

Tk18 lakh seized from courier services in Sylhet

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Members of joint forces in Sylhet seized Tk 18,04,225 in cash and other materials from three courier services in the city yesterday.

Tk 15,13,681 were seized from SA Paribahan, Tk 2,31,544 from Sundarban Courier Service and Tk 59,000 from Continental Courier service.

Besides, 25 cartons of Benson (Foreign) cigarettes, 18 cellphone sets and several packs of chemicals were seized from the Bangladesh Courier & Parcel service.

Besides, Some porn CDs, contra-band medicines and blank foils of tang power were also seized from the SA Paribahan.

The manager of Sundarban Courier service, one employee from Bangladesh Courier and three staffs of the SA Paribahan were also taken into custody for interrogation, sources said.



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Freedom fighters and eminent personalities who were accorded a reception by Bangladesh Muktiyoddha Nou Commando Association pose with the guests at the ceremony at National Press Club in the city yesterday.

'Struggle that began in '71 yet to end as corruption prevails'

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The struggle that began with the War of Liberation in 1971 is yet to be ended because of corruption, poverty and violation of human rights that are still prevailing in the country, freedom fighters and intellectuals said at a reception yesterday.

Bangladesh Muktiyoddha Nou-Commando Association (BMNCA)

accorded the reception to 30 freedom fighters, scholars and intellectuals at National Press Club in the city.

Former adviser to the caretaker government Dr Akbar Ali Khan, Advocate Sultana Kamal, Prof Abdullah Abu Sayeed, Dr Anwar Hossein, Maj Gen (retd) Amin Ahmed Chowdhury and Dr Kazi Faruque Ahmed were among the people who were accorded the reception.

Dr Akbar Ali Khan said the revolution that we started in 1971 is yet to end, as most of the people are still living under the poverty limit.

"Repression and discrimination are regular phenomenon in the society," he added.

"The revolution, therefore, will go on till human rights are ensured," vowed the former adviser.

"It is time to evaluate what we have achieved so far and what we couldn't," said Sultana Kamal, also a former adviser.

She urged all to think how to get rid of the present crisis.

Dr Anwar Hossein of Dhaka University in his speech said the dream that we are nourishing in our mind is to arrest the war criminals of our liberation war.

He urged the present caretaker government to arrest the identified war criminals like Golam Azam and Motiur Rahman Nizami and try them under special tribunal.

He also urged to resume the Bangabandhu Murder Case.

Welcoming the activities of present caretaker government, Dr Anwar Hossein urged to declare a specific time frame for the next general election.

Hailing the activities of caretaker government, Maj Gen (retd) Amin Ahmed Chowdhury hoped it will lead the country to a desired destination.