

BNP-JAMAAT COALITION GOVERNMENT'S 2 YEARS OF MISRULE

The coalition government led by BNP has completed 2 years of their administration. Engulfed in limitless corruption, the coalition government demonstrated its utter failure in achieving anything in any sphere of our national life.

Since independence, people of this country never witnessed such unjust and lawless governance - with terrorism, extortion, harassment, killing, abduction, politicization and corruption being order of the day.

For shortage of space, we have only published reports appearing in 5 popular dailies of the nation covering a period of 4 weeks of Sept 2003 which depicts a pitiful state of a failed Government.

It may be mentioned that the condition was as pathetic throughout the 104 weeks of the coalition government's rule. The picture which emerges from the reports of the other important dailies of the nation also bears the same testimony.

Economic Mismanagement

Bagladesh Bank efforts hardly inspire banks to lower lending rates - The Daily Star - 01 September, 03

Terrible shortage of gas in the capital city and because of that the consumers are facing tough time - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 01, 2003

Capital investment in the country is lowest: For the last few years there was continuous fall in the capital investment in the country - The Daily Jugantar - September 02, 2003

Cost of electricity rises again - The Daily Jugantar - September 02, 2003

There is no growth in the economy. Without growth in the economy and for squeezing in loan disbursement and with the pressure of unemployment, economy has become too much burdened - The Daily Janakantha - September 04, 2003

Direct foreign investment in the country decreased by 43% according to the World Investment 2003 Report - The Daily Janakantha - September 05, 2003

UN Coordinator warns government of investment wind-up if problems not addressed - The Daily Star - September 05, 2003

The commercial city of Bangladesh has been affected very badly in the recent past where 400 garments factories along with other 50 industries have been closed - The Daily Janakantha - September 06, 2003

In Chittagong 12 projects involving Taka 6000 crores are uncertain only because of political rivalry - The Daily Janakantha - September 07, 2003

Banks in the country are not listening to my instructions; they are not reducing the rate of interest. You kindly talk to them says Mr M Saifur Rahman, Finance Minister to the IMP Management - The Daily Janakantha - September 09, 2003

After Shell Oil, American oil giant Chevron - Texaco is now winding up business from Bangladesh - The Daily Star - Sept 18, 2003

Cost of all essential commodities rises - The Daily Janakantha - September 20, 2003

Practically there is no scope to new employment in the country and side by side the existing industries are also put to closure. As a result over 15 million youths are unemployed throughout the country - The Daily Janakantha - September 21, 2003

WB, IMF asked government to better governance, investment climate - The Daily Star - 22 September, 2003

Cost of distribution of fertilizers has increased abnormally, distribution has become inefficient and the cost of fertilizer has gone up - The Daily Janakantha - September 23, 2003

Country's economy is in deep crisis. Main indicators are showing downward trend - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 26, 2003

Units of Amin Jute Mills in Chittagong suddenly closed down. 700 workers have turned jobless - The Daily Janakantha - September 26, 2003

Foreign investment in the country has come down to the level of Taka 116 crores from Taka 480 crores - The Daily Ittefaq - September 27, 2003

In the daily market the cost of fish, meat, eggs, chicken and every essential commodity is on the rise - The Daily Janakantha - September 27, 2003

Lawlessness

In Lalbagh area of the capital, fire was exchanged between police and terrorist. In the encounter 3 police personnel were wounded - The Daily Janakantha - September 01, 2003

Law and order situation has gone out of control of the Law Enforcing Authorities, opined the Industrialists and Businessmen Communities - The Daily Jugantar - September 01, 2003

This time European Commission has expressed its concern about the deterioration of law and order situation in the country - The Daily Jugantar - September 01, 2003

US Ambassador in Bangladesh expressed his great concern at the continuous law and order deterioration in the country - The Daily Janakantha - September 02, 2003

The Wealthy business people of the rural areas throughout the country are now captive of the terrorists throughout the country and as such all of them are now trying to migrate to Dhaka for the security of their life - The Daily Janakantha - September 02, 2003

Because of the continuous deterioration of law and order situation in the country people from all walks of life throughout the country are becoming panicky. During the last 8 months, 2315 people were killed throughout the country and the number is on the rise - The Jugantar - Sept 02, 2003

During a meeting with the opposition leader Sheikh Hasina US Ambassador has expressed great concern about the deterioration of law and order situation in the country and has offered US assistance for improvement of law and order situation in the country which was welcomed by the Awami League - The Daily Jugantar - September 02, 2003

According to Khulna city mayor and Mr Ali Asgar Loby, MP (BNP), BNP leader Mr Manju is the main sponsor of terrorism and extortion in Khulna city - The Daily Jugantar - September 03, 2003

Because of the extreme deterioration of law and order situation in Khulna most of the politicians move from one place to another with body guards - The Daily Jugantar - September 04, 2003

According to the report of UNCTAD because of the deterioration of law and order situation and corruption in the country foreign Investment has gone down very badly - The Daily Jugantar September 04, 2003

3 persons were wounded by bullet at the Commissioner's office at Mohammedpur - The Janakantha Sept 05, 2003

Law and order situation has deteriorated so much that there is no guarantee of natural death for anybody - Dr Kamal - The Daily Janakantha - September 05, 2003

Bomb attack on police van in Khulna - The Daily Jugantar, The Daily Janakantha - 6 Sep 03

Government supported lawyers and youth front attacked the lawyers in Dhaka Court area and as a result the entire court area turned into a battle field, more than 50 people have been wounded - The Daily Star, The Daily Ittefaq - September 07, 2003

In the city 3 have been gunned down including a BNP leader - The Daily Jugantar - Sept 07, 2003

The city of Khulna has become a panicked city - The Daily Jugantar - September 08, 2003

What has happened to Mahalchari of Chittagong Hill Tracts is a matter of great concern and sorrow for everybody - The Daily Jugantar - September 09, 2003

Killing of people through beating by the general masses is on the rise. People are trying to take law in their own hand. This is a clear sign of no confidence of the people in the government - The Daily Janakantha - September 18, 2003

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One village of Comilla ransacked by BNP cadres. They have also beaten the villagers where 10 persons have been wounded - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 20, 2003

The Chittagong Hill Tracts have become heated again because of continuous deterioration of law and order situation there and as such 1.3 million inhabitants have become apprehensive of their future - The Daily Ittefaq - September 23, 2003

Law and order situation has gone down so much which can not be compared to any earlier period - Chaarmonair Pir - The Daily Janakantha - September 23, 2003

Armed attack at Savar BRAC Centre and rifles were looted - The Daily Jugantar - Sept 23, 2003

Chormonair pir sought security for his 3 party leaders in Khulna - The Jugantar - Sept 23, 2003

Against terrorist attacks on 14 villagers in Chittagong Hill District, setting fire and repression of women, procession was brought out by Shachetan Nagorik Shomaj in Dhaka - The Bhorer Kagoj September 27, 2003

Savar is now a safe heaven for terrorists - The Daily Janakantha - September 28, 2003

In Sylhet JCD men have conducted armed attack on the police station and snatched away 2 arrestees - The Daily Star, The Bhorer Kagoj - September 29, 2003

In last 1 year, raping of minors, killing, extortions and abductions were 7344 in number - The Daily Ittefaq September 29, 2003

British High Commission in Bangladesh has opined that foreign investors have lost their interest in Bangladesh because of massive corruption, deterioration of law and order situation, bribery and political interference - The Daily Janakantha, September 29, 2003

JCD men raid city's Ambarkhana Police outpost and take away 2 arrestees - The Daily Star - September 29, 2003

In the capital during the last 15 hours, 5 dacoities and extortion took place - The Bhorer Kagoj September 29, 2003

US Ambassador in Bangladesh has expressed deep concern at the continuous deterioration of law and order situation and unabated corruption in the country and he hinted that the US investment in this country might be stopped all together - The Daily Janakantha, September 29, 2003

Murder, abduction, rape have assumed alarming proportions throughout the country: In September on an average everyday there have been 13 killings in the country - The Jugantar - Oct 01, 2003

Total deterioration of law and order situation in the country: Everyday on an average 14 people were killed in the country, rate of abduction is on the rise, and there are incidents of 6 bank dacoities in one year - The Bhorer Kagoj - Oct 01, 2003

Killings

9 killed in different districts in the country - The Daily Janakantha - September 01, 2003

In the month of August every day on an average 12 people have been killed throughout the country - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 01, 2003

6 killed in Mymensingh, Faridpur, Jhenaidah and Rajshahi in last 24 hours - The Daily Janakantha September 02, 2003

3 persons were killed in 3 districts - The Daily Janakantha - September 03, 2003

In Dhaka and Narayanganj 8 persons have been killed in last two days - The Daily Jugantar, Daily Ittefaq - September 03, 2003

Businessman gunned down in city - The Daily Star - September 06, 2003

10 persons were killed in 10 districts during the last 2 days - The Daily Janakantha - Sept 06, 2003

Throughout the country 2806 persons were killed in 8 months - Janakantha - September 05, 2003

1 killed in broad day light in the city - The Daily Jugantar - September 06, 2003

1 Contractor has been killed in broad daylight in Chuadanga - The Daily Jugantar - Sept 06, 2003

2 persons were killed in Fakhirhat - The Daily Jugantar - September 07, 2003

3 persons killed in the city along with a BNP leader - The Daily Jugantar - Sept 07, 2003

2 were shot down in Shyamoli by the terrorists - The Daily Janakantha - September 08, 2003

In South West of Bangladesh there are continuous terrorist attacks and during the last 6 months 10 have been killed - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 08, 2003

7 persons were killed in different parts of the country including 2 in Kushtia - The Daily Janakantha - September 08, 2003

In Keraniganj one Imam was killed by the Jubadal cadre - The Daily Janakantha - Sept 10, 2003

12 persons were murdered in 11 districts - The Daily Ittefaq - September 10, 2003

2 young men were killed in the capital - The Daily Janakantha - September 11, 2003

In Monupura under Bhola district 3 persons were beaten to death in broad daylight - The Daily Janakantha - September 11, 2003

2 young men were killed in the city - The Daily Jugantar - September 12, 2003

3 persons were killed in Bhola - The Daily Ittefaq - September 13, 2003

2 extremists have been killed by the masses publicly in the city - The Jugantar - Sept 17, 2003

In Savar 2 young men were killed by sharp weapons by the terrorist - Bhorer Kagoj - 18 Sep 03

2 killed including a child in the city - The Daily Jugantar - September 18, 2003

3 persons were killed in Pallabi - The Daily Jugantar - September 19, 2003

1 Youngman shot dead by the terrorist in Gulshan. In the city BNP leader has been killed by the terrorist. 4 persons including one Awami League leader were killed in Meherpur - The Daily Janakantha - September 20, 2003

3 persons were killed in 3 hours - The Daily Star, The Daily Jugantar - September 21, 2003

9 persons were killed in 7 districts - The Daily Janakantha - September 22, 2003

6 persons including 3 businessmen were killed in the capital city - The Daily Ittefaq - Sept 22, 2003

11 killed in 10 districts including 1 Jubo Dal leader in Noagon - The Jugantar - Sept 23, 2003

2 persons were killed in Mohammedpur and Pallabi by the terrorists - The Daily Janakantha - September 23, 2003

In the city 2 slaughtered, 1 lynched, 1 strangled - The Daily Star - September 24, 2003

5 killed in 1 night in the city. 6 killed in 6 districts - The Daily Jugantar - September 24, 2003

14 killed in 10 districts - The Daily Jugantar, Daily Ittefaq - September 25, 2003

13 persons were murdered in 11 districts - The Daily Ittefaq - September 26, 2003

In the city's Mohammedpur and Badda areas 2 persons were killed - The Ittefaq - Sept 27, 2003

11 people were murdered in 9 districts including one UP Chairman in Faridpur - The Daily Ittefaq - September 27, 2003

5 killed in 5 districts - The Daily Jugantar - September 28, 2003

8 killed in 7 districts - The Daily Jugantar - September 29, 2003

8 persons were killed in 6 districts - The Daily Ittefaq - September 30, 2003

2 killed in the city - The Daily Star - October 01, 2003

Extortion

No respite from toll takers yet - The Daily Star - September 02, 2003

After the killing of Awami League leader Manjurul Imam in Khulna now extortion is rampant - The Daily Janakantha - Sept 02, 2003

In the Waterways sector rate of extortion has gone up manifold in the recent past - The Daily Jugantar - September 04, 2003

In Pabna the terrorist cut down the hands of one who refused to pay the tolls - The Daily Janakantha - September 09, 2003

JCD - BNP backed student's wing gives hall seats illegally to freshers for money - The Daily Star - September 12, 2003

2 extortionists lynched in city - The Daily Star - September 17, 2003

A businessman was killed by the terrorists when he refused to pay them tolls - Janakantha 23 Sep 03

8 persons were killed throughout the country including 1 leader of Student Wing of BNP in Sirajganj while involved in extortion - The Daily Janakantha - September 26, 2003

Extortion is rampant now even at the grass root level - The Daily Janakantha - September 26, 2003

Corruption

After Denmark this time direct accusation has been made by Japan against this government for their massive involvement in bribery and corruption - The Daily Janakantha - September 01, 2003

Japanese investors in Bangladesh accuse government officials of demanding bribes for customs clearance, visa issuance, work permit, etc - The Daily Star, September 02, 2003

In Jhenaidah works of Taka 8.50 crores are being allotted to the government party activists without any tender, whatsoever - The Daily Jugantar - September 04, 2003

In the allocation of free quotas in the readymade garments sector, massive corruption has been reported - The Daily Jugantar - September 09, 2003

In T&T mobile project, unprecedented corruption has taken place where actual expenditures exceeded budgeted expenditures by Taka 150 crores - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 20, 2003

Unprecedented corruption has been committed by the Government while appointing Health Assistants in the country - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 25, 2003

Durga Puja grants go to BNP seats - The Daily Star - September 26, 2003

Corruption in the Health and Education sectors - says Finance Minister - The Daily Ittefaq - September 30, 2003

As per the report of Transparency International, corruption in the country has cost over Taka 600 crores for the first 6 months of this year - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 30, 2003

Abduction

53 abducted during last month, 11 of them killed - The Daily Star - September 01, 2003

Abduction of businessmen in Chittagong has made investment climate in the country very negative - The Daily Janakantha - September 02, 2003

During the last 8 months, there has been massive abduction and people have become panicky all over - The Daily Jugantar - September 02, 2003

Yet another abduction in Chittagong - The Daily Star - September 07, 2003

In Chittagong, after 45 days of industrialist Jamaluddin's abduction, his rescue by the Authority has been abandoned - The Daily Janakantha, September 08, 2003

3 persons were abducted in Noakhali - The Daily Ittefaq - September 20, 2003

Attempt has been taken again by the terrorists to abduct another businessman in Chittagong - The Daily Ittefaq - September 20, 2003

Principal of Homeopathy College in Khulna has been abducted 24 days ago. Terrorists are also threatening his wife - The Daily Star - September 21, 2003

Fire set on the houses and shops at Kagrachari. 3 UP members have been abducted at Kagrachari - The Daily Ittefaq - September 24, 2003

Chittagong city has become a city of abduction. All people there are in panic - The Daily Jugantar - September 25, 2003

4 businessmen abducted in Noakhali - The Daily Jugantar - September 26, 2003

Political Killings and Repression

Case is being filed against 33 extremists of BNP in Bogra for demolishing Awami League office - The Daily Ittefaq - Sept 05, 2003

Awami League leader injured by the terrorist attack at Rampura - The Janakantha - 07 Sep 03

Khulna Awami League leader slain in bomb attack, 12 wounded - The Daily Star - September 07, 2003

Violence rocks court: 87 hurt: Pro BNP lawyers, Jubo Dal activists, police swoop on Awami League lawyers at Dhaka Bar Association - The Daily Star - September 07, 2003

On the 25th of August Khulna Awami League President Manjurul Imam was murdered. Last Sunday another Awami League leader Kamrul Islam Kutu has been killed - The Janakantha - 08 Sep 2003

Khulna caught with fright: Slain Awami League leader laid to rest - The Daily Star - Sept 08, 2003

Allotment of VIP room for the opposition leader Sheikh Hasina at the Chittagong Circuit House is being cancelled - The Daily Ittefaq - September 10, 2003

In Bogra AL leader Masud Iqbal was killed and in Comilla students League leader has been stabbed - The Daily Jugantar - September 10, 2003

3 killed in 3 districts of which 2 are Awami League men - The Daily Star - September 10, 2003

Pay toll or face kidnap, killing: caller makes threat to opposition Chief Whip - The Daily Star & The Daily Jugantar - September 12, 2003

Awami League leader Dr Mukharjee was killed by sharp weapons in Jhenaidah - The Daily Jugantar - September 19, 2003

4 persons were killed including one Awami League leader in Meherpur - The Daily Janakantha - September 20, 2003

In Gangni 1 leader of Krishak League has been killed in front of his wife and children - The Daily Ittefaq, The Daily Star - September 20, 2003

Cases have been filed against Awami League leaders in Comilla - The Bhorer Kagoj - 21 Sep 03

The conference of Jubo League of Keraniganj could not be held because of attack by the JCD cadres (ruling party activists) - The Daily Jugantar - September 21, 2003

BNP reaping what it sowed: Ever since its election to power, BNP has ignored the opposition. It has behaved as if it is almost a crime to be on the other side of the aisle - The Daily Star - 23 Sep 03

Another Awami League leader in Khulna shot dead - The Daily Janakantha - September 27, 2003

2 Awami League leaders have been killed in Khulna and Faridpur - The Bhorer Kagoj - 27 Sep 03

Series of attacks on Awami League workers by the police and BNP activists - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 29, 2003

During the hartal of Awami League, police baton charged, arrested many activists and also wounded many women workers of Awami League - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 29, 2003

Civic society has expressed deep concern at the ruthless attack of the Police forces on the women activists of AL - The Daily Jugantar - September 29, 2003

Police club Awami League workers and atleast 32 Awami League activists who are largely women were injured in the city - The Daily Star - September 30, 2003

Series of attacks on Awami League workers: Ruling BNP adherents yesterday attacked leaders and workers of the main opposition Awami League throughout the city - The Daily Star - 30 Sep 03

Politicization of Administration

4 Joint Secretaries of 1973 batch have been given forced retirement - The Daily Janakantha - September 01, 2003

In last 2 years towards reformation of administration and establishment of good governance, BNP government has failed to take any correct decision - The Bhorer Kagoj, September 01, 2003

Politicization of civil service: reason for corruption - The Daily Star - September 02, 2003

Government has not followed any clear cut policy while promoting the Additional Secretaries and Joint Secretaries and this has created concern amongst the leaders of the Civil Services Coordination Association - The Daily Jugantar - September 02, 2003

Mass promotion of the government officials although there are no vacancies and as such now in the administration there are about 400 OSDs - The Daily Ittefaq - September 03, 2003

Tension runs high in the administration over rumour of forced retirement - The Daily Star, 03 Sep 03

Non government primary teachers on hunger strike - The Daily Star, September 04, 2003

Joy Bangla Bazar at Nokla Upazila at Sherpur district has been renamed - the latest addition to a number of similar instances representing culture of rename - The Daily Star, September 08, 2003

Forced retirement given to more than 69 government officers in different cadres - The Bhorer Kagoj - September 08, 2003

The court area is tense and everybody has become apprehensive of further attacks. On 11 Sept the lawyers throughout the country will boycott the court - The Janakantha - 08 Sep 03

This government, for the 3rd time, bringing changes in the administration with the objective of putting their own people in different important places - The Daily Janakantha - September 11, 2003

Education Bhavan of the Ministry of Education has been gheraoed and the resignation of the Minister and Secretary has been demanded by the teachers of the private institutions - The Daily Janakantha - September 18, 2003

Politicization by the government has destroyed the administration. The government is pursuing a policy of appointing its own party people - The Daily Janakantha - September 18, 2003