

Stagnant floodwaters posing health hazards: B Chy

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Stagnant floodwaters in the city are posing a threat to public health but the government is yet to take proper measures to drain the mucky and stinking water out, said Bikalpa Dhar a Bangladesh(BDB) President AQM Badruddoza Chowdhury yesterday.

Water-borne diseases such as diarrhoea, jaundice and typhoid have been spreading rapidly as many city areas still remain waterlogged, he said, adding that the stagnant waters are also responsible for mosquito menace.

He inaugurated a clean-up drive by Bikalpa Chhatra Dhara, student wing

of BDB. He also took part in the drive in flood-hit Munshibari, Nayanagar, Mollapara, Bhatara and Natun Bazar areas of the city.

Earlier, he formally inaugurated a daylong health care programme for flood-affected people at KC Memorial Clinic.



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Humayun Azad Mancho stages a demonstration on the Dhaka University campus yesterday calling on the government to unravel the mystery over the death of eminent writer Humayun Azad.

Int'l probe into death of Azad demanded

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Students of Jahangirnagar University (JU) yesterday demanded an international probe into the death of writer Humayun Azad.

At a rally on the JU campus, they also announced a three-day agitation programme to press their

demand.

The students strongly criticised the government for not taking any action against the religious fanatics who attacked and injured Azad grievously in February.

His death is mysterious, they said and called on the government to unravel the mystery.

Under the three-day programme, the students will take out a protest procession at 6.00am today, hold a meeting with teachers tomorrow and form a human chain on Dhaka-Aricha highway on Tuesday.