



Directive to RO
Ask 'them' to leave Tangail immediately

By Nurul Kabir
The Election Commission yesterday directed the Returning Officer for parliamentary by-election in Tangail-8 constituency to ask three government officials to leave the district immediately and not to go to the area before the election result is announced, EC sources said.

The three are R A M Obaidul Mukhtar, Private Secretary to the Prime Minister and two assistant personal secretaries to the PM - Ibrahim Hossain Khan and A M M Bahauddin Nasim.

The EC directive followed press reports that PM's political adviser Dr S A Malek and the three officials were working in the constituency in favour of the ruling party candidate, Shawkat Momen Shahjahan.

In its directive, the EC quoted certain provision of The Representation of the People Order, 1972 that suggests puni-

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AL iterates call for dialogue

By Staff Correspondent
The ruling Awami League has urged the opposition parties to respond positively to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's offer of dialogue.

Exchanging views with heads of different universities and educational institutions and leaders of teachers' associations yesterday, the party leaders said the opposition parties want to destroy the democratic system and upset political stability in the country by frequently calling hartal without valid reasons.

But the people would not allow them to create anarchy, they said.

Acting president of Awami League Amir Hossain Amu presided over the meeting held at the party's central office in the city, said a press release.

The meeting observed that discussion should be the ideal way of thrashing out solution to major issues in question.

The meeting also expressed concern at the harassment of students and examinees owing to frequent hartals.

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2 Ctg jute mills
Workers enforce barricade from today

From Our Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Nov 14: The workers of Anowara and Mokbuli Rahman Jute Mills will enforce a rail-road barricade programme for an indefinite period at Sitakunda from tomorrow.

Leaders of the workers' unions of the two jute mills yesterday jointly announced the programme to realise arrear wages.

About 5000 workers of the two mills have been agitating since June this year demanding arrear wages.

A good number of meetings between the workers and the managements of the two mills were held. But these meetings failed to resolve the crisis.

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