'Provide support to people with disability'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Speakers at a discussion yesterday underscored the need for a change in mentality for bringing people with disability into the mainstream of the society.

They also called for adequate support to make the physically and mentally challenged people self-reliant instead of showing pity for them.

The discussion titled 'Donors' Dialogue on Disability' was organised by Action on Disability and Development (ADD) at a city hotel to sensitise donor community on disability.

ADD Country Representative Mosharraf Hossain quoting former World Bank (WB) President James D Wolfenson said, "Unless disabled people are brought into the development mainstream, it will be impossible to cut poverty in half by 2015 or to give every girl and boy the chance to achieve a primary education by the same date--goals agreed to by more than 180 world leaders at the UN Millennium Summit in September 2000".

Presenting a paper Mosharraf pointed out that although the donor organisations including DFID, USAID, EU and WB provide support for education, food security, employment, health, water sanitation and employment generation, but issues concerning disability remain as a less emphasised area for them.

Speaking on the occasion, acting country representative of Development Fund for International Development (DFID) Sarah Sanyahumbi said people with disability are not able to develop their full potential due to unfavourable social condition.

While presenting a paper on 'Disability in poverty reduction strategy' Unnayan Shamonnay Chairman Dr Atiur Rahman said the challenged people live in an unfriendly and hostile environment and encounter non-cooperation, ill treatment and neglect at family, society and government level.

Expressing concern over the violence against women and children with disability, Manusher Jonno Executive Director Shaheen Anam said more advocacy is needed at different levels to change the attitude of society towards them.

Moderating the programme, adviser to former caretaker government Sayed Monjur Elahi laid emphasis on the role of media to create awareness in this regard.

Deputy Chairperson of National Grassroots Disabled Peoples Organisation (NGDO) Julekha Khatun Jolly demanded implementation of 10 percent quota for challenged people in employment sector.

Chairperson of Astha Nari Parishad Lucky Akhtar, Fabrizio Senesi of the Delegation of European Commission in Dhaka and Country Representative of Asia Foundation Kim McQuay also spoke.

Reforms in education sector demanded

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Teachers of non-government high schools, colleges and madrasas yesterday placed a five-point education reform proposal and a two-point electoral reform proposal to the President and Chief Adviser to the caretaker government Iajuddin Ahmed.

They demanded a thorough purge of the education sector and steps to hold the upcoming election in a free and fair manner.

The teachers under the banner of National Front of Teachers and Employees (NFTE) submitted a memorandum to the President, urging effective measures for the implementation of the reform proposals.

They called for cancellation of the government circular regarding the deposition of tuition fees of students to the government fund.

They also demanded removal of all partisan people from the education sector, cancellation of all contractual appointments and an investigation into corruption of immediate past minister and state minister for education.

In the electoral reform proposals, the teachers called for reconstitution of the EC and appointment of neutral persons to key posts in the administration and the police department.

The NFTE also held a representatives' meeting at Mani Singh auditorium and a rally at Muktangan before submitting the memorandum.

NFTE chief coordinator Prof Quazi Faruque threatened to launch agitation programme if the government circular is not cancelled by Saturday.

Cross-examinations of PWs end in Ershad's gold smuggling case

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday completed the cross-examinations of prosecution witnesses (PWs) in connection with the gold smuggling case filed against the former president and Jatiya Party Chairman HM Ershad.

After recording the statement of Mohammad Golam Mostafa, former superintendent of police of Criminal Investigation Department (CID), also the investigation officer (IO) of the case, Judge SM Mujibur Rahman of the First Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court passed the order.

The judge fixed November 21 to cross-examine Ershad and for hearing on arguments from the prosecution and the defence.

In his deposition, the IO told the court that he took the charge of the case on May 2, 1991 and pressed charges against Ershad on August 31 the same year as the charges brought against him were primarily proved.

WEATHER TODAY

Light rain likely

UNB, *Dhaka*

Light rain is likely at one or two places over Dhaka, Rajshahi, and Sylhet divisions and at a few places over Chittagong, Barisal and Khulna divisions in the next 12 hours until 6:00pm today.

Night temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country during the period, Met Office said.

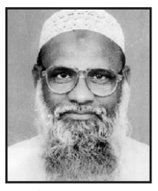
Highest temperature 29.2 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday at Cox's Bazar and lowest 20.2 degree Celsius at Sayedpur.

The sun sets in the capital at 5.15pm today and rises at 6:11am tomorrow.

Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some major cities and towns yesterday were:

City/Town	Temperature in celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	Morning	Evening
Dhaka	27.9	23.0	74	71
Chittagong	26.8	22.2	84	89
Rajshahi	28.4	20.4	98	90
Khulna	27.5	22.7	89	95
Barisal	26.6	22.5	91	91
Sylhet	27.9	21.5	84	78
Cox's Bazar	29.2	24.4	75	77

Death anniversary



Today is the sixth death anniversary of Rafiqul Islam Bakul, a freedom fighter and former BNP lawmaker, says a press release.

Bakul, also former Pabna district BNP president, died on this day in 2001 in a road accident.

On the occasion, Pabna district BNP, Bakul Smriti Parishad, Muktijoddha Sangsad and different socio-cultural organisations have taken programmes.

The programmes include placing of wreaths at his grave, Qurankhwani, discussions, milad mahfil and prayers at different mosques.

Ahmad Bin Ismail, managing director of AKTEL, congratulates Malaysian High Commissioner Abdul Malek Bin Abdul Aziz with a bouquet recently on his being conferred with the title 'Dato' by the Sultan of the state of Pahang, Malaysia. Javed Tariq, head of Corporate Affairs of AKTEL, was also present.

Traders asks chief adviser to reconstitute EC

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Bangabhaban officials at its gate, the traders' council also urged him to replace all the persons of the EC earlier appointed under political considerations with the neutral officials for holding a free and fair election.

Convener of the council Aftab-Ul Islam, also former president of American Chamber of Commerce in Bangladesh (AmCham), read out the memorandum at a meeting at Hotel Purbani in the city before submitting it.

The traders' council comprising the leaders of different business chambers of the country also urged the interim government chief to make the police and civil administration neutral by transferring the officials posted at different levels under political considerations and cancelling all the contractual appointments done during the last few months of the immediate past government.

"Please reinstate in due posts the officials who have been given premature retirement as they were non-partisan to bring back discipline and make the administration active for fair elections," the council made the request to the president.

It also urged the chief adviser to make the state-run Bangladesh Betar and Bangladesh Television impartial.

The businessmen expected that President Iajuddin Ahmed will meet the demands placed by the traders and prove untrue the allegations that the other advisers were not given due scopes to play effective roles.

At the meeting on 'Role of the businessmen during the present political crisis' presided over by Aftab-Ul Islam, the business leaders said CEC Justice MA Aziz became controversial as he violated a High Court Order and failed to make a correct voter list, rather wasted public money worth crores of taka.

The trade leaders, who claimed themselves non-partisan, also demanded punishment of the ministers and lawmakers who were involved in various corruption during the last five years of BNP-Jamaat alliance government.

The production and export business will be dwarfed if the caretaker government fails to take appropriate measures to hold a free and fair election, they said.

Criticising CEC Justice MA Aziz for his tough stance of remaining in the post, Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industries President Saifuzzaman Chowdhury urged him to resign in the greater interest of the nation.

He referred to Justice KM Hasan's declining the office although he was entitled to be the chief of the interim government.

The CEC told a lie by denying that no adviser to the caretaker government met him and requested him to resign, while the adviser concerned said he visited the CEC, said former secretary general of Bangladesh Association of International Recruiting Agencies Ghulam Mostafa.

Such a lie from a person holding the constitutional post is a shame for the nation, he said.

Bangladesh-German Chamber President Saiful Islam said the business of the country ran smoothly during the previous caretaker governments, but the present interim government led by President Iajuddin Ahmed has failed to ensure such environment.

The present caretaker government destroyed the spirit of the system, Federation of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry Vice President Dewan Sultan said.

He hoped an end to this situation of 'conflicts and blames'.

Bangladesh Shop Owners Association President Amir Hossain Khan, Meherpur Chamber President Joynal Abedin, Bangladesh Cement Industries Association leader AKM Moniruzzaman also spoke at the meeting.

Abbas files 10 criminal cases against media

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Former housing and public works minister Mirza Abbas yesterday filed ten criminal cases against the editors, publishers and reporters of four national dailies and two weekly magazines for running 'defamatory' stories.

After hearing the petitions, Metropolitan Magistrate Syed Mohammad Mojibul Haq recorded statements of the complainant, took the complaints into cognisance and served summons on all the defendants to appear before the court on December 3.

The editors, publishers and reporters are from the Jugantor, Inqilab, Janakantha, Bhorer Kagoj, Weekly-2000 and Shirsha Kagoj.

The complainant filed five cases against the Jugantor and five against the rest.

In his complaints, Abbas mentioned that the dailies and the weeklies had run a series of defamatory news items on different dates that had damaged his reputation, name and fame in the society as well as in the political field.

Obituary

Mujib Ul Haq, former assistant secretary to the commerce ministry, passed away due to a cardiac arrest on November 5 at the age of 73, says a press release.

He left behind his three sons and four daughters to mourn his death.

On the occasion, a doa mahfil will be held at his residence at L-3, Kazi Nazrul Islam Road, Mohammadpur in the city today.

Qulkhwani

Qulkhwani of Syed Mohammad Ameen, son of late Syed Mohammed Masih, Bar-at-Law, will be held at his daughter's residence at 10/21 Iqbal Road, Mohammadpur (Eastern side of Mohammadpur Preparatory School) in the city after Asr prayers today, says a press release.

He passed away at 3:30am on November 4 in Canada due to old-age complications. He was a nephew of late Nawab Syed Shamsal Huda of Nawab Bari, Gokarna, Brahmanbaria.

Abdul Gani

Qulkhwani of Abdul Gani, father of A M Amin Uddin, secretary of Bangladesh Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA), will be held at his residence at 127, Azimpur in the city after Asr prayers today, says a press release.

Condemned JMB men

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the judge saying "their court" has already sentenced the judge to death and the order would be executed shortly.

Judge Shahed Noor Uddin of Speedy Trial Tribunal-1 handed down the verdict in presence of the convicts Salauddin alias Salehin of Narayanganj and Rafiq Hassan alias Hafez Mahmud of Jamalpur.

Earlier, another Dhaka court had sentenced Hafez to 54 years of rigorous imprisonment for possessing illegal firearms, explosives and ammunition.

The court gave the sentence in connection with the killing of Abdul Gani alias Joseph Mandal, 48, a medicine businessman of Melandah in Jamalpur, in September 2004.

The convicts said those who followed the "worldly laws" are not real judges. So, they gave death sentences to those judges including the one conducting their case and the death sentence would be carried out within a short time.

They said they had killed the victim as he was involved with converting poor Muslims into Christians and the killings will not stop by giving death sentences to them.

The convicts can appeal to the High Court against the verdict within 30 days from the day of receipt of the judgement copy, the judge said during the delivery of the verdict.

Earlier, the prosecution and the defence completed their arguments and the court recorded statements of 18 prosecution witnesses.

Joseph, owner of Shilamoni Pharmacy, was killed by a group of armed miscreants around 10:30pm on September 18, 2004 when he was returning from his store at Duyanipara.

The following day, his wife Shahnaz Parvin filed a murder case with Melandah Police Station without mentioning any suspects.

The investigation of the murder took a new turn when the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) Inspector Shankar Chandra Das was handed the charge of investigating into the case.

After taking over the charge, the investigation officer (IO) showed Salauddin and Hafez arrested in the case.

The two gave confessional statements before a first class magistrate of Jamalpur disclosing names of others involved in the killing.

In their statements, the two told the magistrate that as per directives of JMB chief Abdur Rahman and his second in command Siddiqul Islam Bangla Bhai, they with their accomplices Bhagney Shahid and Belal Hossain hacked the victim to death.

The IO, however, dropped the names of Abdur Rahman, Bangla Bhai, Shahid, Belal and eight others from the charge sheet. The IO dropped the names of Shahid and Belal from the charge sheet as they were not arrested and their addresses were not found. On the other hand, the IO dropped the names of Abdur Rahman and Bangla Bhai as there was insufficient evidence to bring charges against them.

PHOTO: STAR

Turkish Ambassador Ferit Ergin presents a crest to Nobel laureate Prof Dr Muhammad Yunus at a reception ceremony at the residence of the Turkish ambassador in the city yesterday. The Diplomatic Corps accredited to Bangladesh hosted the reception for the microcredit guru to celebrate his winning the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize.

6 women rights activists held, then released on bail

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police arrested six activists of Peshajibi Nari Samaj when they were marching towards the Election Commission (EC) to submit a memorandum yesterday but released them on bail three hours later.

The six are former vice-president of Dhaka University Central Student Union Prof Mahfuza Khanam, central leader of Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD) Afroza Haque Rina, advocate Dipu Moni, journalist Nasimun Ara Huq of the Janakantha, former Awami League lawmaker Tahura Ali and rights activist Julekha Matin.

Police intercepted them near the EC premises when they were heading towards the EC office to submit a memorandum demanding removal of the Chief Election Commissioner, the activists said.

Earlier, they also submitted a memorandum to the President at Bangabhaban.

Tejgaon police said the activists were arrested on charge of trespassing on EC premises, obstructing law enforcers in discharging duties and making attempts to attack policemen.

The activists alleged that the police misbehaved with them during the arrest.

On hearing the news, eminent lawyers Barrister Amir-Ul Islam and Barrister Rokanuddin Mahmud rushed to the police station.

Officer in Charge (OC) of Tejgaon Police Station Kamrul Islam released the activists at 5:00pm upon a bail petition filed by Barrister Amir-Ul Islam, president of the Supreme Court Bar Association.

In a joint statement yesterday, eminent citizens strongly condemned the arrest of the activists.

Such arrest is an infringement on democratic rights of the people, they said and urged the authorities to refrain from such activities.

The signatories to the statement included Dr Khan Sarwar Murshid, Ajoy Roy, Dr Hamida Hossain, Laila Kabir, Kamal Lohani, Mujibul Haque, Dr Hayat Mamud, advocate Tobarok Hossain, Kazi Madina, Saleh Ahmed, Kohinur Begum, Salma Ali, Haris Uddin, Rekha Chowdury, Bula Osman, Ruhul Amin Patwari and Swapan Kumar Saha.

Protest rally today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Peshajibi Nari Samaj, a platform for women professionals, will hold a rally in front of National Museum at 2:30pm today to protest against the arrest of its six prominent activists.

Police arrested the women professionals when they were heading towards the Election Commission yesterday to submit a memorandum demanding removal of the chief election commissioner. Later, they were released on bail.

Bangladesh may miss

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Escap Dr Rahmatullah told The Daily Star that the member countries already finalised the agreement and it will be open for signing at the conference in South Korea.

Referring to his visit to Escap headquarters in Bangkok in August, Rahmatullah said he was informed that the Escap did not receive any objection from Bangladesh in joining Trans-Asian Railway network. Bangladesh probably could not decide on joining the network at the fag end of the four-party alliance government's tenure, he observed.

Earlier, Bangladesh had refused to sign the Escap's Asian Highway network as it disagreed over a particular route. The proposed route, the part concerning Bangladesh, entered Bangladesh from India and finished in India.

Dhaka became reluctant in joining the network fearing it would ultimately result in giving transit to India. Bangladesh had proposed an alternative route through Myanmar.

But this initiative turned futile, as Myanmar was reluctant to build the required part of the highway on its territory. The deadline for signing the Asian Highway network expired on December 31, 2005.

Rahmatullah observed that the railway lines in Bangladesh would have to be upgraded to cope with the pressure of traffic after joining the network that connects 27 countries. The upgrade would not be difficult to do, as government took up a massive railway development programme assisted by the World Bank, Japan Bank of International Cooperation JBIC and Asian Development Bank (ADB) spending around $800 million, he pointed out.

The Escap proposed three possible routes to be linked with the Trans-Asian Railway network. The routes are: from Gede West Bengal, India via Darshana, Ishwardy Jamuna Bridge, Joydevpur, Akhaura, Chittagong, Dohazari, to Gundum, Myanmar. Route two will enter Bangladesh from Singbad in West Bengal and route three to enter Bangladesh from Radhikapur in West Bengal and go through Birol, Dinajpur.

The last two routes will also exit Bangladesh through Gundum, Myanmar.

According to sources, the establishment of Trans-Asian Railway network got inter-governmental agreement in 2005. The programme was finally approved at the 62nd session of UN-Escap in April 2006.

Iajuddin abusing 2 top posts

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adviser has kept the administration and all ministries concerned with elections mainly under him only to establish dictatorship and hold absolute power. Thus he is creating obstructions to holding free and fair polls," 14-party Coordinator and AL General Secretary Abdul Jalil told at a press conference at AL's Dhanmondi office.

On the president's speech Wednesday concerning the armed forces' role in the next elections, Jalil said he made the speech with a motive. Describing the armed force as pride of the nation, the 14-party leader asked Iajuddin not to make them controversial 'only to meet a particular party's political agenda'.

Jalil alleged that partisan activities of the president, who has become the CA violating the constitution, are major barriers to the administration's neutral activities. "He (president) knows very well that if the administration and he himself work properly, the BNP-led previous government's agenda will not be fulfilled," he said.

The CA is not giving the council of advisers any scope to function properly. For this, he has become convenor of the administration-related sub-committee out of the six sub-committees formed by the CG, Jalil said.

Demanding implementation of the 11-point task put forward by the 14-party within 48 hours to create a congenial atmosphere for holding free and fair polls, Jalil warned that otherwise the entire country would be brought to a standstill by enforcing blockade programmes.

Terming Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) MA Aziz a 'liar', the 14-party coordinator demanded that the president remove him on 'moral grounds for his blatant lying'. One adviser to the CG said he met Aziz but the latter denied, Jalil mentioned.

He also accused Aziz of taking a stand against the people to fulfil the agenda of BNP-Jamaat. A free and fair election could not be held under him, he said.

On the CG's move to recover illegal arms, Jalil expressed fears that it might be used for political purposes such as harassing leaders and workers of the AL and its allies.

He demanded a drastic change both in the civil and police I administration for creating a congenial atmosphere for a free and fair election. This is also a must for recovery of illegal arms, he added.

In an apparent challenge to BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia for stubbornly opposing reconstitution of the EC, Jalil asked the president to restructure it and then see what the people want.

The AL stalwart also blamed the president for asking the EC secretary to go on with publishing the voter list, saying he (president) had earlier promised to postpone publication of the 'fake' voter list.

Those present at the press briefing included senior 14-party leaders Tofail Ahmed, Sheikh Fazlul Karim Selim, Suranjit Sengupta, Matia Chowdhury, Obaidul Quader, Hasanul Haque Inu, Abdul Mannan, Abdur Rahman, Bimal Biswas, Nurul Islam and Dilip Barua.

Hajj flights likely to be open to other airlines

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allowed third carrier for carrying hajj pilgrims, the source added.

The Biman has made all out preparations for carrying its share of hajj passengers following its announcement of hajj flight schedule that begins from November 26.

The rules and regulations regarding other airlines' carrying hajj pilgrims are yet to be declared while the private hajj agencies expressed concern over allowing any third carrier, saying that it may cause mismanagement and increase sufferings of the pilgrims.

"The fare in the third carriers should be $200-300 less than in the designated airlines. It is OK if the cost is low but we have heard that the third carriers would be allowed at the same rate," said Eyakub Sharafati, secretary general of Hajj Agencies Association of Bangladesh (HAAB), the platform of non-ballottee hajj management agencies.

It should be investigated why the Saudia became unable to carry its share although a bilateral agreement was signed between the two governments in June this year, he said.

The HAAB general secretary told The Daily Star that the Biman and Saudia airlines have been carrying all the pilgrims for the last three or four years. Last year, Biman unofficially used a third carrier for carrying pilgrims that caused immense suffering to the passengers, he said.

Sharafati, however, said the government is yet to inform them about the decision of carrying pilgrims by a third carrier.

A source alleged that a section of Biman officials want to pocket handsome amount of money in carrying hajj passengers through any third carrier at the same rate.

The main problem in carrying pilgrims in third carrier is that the passengers would have to wait several hours at transit airport for connecting flights, the source added.

The fare in Biman and Saudia has been fixed at $1200 per passenger.

The Biman also decided to lease two aircraft in addition to its existing fleet for carrying hajj pilgrims. A leased 747 Boeing is expected to arrive on November 24, said a high official of Biman. Discussion for leasing another aircraft is also at the final stage.

Of the 47,368 Bangladeshi pilgrims this year, only 2,500 will go under the government's management and the rest with the help of private hajj agencies.

Attempt on life of Oli foiled

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) yesterday claimed that an attempt on the life of its executive president Oli Ahmed has been foiled.

A gang of 10 or 12 people in two cars were waiting in front of his house at Baridhara in the city yesterday afternoon to kill Oli Ahmed, but they sped away when his security guards approached the cars parked in the 'no parking' zone, said a party press release.

It said Oli Ahmed noticed the two cars when he returned to his house at around 3:00pm after holding a meeting with President and Chief Adviser Iajuddin Ahmed.

Oli informed the President's office of the matter.

Enayetullah

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the age of 66. He had been suffering from cancer of the pancreas, said a press release.

Having begun his career as a cub reporter of the then Pakistan Observer in 1959, Enayetullah Khan went on to found the Weekly Holiday in August 1965, before taking over as editor of the paper in 1966.

He founded the Daily New Age as its editor and publisher in June 2003. He was also the editor of the Bangladesh Times between 1975 and 1977. He was awarded Ekushey

Padak for excellence in journalism.

Enayetullah Khan served as minister of the government of Bangladesh (1977-1978) and as an ambassador to China, North Korea, Cambodia and Myanmar (1984-1989).

Known for his democratic activism, Enayetullah Khan was at the forefront of the Buddhijibi Nidhan Tathyanusandhan Committee formed on December 18, 1971 to investigate murders of intellectuals in the terminal days of the War of Independence in 1971 by Al-Badr and Al-Shams -- the killer wings of the Jamaat-e-Islami.

He was also an organiser of the Civil Liberties and Legal Aid Committee (1974) that defended the political victims of the Rakkhi Bahini; Famine Resistance Committee (1974); Farakka March Committee led by Maulana Bhasani (1976); and the Committee Against Communalism (1981).

A master's in philosophy from Dhaka University, Enayetullah Khan was the general secretary of Ananda Mohan College Students' Union, member of the Dhaka University Students' Union (1958-59), and vice-president of Dhaka Hall (now Shahidullah Hall) Students' Union (1959-60).

He was the president of Jatiya Press Club (1973-76) and Dhaka Club (1984-85).

Born on May 25, 1939 in Mymensingh, Enayetullah Khan was the third son of late Justice Abdul Jabbar Khan, a former speaker of the Pakistan National Assembly. Among

his siblings are journalist Sadeq Khan, the late poet and bureaucrat Abu Zafar Obaidullah, politicians Rashed Khan Menon and Selima Rahman, and New Age publisher Shahidullah Khan.

Doa mahfil will be held in Dhaka and Barisal today in remembrance of Enayetullah Khan.

CEC's removal

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at Rapa Plaza.

After holding a rally at the square, the crowd headed for the EC on Mirpur Road at around 2:00pm. As police barricaded the procession in front of Rapa Plaza, the activists lay down on streets in protest at the police action and held another brief rally there.

The demonstrators held rallies and burnt effigies of the CEC at different points wherever the police blocked them.

Speakers at different rallies termed Aziz 'mentally sick', while some called him 'an agent of the immediate past government', and demanded his resignation immediately since, they thought, neutral election was not possible under him as CEC.

Activists of Awami Swechchhasebak League were also stopped by the police at Khejurbagan intersection at around 1:30pm.

The demonstrators there burnt two effigies of Aziz.

Meanwhile, several hundred people under the banner of Sammillita Nagorik Samaj brought out a procession from Mirpur and headed towards the EC at around 10:00am.

Police intercepted the procession near Meteorological Office at Agargaon where they formed a human chain till 12:30pm.

Around 1,000 activists of Swadhinata Chikitsak Parishad (SCP) and Muktijoddha Command Council formed another human chain in front of Shishu Hospital at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar.

Doa mahfil

A doa mahfil in memory of Hamidullah Kausar (Tanim), a student of Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (Buet), will be held on the Buet campus after Asr prayers today, says a press release.

Tanim, son of Prof Dr Abdul Muqtadir of Buet, drowned in a pond in Comilla on November 4.

Friends, relatives and well-wishers have been requested to attend the programme and pray for the salvation of the departed soul.