

'Opposition united on reforms in CG'

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All opposition parties are now united on the demand for reforms in the caretaker government and electoral systems, Bikalpa Dhara Bangladesh (BDB) leaders said at a public meeting in the port city yesterday.

The BDB's politics aims to free the country from corruption, violence and poverty, they said. Lawmaker Mahi B Chowdhury, organising secretary of the BDB, among others, addressed the rally held at Lalidighi Maidan.

Mahi said the two major parties have divided the nation weakening its strength and affecting

development of the country.

"We want to see an end to the dispute over the contribution of two great leaders -- Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and Ziaur Rahman, and unite the people to work together," he said.

Mahi blamed the ruling BNP for spread of corruption and violence, and said the party has deviated from the ideals set by its founder Ziaur Rahman.

Wazed Ali Chowdhury, member-secretary of BDB Iubadhara, chaired the rally, also addressed by Shah Ahmed Badal, MA Zaher, ATM Kamal, Sheikh Shahiduzzaman and Jahangir Alam Biplab.



Rokia A Rahman, former adviser to a caretaker government, speaks as chief guest at a May Day discussion organised by Padatik Natya Sangsad and The Finery Limited at the Jatiya Natya Shala of Shilpakala Academy yesterday.

AL calls hartal in Meghna UZ today

UNB, Dhaka

Awami League has called for a daylong hartal in Meghna upazila of Comilla today protesting the killing of Alhaj Mofizul Islam Dudu Miah, joint convener of Meghna thana of Comilla, by what AL said the Rapid Action Battalion (Rab).

1 lakh Saudi riyal seized in city: 3 arrested

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Police seized one lakh Saudi Riyal hidden in the shoes of a man from Natunbazar area of Badda on Tuesday night.

Police arrested Abdul Karim, who possessed the foreign currencies, and two others -- Raju Mian and Abu Ahmed when they assembled at Natunbazar at about 9:30pm for smuggling.

Two passports issued in the name of Karim and a Dhaka-Singapore air ticket were also recovered, says a press release.

The earliest Mother's Day

The earliest Mother's Day celebrations can be traced back to Greece in 1700s.

Philadelphia campaigner Ann Jarvis, national Mother's Day Society, celebrated Mother's Day in 1908.

Mothers' Day was first established in the United States in 1914.

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