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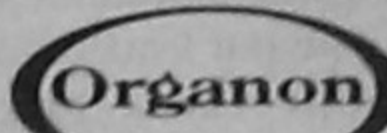
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Pakistani ace cricketer-turned-politician Imran Khan called on Leader of the Opposition in Parliament and Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina at her Sudha Sadan residence in the city yesterday.

Poverty alleviation Imran Khan lauds Dhaka's effort

BSS, Dhaka

Former Pakistan cricket captain and Chief of Tehrik-e-Insaf Imran Khan yesterday lauded Bangladesh's efforts to eliminate poverty with the active support of the Non Government Organisations (NGOs).

"Bangladesh has done a lot in eradicating poverty with the combined efforts of the government and the NGOs," he told BSS in an exclusive interview at his hotel room in the afternoon.

On the question of poverty that exists both in Bangladesh and Pakistan, Imran Khan said unlike Pakistan, there were extensive activities of the NGOs in Bangladesh. He particularly mentioned the activities of BRAC in this regard and said the Bangladesh experience could be applied in Pakistan to come out of the staggering poverty.

About the state of cricket in Pakistan, Imran Khan said Pakistan was the best team during the 90s. "But cricket could not get

justice in Pakistan due to allegation of match fixing and frequent changes in the captaincy," he said.

Replying to a question whether Bangladesh got Test status too early, Imran Khan replied in the negatives saying, "in fact status raises the standard of cricket as well as it gives a big boost."

Imran Khan who led Pakistan win the World Cup cricket in 1992 suggested that the local cricket tournaments should be of high standard to enable Bangladesh attain feat in the international arena.

"If your domestic cricket is not of high standard, you cannot get the desired result," he said adding, "you really have to have quality first." "Otherwise, I am afraid, you will not be competitive at the international cricket," he added.

Commenting on the World Cup match between Pakistan and Bangladesh which Pakistan lost, Imran Khan said he never thought that it was a fixed match. "I never thought so, I believe Pakistan was beaten fairly square."

Anti-terrorism Day observed

DU CORRESPONDENT

The Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU), a left-leaning student organisation, yesterday observed 'Anti-terrorism Day', marking the 10th death anniversary of its leader Moin Hossain Razu.

Razu was gunned down while he was leading an anti-terrorism procession on the Dhaka University (DU) campus in 1992. He was a student of the Department of Soil Science.

The DU unit of BCU brought out a procession and held a rally on the campus yesterday to commemorate his death anniversary.

Addressing the rally, the leaders urged the authorities concerned to recover all illegal arms from the dormitories of the university and demanded immediate arrest of all the terrorists.

They also demanded of the university authorities to declare the day, March 13, as 'Anti-terrorism Day'.

Presided over by Sheikh Kabir Hossain, the rally was addressed by Sharifuzzaman Sharif, Razu Ahmed and Rumayan Hoasan Riman.

Earlier, different units of BCU placed wreaths at the 'Razu memorial plaque' on the TSC road-island.

The BCU has also launched a 15-day long anti-terrorism campaign on the occasion.

Our CU correspondent adds: The BCU unit at Chittagong University (CU) observed the day with a discussion meeting and a procession on the campus yesterday.

Held at the CUCSU building, the discussion meeting was presided over by Abdullah Al-Mamun Titus, president of the BCU CU unit.

The speakers at the meeting

Obituary

Jalaluddin, a former principal officer of Rajshahi Krishi Unnayan Bank (RAKUB), died in Rajshahi Medical College Hospital on Tuesday at the age of 60 following a prolonged illness.

He left behind his wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and admirers to mourn his death.

He was buried at Hatem Khan Graveyard after a namaj-e-janaza in the evening.

Abul Kashem

Haji Mohammed Abul Kashem (Mona Mia), a retired officer of the health ministry, died at Monowara Hospital in Dhaka yesterday at the age of 90, says a press release.

His namaj-e-janaza was held after Isha prayers at Moghbazar Chowrasta Jame Mosque and he was buried at Azimpur graveyard.

Death anniversary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The first death anniversary of M Anisur Rahman, a retired additional controller of news of Bangladesh Betar will be observed tomorrow.

A milad mahfil and doa session will be held after Juma prayers at his residence at Uttarkhan to mark the day.

Relatives and admirers have been requested to attend the milad.

Govt resorting to AL cleansing: Hasina

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leader of the Opposition in Jatiya Sangsad Sheikh Hasina has blasted the ruling BNP-Jamaat alliance for what she said resorting to 'Awami League cleansing' in the style of 'ethnic cleansing'.

"They have (ruling alliance) decided to destroy Awami League," the AL president said while exchanging views with the newly elected office bearers of Brahmanbaria Bar Association at the party central office Tuesday night.

President of the association SM

Yusuf led the lawyers' delegation. AL central leaders Abdus Samad Azad and Matia Chowdhury and Brahmanbaria district AL president Syed Sirajul Islam and general secretary Lutful Hye were also present.

The lawyers alleged that as elsewhere in the country, people of Brahmanbaria are also victims of repression by the ruling alliance.

They urged the AL chief to take immediate steps to resolve all intra-party feuds and complete holding of councils of all party units.

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