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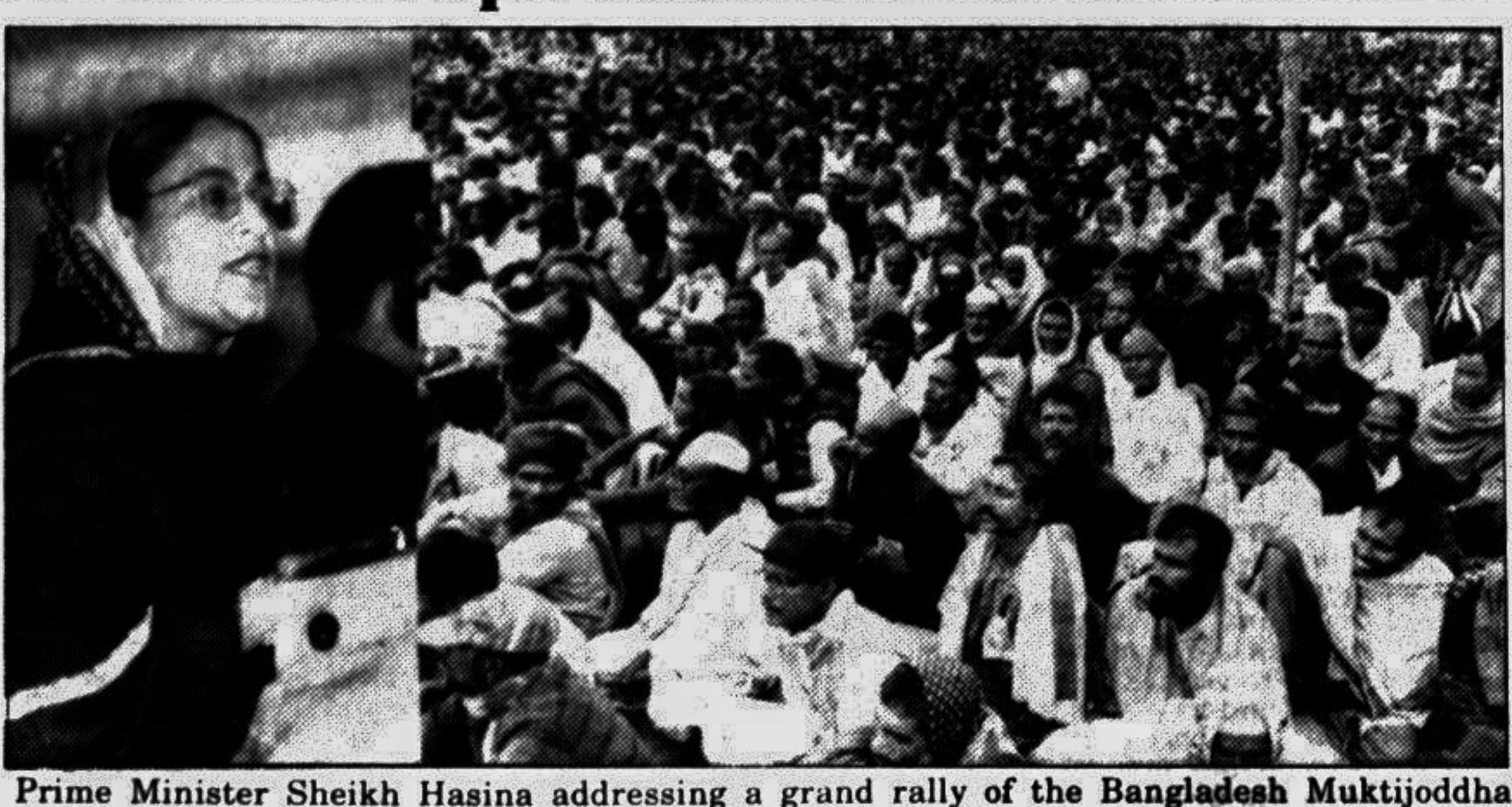
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NOTICE

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HIGH COURT DIVISION
(STATUTORY ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)
COMPANY MATTER NO. 131 OF 1997
IN THE MATTER OF:-

Pragati Insurance Ltd.Petitioner.
-Versus-
M/S. K.R. Textile Ltd. and othersRespondents.

Notice is hereby given that an application under section 85(3) of the Companies Act 1994 was filed by the Petitioners before the Company Bench of the High Court Division presided over by Mr. Justice Muhammad Fazlul Karim praying for holding an Extraordinary General Meeting of M/S. K.R. Textile Ltd. the Hon'ble Court was pleased to admit the matter on 19.11.97 and fix it for hearing on 12th of January 1998.

If any one is interested to oppose the said application he may appear on the date fixed for the hearing either personally or through duly authorised advocate to oppose the same. Copy for the application may be obtained on payment of prescribed charge.

Khaled H. Chowdhury, Barrister-at-law, Room #, 2/1, Supreme Court Bar Bldg, Dhaka. Phone # 955 4985.

English Department Alumni Society

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Annual Get-together 1997

Date : December 26, 1997 (Friday)
Time : 3:00-6:30 PM
Venue : British Council, 5 Fuller Road, Dhaka

Registration fees : Taka 100/- only.

Please pre-register by December 24 at the Department.

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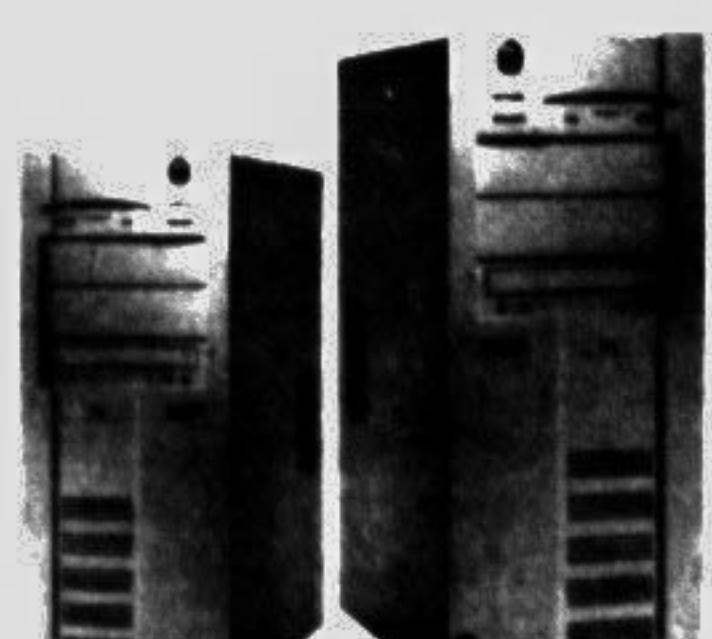
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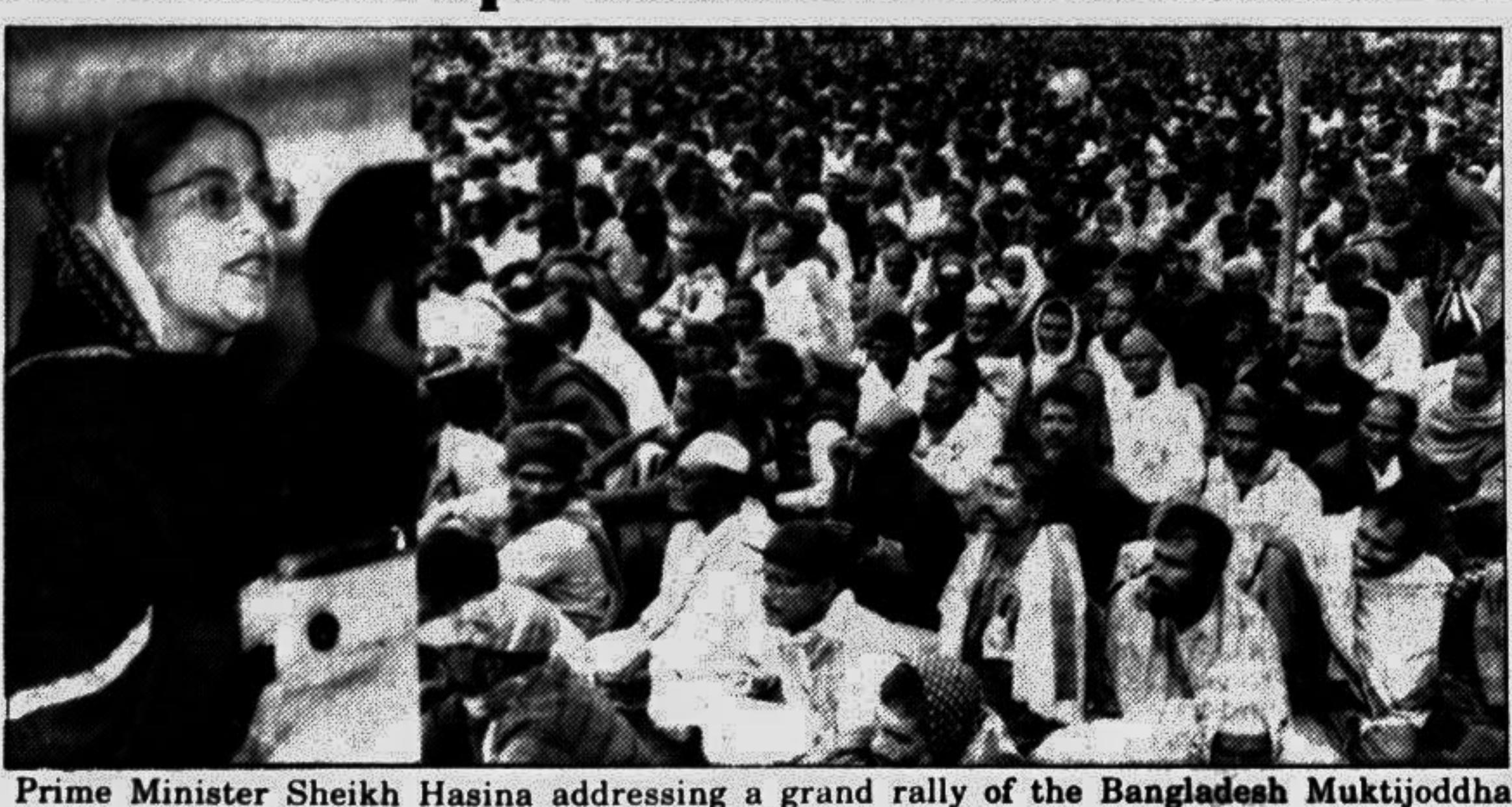
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