LGED Chief Engineer delivered his speech and advised the new engineers to maintain highest level of professional integrity during discharging their duties.

Among others, Additional Chief Engineers Md. Abul Kalam Azad, Md. Mohsin, Md. Azizur Rahman, Superintending Engineers, Md. Showkat Ali Bhuiyan, Iftekhar Ahmed, Md. Joynal Abedin, Farazi Shahabuddin Ahmed, Md. Anwar Hossain, Project Director, Qazi Md. Khurshid Hassan, Executive Engineer (Admin) Md. Abdus Satter were present.

The recruitment was made by Local Government Division of LGRD&C upon recommendations given by the Public Service Commission and newly appointed Assistant Engineers will be posted at different offices under LGED.



The head of GIS unit, LGED Superintending Engineer Iftekhar Ahmed receiving prize from Monzur Hossain Senior Secretary, LGD for securing first position among the stalls at LGED Bijoy Mela on 17 December 2014. LGD Additional Secretary Md. Shah Kamal and Chief Engineer Shyama Prosad Adhikari were also present on the occasion.



## Shyama Prosad Adhikari appointed Chief Engineer of LGED

Government has appointed Shyama Prosad Adhikari as Chief Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) under the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development & Cooperatives on Thursday, 11 December, 2014.



Shyama Prosad Adhikari was born in 1956 in an aristocratic family of Krishnadia village at Muksudpur Upazila under Gopalganj district. His father's name is late Nagendranath Adhikari and mother's name Shatadal Adhikari. Mr. Adhikari was graduated in Civil Engineering from Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET) in 1981 and obtained Post Graduate degree in Environment Science and Graduate degree in Law.

Mr. Shyama Prosad has begun his career in 1981 by joining Rural Works Programme as Assistant Engineer. He worked from 1981-1990 in Rural Works Programme and LGEB as Assistant Engineer and under LGED as Upazila Engineer in different Upazilas of the country. He successfully worked as Executive Engineer in Chandpur and Mymensingh districts. He also worked in Aquaculture Development Project priority based Project as Project



An agreement was signed in Dhaka on Friday 26 December 2014, between the Saudi Fund for Development and Finance Ministry, Ahmed Al-Ghannam Director General of Saudi Export Programme, and Mohammad Amjad Hossain, Joint Secretary of Economic Relation Division and LGED high official were on the occasion for construction of 1490 meter long PC girder bridge over Teesta river in Gaibandha district amounting USD 50 million.

Director from 2002 to 2010. He served as Superintending Engineer of Dhaka Region since 2010 to 2012.

Prior to his joining as Chief Engineer, he was working as Additional Chief Engineer in Urban Management, Integrated Water Resources Management, Maintenance and Training units since 2012. He achieved many professional trainings from home and abroad. He is known to all as a hard working, experienced diligent officer and passion towards our Liberation War.

## LGED signs agreement to build two bridges in Jessore and Magura

Magura district LGED Executive Engineer Mirza Md. Iftekhhar Ali and Jessore district LGED Executive Engineer Abu Md. Shahriar have signed two separate agreements with Max Ran Ken (JV) Chairman Engineer Golam Mohammad, Executive Director, Zahidur Rahman to construct two bridges in the districts on Tuesday 11

November 2014 at LGED Headquarter, Agargaon in the city.

State Minister Youth and Sports, Advocate Biren Sikder MP, Ranajit Kumar MP, Prime Minister's Personnel Assistant Secretary, Saifuzzaman Shekhar and LGED Chief Engineer, Project Director Md. Abdus Salam Mondal and other high officials were also present during the signing ceremony.

The bridges will be built at a cost of Tk. 138.6 crore under Upazila and Union Parishad Roads Bridge Construction Project.

Tk. 59.93 crore is allocated for constructing 600 metres long PC girder bridge over Modhumoti river at Englang Ghat of Mohammadpur upazila under Magura district and Tk. 78.15 crore for 693 metres long PC girder bridge over Bhoirab river at Noapara approach road of Ovoinagar upazila under Jessore district.

After construction of the bridges, about 2.5 lakh people of the districts will benefit out of the project and communicate with the district headquarters easily.



## LGED project launching ceremony held

LGED in association with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) organized a project launching workshop on City Governance Project (CGP) at LGED headquarter in the city on 23 November 2014.

LGED Chief Engineer chaired the workshop while Planning Minister AHM Mustafa Kamal, FCA, MP, was present as the chief guest and Ambassador of Japan in Dhaka Shiro Sadoshima was as the special guest.

Among others, LGD Senior Secretary Monzur Hossain and JICA Bangladesh Chief Representative Mikio Hataeda were also present at the project launching workshop. The total cost of the city governance project (CGP) is estimated Taka 2943 crore, of which Bangladesh government will provide Taka 545 crore and JICA will provide the rest amount of the project cost.

The project covers two important aspects: Governance and infrastructure. Through the Inclusive City Governance Improvement Action Program (ICGIAP), the project aims to improve four components such as Transparency, Accountability, Participation, and predictability. Infrastructure component includes Infrastructure Development Plan of City Corporation (IDPCC) and will be implemented in two Batches after satisfying designated indicators of ICGIAP. Five City Corporations: Narayanganj, Comilla, Rangpur, Gazipur and Chittagong will be covered under this project.

In the project launching workshop, Planning Minister Mustafa Kamal thanked the Japan Government for their cooperation in socio-economic development of Bangladesh.



Mr. Shyama Prosad Adhikari Chief Engineer LGED is seen holding meeting with the ADB-IFAD Joint Review Mission for participatory Small Scale Water Resources Sector Project on 15 December 2014.

## ADB and IFAD's joint review mission on progress of Participatory Small Scale Water Resources Sector Project

Asian Development Bank and International Fund for Agricultural Development's joint review mission on 7-18 December 2014 reviewed the progress of field level activities of Participatory Small Scale Water Resources Sector Project. The mission visited eight sub-project areas in Jessore, Jhalokati, Barisal and Patuakhali districts.

During the visit, the members of the mission emphasised the quality of infrastructure development and held meeting with managing committees and other members of different Water Management Cooperatives Associations relating to water resources management sub projects. The mission observed accounts, micro credit system, institutional functions and construction of subproject infrastructure and their functionalities.

The mission advised consulting firms engaged in feasibility study to be proactive in making detailed design. The mission expressed satisfaction about progress work of development of project infrastructure and advised Project Director regarding disbursement of fund and compensations. The members of the mission met LGED Chief Engineer Shyama Prosad Adhikari and Additional Chief Engineer Md. Mohsin and they appraised them about the progress of the project.

The mission held meeting with officials of Department of Cooperatives, Department of Agriculture Extension and Department of Fisheries, and sought help for water resources management 'Samity' under Small Scale Water Resources Sector Project. The wrap-up meeting chaired by Joint Secretary (Development) LGD was held on 18 December 2014.





Law Minister Anisul Haque MP, Senior Lawyer Barrister Amir-Ul-Islam, Nirapod Sorok Chai Organizing Chairman Ilias Kanchan and LGED SRIIP Project Director Md. Ali Akhtar Hossain were present at 6th grand convention organized by Nirapod Sorok Chai, a social organization for ensuring road safety, at Mohanagar Nattaya Monch in the city on 27 December 2014.

## LGED, MEC deal to construct high rise buildings for city cleaners signed

Under LGED's Construction of Cleaners Colony Project, an agreement between LGED and MEC Engineers & Construction Limited has been signed at the Office of the Additional Chief Engineer of LGED, Agargaon, Dhaka on 11 December 2014 to construct buildings for conservancy workers of Dhaka City Corporation.

MEC Engineers & Construct Limited will construct ten storied five buildings at Dhalpur area in city at cost of Taka 84.50 crores. Each flat measuring 472 square feet will be allocated for conservancy workers.

LGED's Construction of Cleaners Colony Project Director Md. Abdur Rashid Miah and MEC Engineers & Construction Limited Chairman Engineer Md. Abul Kalam have signed the agreement on behalf of their respective organizations

while Additional Chief Engineer Md. Nurullah and other LGED officials were present on the occasion.



LGED Chief Engineer Shyama Prosad Adhikari and Senior Secretary, LGD, Mr. Monzur Hossain along with other officials visiting stalls in the Bijoy Mela 2014.

## LGED organized 'Bijoy Mela'

LGED organized 'Bijoy Mela' at its headquarter in the city on Wednesday, 17 December 2014 marking Victory Day. LGD Senior Secretary Monzur Hossain inaugurated the 'Mela'.

Among others presented on the occasion are LGED Chief Engineer Shyama Prosad Adhikari, Additional Secretary LGD (Administration) Md. Shah Kamal, Additional Chief Engineers, Superintending Engineers, Project Directors, Executive Engineers, and other officials.

Various activities of LGED were being projected in the fair. Besides, WASA and Public Health Engineering Department set up two stalls in the Bijoy Mela to project their activities. Later, the LGED high officials visited the stalls at the 'Mela'.



## LGED pays homage to Bangabandhu portrait

LGED Chief Engineer Shyama Prosad Adhikari along with other officials paid homage by placing floral wreaths at the portrait of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at 32 Dhanmondi marking victory Day on 16 December 2014 Tuesday morning.

## Engineer Mir Tanweer's research paper published

As a paper book MSc. research work of Mir Tanweer Husain, Sr. Assistant Engineer, RTIP-II,



LGED has been published with theme title "Sustainable Electric Power for Remote Islands with Low Wind Potentials" [International Standard Book Number (ISBN): 978-3-659-33875-5].

The 'Lap Lambert Academic Publishing' which specializes in the publication of high quality dissertation and post doctoral thesis from respected institutions worldwide has expressed their interest and published the book accordingly.

It is noted that earlier Mr. Tanweer was awarded DAAD Scholarship for studying MSc. in 'Energy and Environmental Management' in Germany.

The book is now available in the global book trade through 80,000 distributors



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and wholesalers worldwide, including online bookstores or retailers. In Dhaka, the book can be purchased from Aligar Library (New Market).

Besides, for reference, the book is available on the shelf of the German

National Library (Frankfurt), and BUET Central Library. Some website addresses for purchasing the book online are as follows: amazon.com, morebooks.de, bookbutler.de and barnesandnobles.com.



The newly constructed Office Building of the Superintending Engineer, LGED, Patuakhali Region, Patuakhali. This building was constructed by RRMAIDP Project under LGED.



## LGED holds annual review meeting on progress of its development Activities

A discussion and review meeting was held at LGED headquarter, Agargaon, Dhaka on 28 December 2014. The meeting was chaired by LGED Chief Engineer Shyama Prosad Adhikari. The meeting discussed about the progress of different development projects under LGED across the country. LGED Additional Chief Engineers, Superintending Engineers, Project Directors, Deputy Project Directors, some upazila Engineers, district Executive Engineers were present in the meeting.

## LGED distributes 'dumping trucks' to 38 municipalities

Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) on Wednesday 12 November 2014 distributed garbage dump trucks to 38 municipalities.

Senior Secretary of the Local Government Division Monzur Hossain formally handed over the keys of the trucks to the Mayors of municipalities at a formal ceremony at LGED headquarter at Agargaon in the city.

The trucks were purchased under the Second Urban Governance and Infrastructure Improvement (Sector) Project (UGIIP-II) with the financial assistance from Asian Development Bank (ADB), KfW and GIZ.



Shyama Prosad Adhikari, LGED Chief Engineer, speaking at a discussion and review meeting at LGED headquarter on 28 December 2014. LGED Additional Chief Engineers, were present at the meeting.

## Deal signed to construct bridge over Dhaleshwari

An agreement has been signed to construct a bridge over the Dhaleshwari river on Nagarpur-Mirjapur road. Mollah Mizanur Rahman, Executive Engineer of Tangail district, and Aftabul Islam, Senior Executive Director (Administration) of construction company Mir Akhter Hossain Ltd. signed the agreement at the office of the Chief Engineer of LGED at Agargaon on 16 October 2014. LGED Chief Engineer, and Abu Syed Md. Saiful Islam, Project Director, were present at the signing ceremony. The contract amount of the project to construct 520.60 meter long RCC girder bridge is Taka 55.47 crore. After construction of the bridge, it will connect Nagarpur, Delduar, Mirzapur upazilas of Tangail and Chouhali upazila of Sirajganj and about five lakh people of the upazilas will be benefited from this project.



A contract was signed on 21st December 2014 between LGED and Technohaven-IBCS-Primax Consortium for "Project Management Services & Technical Assistance for Implementation of Strategy & Action Plan to enhance LGED IT-ICT-MIS Resources & Capacity". Mr. Shyama Prosad Adhikari, Chief Engineer, LGED and Mr. Habibullah N. Karim, Managing Director & CEO, Technohaven Company Ltd. signed the contract in presence of other high officials of LGED.



## LGED pays tribute to Bangabandhu

Shyama Prosad Adhikari, Chief Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) paid tribute to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at his graveyard at Tungipara in Gopalganj on Saturday 13 December 2014 at 9:30 am.

After paying tribute, he took part in a special prayer seeking peace for the departed soul of the Father of the Nation.

Superintending Engineer of Faridpur region Md. Sharifuzzaman, Project Director A K M Sahadat Hossain (GFRIDP), Md. Mojibur Rahman Shikder (GFRIDP-II), Md. Abdul Kuddus Mondal (RERMP-II), Executive Engineer Amirul Islam Khan, Faridpur region, Executive



Shyama Prosad Adhikari, Chief Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), placed wreaths on the grave of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Tungipara of Gopalganj district on 13 December 2014.

Engineer of Gopalganj LGED Md. Sharif Uddin, Gopalganj Sadar Upazila Chairman Sheikh Luthfor Rahman Bachhu, Tungipara Upazila Chairman Gazi Golam Mustafa, Tungipara Poursava Mayor Sardar Ilias Hussain, former

Tungipara Upazila Chairman Solaiman Biswas, Awami League leader S.M. Humayun Kabir, and Awami League leaders of Tungipara and Gopalganj and Upazila Engineers of Gopalganj were present.



Newly appointed Chief Engineer of Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) Shyama Prosad Adhikari placing floral wreath at the portrait of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Dhanmondi on 12 December 2014.

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LGED Additional Chief Engineer, Superintending Engineers, Project Directors, Executive Engineers, Senior Assistant Engineers, Assistant Engineers, Consultants and other high officials of LGED were also present on the occasion.

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