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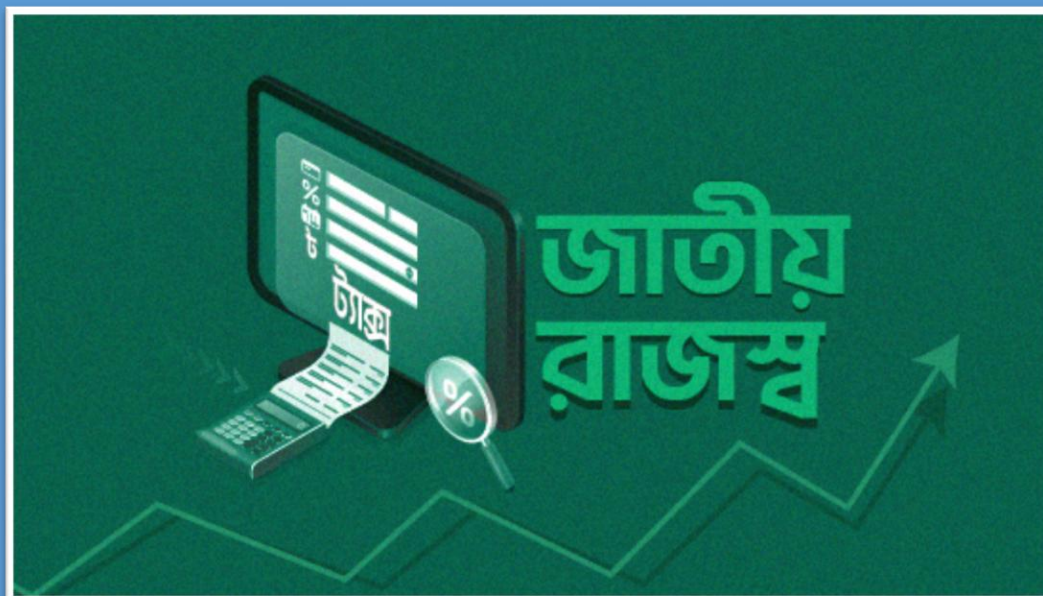
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The fall of the authoritarian regime on 5 August 2024, following a historic student-led anti-discrimination movement, led to the formation of an interim government committed to building a transparent, accountable, and inclusive ‘New Bangladesh.’

Under the previous regime, institutions were weakened to allow unchecked corruption and impunity. As part of its reform agenda, the government formed an Advisory Committee to restructure the National Board of Revenue (NBR), which has long failed to meet revenue targets or prevent tax evasion and money laundering due to systemic flaws and political interference.

Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) offers the following recommendations to the Committee, based on its governance research and key insights from the ACC Reform Commission.

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TIB Urges Prioritizing Local Technological Capacity Over Donor-Driven Approaches in Revenue Management Automation



Dhaka, 23 April 2025: Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) has strongly criticized the government's plan to launch another expensive digitization project without properly reviewing the failures of previous initiatives. TIB called the move shortsighted and a misuse of public funds, noting that earlier automation efforts aimed at boosting revenue collection and ensuring transparency in public spending and audits have shown little success.

TIB urged the government to shift away from blindly following donor-driven models and instead adopt evidence-based planning. It also stressed the importance of using modern technologies, including artificial intelligence, to simplify income tax collection and tackle tax evasion, while prioritizing the development and use of local technological capacity.

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TIB Criticizes Move to Limit CAG's Audit Scope, Citing Risks of Tax Evasion and Corruption



Dhaka, April 24, 2025: Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) has expressed concern over the recently approved "Public Audit Ordinance, 2025" by the Advisory Council of the interim government. Despite objections and specific recommendations from relevant stakeholders, TIB warned that certain provisions in the ordinance may limit the independence of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) and compromise the constitutional body's ability to function free from government influence.

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CCC News Highlights

YES Group of Brahmanbaria Hosts Youth Orientation on RTI Act to Promote Transparency



TIB's Youth Engagement and Support (YES) group of the Committee of Concerned Citizens (CCC), Brahmanbaria, organized an orientation and quiz competition on the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2009 at Brahmanbaria Government Women's College under the slogan "Information is power, let's know and prevent corruption." The event aimed to raise youth awareness about using RTI to promote transparency and accountability.

The acting principal served as the chief guest. The program actively engaged students in understanding their right to information and its role in preventing corruption. Quiz winners were awarded at the conclusion of the event held on 22 April 2025..

ACG Patiya Advocates for Improved Services at Dhalghat Union Sub-Health Center

TIB's Active Citizens Group (ACG), supported by the Committee of Concerned Citizens (CCC), Patiya, organized an advocacy meeting with the Dhalghat Union Sub-Health Center authority to address service gaps and improve healthcare for the local community. Presided over by the medical officer, the meeting highlighted issues from community monitoring, including irregular doctor attendance, lack of safe water, poor sanitation, medicine shortages, and services running from a risky abandoned building. The TIB area coordinator presented the findings, while the deputy assistant community medical officer shared that steps are underway, including a new building initiative by the Department of Health Engineering. A CCC member called for proper implementation of government commitments. The event, held on 24 April 2025, was attended by ACG and YES members.



CCC Munshiganj Observes World Health Day with Call for Safe Birth and Bright Future



TIB's Committee of Concerned Citizens (CCC), Munshiganj, in collaboration with the Civil Surgeon's Office and the World Health Organization (WHO), observed World Health Day 2025 with a rally and discussion under the theme "Let birth be safe – Let the future be bright." The rally was inaugurated by the Civil Surgeon, followed by a discussion chaired by

a senior health official. Speakers from WHO, health authorities, and CCC highlighted the importance of safe childbirth, reducing maternal and child mortality, and collective efforts for a healthier future. Over fifty participants, including members of CCC, YES, ACG, government officials, and journalists, attended the event on 7 April 2025.

ACG Patuakhali Holds Advocacy Meeting to Improve Quality of Primary Education

TIB's Active Citizens Group (ACG), supported by the Committee of Concerned Citizens (CCC), Patuakhali, organized an advocacy meeting with the Town Jankathi K N Government Primary School authority to discuss infrastructure gaps and service challenges in primary education. Key issues identified included inadequate classrooms, lack of boundary walls and playground, absence of disability and women-friendly facilities, and poor access roads. The meeting, presided over by the headmaster and attended by the CCC Education Sub-Committee convener as chief guest, concluded with plans to address these problems. Teachers, ACG and YES members, and local stakeholders participated in the meeting held on 24 April 2025.



YES Group of ULAB Campaigns Against Corruption at University Club Fair



TIB's Youth Engagement and Support (YES) group at the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB) organized an anti-corruption awareness campaign during the university's Club Fair, promoting the Right to Information Act and encouraging student involvement. Hundreds of students participated in interactive games, received informational materials, and visited the YES stall featuring a photographic display of year-round activities. About 100 students registered as regular members, showing interest in joining the anti-corruption movement. The campaign took place on 16 and 17 April 2025.

YES Groups of Sher e Bangla Agricultural University and UAP Observe Bangla New Year with Anti Corruption Campaigns



TIB's Youth Engagement and Support (YES) groups at Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University and the University of Asia Pacific organized anti-corruption campaigns on campus under the slogan Together Stronger Against Corruption to mark Bangla New Year. The campaigns raised awareness by distributing TIB leaflets and stickers on the Right to Information Act 2009 and educating visitors on how to use the law. Students, faculty, and staff visited the stalls, with many collecting membership forms and showing interest in joining the anti-corruption movement. YES group advisors at Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University also visited the campaign held on 14 April 2025.



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