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Liberation War: Youth and Spirit The armed resistance By Akku Chowdhury

It was on March 25 1971, when the Pakistan military regime realised the Bangalees would not compromise with their dictated concept of power sharing...

The Bangalee members of the Pakistan Armed Forces, stationed in Bangladesh, felt the hint of this betrayal by Yahya Khan. Fearing a reprisal against them they prepared to secure their positions...

They prepared to launch an offensive against the rag-tag Bangalee rebels. Soon the Bangalees began to feel the crunch of arms and ammunition shortage...

The initial Liberation Forces formed with the members of East Pakistan Rifles, personnel of the armed forces, students and political activists were localised. They had no central command force or co-ordination...

After the formation of the Provisional Government of Bangladesh on April 17, 1971, in Mujibnagar, the Bangladesh Liberation force began to be consolidated and co-ordinated...

This meeting was a turning point for the Liberation War. The leaders felt the need to form an organised and regular forces comprising of all elements to make an effective offensive against the Pakistan Army...

All this time the youth of this country voluntarily poured into training camps to join the Liberation Forces. Their zeal and spirit was indomitable and admirable. The Pakistan Army had no chance to destroy this will of force...

out ceremony was held which was attended by the then Acting President of Provisional Government Syed Nazrul Islam, Prime Minister Tajuddin Ahmed, C n C Col. (rd.) M.A.G. Osmani, Deputy Chief of Staff Group Captain A. K. Khondokar and Sector 6 Commander Sq. Ldr. Abul Bashar among other high officials and dignitaries...

Soon after their graduation these sixty-one Second Lieutenants were assigned to different sectors. Each of them were given commands of a sub-sector or sent to an unit. Under the leadership of these young fiery Lieutenants the War of Liberation reached a new zenith...

Lt. Aziz, before the war was a student of Dhaka College, was leading a frontal assault with a Company (consisting of about 100 9th Bengal soldiers) against a Pakistani out post near the Shalda river in Brahmanbaria...

Lt. Samad was a student of Dhaka University before he had rushed off to fight for his motherland. In 20 November Lt. Samad was killed in the battlefield in Bhurgamani near Lalmonirhat...

Lt. Selim was a student of the Rajshahi Medical College when he left his medical books to pick up the gun to free his country. A valiant freedom fighter Lt. Selim, unlike the other two, was fortunate to see Liberated Bangladesh...

The remaining 58 along with all the other brave freedom fighters of this country have each a glorious anecdote of the Liberation War.

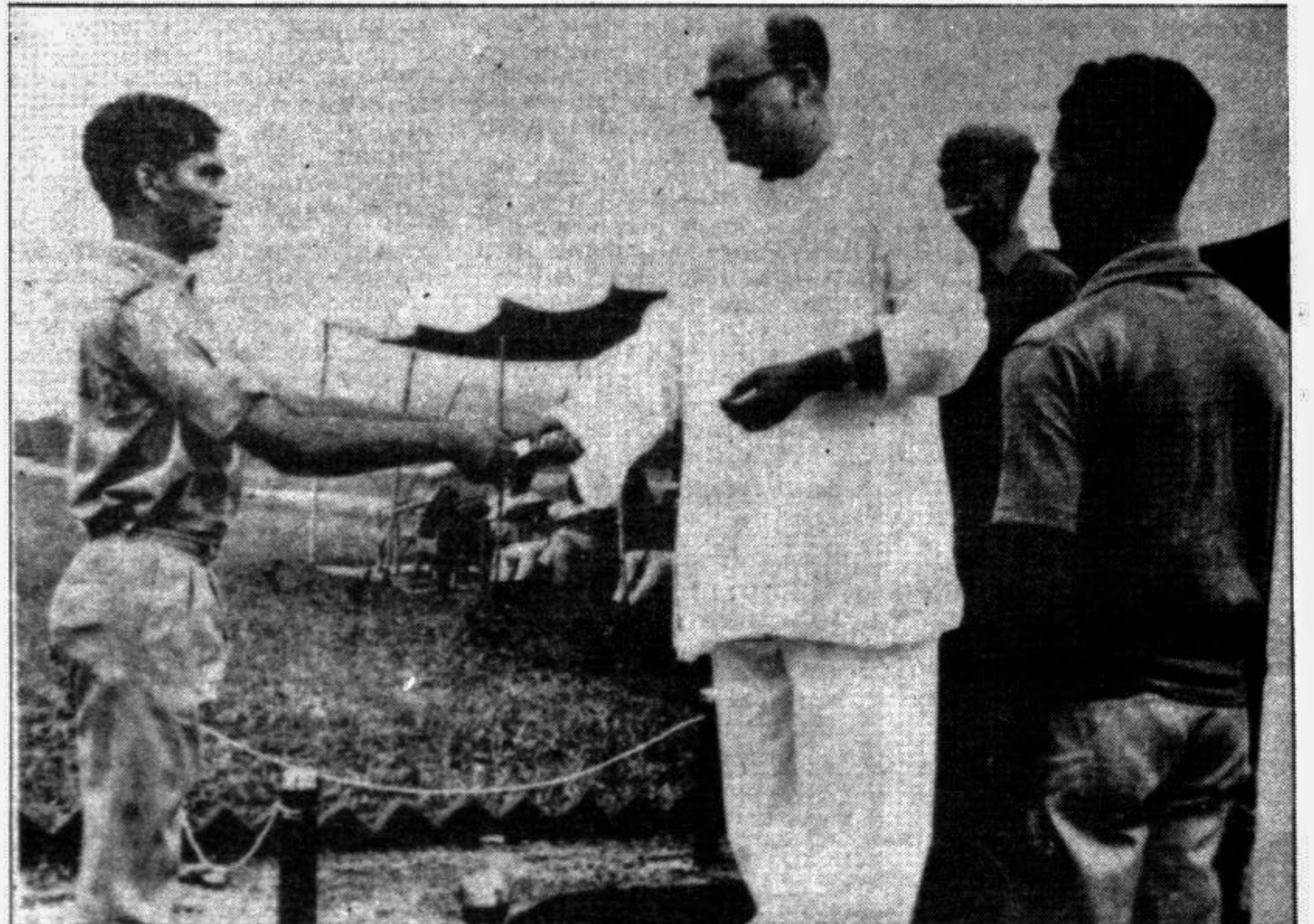
The youth of this country served their land without thinking about themselves. It was a time for self sacrifice. All those who went to the battle field, did so with that attitude. Each and everyone wanted a free Bangladesh but was not sure they would see it...

25 th. Anniversary of Muktijuddha 1971-1996

Special Supplement



The Muktijuddha commander giving final instruction before his troop marches off to an operation somewhere in Hilli, Dinajpur. Photograph by Amayo Tarafder 5-7 May 1971. (Collection Liberation War Museum)



Cadet Officer Sayeed Ahmed receiving the C-N-C cane for his best performance among the 61 cadets in the First Bangladesh War Course held in Murtee, India during the Liberation War. In this photograph the then acting President Syed Nazrul Islam is seen handing over the cane while Gen. M.A.G. Osmani looks on at the passing out ceremony held on Oct. 9 1971. (Collection Liberation War Museum)

25th Year of Victory Silver Jubilee

First Bangladesh War Course 9th October '71-'96

25th March 1971. Pakistani war machine unleashed the most barbaric act in recent history when they pounced on unarmed Bangalee nation to silence democratic aspirations of the millions. The whole Bangalee nation united to resist this heinous crime and war of

resistance ensued.

In the absence of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman who was in captivity in the hands of the Pakistanis, a provisional Government of Bangladesh was set up at Mujibnagar (meherpur), Kushtia with Acting President Syed Nazrul Islam and Prime

Minister Tajuddin Ahmed together with General Osmani as commander in chief.

People from all walks of life participated the liberation war. Bangalee soldiers serving in the Pakistani Armed forces, notably East Bengal Regiment and Para Military forces, notably EPR, Police and Ansars joined the liberation war. Thus the nucleus of resistance was formed and thousands of young volunteers joined in to participate in the liberation struggle...

61 Valiant Sons

On 9th October 1971 a landmark in the liberations struggle was made when the first batch of Officers passed out in an austere passing out ceremony attended by then acting President Syed Nazrul Islam, Prime Minister Tajuddin Ahmed, General M.A. G. Osmani, AVM (the Group Captain) A. K. Khandker and other high officials of Mujibnagar Government. Acting President in his speech congratulated the

in various sectors and regular East Bengal Regiment units being raised under 'K' Force under then Colonel Khalid Mosharraf; 'S' Force under then Colonel Shafiullah and 'Z' Force under then colonel Ziaur Rahman. With the induction of these young officers the battle field actions intensified. 3 of these officers embraced martyrdom in the battlefield and

You are always at our hearts

- 1. Kh. Azizur Rahman
2. ANM Ashfaqus Samad
3. Selim Hassan
4. Sheikh Kamal
5. A Z Giasuddin Ahmed
6. Shah Mohd Fazle Hussain
7. Mahburur Rahman
8. S M Khaled

cadets for successfully completing the training and urged the newly commissioned officers to prove their worth in the battle field. He said the determinations he saw in these faces was refreshing and reassuring that Bangladesh shall be liberated in the near future. Immediately after the passing out all these officers were posted to take up assignments



9th October 1971, passing out ceremony of First Bangladesh War Course during the war of liberation.

a host of others suffered injuries. The profound impact this course had in the battlefield is manifested by the gallantry awards of 1 Bir Uttam, 3 Bir Bikrams and 12 Bir Pratik bestowed in recognition. On 16th of December 1971

Pakistani Army capitulated and disgracefully surrendered to the Allied forces comprising of Indian and Bangladesh forces. Bangladesh was born and with it the First war course left their profound and indelible mark in history.

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