BNP, allies bring out 'black flag' processions

Arrest of Dr Igbal, others demanded

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Hundreds of opposition activists yesterday brought out "black flag" processions in the city to protest an armed attack on a BNP procession at Malibagh crossing during hartal hours on February 12, leaving four people killed and to press the demand for arrest of those involved.

The BNP, Jatiya Party, Jamaate-Islami, Islami Oikya Jote and few other rightwing political parties organised separate rallies and brought out processions from different parts of the city in the

BNP and JP organised separate rallies at Muktangan, Jamaat at the north gate of Baitul Mukarram while IOJ and others in Purana Paltan and Bijoynagar areas

Addressing the BNP rally, secretary general of the party Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan said the Awami League government has not yet taken any action against Dr HBM labal and his terrorist gang although their photographs were published in newspapers. This is proved that the government directly patronises terrorism and killings, he added.

He said Home Minister Mohammad Nasim and AL general secretary Zillur Rahman made false and imaginary statements and tried to blame the BNP for the incident even after publication of photographs of the terrorists.

Expressing grave concern over kidnapping of three foreign consulgeneral said foreign aid will decrease and foreign experts will not come to Bangladesh if the situation continues

He said the All terrorists are not only making attack on opposition activists and the countrymen, but also on foreigners

He demanded immediate arrest of Dr Iqbal and his terrorist gang for killing four people on February 13.

He also demanded immediate resignation of the AL government, handing over power to caretaker

Presided over by city BNP President Sadeque Hossain Khoka MP, it was addressed, among others. by Tarigul Islam. ZA Khan. Amanullah Aman MP. Zainal Abedin Faruque MP. Abdus Salam. Kazi Abul Bashar, Nabiullah Nabi, Shirin Sultana, Shahidul Islam Chowdhury Dulal, JCD leaders Monir Hossain and Sagir Ahmed.

After the rally, BNP and its front organisations brought out a black flag procession from Muktangan. The procession ended in front of party's central office at Naya Paltan.

JP procession was led by its leaders Mostafa Jamal Haider, Shah Mohammad Abu Zafar, Saifur Rahman, Ruhul Amin Hawlader and Sunil Gupta. Jamaat procession by Ali Ahsan Mujahid and ATM Azharul Islam, IOJ procession by Ahmed Abdul Qader and Abdur Rab Yusufi and Jagpa procession by Shafiul Alam Prodhan and Anisur Rahman.

3 murdered in city

in this regard In another incident, Abu Hossain, 35, an auto-rickshaw driver, bulletinjured by muggers at the Agargaon Road on February 13 died at the DMCH Wednesday night, hospital sources said. Hossain was son of Abdus Samad Sardar and resident of Kulshi in Pallabi

The incident took place when four muggers in the guise of passengers in the auto-rickshaw ordered the driver to stop at the Agargaon bazaar. The moment Hossain tried to speed away, one of the muggers stabbed him from behind and took

Two armed cadres of Salauddin Qader Chy held

BSS, Ctg

Rangunia police yesterday arrested two alleged armed cadres of Salauddin Quader Chowdhury MP with firearms from Mogaichari area

in Chittagong.
A special team led by officer-incharge of Rangunia police, acting on a tip-off, cordoned off a brick field in the area where the criminals were

Mohammad Munshi and Mohammad Alam were arrested with one foreign gun, one local made pipe gun and six bullets,

The arrested said to be the leaders of Ejmash Bahini, the armed wing of Salauddin Quader Chowdhury, are wanted in a number of criminal cases including abduction of a businessman last month.

The arrested were also sued under PSA, the sources said.

away Tk. 250 from him. Mahbub. brother of the victim, filed a case with the Kafrul police station in this regard.

Besides, an alleged mugger Nazmul Haq, 26, was lynched by mob at Pallabi in the city on Wednesday. Samsul Alam, sub-inspector of Pallabi police took him to the DMCH where he succumbed to his injuries yesterday morning. The body was sent to the hospital morque for autopsy.

_angol row FROM PAGE 12

Chief Election Commissioner MA Syed passed the order in presence of three other Election Commissioners Abidur Rahman, Mustaq Ahmed Chowdhury and Safiur Rahman.

The order said, considering all the facts placed before the Commission, submissions made, documents submitted and the relevant provisions of law, the Election Commission has determined that neither group can claim "Langol" as their election Symbol.

'Hence, it is decided that 'Langol' will not be designated to any of the groups for any by-election to the Seventh Parliament "the order said

Ruhul Amin Howlader and TIM Fazle Rabbi from the Ershad-led faction and Sadeq Siddique and Azam Khan from the Manju-led faction of JP represented their respective sides at the Election Commission during the petition.

In a statement, Ershad-led JP rejected the EC's verdict saying that they would go to the High Court for

BGMEA goes to polls

Unlike the previous years, four groups are in contention this time, making the battle tough for the two leading groups Sammilito Parishad and Forum. These two traditional groups apart, two new groupings namely Progressive Forum and Members' Council have also come up with separate panels this year. Three independent candidates are

Observers and BGMEA insiders said the members this time did not go for any single panel. Instead, they picked people from different panels. They also said that a large number of floating votes would seal the fate of the election

Businesspeople of the country's largest export earning sector started thronging the BGMEA Bhaban at city's Karwan Bazar from early morning to give their mandate.

Supporters of different groups were seen busy for the better part of the day in a last-ditch attempt to woo voters on their side. Panel leaders of the four groups were greeting voters at the main gate standing side by The two traditional groups,

Forum and Sammilito Parishad. contested the polls with full panels led by Anisul Hug and Kutubuddin Ahmed respectively. On the other hand. Members Council led by Muzaffar Siddique sought mandate for 25 posts while Progressive Forum led by Engineer M Abu Taher vied for 21 posts.

Ensuring duty- and guota-free access to the US and other major markets including South and Southeast Asia and managing fund for the much-needed backward linkage industries are on top of the election agenda of all the groups.

JS body bound for ROK

would show it to the committee

members soon. Presided over by Chairman of the committee Mai Gen (retd) KM Shafiullah. vesterday's meeting was attended by, among others, ruling party lawmakers Col. (retd) Shawkat Ali and Lt Col (retd) Md Farug Khan, BNP legislator Prof. Rezaul Karim and Jatiya Party lawmaker GM Kader. Besides, the Defence Secretary, Navy Chief and two others from the Navy attended the meeting.

The delegation which is going to South Korea today comprises seven members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee, three Defence Ministry officials and a Navy official.

They would first go to South Korean capital Seoul and then to Okpo where Daewoo's shipyard is

Daewoo would arrange for the team a demonstration of 'firing control system ' of the frigate which has been already floated but required some finishing task, one

source said. The parliamentary team would have separate meetings with the South Korean Defence Minister and the Chairman of South Korean parliamentary committee on defence ministry. Besides, they would visit the historic 'Demilitarised Zone' (DMZ) on the border of South and North Koreas.

The team would return home on March 2.

Khaleda 's words

FROM PAGE 1 on Wednesday night had asked for calling off hartal on Monday consid-

ering the case of the hajj pilgrims.
Accordingly, BNP SecretaryGeneral Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan called a meeting of the CLC to have her instruction approved. But sources said a section of leaders of Jatiya Party, and the leaders of Jamaat-e-Islami and Islami Oikya Jote rejected outright the BNP

. The two-hour meeting was held at the Baridhara residence of JP Secretary-General Naziur Rahman Manjur. However, the CLC is likely to meet again today.

Sources said BNP Standing Committee member M Saifur Rahman MP drew the attention of party chief Khaleda Zia at Zia International Airport prior to her departure and requested her to reduce the hartal for at least one

Other moderate leaders present at the airport chimed in with Saifur and said the proposal was very logical. Khaleda also readily accepted the proposal and asked the party secretary-general to call the CLC meeting and make announcement in this regard.

JP leaders Naziur Rahman Maniur and Kazi Firoz Rashid, who were present at the airport, agreed with Khaleda Zia. But Firoz Rashid later shifted his position and joined Jamaat leaders to turn down the proposal, CLC sources said, Naziur was in favour of calling a hartal only on Sunday.

Meeting sources said Jamaat Secretary-General Ali Ahsan Muiahid was instrumental in moulding a strong opinion against the proposal to call a one-day hartal.

BNP leaders Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain, M Shamsul Islam and Anwar Zahid. JP leader Shah Mohammad Abu Zafar. Jamaat leaders Abdul Qader Mollah and ATM Azharul Islam and acting secretary-general of IOJ Ahmed Abdul Qader also attended the

IG, Prisons

FROM PAGE 1 employees. As a conciliatory measure, the government assured that Waliur would be withdrawn within six months. However, no such action was taken afterwards.

Finally on February 20, the authorities sent Brigadier Waliur to Mymensingh Medical College as its Director. The past director Col. Ismail Hossain has been transferred back to the armed forces.

Though the recruitment rules say that the appointment of IG Prisons should be made from the department concerned, the practice of giving appointments to army officers has been going on since 1975.

Jail officials are now expecting that from now on appointments would comply with the recruitment

Meanwhile, the government has withdrawn Brigadier General Obaidul Hag from Fire Service and Civil Defence. He was the Director General of the organisation. Until yesterday, the post remained yet to

BIWTA, BIWTC

launch management of the provisions of the 1976 Ordinance relating to safety of the passengers and sought special interim relief for the upcoming Eid-ul-Azha

The petitioner demanded implementation of the recommendations made by the two committees formed to probe the launch accident that took place on December 29, 2000 during the Eid-ul-Fitr when MV Jalkopot hit MV Rajhongshi claiming

The court also issued a rule nisi upon the respondents to show cause within four weeks from the date of the order as to why they shall not be directed to ensure that the law and orders relating to navigational safety are complied to, and also why they shall not be directed to take immediate steps for the implementation of recommendations of the commit-

Eminent lawyer Dr Kamal Hossain moved the petition and he was assisted by Advocate Syeda Rizwana Hasan, Advocate M Iqbal Kabir and Barrister Tanjib-ul Alam.

BNP staged a demonstration in the city yesterday demanding arrest and trial of those responsible for killing four people during hartal in the city on February 13.

Defenders down, Indians to go

by 77 runs in their last group league match on Tuesday. Ironically, Pakistan crashed out of the meet conceding the same margin of defeat to India in the second semifinal at the BKSP ground in Savar

Bangladesh's victory against the fancied emerald islanders came as a reward of their excellent ground fielding, disciplined bowling and, to some extent, sensible batting

Jahurul Islam, opening the Bangladesh innings along with Ashraful, led the successful chase with an unbeaten 55 off 112 balls. Riding on three let-offs, the lanky right-hander played within his mitation, lacing his workmanlike knock with only three fours.

It could have been a bigger

academic schedule at these institu-

Even worse, hartal and other

agitation programmes may further

delay printing and distribution of

60 categories of secondary school-

books by December 15 last year,

Pustaka, a Beximco concern, has

so far distributed only 14 and prom-

ised to complete the task by

February 25. The National

Curriculum and Textbook Board

(NCTB), however, says the remain-

ing 46 categories of textbooks

would be available in the market

our education system and the future

of the next generation," said a

Sharful Hasan, Capt Kismat

Hashem, Capt Nazmul Hasan Ansar

and Risaldar Moslemuddin were

Farook further said he had dis-

closed the whole plan during the

briefing and the plan was to bring

Bangabandhu to the Cantonment to

force him to make proclamation of

few changes and in case that failed,

Col Mohiuddin (Lancer) was given

the task of executing Bangabandhu.

the relevant portion from paper book

to show the involvement of five of the

condemned accused who were

acquitted by a judge of a two-judge

High Court bench, Farook's state-

ment came up as saying that he

(Farook) had ordered Mai Ahmed

Sharful Hasan to keep the tanks

move with the tanks upon his green

Farook also asked Sharful to

While the prosecutor reading out

While talking to The Daily Star,

'Political conflicts will simply ruin

from the first week of March.

teacher of Udayan School.

Contracted to print and distribute

textbooks.

score was on tie at 140. Sharif hit the winning runs a boundary over the close in Sri Lankan fielders.

Skipper Nafees Iqbal played an entertaining knock of 36 that included two sweetly timed sixes. Star opener Mohammad Ashraful scored a characteristically aggressive 22 off 28 balls. But he seemed to have developed a habit of throwing away his wicket after settling down well in the middle. The talented right-hander drove Sri Lankan right-arm seamer Mahroof straight to the throat of Dilshan at cover with the scoreboard reading 29 in 8.1

Earlier, Sri Lanka, deciding to bat first, suffered a dramatic collapse following a sound start by their openers. Left-handers Tharanga and Gunawardana put on 54 runs in

several teachers and students of

Dhaka University expressed frustra-

opposition political parties, which

they said, not only hampered aca-

demic activities but also created

should be kept beyond the purview

shutdowns," said Shameem, whose

already been rescheduled thrice

Professor M Shahadat Ali, pro-

honours final year viva-voce has

vice chancellor of the university,

strongly condemned the political

leaders for hampering academic

education," he said. "Rather, they

are destroying the education sys-

tem through various political

Captain Kismat came out with

Farook and Maj Sharful was in

said in his statement.

President.

the radio station.

command of the last tank, Farook

Moslemuddin was made bodyguard

of Khandaker Mustague Ahmed

after he had taken oath as President

and he (Faroog) and Rashid were

made special assistant to the

of Farook, also narrated the deploy-

ment of troops on August 15, 1975

and said he was given the charge of

statement said he set artillery guns

near Kalabagan at the directive of

Farook, but fired four shells just after

hearing firing from Bangabandhu's

residence, although he was asked to

fire only after getting green signal

Col Mohiuddin (Artillery) in his

Col Shahriyar in his statement, as

The confession savs Risaldar

"Our leaders never think about

of all political programmes.

due to hartal

activities at DU.

They felt that the examinations

"We are fed up with frequent

tense atmosphere on the campus.

tion over frequent strikes called by

Shariful changing the complexion of the game with three quick wickets. An improved Bangladesh field-

ing also caused serious trouble to the Sri Lankan batsmen. Ashraful dismissed De Silva with a direct throw at the bowler's end while a tall Mortaza heralded the fall of Mahroof in the same fashion. "We had a good start. But those

two run outs proved costly for us. I think, the Bangladesh ground fielding was superb today," said Sri Lanka manager Ashley De Silva after the match.

"This is one of the those off days for us and full credit to the Bangladesh team who seized the opportunity perfectly," Ashley

Haunted by hartal

programmes." The schedule for the ongoing honours final examinations of different departments of the university is being constantly revised owing to frequent political agita-

Such rescheduling, according to DU officials, has far-reaching aftereffect on the academic calendar,

Staggered examinations also have a chain reaction -- publication of results gets delayed and accommodation problem in the dormitories becomes acute.

Some 3,000 examinees of for their examinations last week due to three consecutive days of dawnto-dusk hartal, university sources

Col Mohiuddin hints

from Maj Bazlul Huda. In his statement Mohiuddin tank from the cantonment along with further said order was given to fire two shells on Bangabandhu's residence and two targeting at Rakkhi Bahini's headquarters. But two shells dived into Dhanmondi Lake while two blasted in Mohammadour

> Later in the day, prosecution counsel Adv Towfika Karim read the judgement of Justice Ruhul Amin who had acquitted five of the convicts and modified the sentence on

Special Public Prosecutor Serajul Haq, DAG Shamsuddin Ahmed Chowdhury Manik, AAG Haider and Adv Mosharraf Hossain Kaiol were also on the prosecution side

The hearings will resume at 10:30 am on Tuesday.

Indian cos want

Battery export from Bangladesh

to India was made for the first time in

May 1996 under special import licence (SIL), and the Indian

importer started facing serious

harassment from different govern-

ment agencies soon after import of

nitial consignments, Niaz Rahim

lleged.
The price of per unit Bangladesh-

made battery for export to the India's

Maruti is US\$ 10.87. But, when an

Indian company, including Exide India which is one of the petitioners

of anti-dumping duty, exports similar

battery to Bangladesh the cost is US

"If the Indian authorities raised the issue to the SAPTA consultative

committee, we would welcome the

edly pleading for withdrawal of the

profile, calling off their search patrol

backed by helicopters, BDR and

armed police to help fruitful negotia-

tions, the abductors suddenly

changed their mind and insisted on

quoted by BBC yesterday as saying that talks are likely to be held today.

Azad told reporters that he was

hopeful about release of the hos-

food, water and other items sought

by the hostages were sent to them

through the mediators.

Kalparanjan Chakma was

Foreign Minister Abdus Samad

Meanwhile, fresh supplies of

Our Staff Correspondent

Abdullah Al-Mahmud reported from

Rangamati that Kalparanjan

Chakma told said at a press brief-

ing dialogue with the abductors was

Though the army had taken a low

move," said Rahim.

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military cordon.

lifting of the siege.

Abductors

FROM PAGE 1 petition in India saying that a huge number of lead acid batteries is making their way into India from Bangladesh, Japan, Korea and China due to easing of import restrictions and bringing import of lead acid batteries under open

Bangladeshi manufacturers should not be included in the notification along with the other three non-SAPTA countries as 'we are exporting (lead acid batteries) under the preferential tariff allowed by India under SAPTA," he added.

The BABMA president said that lead acid battery exports to India from Bangladesh being only point five per cent (55,000 pieces) of the Indian market of more than 10 million pieces cannot be harmful to Indian manufacturers.

Expressing concern, he said if for imposition of anti-dumping duty on battery export from Bangladesh the Indian government may impose as much as 900 per cent antidumping duty, which means no Bangladeshi manufacturer would be able to export battery in future

He alleged that the SAPTA agreement signed to encourage trade between member countries is not being followed in this regard. The Indian companies have filed

petition against those companies which are not the exporters, and which do not even have factories, said Niaz Rahim, also the director of Rahimafrooz (Bangladesh) Limited. On the other hand. Exide India

has taken an initiative to set up a battery assembly unit in Bangladesh by importing knockeddown components from India where production of batteries is cheaper. He said the government should encourage technology transfer; but

Exide India is not bringing in any new technology here. Rather, it is going to set up an assembly unit and stop export from Bangladesh. Its ultimate goal is to enter the local market and destroy an emerging Demand for lead acid batteries in the domestic market is around 200,000 pieces while local manu-

facturers have the capacity to

produce around 800,000 pieces.

going on although no direct negotiation took place so far. Asked when he expects the hostage crisis to be over, he said, "It is not certain. It may take some

more time to settle the matter" The minister also declined to say what he had discussed with the representatives of abductors.

Power plight revisited

during the first half of the day.

DESA control room said last

evening that they had already restored most of the tripped lines and hoped to restore the rest of the lines by late last night. DESA officials said last night that

DESA had to go for more than 50 MW of loadshedding yesterday as demand for power has already increased with the arrival of sultry weather. DESA's power load was 1031 MW during peak hours last

A DESA official said last night that power supply lines at different areas of the city tripped for the last

few days due to low voltage. " As soon as the voltage reaches the normal level, the supply restores", he said.

DESA received directives from the Prime Minister's Office to take immediate measures to keep loadshedding in Dhaka city to a minimum during the lean season

that normally begins by mid March. A senior DESA official said that city dwellers can expect a 'better wer supply this year as some projects under a crash programme of DESA are expected to be com-

pleted by mid-March.

Dipu's bail prayer rejected

of conspiracy. The prosecution side opposed the petition.

After hearing both sides, the court rejected the bail petition. Dipu along with his two associ-

ates Sourav and Rana surrendered to the CMM's Court on February 18 and were sent to the Dhaka Central Jail Earlier, the Detective Branch of

police had submitted a prayer before the court seeking remand for Souray and Rana. The court fixed February 27 for hearing on the remand prayer.

According to FIR, Taraj Uddin,

president of a Cooperative Society, was shot dead by a gang of 23 at Narda under Uttara thana on the night of February 8

Victim's brother, Nurul Islam filed a murder case with Uttara thana. accusing 23 people including Dipu Chowdhury. Later the case was transferred to the DB.

Eleven people have so far been arrested in connection with the case. Two of them, identified as Borhan Uddin and Aminul Haq, were arrested with a loaded gun while escaping in a taxicab after the

Arsenic issue

poisoning is lethal. Research has proved beyond doubt that the source of arsenic poisoning is shallow tubewells from which 97 per cent of the rural people in Bangladesh get drinking water.

People are drinking arsenic contaminated water everyday from shallow tubewells while sinking of new tubewells also continues, they added.

The World Bank's figures claim 20 million people in Bangladesh are currently at risk and 75 million are potentially at risk of arsenic poisoning from tubewells. But donors' funds and also that of the government are still being used for sinking

tubewells, BIAN leaders mentioned In this connection, they referred

to DANIDA, DFID, UNICEF, WHO, World Bank, Rotary International, Islamic Development Bank and DPHF.

The press conference was convened by Chairperson of BIAN Kumar Murshid with the cooperation of BIAN's local partners BROTEE and Dhaka Community Hospital. Those who spoke included Kumar Murshid, Ayub Karam Ali of BIAN, Sharmeen Murshid of BROTEE, Dr Mahmudur Rahman of Dhaka Community Hospital and Barrister Ajmalul Hossain, legal advisor to

holiday and the national flag was

hoisted half-mast atop public and

private buildings. Black flags were

also hoisted. Main thoroughfares in

the capital and, other cities and

towns in the country were decorated

with colourful festoons inscribed

with Bangla alphabets and miniature

supplements while radio and televi-

sions aired special programmes

Newspapers carried out special

national flags.

Ekushey observed

Ekushey Television (ETV) broadcast live the midnight programmes at the Central Shaheed Minar. The ETV

The Central Shaheed Minar was opened for public as a special security ring was withdrawn after the president, prime minister and other

VVIPs had placed wreaths. cultural and professional organisations and individuals joined the mourning processions to place

depicting significance of the day. Discussions, seminars, exhibitions, cultural sessions, blood donations and milad mahfil were

held to mark the day. The Ekushey Book Fair at the Bangla Academy drew huge crowd on the day. Various programmes marking the International Mother Language

Day was also held in the cities of Chittagong, Khulna, Rajshahi, Sylhet and Barisal and other parts of

CEC, AL debate over by-polls anomaly

implementation of those ahead of

the next general election. "We believe in fairness in every election and we appreciate all the reform proposals for the sake of fairness." AL Presidium Member and Prime Minister's parliamentary Affairs Advisor Surnajit Sengupta told The Daily Star while coming out

of the meeting yesterday.

He said they would discuss the matter further and would sit with the EC again. "It will take time as the proposals involve some provisions of the Constitution." he said adding that the process would end before the next parliamentary polls. Held at the CEC's office, the

dialogue was attended by CEC MA Syed, Election Commissioners Moshtaq Ahmed Chowdhury and Safiur Rahman and senior EC officials. The AL was represented by Suranjit Sengupta, Joint General Secretary Mozaffar Hossain Paltu, Office Secretary Advocate Abdul Mannan Khan, Publicity Secretary Abdul Mannan and Sudhansu

Shekhar Halder.

During nearly two-hour meeting, both the sides focused on registration of political parties with the EC, raising the election expenses of a candidate, shortening the timeframe for disposal of disposal of complaints filed with Election Tribunals and proposed Constitutional amendment for restricting a candidate from contest-

ing for more than two seats at a time. Meeting sources said AL leaders and the CEC had a heated debate when the CEC described his experience of conducting three byelections and a municipality election. An AL leader questioned his remarks on the recent by-polls in Pabna that affected the government's image.

The CEC said that the by-polls should have been postponed as wide-spread rigging took place in those and showed a foreign observer's report on the Pabna bypolls, the sources added. At that stage, another AL leader

asked the CEC why did not he

encies and would he continue such practices in the next parliamentary election under the Caretaker Government? "I didn't hold anybody responsibe, why are you taking

responsibilities of those incidents?

postpone polling in those constitu-

No malpractice will be allowed in the coming elections," the CEC was quoted by the sources as saying. Both the sides then went through the reform proposals. About the registration of political parties, the ruling party men said they have no problem with such provisions. "We will see the existing provisions of the

Constitution and inform the EC

later," one of the AL leaders was

quoted by a meeting source as

The AL leaders emphasised reducing the heads for election expenses of a candidate and fixing an amount logical for every candidate. They also suggested checking use of black money in elections. The EC has proposed raising of election expenses to Tk five lakh from Tk

Regarding the disposal of election disputes, the AL suggested twotier tribunals for quick disposal of those. There are only six election tribunals in the country now.

three lakh now.

Restrcting a candidate from contesting for more than two seats at a time requires Constitutional amendment. Awami League would consider the issue if all the political parties come to a consensus on this, the party leaders told the meeting.

Maulana Azizul FROM PAGE 12 Badsha Mian, a police constable was

killed by Islamic zealots inside a mosque at Mohammadpur during a dawn-to-dask hartal on February 3 called by Ulema-Mashaikh The CMM's Court sent Maulana

Azizul Haq to the Dhaka Jail from

where the authorities shifted him to Barisal Jail IOJ secretary general Fazlul Had Amini is not detained at Rangpur Jail.

also broadcast the main programme in the port city of Chittagong.

Numerous political, socio-

wreaths at the Central Shaheed Minar until Wednesday afternoon. The entire Shaheed Minar turned into a sea of flowers, which was later removed by the volunteers. Portraits of the Language Movement martyrs, verses on Bangla language and other paintings featured decoration in the area.

The Shaheed Day was a public