BNP govt resorting to persecution to consolidate its 'illegal power': Hasina

UNB, Dhaka

Awami League President Sheikh Hasina yesterday charged the BNP-led coalition with perpetrating political persecution to "secure its stolen power".

"They have not come to power with people's vote. They have weakness in their minds. So, they began persecution to consolidate their illegal power," she told a rally at Central Shaheed Minar.

Scores of people, mostly students, have been on hunger strike there for the fourth day to protest alleged repression, rape and killing of religious minority people.

Expressing solidarity with the cause of hunger strikers, Hasina called for resistance to and re-

venge for what she said inhuman torture, repression, rape and killing by BNP-Jamaat activists.

"This hunger strike would not melt down the hearts of the cruel killers and rapists, they understand only if there is resistance and revenge," she told the spontaneous gathering.

Alongside the repression on the minorities the "BNP-Jamaat terrorists" are killing innumerable Awami League workers and setting afire their houses and looting their properties, Hasina said.

"Only offence of these people is that they voted for Awami League," she said, adding huge voters of her party and minorities could not cast votes due to untold repression and intimidation.

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BSS, New Delhi

An analyst here has expressed the view that India should note the changing image of Bangladesh after the just-concluded general elections and suggested that New Delhi should not get identified with a particular political party or

India and Bangladesh should focus on issues for, while conducting foreign policy the one factor that guides countries is not the question of friends or enemies but permanent interests, analyst Padmaja Murthy said in an article due." published in the leading daily 'The

Hindu' yesterday. fellow at the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi, said Khaleda Zia's initial reaction following the landslide victory reflects that a mature leadership is at the helm of affairs.

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negotiable.

Murthy said Khaleda stressed the need to combat terrorism and asked the people not to take law

Referring to the present political scenario in Bangladesh, the writer said one is hopeful that both domestic and international pressure will result in a constructive opposition and that differences are resolved in parliament and not through hartals.

into their own hands.

It said India's experience of working with both Awami League and BNP indicates that "apprehensions about the BNP are un-

It should be remembered that nations do not have permanent Murthy, who is an associate friends or enemies but only permanent interests, Murthy said, adding that "Public postures of belligerence or otherwise are guided many a time by domestic compulsions. What matters is action on the ground."

The AL chief said it is the people's constitutional right to exercise their voting right freely, but they are facing torture because of voting for Awami League on Octo-

Hasina claimed that Awami League got much more than 40 per cent of the votes cast, but the electoral verdict was forged and hijacked. "The vote thieves used every means to rig the election."

Now, she said, Awami League leaders and workers cannot live in their homes. "The way Hindu women and girls are being raped by the neo-government of vote thieves cannot be expressed in words." Many women could not tell their misery because of social

It only reminds one of the torture, loot, rape and arson of 1971. They have taken recourse to the same path, she said.

Pointing to the killing of Awami League secretary of Rayerbazar unit yesterday, Hasina alleged after capturing power through vote fraud the new government wants to cleanse its opponents.

Referring to communal unrest the former prime minister said during her five-year rule there had been communal harmony and all religious groups - Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist and Christian - performed their religions peacefully.

"We had guaranteed equal rights and restored peace and communal harmony in society, although the opposition at that time tried to incite unrest and disturb her government."

Lashing at government's silence over the situation, Hasina urged the human rights organisations and non-communal forces to unite against these atrocities.

The AL leader also warned against any conspiracy to erase the spirit and objectives of the 1971 Independence War.

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Terrorists rape | G teenage girl protect in Barisal STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A teenage Hindu girl was allegedly raped by a group of terrorists who also molested her mother and an aunt at a village under Barisal Sadar Upazilla Saturday night.

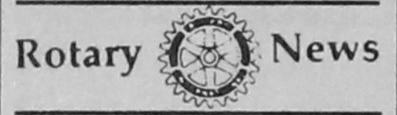
The victim's family members alleged that a group of identified terrorists of Rajarchar village under Charmonai union demanded a large amount of extortion money from them. Following their refusal to pay, the terrorists looted their belongings and ordered them to leave the house or else face dire consequences.

After the incident, the father of the victim sent his elder daughter away to the safety of a relative's house while the victim, her mother and an aunt stayed on.

On Saturday night, a gang of about 12 gun-wielding terrorists broke into the house and took the father to a separate place. Then they dragged the young girl to a nearby garden where a number of men gang-raped her. The rest of the gang molested her 40-year-old mother and a 30-year-old sister of the father in another room of the

Police have been investigating

The three are now staying at a government rehabilitation centre after the rape victim informed a leader of Mahila Parishad in Barshal about the attack.



Weekly meeting

Weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Ramna will be held at 5:30 pm today at the Dhaka Club, says a press release.

The guest speaker, SA Aziz, Managing Director of Leads Corporation, will speak on 'life-time opportunity.' Members are requested to attend the meeting on

Weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Dhaka will be held today at 5:00 pm at the Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel, says a press release.

Newly inducted members will be the speakers and they will speak on "Their Vocation." Members are requested to attend the meeting on time.

Govt firm to minorities

Awami League President and former prime minister Sheikh Hasina talking to people observing a fast-unto-death

BSS, Dhaka

Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan said yesterday that the BNP government is committed to protecting religious rights of all citizens including Hindu, Muslim, Buddhist and Christians.

"The responsibility of the government is to ensure a peaceful environment for observing religious occasions of all segment of people with due solemnity and fervour," the minister said while addressing a delegation of "Bangladesh Minority Somonya Com-

programme at the Central Shaheed Minar yesterday. They are protesting the attacks on the minority community. Charmonai Pir warns of tough movement

UNB, Dhaka

Ameer of Islamic Constitution Movement (ICM) and Pir of Charmonai Hazrat Syed Mohammad Fazlul Karim yesterday threatened to wage a tough movement against Khaleda Zia's government if it fails to contain post-election violence in Barisal.

"Take immediate steps to quell heightening tension in the district and provide security to the minority people or face a tough movement," he told a news conference.

The Charmonai Pir, who forged an alliance with Ershad-led JI before the national election, also warned the government not to try to foil his annual three-day milad mahfil scheduled for Nov 9-11 at

SC to hear suspension order on ETV today STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court is scheduled to hear the case of suspension order on the terrestrial transmission by the private Ekushey Television (ETV)

Earlier on October 4, the Supreme Court extended till October 16 stay of a High Court order suspending terrestrial transmission by ETV.

Chamber Judge of the Vacation Bench of Supreme Court Justice Mohammad Ruhul Amin gave the stay order on September 27 after lawyers for ETV and the government pleaded that the private TV Station should be allowed to continue its broadcasting.

Earlier on September 19 following a writ petition, the High Court had issued a show cause notice on the private channel and the secretary of the Ministry of Information as to why the licensing agreement executed on March 9, 1999 between the ministry and ETV Chairman A S Mahmud should not be declared to have been made without lawful authority and of no legal effect.

Prof. Chowdhury Mohammad Hossain of the Pharmacy Department and Prof. Abdur Rob of the Geography Department of Dhaka University and President of a faction of Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) Gias Kamal Chowdhury jointly filed the writ

The petitioners in their writ petition said international bids were invited for setting up a private television channel in the country. ETV was one of the bidders. But after scrutiny, the tender evaluation committee on July 9, 1998 sent a list to the Ministry of Information, declaring ETV disqualified. But another list was sent to the ministry later on that day, showing ETV on top of the list of

They further alleged that the licensing agreement was signed with A S Mahmud although he did

not participate in the bid. But subsequently the license was transferred in the name of ETV

They also alleged that the ETV did not obtain any clearance certificate as per the Telegraph Act for functioning as a TV channel and it set up key-point installations (KPI) at BTV building without permission from the National Security

Kamal murder Zobayed Adel's bail prayer rejected

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Intelligence (NSI).

The First Additional Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court, Dhaka yesterday rejected the bail petition of Zobayed Mohammad Adel, an accused in the Kamal Hossain Murder Case.

Judge Mohammad Hasan Imam passed the order following a petition by the defence lawyers.

Advocate TM Akbar submitted a bail petition for Zobayed Adel. He stated that Zobayed was implicated in the case as part of a conspiracy to harass him (Zobayed) politically.

Advocate Sahara Khatun and Abdur Rahman Hawlader opposed

After hearing both the sides, the court rejected the bail petition. The court also adjourned the

proceedings of the case till October 30 following a time petition by the prosecution lawyers. Jahangir Mohammad Adel,

now on bail, was present in the court while Zobayed and Pappu now in jail custody were produced before the court during hearing.

Adel's another son Tareq and Nitya Sarker have been absconding since the incident.

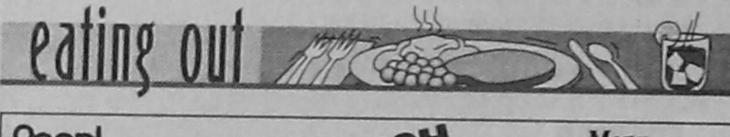
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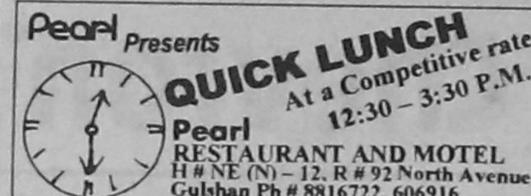
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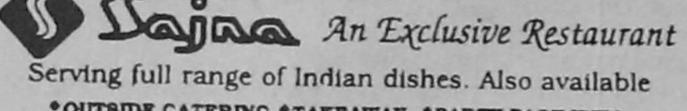
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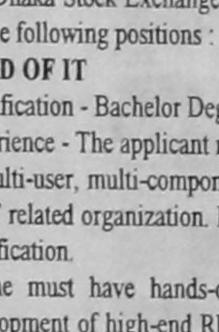
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He/she must have hands-on experience working in Unix/Solaris/VMS/MVS and expertise in design and development of high-end RDBMS and SQL query design with proven experience in object-oriented client-server application software development, preferably in the Capital Market. Sound understanding of communication protocols, network topology, network components, network layers both for local and wide area network and Internet technology is a must.

He/she must have experience in preparing training plan, methods and tools, and perform evaluation of the subordinates fairly and objectively and be competent to supervise sophisticated IT set-up. Communication skills both verbal and writing must be of very high standard. Must be adept in IT related technical writing and be able to produce timely professional quality status reports.

SECRETARY - The incumbent must have at least 10 years experience in secretarial/managerial position in large and reputed organisation, corporation, company dealing with general administration, personnel administration, secretariat matters, company affairs, board matters, board, committee and general meetings and preparation of minutes thereof, regulatory requirements/formalities with the RIC and SEC.

He/she must have adequate knowledge about Companies Act, Securities Laws and Labour Law with at least graduation degree in any discipline from any university and be fluent in English and Bengali. He/she must have strong personality, be able to work independently, be conversant with modern management techniques including computer literacy and be able to manage, administer and oversee the day to day functions of

the Exchange and report to the CEO.

MANAGER - CLEARING AND SETTLEMENT

The applicant must have at least 05 years experience on Clearing and Settlement activities in a reputed scheduled bank/related organisation with sound knowledge of Securities laws, rules and regulations. He must be a person of strong personality and be able to supervise the activities of a large number of employees in clearing house of the Exchange.

The applicant must have at least a graduation degree in any discipline from a recognised university. He must be fluent in English and Bengali and also having computer literacy.

Attractive remuneration package and other benefits will be offered to the really deserving persons for the Posts. Only short listed candidates will be called for interview. Candidates having the above background with the ability to work under pressure should send a full CV in confidence to the Chief Executive Officer, Dhaka Stock Exchange Ltd., 9/F, Motijheel C.A., Dhaka by 25 October 2001.



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