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Awami League leaders and activists stage a demonstration during hartal hours at Bangabandhu Avenue in the city yesterday.

Semi-finals of inter-school English debate in Ctg today

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Semi-finals of a debate competition titled 'Mutual Trust Bank-The Daily Star 6th Inter-School English Debate' will be held in Chittagong today.

The four semi-finalists -- William Carey Academy, Summer Fields School, Oxbridge International School and Bangladesh Elementary School -- will take part in two debate sessions at Sunshine Grammar School and College auditorium.

Organised by Drishty, a cultural organisation, the weeklong debate competition began on Tuesday. The Daily Star and the Mutual Trust Bank are the sponsors of the competition.

Quarter-finals of the contest was held at Taher Memorial Hall of Lions Foundation Institute on Wednesday where Child Heaven, Bay View, Mastermind and Radiant schools were defeated.

Farha Iqbal of Willam Carey Academy, Mailha Ahmed of Bay View School, Israfil Bin Rafiq of Mastermind School and Nafisa Iqbal of Radiant School were adjudged the best debaters in the quarter-finals.

Principal of Sunshine Grammar School and College Safia Gazi Rahman presided over the debates and the judges were Rosalyn Samira of USTC, Fuad Hasan of Chittagong University and debater Ferdous Ara.

Jalil returns home today

UNB, Dhaka

Awami League General Secretary Abdul Jalil MP returns home today from Singapore after two weeks of treatment.

Jalil was taken to Singapore in an air ambulance on April 6 for treatment following his cardiac problems.

Party sources said the AL general secretary is now well as he underwent Angioplasty operation.

Concert postponed

The Artcell concert featuring its latest album 'Aniket Prantor' has been postponed.

Fresh date will be announced later.