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College student killed in road accident |'Launch movement Razibul died on the spot. Police sent the dead body to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for autopsy. Police also seized the

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A student of Jagannath University College was killed in a road accident at Malibagh Chowdhurypara in the city yesterday. The accident occurred when

Razibul Karim Khan was going to his friend Shovon's residence at

Maddhyabadda in a rickshaw at about 3:00pm from Mouchak market. Razibul appeared at the final year examinations in Management this year from Jagannath University College. A medicine cover van hit the

van. Razibul's friends said he did a diploma in designing and was working as a designer at a fashion rickshaw from behind at Malibagh Chowdhurypara in front of the garment factory Dragon Sweater. house in Dhanmondi.

to root out crimes, corruption'

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Speakers at a roundtable yesterday called for a movement to bring about changes in the society to rid the country of criminalisation of politics

and widespread corruption. The country is now passing through a critical phase as crimes and corruption have taken deep root, said Professor Sirajul Islam Chowdhury. People are passing their days in a state of insecurity amid increasing crimes and the situation is getting worse day by day because some

politicians are harbouring the criminals, he said at the roundtable organised by the Centre for Studies in Social Transformation. Only 10 percent people are now

controlling everything of the country, said Professor Chowdhury.

"Politics has turned out to be a game for two major political parties," he said, adding that what is game for the BNP and the Awami League is death for people. "Those whom we used to call

autocrats are now playing a vital role in the politics," he said.

Journalist Kamal Lohani said politicians have failed to live up to the expectation of the people since independence.

"İt is a shame for us as those who opposed the country's independence are now part of the government," he added.

Columnist Syed Abul Moksud, economist Anu Muhammad and language movement veteran Abdul Matin also spoke. Professor Ahmed Kamal of Dhaka University moderated the roundtable.

