

Poll campaign warms up DU campus

By Staff Correspondent

Provocative slogans and speeches by rival student groups Sunday suddenly warmed up the situation at the Dhaka University which had started showing a non-violent look in past few days.

Procession and counter-procession by the pro-BNP Jatiyabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Awami League-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League (A-C) on the campus made the general students panicky. Witnesses reported seeing some outsiders also in the processions.

According to witnesses, the BCL (A-A) procession raised provocative slogans against the government of Begum Khaleda Zia and alleged that her party's student wing JCD was harbouring hoodlums.

Immediately, the JCD processionists retorted calling them "terrorists" and "killers of Dr Milon".

The third force, JSD (Inu)-backed Chhatra League (N-S) also raised slogans against their BCL (S-A) rivals accusing them of murdering Dr Milon and Mahabubur Rahman.

Earlier in the morning, both JCD and BCL (A-A) held election projection meetings at two nearby places adjacent to the Arts Faculty building at the same time. Provocative statements and accusations were delivered from both the rallies.

All the student bodies are now engaged in a feverish campaign to face the July 31 DUCSU and hall union polls.

Meanwhile, armed youths have again found their entry into various residential halls of the university since the authorities lifted their

checking teams. While visiting the campus, this correspondent found no checking at the gates and entrance to the halls was free for all. Police, deployed since July 5, were sitting idle near the gates.

Reports were received from a number of halls including the Mohsin Hall, Suryasen Hall and Kabi Jasimuddin Hall that hooligans had again started entering and were even staying there safely.

Meanwhile, some student leaders and also some general students were not strongly in favour of the elections on its present schedule.

A top-ranking leader of BCL (A-A) said his organisation preferred the elections not before September. Although he did not mention specifically, but he gave to understand that his organisation was not fully prepared for the polls with the present strength.

Another factor that comes for discussion among the general students was the honours final examinations scheduled to begin next week that would continue after the polls. There was some examinations due, even on the polls day. The examinees will be seriously affected by the electioneering on the campus including the residential halls. The examinees also were disfavoured the polls on July 31, some said.

Japanese parliamentary team arrives

A four-member Japanese parliamentary delegation led by Yoneo Hirata, arrived here this afternoon on a three-day good will visit to Bangladesh, reports BSS.

The delegation was received at Zia International Airport by Jatiya Sangsad Khandakar Delwar Hossain and High officials of the Parliament Secretariat.

Other members of the delegation are Kazuo Kitagawa, Natsuo Yamaguchi and Kentaro Koba.

Teachers

From Page 1 Col. 8 that 37 educational institutions were named after former president Ershad, his wife Begum Raushan Ershad and other members of Ershad cabinet, since 1982.

The minister informed the House that under the existing law of the land, educational institutes could be named after any person on the basis of his or her cash donations at a single time at the following rates:

- a) College Tk 15,00,000, b) Secondary school Tk 10,00,000, c) Junior school Tk 6,00,000, d) Primary school and in case of madrasa Tk 3,00,000, (i) Ebadeyito madrasa Tk 1,00,000, (ii) Junior madrasa Tk 2,00,000, (iii) Dakhil madrasa Tk 3,00,000, (iv) Alim and Fajil madrasa Tk 4,00,000, (v) Kamil madrasa Tk 5,00,000.

The minister told the Sangsad that while naming the educational institutes after their names during the Ershad regime. This rule was not followed by the ruling clique excepting in one case.

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Saudi grant

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The Saudi grant of 106 million US Dollar will be utilised for eight projects envisaging construction of multipurpose buildings to accommodate schools, mosques, clinics which can also be used as shelters during the disaster, construction of houses, reconstruction of two telecommunication towers at Chittagong and micro-wave telecommunication link at Betunia and Chittagong, supply of drinking water, reconstruction of food storage godowns, importation of fertilizer, restoration of electricity transmission line and reconstruction of embankments in the coastal areas.

Speaking on the occasion the ERD Secretary thanked the Saudi government for their continuous help for Bangladesh. He said the Saudi grant of 106 million US Dollars has led to substantial improvement in the already existing brotherly relations between Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia.

Saudi Ambassador in Bangladesh Abdul Latif Al-Maymani was present on the occasion.



Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia taking salute at the Graduation Parade of a batch of Midshipmen of the Bangladesh Navy at the Naval Academy parade ground at Patenga Sunday. Chief of the Naval Staff Rear Admiral MM Islam is seen at the extreme left. —ISPR photo

Khaleda: Navy Lakhs affected

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In this context, she underlined the need for increasing professional excellence and maintaining maximum operational capacity of the naval fleet.

The base of national defence including the naval force could be strengthened by proper evaluation of efficiency and efforts for more professional success.

Besides emboldening national defence, she said, the members of naval force have an additional responsibility of involving themselves in the country's economic development activities.

The Prime Minister asked the navymen to ensure safe movement of commercial ships in the country's maritime boundary for the interest of international trade and protection and extraction of marine resources.

Stressing the need of a strong naval force for a country like ours, she said the prime responsibility of the navy of a sovereign country is to keep its waters secure and threat-free.

"Despite acute resource constraints, we have been successful in developing the country's navy," Begum Zia said, which practically inherited nothing.

It was Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman who first realised the need for a modern and self-reliant navy in view of the country's geographical position, its economic progress and prospects, and took several important steps to modernise the naval force, she said.

Begum Zia said her government would continue efforts to add ships and vessels to the present naval fleet.

Begum Zia urged efficiency, discipline, devotion and united

efforts from every member of the naval force to safeguard national sovereignty and independence.

"The nation expects you to set a unique example of patriotism, honesty and sincerity in your professional life," said the Prime Minister.

She said the democratic government was committed to materialising the hopes and aspiration of the whole nation.

The government is continuing its efforts to recover the losses inflicted by the April 29 devastating cyclone, she added.

She also urged the naval force to be more active in recouping the damage suffered by the navy in the century's worst cyclone.

Chief of Naval Staff Rear Admiral Mohammad Mohaiminul Islam presented Begum Zia with a crest of the Bangladesh Navy.

Earlier, on her arrival here, Begum Zia was received by the Chief of Naval Staff and driven to the Naval Academy in a ceremonial motorcade.

The Prime Minister reviewed the smartly turned-out parade and took salute of the impressive marchpast. She also distributed awards among the outstanding midshipmen.

M Ahsan was adjudged best allround midshipman and received the Chief of Naval Staff (CNS) award for the excellence of his overall performance. Midshipman M Karim received the CNS award for topping the list in professional subjects.

Begum Zia also distributed Bachelor of Science Degree certificates among the newly commissioned officers in a separate ceremony at the auditorium of the Academy.

She planted a sapling in the Bangladesh Naval Academy premises to mark the occasion.

Lakhs affected

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also damaged at least 50,000 homesteads. Most of the kutcha roads in Dewanganj, Madarganj and Islampur upazilas have gone under water.

In Sherpur district, more areas in Sherpur Sadar and Srebari upazilas have gone under water from the Brahmaputra that rose by 15 centimeters in last twelve hours.

The 25 km Brahmaputra Flood Protection Embankment has burst in several places. Road communication between the district headquarter and all upazilas have been snapped.

SM Rafiqul Bari Chowdhury, MP, accompanied by the Deputy Commissioner, district civil surgeon and UNOs if different upazilas visited the affected areas and assured the people of all possible assistance. Some relief materials were sent Sunday.

UNB adds: Cargo vessel movement between Narayanganj and Baghabari river ports has been suspended due to surges in the sharply rising Padma and Jamuna rivers. BIWTA officials at Aricha said Sunday.

One of the two ferry ghats at Aricha for the Aricha-Nagarbari route has been closed following inundation of the connecting road by the swelling flood waters.

In Sirajganj, nearly seven lakh villagers have been affected in 178 villages of 39 unions of the district's nine upazilas, officials and upazila chairmen said. Eight upazilas have been severely hit by the flood water of the swelling Jamuna.

Nearly 35,000 houses and 120 educational institutions have been damaged in 300 square-kilometre flooded area

of the district, officials said. About 275 kilometre of roads have been damaged, the sources added.

People have taken shelter on the roofs of their submerged houses, witnesses said.

Nearly 500 feet of railway line have been washed away and 300 feet removed by the authorities in the wake of severe erosion by the surging Jamuna.

About 2,000 families were rendered homeless in Shariatpur district by erosion of the rampaging river Meghna during the last few weeks.

In Manikganj, the mighty Jamuna wrought havoc on four unions of Daulatpur upazila affecting several thousand people over the last three days, official sources said.

Standing crops on about 5,000 acres of land were also damaged by the flood water. Agriculture Extension Department sources said.

The worst-hit unions are Bacha, Charcatari, Zyanpur and Bagutta. Besides, about six hundred families have lost their homes and hearth in the erosion by the mighty Padma and Jamuna in Daulatpur, Harirampur and Shivalya upazilas of the district.

Nagarpur upazila of Tangail district has also been hit by the flood seriously, local administration said.

The swelling Brahmaputra and the Bangalee rivers have worsened situation in Bogra district. Six upazilas have severely been hit by the rising waters in the last few days.

Shariatkandi upazila has been cut off from the Sadar following inundation of roads.

The Midnight File

Egypt won't take part in fresh attack against Iraq

BONN, July 14: Egypt will not take part in any new military strike against Iraq, President Hosni Mubarak said in an interview published in Germany on Sunday, reports Reuter.

Partial tank withdrawal from Algiers

ALGIERS, July 14: The Algerian army moved at least 20 tanks out of the capital early today and pulled its forces off the main streets of an eastern town, in an apparent sign of confidence that fundamentalist unrest has been curbed, reports Reuter.

Bush in London

LONDON, July 14: United States President George Bush arrived in London from Paris today for the world summit of the Group of Seven leading industrialised nations, reports Reuter.

Defence granted time

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prices of a building and plot in Dhanmondi area, building materials and labour costs etc.

Talim Hossain replied to almost all the questions in the negative and pleaded his ignorance on many of the queries.

Defence Lawyer Sirajul Haque asked the following questions:

DL: Do you know that Ershad made an application as Chairman of the Jatiya Party to the government asking permission to buy a house located on an area of 6000 square feet in Dhanmondi? The price of the house including arrear house rent was fixed at Taka 1.80 crore. Do you know that?

DL: I don't know. DL: As a member of the Inventory Committee did you ever think from where does a person get so huge an amount of money?

DL: No I did not. The Defence Lawyer also asked the witness several other questions related to the existence of the Jatiya Party, Raushan Ershad and the bundles of notes.

DL: Do you know whether the Treasury accepts cash or cheques?

DL: I don't. DL: Do you know whether the stamp for registration can be bought by cheque or by cash?

DL: If you had asked Ershad or his wife to produce relevant documents about the money they could have provided them. But you did not do anything.

DL: Do you know that the Acting Secretary General of the Jatiya Party ABM Muniruzzaman Khan filed a suit claiming the money as the property of the Jatiya Party?

DL: Yes. DL: The burden of those items has been imposed on my client though they are government property.

DL: I have no knowledge about that. DL: Without giving any opportunity to my client you have lodged the case. The order was to take lawful action but you did not do that.

DL: This is not true. DL: Whatever you did was an unlawful action. But there was no instruction to take unlawful action. You have overdone something.

Here the Defence Lawyer ended his cross-examination. After that Sirajul Haque left the Court to attend a case in the High Court.

Before leaving he requested the Court to allow time to collect certified copies of the documents regarding the money which was submitted to the civil court, along with the case filed by the Jatiya Party claiming the money, recovered from Ershad's residence.

He further said that he would also have to inform the ten MPs of the Jatiya Party who had supplied Ershad the money to buy the office building for the Jatiya Party because his client would have to give the account of the money.

The Attorney General Aminul Haque said that if Sirajul Haque left the Court he would not continue the prosecution because there might be some misunderstanding with the other Defence Lawyers in absence of Sirajul Haque.

However he later agreed to produce the next witness Muniruzzaman Khan Engineer of the T&T Board.

Muniruzzaman Khan corroborated the statements of the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate (CMM) Azizul Haque Bhuiyan.

He said that Mustafizur Rahman, brother-in-law of Ershad was the representative of the former president.

After deposition of Prosecution witness Muniruzzaman, Defence Lawyer Yusuf Hossain Humayun asked only two questions.

DL: Was it written in the list whether the drinks found in the Sena Bhavan were soft or hard?

Muniruzzaman: It was not written. DL: Can you identify clothes and other furniture from the house of your brother-in-law?

Muniruzzaman: No I can't. But if I were his representative I could.

Then the Defence Lawyer made a plea to adjourn the Court for fifteen days. The Attorney General objected to it.

The Court, hearing both sides ordered adjournment, till July 21, Sunday next.

BCCI

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Bank, SB Chowdhury told this to a delegation of depositors of BCCI Sunday while they met him to submit a memorandum regarding early payment of their deposits. The members of the delegation also demanded that they be allowed facilities to encash the Wage Earners Bond etc. purchased from BCCI through other banks.

The Governor assured the depositors the encashment facilities of such bonds would be given urgent consideration but government permission was necessary for providing such facilities.

The Governor further told the depositors that whatever steps, had been taken for importers and exporters would benefit the depositors. He mentioned that under the present arrangement the exporters and importers will have to first deposit the money payable to BCCI to Agrani Bank. As a result, this will increase the cash resource of BCCI which will help protect the interest of the depositors, the Governor said. An article on Page 4

Ershad's corruption: Probe report today

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while some of them are absconding.

Kazi Zafar Ahmed, Ruhul Amin Hawlader, Zafar Imam, Kazi Firoz Rashid had earlier surrendered to the law enforcing authorities, while Barrister Moudud Ahmed, Mahmudul Hasan and Shah Moazzem have been released.

Former Industries Secretary Mosharrar Hossain is in jail while Commodore Islam has been absconding after the incident of the biggest gold haul at Zia International Airport.

Source said the Commission verified all the allegations against Ershad and his associates with concerned departments and established the cases.

The main allegations of corruption are related to purchase, tenders, land distribution and shop allocation.

The Commission report also deals with the corruption by some high officials posted in foreign missions including HG Mohiuddin, former Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations, who is also Ershad's brother-in-law.

Meanwhile, BSS reports, Education Minister Dr. Badruddoza Chowdhury told the Jatiya Sangsad Sunday that inquiries had been made on corruption charges against the persons connected with the Ershad regime after Ershad's fall.

In reply to a question from Rashed Khan Melon (WP-Bakerganj) Dr. Chowdhury who is also in-charge of the President's Secretariat said that so far the Anti-Corruption Bureau had made inquiries against 132 people and filed 81 cases against them.

Dr. Chowdhury tabled a list of the person under inquiry by the Anti-Corruption Bureau. They include the head of the state, ministers, MPs, chairmen of districts upazilas and pourashava high government officials and individuals.

The persons, besides the former head of the state, under enquiry are: Begum Raushan Ershad, former Vice President Moudud Ahmed, former Prime Minister

former Deputy Prime Minister Dr. M A Matin, former Jute Minister Lt Col (ret'd) Zafar Imam, former Religious Affairs Minister Moulana M A Mannan, former Civil Aviation Minister Lt Col (ret'd) HMA Gaffar, former Textile Minister ABM Ruhul Amin Howlader, former Minister and Mayor of Dhaka City Nazir Rahman, former Food Minister Iqbal Hossain Chowdhury, former Agriculture Minister Major General (ret'd) Mahmudul Hasan, former Works and Education Minister Sheikh Shahidul Islam, former Posts and Telecommunications Minister Kazi Firoz Rashid, former Minister and Chief Whip Abdus Sattar, former Works Minister Shaifiqul Gani Swapan, former Works Minister Mostafa Jamal Haider, former Mayor of Dhaka City Col (ret'd) Abdul Malek, former Civil Aviation Minister Zia Uddin Ahmed, former Mayor of Chittagong City Corporation Mahmudul Islam Chowdhury, former State Minister for Food Nurunnabi Chand.

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