

'Unite against misrule'

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Speakers at a discussion yesterday urged the people to unite against the misrule of BNP-Jamaat government being imbued with the spirit of the liberation war.

They called on the people to

launch a mass movement to topple the government.

After forming the government in collaboration with the anti-liberation elements, the BNP has been leading the country towards a disastrous situation, they said at a discussion on 'Bangabandhu,

Liberation War and Independence' in front of the Bangabandhu Memorial Museum in the city.

The Awami League (AL) organised the discussion.

The speakers pledged to free the people from the misrule of alliance government through a mass movement and install a democratic one.

AL presidium member Amir Hossain Amu said the government is busy with distorting the glorious history of War of Liberation.

The people who collaborated with the Pakistani occupation forces and killed the intellectuals are now in power, he added.

"It is time to launch a mass movement against the government to save our country and independence," he said.

Paying rich tribute to Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, Amu said, "Since the beginning of his political career, Bangabandhu dreamt of an independent Bangladesh".

Dhaka University teacher Professor Shamsul Huda Harun said that apart from democratic movement, Bangabandhu had taken preparation for an all-out armed struggle against the Pakistani rulers.

"Bangabandhu was the inspiration of all Bangalis during the War of Liberation," he said.

Awami League leaders Abdur Razzak, Suranjit Sengupta, Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury, Motia Chowdhury, Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim and Professor Mamtaz Uddin Ahmed also took part in the discussion with Zillur Rahman in the chair.

Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and AL President Sheikh Hasina was also present at the discussion.

Shaheed Dr Azad's anniversary of death today

The 32nd death anniversary of Shaheed Intellectual and recipient of the 'Ekushe Padak' Prof Dr Md Abul Kalam Azad will be observed today, says a press release.

Shaheed Azad was killed by Al-Badr gangsters at the fag end of the Liberation War. His body was recovered from the mass grave at Rayer Bazar on December 16 in 1971.

On the occasion, a milad mahfil and Qurankhwani will be held at the residence of Shaheed Azad's brother Habibul Bashar, Editor, Daily Morning Post at House No. 35/B, Road No. 7, Block-G, Banani at 10:00am today.



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The Jago Bangladesh Garment Workers' Federation form a human chain at Mukhtangan yesterday demanding proper investigation into the death of a garment worker, Nahar, in a car accident at Tejgaon on December 10.

45 arrested for bomb attacks on cops

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Police arrested 45 people over two closely timed bomb attacks that blew up the left hand of a sub-inspector and badly damaged the additional deputy inspector general's jeep in Khulna city Sunday night.

Shaheed Suhrawardy, 34 of Sonadanga Police Station had the remnant of his hand amputated at Khulna Medical College Hospital after the bomb attack that also left his rickshaw-puller, Shahidul Islam, with sever wounds close to Boyra Police Lines at 9:30pm, police and hospital sources said. Shahidul was also being treated in the same hospital.

Witnesses said the gang of four, arriving on the scene on two motorbikes, hurled two bombs at Suhrawardy in an attack that also

wrecked the rickshaw he was travelling in to get back home.

Earlier, three people were injured in the bomb attack at 7:10pm that damaged the jeep of Additional DIG (Khulna range) Shamsuddoha, which was taken for repair to a workshop on KDA Avenue in Sonadanga.

The injured are Abdul Baki (age unknown), driver of the jeep, Ansar Ali, 38, workshop owner, and a pedestrian identified only as Kabir, 38.

The additional DIG was not in the jeep that was carrying constables Saiful, Mohiuddin and Imran of the Deputy Inspector General's Office.

Police said they launched a hunt for 30-year-old Russel who figures on the police list of criminals, as he they believe was involved in the twin attacks.