

Step down by April 30

AL leaders urge govt

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Awami League leaders yesterday called on the alliance government to step down by April 30.

Otherwise, it will be toppled through mass movement, they warned at a rally in the city.

The Awami Jubo League, youth front of the AL, organised the rally to mark the Independence Day.

Advocate Enamul Haq Molla, president of Jaitya Jubo Oikyo, Noor Ahmed Bakul, president of Bangladesh Jubo Moitri, Mahmudul Islam, general secretary of Bangladesh Jubo Union, attended the rally to express their solidarity.

Obaidul Qader, joint secretary of the AL, said the April 30 deadline given by the AL has robbed the ministers and MPs of sleep and they were looking for place to hide.

He said that 26,000 killings and 14,000 rape incidents took place in

two and half years of the alliance government.

AL Organising Secretary Saber Hossain Chowdhury alleged that the government was harbouring the criminals.

Saber said the spontaneous participation of the people in the rally proved that the days of the government are numbered.

Mirza Azam MP, general secretary of Jubo League, placed a 12-point demand, including appointment in all vacant posts, execution of the verdict in Bangabandhu murder case and withdrawal of false cases against Sheikh Hasina.

Jubo League President Jahangir Kabir Nanak presided over the rally.

Robbers stab trucker dead

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Highway robbers killed a trucker and wounded his helper in Jessore on Tuesday.

Police said driver Montaz Ali Munna, 40, was taking 45 barrels of soybean oil said to be worth Tk 7 lakh in his truck to Amir Oil Mill in Jessore from Dhaka.

The robbers stopped the truck

at gunpoint and stabbed Munna and helper Akhter at Sadipur in Bagherpara to force them to board a microbus.

One of the robbers of Tootpara in Khulna drove the oil-laden truck to Palash Food Industries at Jhumjhumpur BSIC industrial estate in Jessore.

Munna died at Jessore General Hospital.