Concern over rise in activities | Widow cries for of militant fundamentalists

South Asian People's Union against Fundamentalism and Communalism leaders for a more pro-active role of judiciary

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Expressing deep concern over the alarming rise in activities of militant fundamentalists, leaders of the South Asian People's Union against Fundamentalism and Communalism yesterday called for a more pro-active role of the judiciary in ensuring rule of law.

"According to newspaper reports, the militant fundamentalists have executed at least ten people in their extra-judicial 'court' during the last one and half months," said Union President Prof. Kabir Chowdhury at a press conference in the city.

The militant outfits have been carrying out their activities in northern region with the help of local administration, displacing hundreds of people from their homes in nine thanas of Rajshahi, he added.

Referring to the emergence of Islamist outfit Jagrata Muslim Janata Bangladesh, bomb attack on the British high commissioner at the shrine of Hazrat Shahjalal in Sylhet and the brutal attack on Prof. Humayun Azad, the leaders blamed the communa elements in the ruling alliance for such a horrific situation.

They also alleged that the government is also violating the court orders. Jamuna Group Chairman Nurul

Islam Babul was arrested soon after he was released on bail despite the court order that he could not be arrested without warrant and any scope for self-defence, said Prof.

Kabir Chowdhury.
The High Court granted ad interim bail to Proshika President Qazi Faruque Ahmed, but police



Professor Kabir Chowdhury speaks at a press conference at the National Press Club in the city yesterday. On his left are justice KM Sobhan and Shyamoli Nasrin Chowdhury and on his right is journalists Shahriar Kabir. The South Asian People's Union against Fundamentalism and Communalism organised the press conference.

arrested him on May 22 over a different allegation, he added.

Prof. Kabir also said torture during remand and in joint interrogation cell is a violation of human rights and fundamental rights enshrined in the Constitution.

Referring to legal counsels'

opinions, columnist Shahriar Kabir said placing Qazi Faruque on remand was unprecedented as identified criminals are usually taken

on remand to extract information. Justice KM Sobhan said that although the inspector general of police was punished for contempt of

court, he still holds office as a high public official.

Prof. Muntasir Mamun of Dhaka University said the High Court should take into cognizance the incidents of violations of laws and constitutional rights by police.

Obituary

Haji Mahiuddin Ahmed, father of former football players of Abahani Samrat Hossain Emily and Shaheed Hossain Swapan, died of old-age complications at his residence in Narayanganj on Sunday at the age of 75, says a press release.

Abahani Board of Directors expressed deep shock at the sudden death of Haji Mahiuddin and sympathy to the members of the bereaved family. The board of directors also prayed for the salvation of the departed soul.

In his honour, Abahani kept its flag at half mast yesterday.

Death anniversary



Today is the fourth death anniversary of Dr Jahan Ara Rabbee, former Additional General of the Health

Directorate and wife of martyred intellectual Dr Md Fazle Rabbee, says a press release

On the occasion, Qurankhwani and distribution of foods among the orphans will be arranged.

Wreaths will be placed and fateha be offered at her Ajimpur graveyard.

Release of BCL men demanded

DU CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) student wing of the opposition Awami League, yesterday demanded immediate release of its leaders and workers arrested in the wake of the killing of Ahsanullah Master MP and the bomb blast at the shrine of Hazrat Shahajalal. At a rally on the Dhaka University

campus, the BCI leaders also demanded withdrawal of 'false cases' against the arrested activists. They alleged that the BNP-Jamaat alliance has filed cases against hundreds of BCL leaders and workers only to protect the real

They called on the government to bring the culprits to book immedi-Otherwise, the people will to unseat they threatened.

The leaders blamed the communal forces for the bomb attack at the shrine of Hazarat Shahajalal in

"We demand immediate arrest of and punishment to the Jamaat-e-Islami and Islami Chhatra Shibir cadres responsible for the bomb attack," BCL President Liaqat Sikder

Demanding a ban on Jagrata

Muslim Janata Bangladesh, he said the alliance government is harbour-

ing Bangla Bhai.

BCL General Secretary Nazrul Islam Babu, BCL DU unit President Delwar Hossain and BCL leaders Saifuzzaman Shekhar, Morsheduzzaman Selim, Anisur Rahman and Hemayet Uddin Khan Himu also spoke.

BCU Nat'l Council begins today

DU CORRESPONDENT

The 30th National Council of Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU), a left-leaning student organisation, begins at the foot of Aparajeya Bangla of Dhaka University today

Mother of Bipro Das, a BCU member who was killed at Paltan Maidan on January 20, 2000 in a bomb blast at a CPB rally, will inaugurate the programme at 11:00am.

The inaugural function will be followed by a procession which will parade different city streets.

The council session will begin at the TSC at 9:00am tomorrow to elect a new leadership.



Appeal for help

Md Alauddin, 17, has been suffering from blood cancer, says a press He is now under treatment at

Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (Block-C, Ward-6A, Bed-2). His parents are not in a position to bear the expenses of his treatment. So they have appealed for help to

save the life of their young child. Interested people can send their contributions to Md Alauddin, Savings count No. 2057593 Runali B Ltd. Islampur Road Branch or can directly contact him at the hospital

1751 more held

UNB. Dhaka

Police arrested 1,751 people, including a listed criminal, during their countrywide drive on various charges in the last 24 hours till 6.00am yesterday.

justice

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A widow along with her six children yesterday demanded punishment to the killers of her husband who was murdered in Kishoreganj district on

Addressing a press conference at the National Press Club, Jamita Begum alleged that the killers are giving her death threats and pressurising her to withdraw the case she filed for the murder.

Jamita, a resident of Ghagra village under Mithamoin upazila, said a gang of locals including Tota Munshi and Shahjahan attacked her husband Iran Sheikh over a feud between her children and others and dumped his body beside a canal in the locality after beatng him severely.

The criminals also injured her

daughter Moni, Toran, brotherin-laws Mahbub and Shafiq when they reached the scene on hearing the attack.

Doctors declared Iran dead when he was rushed to Mithamoin hospital.

Jamita filed a case with Mithamoin Police Station accusing Sher Jahan Momen, Shah Jahan Momen, Mir Jahan Momen, Tota Munshi, Ashraf, Khokon and Komol on the same

She said the accused are roaming in the locality and threatening to oust her from She sought help from local

police and administration but in "I have no earning to live with my

six children aged between one and a half months and 12 years," she said, adding, "I want justice."



Rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty or squally wind is likely at many places over Rajshahi, Dhaka, Khulna, Barisal, Chittagong and Sylhet divisions till 6.00pm today.

Day temperature may remain nearly unchanged over the country, Met Office said. Highest temperature 33.8 degree Celsius was recorded yesterday

at Bhola and the lowest 20.2 degree Celsius at Feni The sun sets in the capital at 6:39pm today and rises at

5:12am tomorrow. Highest and lowest temperature and humidity recorded in some

major cities and towns vesterday were: City/Town Temperature

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Chittagong	33.2	22.6	67	74
Rajshahi	31.4	22.4	77	65
Khulna	33.0	22.7	88	79
Barisal	33.0	22.3	79	78
Sylhet	30.2	22.4	91	75
Cox's Bazar	33.2	22.2		84

Cultural function

As part of its programme to celebrate the 105th birth anniversary of national poet Kazi Nazrul Islam, Bangla Academy organises a cultural function. Venue: Nazrul Mancha of the academy. Time: 6.30pm.

Udichi Shilpi Gosthi

Bangladesh Udichi Shilpi Gosthi organises a discussion and cultural function to mark the birth anniversary of poet Kazi Nazrul Islam. Venue: Liberation War Museum, Segun Bagicha. Time: 5.00pm.

Discussion

Bangladesh Sangskriti Kendra will hold a discussion in celebration of the birth anniversary of national poet Kazi Nazrul Islam. Venue: 5/5 Gaznavi Road, Mohammadpur. Time: 4.00pm.

German film show

In the weeklong session of German HEIMAT-film of 1950's. Zahir Raihan Film Society in association with Goethe Institut will screen two films titled 'The Fisher Girl of Lake Constance ' (1956) by Harald Reinl and 'High Uo on the Mountain' (1957) by Rgeza von Bolvary. Venue: The Goethe Institut, Dhanmondi. Time: 5.00pm and 7.00pm.

Academy film show

Academy Film Society will screen a French film titled 'Dogville' (2003). Venue: Society auditorium, Jigatola. Time: 6.30pm.

Presentation

Oxfam makes a presentation on 'Stitched up: How northern protectionism in textiles and clothing trade prevents poverty alleviation,' with Commerce Minister Altaf Hossain Chowdhury as chief guest. Venue: CIRDAP auditorium, Topkhana Road. Time: 4.00pm.

Seminar

A seminar on 'Aid group meeting: An imperialistic conspiracy in the name of development,' organised by Hizb-ut-Tahrir Bangladesh, will be held. Venue: National Press Club. Time: 3.30pm.

Im m i g r a t i o n

Immigration Law Consultancy Bureau organises a seminar on 'Immigration of skilled workers in Canada. Venue: Sonargaon Hotel. Time: 10.00am

Discussion

seminar

Jatiya Kar Ainjibi Samity organises a discussion titled 'Corruption hampers the growth of national revenue.' Venue: National Press Club. Time: 12.00noon.

Scientific seminar

A scientific seminar on 'New frontiers in Allergy and Asthma,' organised by Shaheed Suhrawardi Hospital and Bangladesh Association of Asthma Allergy and Clinical Immunology, will be held. Venue: Seminar room of Shaheed Suhrawardi Hospital. Time: 11.30am.

Public meeting Bangladesher Samyabadi Dal organises a public meeting. Venue:

Muktangan, Time: 4.00pm.

Blood donation Orca blood for life organises a voluntary blood donation camp. Venue: Asian University of Bangladesh, Uttara. Time:

DHÂKA TOMORROW

German film show

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Academy film show Academy Film Society will screen an

American film titled 'Sylvia' (2003). √enue: Society auditorium, Jigatolá Γime: 6.30pm. Seminar

American Institute of Bangladesh Studies organises a seminar on 'Video conferencing: Solutions for Bangladesh.' Venue: BRAC Centre Inn Mohakhali. Time: 10.00am

4 get life for murder

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Magura

A court in Magura yesterday awarded life-term rigorous imprisonment (RI) to four youths and fined them Tk 20,000 each in default to suffer one year more RI in a murder case. District and Sessions Judge Md

Shafiuddin acquitted another accused of the charge. The convicts are: Shukur Ali, Anwarul Islam, Rabiul Islam and Nazmul Islam of village Bashkotha

in Magura Sadar upazila. According to the prosecution. Habibur Rahman, 20, son of Mohor Ali Molla was murdered after abduction on October 17, 2001.

Victim's father filed a murder case with the Magura Sadar Police Station the following day. Police after investigation, pressed charges against five people, including Marzina Khatun, the step-mother of the victim.



Awami League General Secretary Abdul Jalil addrsses a public meeting at Muktangan in the city yesterday protesting the bomb attack at the Shrine of Hazrat Shahjalal in Sylhet. The AL organised the meeting.

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TV GUIDE

NAZRUL ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme

* News Bulletin

BTV

News Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55 am.12:10 pm. 2:00 pm. 3:00 pm. 4:00 pm. 7:00 pm. News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 1:00 pm.5:00 pm.8:00 pm.

. News (English) at **3:00 pm. 10:00 pm**.

Late Night News (Bangla and English)

11:30 pm CHANNEL-i Breakfast News 7:15 am. 9:00am

News (Bangla) at 7:15 pm, 9:00, 10:30,

Telecast of BTV news (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. **ATN BANGLA** News (Bangla) at 8:00 am. 12:00 pm. 7:00 pm. 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm.

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12:00 am. 5:00 pm. 6:15 pm. 9:30 pm.

NewsHeadlines(Bangla) at 5:30 pm 7:30 pm.

BBC WORLD

Every hour on the hour

Tara News (Bangla) at 8:30 pm. 11:30

BTV

12:30 Health Bulletin 01:05 Cartoon Show 01:30 Shobar Jonnyo Shikkha 02:05 Hater Kachhev Computer 02:30 Shikkhangan 03:05 Shukhi paribar 03:30 Campus Modern Sonas

04:05 Sangeeita 04:30 Open University 05:05 Probash Mela Children's Programme 05:30 on Birth Anniversary of Kazi Nazrul Islam 06:10 Musical Programme of Firoza Begum 07:00

07:05 Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm. Amarey Debona Latest News (Bangla) at 9 a.m,10:00 Bhulitey Special Drama: Shiulimala Magazine Show on Nazrul's Literature: News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am.

News (Bangla) 7:30 am. 2:00 pm. 7:30 Telecast of BTV News (Bangla and English) at 11:30 pm **TARA BANGLA**

Tara News Bangladesh (Bangla) at 9:30

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09:00

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Share Market & Weather Bulletin Magazine Show:

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Antakshari

Serial-Jug

Tarpor Chand Uthlo

Serial Swapner Rang

Live Doshtai

Man From Elysian

Hellbound: Hellraiser

STAR MOVIES

Spider

Fields

Submarines

The Ticket

Mindstorm

Sqt. Bilko

Predator

Ww3

Moonlight Mile

Code Of Silence

Almost Famous

Sightings : Heartland

As Good As It Gets

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CINEMA

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Gaan Guli Mor On ntv at 8:50pm Musical programme Feroza Begum

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STAR WORLD

Mac Gyver

Star Asia Travel

Oprah Winfrey

Bold And Beautiful

Hollywood Squares

Home Improvement

The Drew Carey Show

Whose Line Is It

Anyway Miami Vice

The Simpsons

Just Shoot Me

American Idol

Law & Order: Svu

Star Asia Travel

Wild Card

Baywatch

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Kuch Khatti Kuch

NATIONAL **GEOGRAPHIC** 1:00 Snake Wranglers

Kwang Bang Chasing Time

Young Global Hot Shots

Dinner On The Diner

Croc Chronicles S2 Wildlife Diary Wildlife Detectives Hayden Turner's Wildlife Dogs With Jobs Toyota World Of Wildlife

Insects From Hell

Snake Wranglers

Hidden Genders 8:30 9:30 Chasing Time Young Global Hot Shots 10:30 Dinner On The Diner 11:30 Croc Chronicles S2

Wildlife Diary

Wild Encounters Ants

Pet Nation Partial

ANIMAL PLANET Caught in the Act

Pet Nation Wild Encounters Stinkers Caught in the Act 10:30 Wild Encounters African Bush Young And Wild Risky 11:30

Victories

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

1:30 Health Showcase 2:30 **New Detectives** Collective Justice 4:30

It's a Woman's World Checks and Balances

Being There Ocean

The Long Childhood Ultimate Guide To The Awesome Whales Globe Trekker Mexico Speed The Frontline Wild Discovery The Frontline

Science Frontiers

Explosive Situations

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Space Universe

Terrorism

STAR SPORTS

Operation Counter

Junkyard Wars Cliff

Spy Fi Operation

Counter Terrorism

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Sportsline (R) World Superbike Championships 2004 Italy Highlights(T) 11:30 The Road To UEFA Euro 2004 Group A(T)

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Zealand 1st Test, Day 5 3:00 NBA Eastern Confer ence Finals Game 5:30 ESPN School Quiz 2004 (T)

2004 England Vs New

6:00 Samsung Cricket Show 6:30

England Test Series 2004 London England

Football Focus (T) New Zealand Tour Of