

IU expels six shibir cadres

IU CORRESPONDENT

The Islamic University (IU) authorities have expelled six cadres of Islami Chhatra Shibir temporarily for their involvement in vandalising the office of the TSC director on Saturday.

IU Vice-chancellor Prof Fayez Mohammad Sherajul Haque took the decision on Monday evening following the demand of Islamic University Teachers' Association (IUTA) for punishment of guilty shibir men.

The IUTA recommended the punishment of shibir cadres at its general meeting on Sunday.

The expelled are Shafiqul Islam and Zafor Iqbal of Dawah and Islamic Studies, Atiqur Rahman and Shahidul Islam of MBA, Saiful Islam, an MA student, and Mushfiqur Rahman, a third year student of Al Quran and Islamic studies department.

6 get life for murder in Rajshahi

BSS, Rajshahi

A court here on Monday sentenced six people to life in prison for killing Abdul Rouf alias Babu of Baghmara upazila more than six years ago.

Additional District and Sessions Judge-2 Muhammad Rejaul Islam handed down the verdict in a crowded courtroom. The court also fined them Tk 15,000 each, in default, to suffer one year more in jail.

The convicts are Shahidul Islam, Abdul Wahed, Layeb, Kutub Uddin, Nasir Uddin and Ladu of Balanagar village under Baghmara upazila.

According to the prosecution, the convicts dragged neighbour Abdur

Rouf alias Babu out of his house and beat him mercilessly on May 8, 2000 over a trifling matter. He died at Rajshahi Medical College Hospital the next day.

His father Ayub Ali lodged a murder case with Baghmara Police Station against six people the same day. After investigation, police pressed charges against them. The court examined the witnesses and evidence during the trial.

Additional Public Prosecutor Nurul Islam appeared for the state while Advocates Nazrul Islam Khan, Hamidul Haque, Mojibur Rahman Chowdhury and Monsur Rahman for the accused.

Nation mourns

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Hasina, also the AL president, spent several hours at the Bangabandhu Bhaban, recited from the Holy Quran and offered doa for the peace of the departed souls of her father, mother, brothers and other relatives assassinated on the dreadful night on August 15 in 1975. Hasina as usually fasted on the day.

Later, she went to the Banani Graveyard and offered fateha and placed wreaths at the graves of her family members.

Hasina along with her sister, son and central AL leaders will attend a mourning programme at Tungipara today.

Senior leaders of AL, its front organisations, different political, social and cultural organisations also laid wreaths at Bangabandhu's portrait.

Leaders of 14-party opposition combine Dr Kamal Hossain, Rashed Khan Menon, Hasanul Haq Inu, Mainuddin Khan Badal, Syed Zafar Sajjad, Sharif Nurul Ambia, Pankaj Bhattacharjee, Dilip Barua, Sheikh Shahidul Islam, Nurul Islam, Asit Baran Roy, MA Gani and Zakir Hossain, among others, placed floral wreaths at Bangabandhu's portrait.

AL Presidium Member Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim, Joint General Secretary Obaidul Quader and other central leaders placed wreaths at the grave of Bangabandhu at Tungipara and offered fateha.

The AL organised milad mahfils and destitute feeding programmes in front of the party central office on Bangabandhu Avenue and in different parts of the capital.

Sheikh Russell Jatiya Shishu Kishore Parishad observed a token hunger strike at Dhanmondi demanding execution of the Bangabandhu murder case verdict.

Meanwhile, ruling BNP men attacked AL leaders and workers in city's Kamrangirchar and Lalbagh areas to foil their destitute feeding programmes.

OTHER PROGRAMMES

The Communist Party of Bangladesh organised a series of discussions in different parts of the country demanding immediate execution of the verdict of Bangabandhu killing case and identification of the patrons and foreign forces that supported the killing.

Jatiya Party (JP-Manju) organised a discussion at the Diploma Engineers' Institution in the capital on the life of Bangabandhu.

Hasina's son Joy distributed food among poor children in different parts of the city.

Gono Forum organised a mourning rally from Jatrabari to Postagola. Jatiya Janata Party also organised a discussion on Bangabandhu at its central office in the capital.

The Awami Swechchhasebak League, Jubo League, Bangabandhu Memorial Museum, Lions Club and Red Crescent organised blood-donation programmes in front of the Bangabandhu Museum.

Milad mahfil was also organised at the central mosques and dormitories of Dhaka University and other public universities, government colleges and institutions across the country.

Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists, Dhaka Union of Journalists, Dhaka University Teachers' Association, Dhaka Ainjibi Samity, Dhaka Metropolitan Bar Association, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University, Open University, Sher-e-Bangla Agriculture University, Bangladesh Muktiyoddha Sangsad central command, Bangabandhu Parishad, Muktiyoddha Parishad, Mohila Muktiyoddha Sangsad, Muktiyoddha Oikya Parishad, Swadhinata Chikitsak Parishad, Sheikh Russell Shishu Kishore Parishad, Jatiya Sramik League and other organisations placed wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu.



Russell Sangsad forms a human chain at Dhanmondi in the city yesterday marking the National Mourning Day.

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Newly appointed Ambassador of Venezuela Milena Santana-Ramirez calls on Foreign Minister M Morshed Khan at his office in the city yesterday.

