

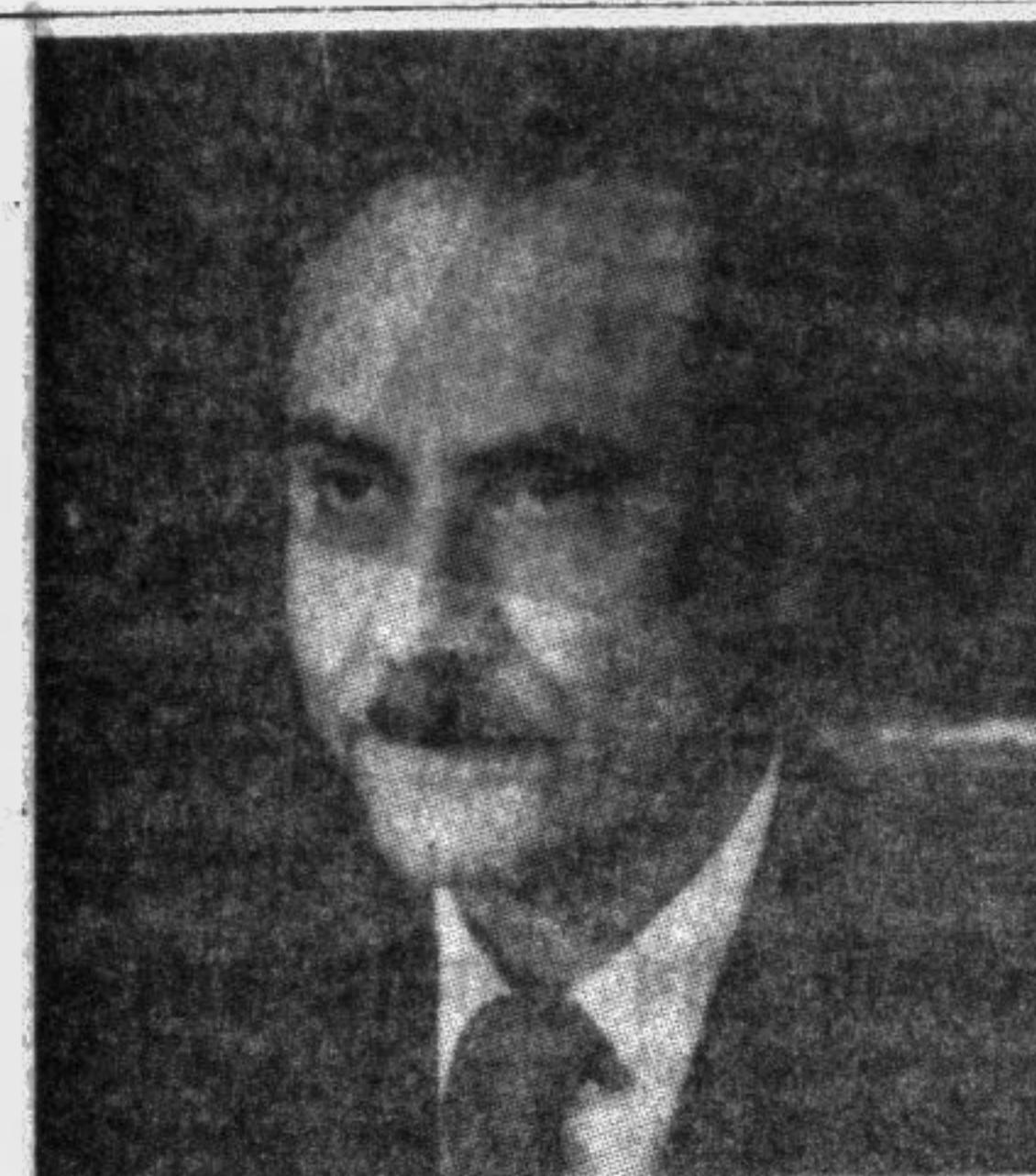


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প্রধানমন্ত্রী শেখ হাসিনার নেতৃত্বে গঠিত বর্তমান সরকারের এক বছর পূর্তি উপস্থিতি আয়ি দেশবাসীকে আত্মরিক তত্ত্বজ্ঞান আনাই।

গত বছর ১২ জুন সাধারণ নির্বাচনে সংখ্যাগুরুত্বে আসন পেয়ে বাংলাদেশ আওয়ামী লীগ সরকার গঠিত করে। পাঁচ বছরের জন্য নির্বাচিত এই সরকারের এক বছর অধিবাহিত হয়েছে। এইব্যবস্থার আর্থ-সামাজিক উন্নয়ন ও গণভাবিত সমাজ ব্যবস্থা নির্মিত করার দাক্ষ সরকারের গৃহীত বিভিন্ন পদক্ষেপ প্রশংসন যোগ্য। জনগণের কার্যকারীত পদক্ষেপ শাসন ব্যবস্থার মাধ্যমে একটি শ্রেণীবিন্দু সমাজ ব্যবস্থা কার্যকরে প্রয়োগ সরকারের মূল লক্ষ্য এবং সেই লক্ষ্য অন্তর্বে সল-মূল নির্বিশেষ স্বাক্ষর সহযোগিতা একটি কাম। জনগণের এই প্রয়োগ পূর্বে সরকারকে সচেতন হত হবে। গণভাবিত মূল্যবোধ ও বৈধিকীভূতে প্রাণ্যান্ত স্বাক্ষর করে সরকারের প্রয়োগ করে, জাতীয় সংসদে সরকার ও বিদেশী দলের মধ্যে সহযোগিতা ও স্বাক্ষর ব্যবস্থা গঠন স্থাপন করে। কারণ, সরকারী কর্মকাণ্ডে সকল রাজনৈতিক দলের অংশস্থান নির্দিষ্ট হাকলে দেশ ও দলের কল্যাণ নির্দিষ্ট হয় এবং জাতি তার স্বত্ত্ব অর্জনে সকল হয়।

আয়ি গণভাবিতভাবে নির্বাচিত বর্তমান সরকারের সর্বান্বিত সাফল্য কামনা করি।

বিচারপতি শাহবুদ্দিন আহমদ

Jhe parliamentary Election of 12 June 1996 was a milestone in the annals of democratic polity in Bangladesh. It was a trendsetter for the future, resurgence of a glorious heritage of the struggling masses, beginning of a new chapter in national uplift. The election victory of Awami League reflected the democratic aspirations of our people and their unshaken loyalty to an accountable and pro-people government. Such spontaneous and massive participation of the electorate has not been observed since the general election of 1970.

The people had to wage relentless struggle for a long time under the charismatic leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to reestablish their right to vote shattering all conspiracies and intrigues. Through this process of mobilization of the masses for a democratic future, the autocrats and the neo-autocrats were both ousted. After entering office through people's mandate Sheikh Hasina has embarked on a relentless endeavour for building a 'Sonar Bangla' - a cherished dream of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. This government of national consensus is pledge-bound to implement the ideals and programmes of Bangabandhu. Bangabandhu dreamt of a Sonar Bangla free from exploitation and corruption. During the past one year emphasis has always been placed on a transparent and accountable administrative system. The governmental decision making process has been recast on the basis of national consensus and understanding. To reflect this ideology of the government a neutral and non-partisan luminary like Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed has been elected President of the Republic.

The government has been attaching top priority to poverty alleviation to materialize the dream of Father of the Nation for economic emancipation of the people. Poverty alleviation efforts were obstructed during the past 21 years due to slow rate of economic growth. So plans were drawn up to gradually raise GDP growth rate to 7% within next 5 years with a 5.5% growth rate in the inaugural year. In fact, the GDP growth rate during 1996-97 has exceeded the target by reaching 5.7%. This is a record for the 1990's. Agriculture sector, aided by pro-peasant policies of the government has been the main driving force in this breakthrough. It posted a growth of 6% during the year, food grains production reaching a record level of 20.3 million tonnes. After removing the anomalies and corruption practised by the previous regime in the distribution of fer-

through Television, Betar and the Mass media to reinstitutionalize eternal Bengali heritage, ideals of the liberation war and immortal values of independence. The portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman has been reinstated at state level. 15th August has been

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In order to facilitate quick dispensation of justice at minimum cost for the people and to reform the judicial structures, the government is implementing a 200 crore taka project with assistance from the World Bank. The project is of 3 years' duration and also aims at modifying and updating existing laws.

The government has taken strong measures to rectify the distortions which have crept into our national history during the past 21 years. With this goal in mind, numerous measures and programmes are being executed

owned enterprises have been geared up. The Privatisation Board has been recast. During the

President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina placing floral wreath at the Mazar of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Tungipara

Judiciary now enjoys unprecedented freedom in Bangladesh. A bill will be placed in parliament soon for separation of the judiciary from the executive. The infamous Indemnity Ordinance promulgated in 1975 - which violates fundamental human rights has been repealed by the Jatiyo Sangsad. As a result, trial of the killers of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and his family members - which has been a long standing demand of the people has been made possible today.

Through an amendment incorporated recently in the rules of procedure of parliament, MP's instead of ministers' will head Parliamentary Standing Committees. This is a revolutionary measure of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to make parliament more effective and to institutionalize parliamentary democracy.

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