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HSC exams Apr 27
392 yet to get
admit cards
in Bagerhat

BAGERHAT, Apr 23: A total of 392 examinees of the district may not be able to sit for HSC examinations beginning Thursday across the country allegedly due to negligence of college authorities, reports UNB.

Only three days before commencement of the examinations, these students are yet to get admit cards, the candidates complained.

College authorities, however, acknowledged that admit cards of 232 students were withheld by the board for faulty filling of registration forms and subject-code cards.

"The other 160 students still don't know why they are not getting admit cards," said one college principal.

The aggrieved examinees held the college authorities responsible for the failure while the teachers blaming the students for the irregularities.

The principals of Chitalmari Degree College and Bangabandhu Women College told the news agency that they were still trying to collect admit cards for 385 students of the two colleges from the Jessore Education Board.

Khaleda

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against the BNP leaders and workers while the ruling party goons are resorting to terrorism. Police are arresting only BNP activists.

Some 500 detainees are stalled in the Feni jail against a capacity of 122. Khaleda said.

The opposition leader warned the local administration that the consequences will not be good if they carry on repressive activities "at the sweet will of any individual."

"We are writing down name and address of those carrying out illegal orders of ruling party. Reply will be given in due time," she warned.

Protesting the killing of two Bangladeshi nationals by Indian BSF personnel at the Feni frontier, Khaleda said the government could not take necessary action due to its weak-kneed foreign policy as well as subservient attitude to the neighbouring country.

Presided over by Mosharraf Hossain MP, the meeting was also addressed by Oli Ahmed, Abdul Matin Chowdhury, Khondoker Mosharraf Hossain, ZA Khan, Akbar Hossain, Mirza Abbas, Sadek Hossain Khoka, Salauddin Qader Chowdhury and Mahbubul Alam Tara.

BSS adds: Referring to the reported threat of a ruling party MP in Feni about capturing the Feni-1 constituency, now being held by Khaleda herself, in the forthcoming general elections, she said people will not allow anyone to capture the seat of their representative.

She said Awami League captured power by rigging in the 1996 elections.

Quoting a newspaper report that Awami League will get only 31 seats and the opposition alliance will get 269 seats, she said the AL will not even get 31 seats in future election.

Khaleda alleged that AL activists obstructed the BNP workers at different points, including Chhagalnaiya, Porosuram, Fulgazi and Dagonbuthyan, from joining her.

She also demanded the arrest of the "pro-govt top terrorist at Feni," who, she alleged, had closed down polytechnic institute and damaged the medical college.

Radar

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With the installation of the two new radars, the number of air defence radars would rise to six. Of the existing four, three are low looking and one positioned at Tangail is high powered and capable of scanning the horizon. Its surveillance radius is around 240 miles. The new look-down radars have a scan radius of around 80 miles each.

The radar procurement follows acquisition of sophisticated MiG-29 aircraft by the BAF.

These aircraft are packed with both speed and punch and possess superior avionics which make them capable of engaging intruding aircraft within seconds. The new radars would bolster the Air Force's early warning system further," said defence analyst.

Opposition yet to finalise next action programme

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of the BNP-led opposition alliance continued discussion to finalise next course of action programmes to be announced from a joint public meeting at Rajshahi tomorrow.

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia, Jatiya Party Chairman H M Ershad, Jamaat-e-Islami Ameer Golam Azam and Islam Okuya Jote Chairman Azizul Haq will address the meeting. Earlier, they addressed such meetings in Dhaka and Chittagong.

Sources said the Central Liaison Committee is yet to finalise a series of programmes it had drafted, including a countrywide dawn-to-dusk hartal to protest ruling party's recent remarks on High Court judges as chiefs of the parties did not give their consent about the programme, till last night.

No programme has yet been finalised as there are differences among the policy makers of the BNP about the draft programmes prepared by the liaison committee," said a BNP Standing Committee member.

"Fresh programmes are likely to be finalised tomorrow," said the sources.

Sources said they discussed about the draft programmes with the chiefs of three parties.

Talking to The Daily Star after the meetings, Jamaat assistant secretary general Mohammad Kamaruzzaman, who is representing the party at the CLC, said "We have got unanimous views from the four chiefs and their views are almost same," he said, adding that the chiefs have approved the draft programmes prepared by the CLC.

Another CLC member said though the chiefs have okayed the draft programmes but those are yet to finalise. He said the proposed date for hartal on May 4 may be shifted while other programmes will remain unchanged.

They said Khaleda Zia is not personally interested to call hartal because she is now busy with hectic mass contact programmes in different parts of the country. During her meeting with the members of the CLC on Saturday, she advised them to

Angry examinees

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about 11 a.m. and waited three hours but they didn't get an appointment.

A guardian said an official from the prime minister's office told them to talk to the board authorities about the issue.

He also said that none of the students were on campus during the attack and could not have been involved.

"We held a rally in Shahbagh at that time . . . the incident could be conspiracy hatched by the college authorities."

UNB adds: Education Ministry yesterday spurned suggestion of its parliamentary watchdog for allowing the 132 girls of Motijheel Model College to sit for HSC examination on Saturday, she advised.

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They informed a meeting of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid.

Raozan plant

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a number of blades damaged.

The PDB authorities blame CMEC for the mishap, saying that it did not hand over the information guidebook of the plant.

But the sources said inefficiency of PDB employees is the cause of the disaster.

They said that on April 10, poor operation by PDB employees caused the evidence of rape and murder of a young girl, Shima, today sought transfer of the case to another court, reports UNB.

Granting the petition, fourth Special District and Session's Judge A S A Mahfuz ruled that the accused should secure the High Court order for shifting the case to another court by May 15, failing which hearing would resume on the following day (May 16).

Advocate Elina Khan, a human right activist, who filed the case observed that the accused wanted to kill time and thus obstruct the process of trial.

Shima was raped and murdered by some policemen in custody in Rawzan thana few years ago.

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Members of the Christian Community at a prayer session on South Plaza of the Sangsab Bhaban on the occasion of Easter Sunday yesterday.

— Star photo

Computer programming contest now to be held at nat'l level

PM tells BUET delegation

Prime Minister Sheikh

Hasina announced yesterday that computer programming competition would now be held at national level annually as part of the measures to flourish information technology industry.

"We have given utmost importance to the development of science and technology and flourishing information technology," she said, adding that the government has also opened up Internet, e-mail and fax systems for data transmission under digital data-network systems.

She said the government has already allocated 47 acres of land in Mohakali to set up an IT village and 144 acres of land in Kalikoir to establish high-tech park.

"We have also opened up V-sat and Internet service for smooth growth of the sophisticated industry," she said, adding that the government has also opened up Internet, e-mail and fax systems for data transmission under digital data-network systems.

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