

BCL reunion now on February 3

UNB, Dhaka
Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) has shifted the date of its reunion as the government did not allow to hold the programme at Ramna Batamul on January 31.
The programme will now be held on February 3 at the Institution of Engineers auditorium, BCL sources said.
Awami League president and leader of the opposition in parliament Sheikh Hasina will be present as chief guest.
Earlier, the BCL decided to hold the reunion, marking its 54th founding anniversary at Ramna Batamul or Paltan Maidan.
"But the government did not allow us to hold the programme in these venues," a BCL leader said.



Forest and Environment Minister Shajahan Siraj speaking at a seminar on 'Environment-friendly jute bag - a substitute for polybag' at the National Press Club yesterday.

DUJ demands 6th Wage Board

BSS, Dhaka
Dhaka Union of Journalists (DUJ) yesterday demanded of the government to announce immediately the formation of the sixth wage board for working journalists and employees of the newspaper industry.
A DUJ press release said the demand was made at a meeting of the executive committee of the union held with its president Ruhul Amin Gazi in the chair.
The meeting also demanded of the government to take effective steps for resumption of the publication of the *Dainik Bangla* and the *Bangladesh Times*.
The DUJ demanded of the management of the *Daily Sangram*, *Dainik Dinkal* and the *Daily Al-Mujaddid* for removal of the irregularities in the payment of salaries and allowances in those newspapers.

AL should join JS session: Moudud

BSS, Dhaka
Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Moudud Ahmed yesterday said Awami League should join parliament session to show respect to the people's mandate given in the October 1 general election.
"The Awami League has to join parliament. If it believes in democracy. Otherwise, it would be treated as a fascist political party as the people of the country gave their mandate to Awami League in the last general elections to play its due role as opposition in parliament," he said.
The minister was speaking as chief guest at a discussion on "One party rule versus multi-party democracy" at the Jatiya Press Club auditorium. The Swadhinata Forum organised the discussion to mark the "Democracy Killing Day".
Referring to the 100-day agenda of the government, Moudud said it is a milestone of the country's history.
"Curbing terrorism is an ongoing process, so we should not say that the programme has failed," he said, adding that the number of terrorist activities across the country went down significantly after the announcement of the programme.
Listing different development programmes of the government, the minister said "Successes were achieved in different sectors after the announcement of 100-day agenda."
But it is not possible to solve all the problems overnight, he added.
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