

FRESH VOTER LIST

Hearing on writs tomorrow

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The High Court yesterday fixed tomorrow for hearing the writ petitions challenging the decision to prepare a fresh electoral roll by the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and political appointment of staffs by the Election Commission secretariat.

The HC bench comprising Justice MA Matin and Justice Rezaul Haque fixed the date after the government sought time.

Deputy Attorney General Adilur Rahman Khan, on behalf of the

government, sought time for taking preparations to hear the petitions.

Three Awami League lawmakers -Abdul Jalil MP, Advocate Rahmat Ali MP, and Asaduzzaman Noor MP on Monday filed the writ petitions challenging the validity of the decision of preparing a fresh electoral roll by the CEC without taking consent of two other commissioners and appointment of staffs by the EC secretariat on political grounds.

The petitions were scheduled to be heard yesterday.

Monoranjan takes oath as MP

UNB, Dhaka

Monoranjan Shil Gopal elected to parliament from Dinajpur-1 in by-election took oath as member of parliament (MP) yesterday.

Speaker Barrister Muhammad Jamiruddin Sircar administered oath to Monoranjan at his office at Sangsad Bhanban.

Monoranjan, an independent candidate, won the December 5 by-election defeating the ruling alliance candidate Altaf Uddin Molla with a huge margin.

The seat fell vacant at the death of Mohammad Abdul Al Kafi of Jamaat on September 12.

'Cancel uni-track edn system permanently'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Leaders of Shikkha Andolon Mancha (a platform for education movement) yesterday demanded permanent cancellation of the postponed uni-track education system.

At a press conference in the city, they also demanded exemplary punishment to persons involved in wasting crores of taka only for planning a flawed education system for SSC students.

"We strongly demanded permanent cancellation of uni-track education system as the education minister said the system, postponed for one year, will be introduced in 2007 removing all barriers," said Shikkha Andolon President Ajoy Roy.

It is now clear to the countrymen that the proposed education system will not allow the students to think freely pushing them to extremism and consumerism, he added.

"We want a real uni-track education system which will be universal, indiscriminate, science-based and secular," said Ajoy.

He called upon all sections of people to make December 26 rally at the Central Shaheed Minar demanding permanent cancellation of the proposed uni-track education system a

success.

Shikkha Andolon Mancha leaders Ashraf Uddin Akash, Prof Shahidul Islam, Engineer Harunur Rashid and Saifur Rahman Tapan were present at the press conference.

2 killed in city road mishaps

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two people including a schoolboy were killed in two separate road accidents in the city yesterday.

Rezaul Karim, 17, a student of class ten of Rajibpur High School in Manikganj, was hit by a running truck at 8:30 am while he was crossing the road after visiting his sister's house at Kawla with his cousin, said cousin Rabiul.

In another incident, a running truck from opposite direction hit Mohammad Ali, 55, a banana vendor at Mohammadpur dam area, when he was going to buy banana at Karwan Bazaar early in the morning.

He was rushed to the Dhaka Medical College Medical Hospital (DMCH) where the attending doctor declared him dead.