

Forge united movement to get rid of misrule

Dr Kamal tells students

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Gono Forum President Dr Kamal Hossain yesterday urged the students to forge a united movement once again to make the country free from misrule, corruption and terror-

ism. Addressing Jatiya Chhatra Dhara Representative Conference 2006 in the city, he said the country's democracy seems to be a hostage to ill politics, black money and arms.

Dr Kamal requested the students to resist those people who want to form a corrupt and autocratic government to stay in power.

Recalling the glorious history of student movements in 1952, 1969 and 1990, the eminent jurist said it is

the students, who played pioneering role in every crisis of the country. "The country is not a possession of any person, any group or any political party, this is a country of people of all beliefs," said Dr Kamal. He said an evil force that was defeated in 1971, is conducting repression on Ahmadiyah people in the name of religion.

Dr Kamal told the students to be aware of those people who violate human rights and create anarchy in the country.

Presided over by Chhatra Dhara President Monjur Ahmed, the conference was also addressed by acting General Secretary of Gono Forum Engineer Abul Kashem, Organising Secretary Mostafa Mohsin Montu, Habibur Rahman Bhuiyan, father of slain Buet student Sabekunnahar Sony, and Central General Secretary of Chhatra Dhara Jakinur Rahman Pikul.

BY-ELECTION

BNP to distribute nomination forms from tomorrow

UNB, Dhaka

The ruling BNP will distribute nomination forms for Dinajpur-3 and Comilla-8 by-polls on August 6,7 and 8.

Interested candidates can collect the forms from the party's central office in the city from 11:00am to 2:00pm and 5:00pm to 8:00pm everyday during the period.

The forms should also be submitted during the period, said a party press release.

PM goes to Lalmonirhat today

UNB, Lalmonirhat

Prime Minister Khaleda Zia will visit Lalmonirhat today to lay the foundation stone of Teesta Bridge.

During her visit, the prime minister will also inaugurate a vocational training centre, a youth training centre, childcare centre, the newly constructed Lalmonirhat Railway Station and Lalmonirhat 100-bed Hospital.

Later, she will address a public rally at the Collectorate Maidan.

Tk 60 lakh Indian sarees recovered

Customs authorities recovered smuggled Indian sarees and clothes worth about Tk 60 lakh from a pick-up van at Rayerbagh bus stand in the city on Thursday, says a press release.

A special team of the customs intercepted the pick-up van at around 3:00am, but the driver and his helper managed to escape.

BCU places 13-pt demand

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Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU) placed a 13-point demand on Thursday with a view to making Dhaka University an effective centre for higher education and keeping the higher education within the reach of common people.

The demands include immediate election to DU Central Students' Union, repeal of the proctorial law, a decrease in admission fee, implementation of the academic schedule and regular publication of results.

The BCU, a left-leaning student organisation, also demanded an increase in funds for research

works, Internet facilities at residential dormitories and construction of new dormitories.

Placing the demands at a press conference on the DU campus, the BCU leaders also announced some programmes beginning today to realise those.