

# Remove corrupt persons from public universities

155 RU teachers demand

RU CORRESPONDENT

One hundred and fifty-five teachers of Rajshahi University in a statement yesterday urged the caretaker government to remove all corrupt and politically appointed persons from important administrative positions in Rajshahi University and all other public universities.

The teachers also demanded investigation into alleged corruption and irregularities done by the politically appointed persons.

The caretaker government took many good initiatives in the judiciary, administration and in many institutions. But it is silent on corruption and irregularities done by few 'powerful' officials in public universities appointed earlier on political consideration.

"Its role as regards public universities is being questioned now by different quarters", the statement said.

Every body knows that the

immediate past BNP government appointed its men in key positions in public universities to keep those under control. The present caretaker government is silent about the political appointments, they said.

"Earlier, we published a white paper on RU administration's corruption, irregularities and politicisation", the statement said.

"On several occasions earlier, we informed the chief adviser of the caretaker government and the Anti Corruption Commission (ACC) about corruption, irregularities and politicisation at RU, showing documents. We also met the University Grants Commission (UGC) chairman but no action was taken", the statement said.

"We think, this government will take action against corrupt RU officials to maintain its neutrality", it added.

In the statement, the teachers said removal of corrupt persons is

essential to establish a congenial academic atmosphere in public universities.

Signatories to the statement included Progressive Teachers Society convener Prof Abdus Sobhan, former RU Vice Chancellor Prof Saidur Khanman Khan, Prof Mizan Uddin, Prof Anando Kumar Saha, Prof Abul Kashem, Prof Mahabubur Rahman, Prof Fayeduzzaman, Prof Muklesur Rahman, Prof Jufliker Matin, Prof Anik Mahmud, Prof Jalaluddin, Prof SM Abu Bakkar, Prof Shafiqunnabi Samadi, Prof Jannatul Ferdous, Prof Golam Sabir Sattar Tapu, Prof Entajul Haque, Prof Muhammad Nurullah, Prof Sayen Uddin, Prof Shamsuddin Ilas, Tarek Noor, Rabul Islam, Hasibul Alam and Ruhul Amin.

When contacted RU Vice-Chancellor Prof Altaf Hossain, said, "I don't know about the matter. I will not say anything without seeing the statement".

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## Ensure equal rights of women

RU students demand

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A section of students of Rajshahi University yesterday held a rally and formed a human chain in front of the Central Library demanding immediate implementation of the National Women Development Policy (NWDP) and protesting the April 11 demonstrations by fundamentalists in Dhaka opposing the government move.

At the rally, the students also criticised the government's role as a silent spectator while the fundamentalists staged protests defying the state of emergency. At least 200 people including journalists were injured during the April 11 demonstrations.

Speakers at yesterday's rally urged the people to raise their voice against fundamentalists' activities against women's rights.

They appreciated the move by the caretaker government to ensure equal rights of women.

Fundamentalists do not oppose crimes in the society but came on the streets when the caretaker government took a move to ensure women's rights, they said.

No government took any step to free the river from the illegal encroachment though the people made demands on numerous occasions since 2004, they said.

Fundamentalists are misleading people in the name of religion,

speakers at the rally said and urged the government to take action against those who violated emergency.

CMES (NAVY) DHAKA					
Invitation for Tenders					
Invitation No. 4021/BN/32/E-4					
1. Ministry/Division	Ministry of Defence.				
2. Agency	Military Engineer Services.				
3. Procuring entity name	CMES(Navy) Dhaka.				
4. Procuring entity district	Dhaka.				
5. Invitation for	(a) Supply and installation of 4x2 ton capacity split type Air-Conditioner for new ICU & post-operative Bldg No-179 BNS Patenga, Ctg.				
6. Procurement method	Open tendering method.				
7. Budget and source of funds	GOB.				
8. Tender publication date	22-4-2008.				
9. Tender last selling date	06-5-2008				
10. Tender closing date and time	07-5-2008 at 1200 hrs.				
11. Tender opening date and time	07-5-2008 at 1230 hrs.				
12. Name & address of the office(s)	CMES (Navy) Dhaka, Lalasori Nabik Colony, Mirpur-14, Dhaka-1206.				
- Selling tender document (principal & others)	CMES (Navy) Dhaka, Lalasori Nabik Colony, Mirpur-14, Dhaka-1206.				
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- Opening tender document					
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15. Brief description of works					
Lot No	Identification of lot	Location	Security amount in the form of Bank Draft/Pay Order	Price of tender document	Completion time in weeks/months/days
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16. Name of official inviting tender	Md Nurul Rahman Bhuiyan				
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## Five envoys end visit to Khagrachhari

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

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Khagrachhari Hill District Council (KHDC) Chairman Monindra Lal Tripura, Additional District Magistrate (ADM) Monindra Kishor Majumder and Khagrachhari Municipality Chairman Joynal Abedin accompanied the envoys during their visit.

## Forest official suspended

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

Abdul Mojed, range officer of Rajkandi forest range, was suspended yesterday for his alleged involvement in smuggling of timber from government forest.

According to sources in Srimongal forest department office, Rajkandi forest range officer Abdul Mojed had given permission to one Tajul Bohok of Purbo-Jalalpur village in Kamalganj upazila to cut 11 Segun trees from his compound.

On April 2, when the person was transporting the timber trees by two vehicles, Moulvibazar Assistant Conservator of Forest (ACF) Abu Naser Md Mohsin caught one of the vehicles on suspicion.

After search, he found some smuggled timber trees along with permitted one.

They also demanded cancellation of lease of the river for fish farming.

The meeting was jointly organised by Jamuna Bachao Andolon, Sathkhira' and some local NGOs.

Principal Ashek e Elahi, president of the Jamuna Bachao Andolon, was in the chair.

It was addressed by local Union Parishad leaders, NGO officials, and representatives of the elite.

Once a lifeline, the Jamuna is now a sorrow for over 2,00,000 people of Shyamnagar and its adjoining areas, they said.

No government took any step to free the river from the illegal encroachment though the people made demands on numerous occasions since 2004, they said.

Jamuna Bachao Andolon, a committee comprising representatives of all classes of people, was formed recently to save the river from encroachers.

## Reception given to indigenous freedom fighters in Tangail

### Speakers demand trial of war criminals to establish rule of law

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former ambassador Maj. Gen (retd) Amin Ahmed Chowdhury Bir Bikram addressed the reception.

Language Movement veteran and indigenous (Rakhain) freedom fighter U Saea of Patuakhali inaugurated the function at 10am.

With Language Movement veteran and director of Kumudini Welfare Trust Protibha Mutusuddin in the chair, former adviser of caretaker government and former vice-chancellor of Jahangirnagar University Prof Dr Jilur Rahman Siddiqui and indigenous freedom fighter and former lawmaker Promod Mankin attended the inauguration session.

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programme coordinator Bivah Chakraborty also spoke at the function.

Jannatul Ferdousi, director of RDC, presented the keynote paper while general secretary of Adivasi Adhikar Andolon Prof Mezbah Kamal also spoke.

Freedom fighters from different indigenous communities narrated their stories of war in the second session.

Later, Bangalee freedom fighters honored the indigenous freedom fighters by presenting crests.

President of Bangladesh Adivasi Adhikar Andolon Dr HKS Arefin presided over the second session.

After the reception, indigenous artists presented a colorful cultural show.

## Tk 2cr rural projects kick off in Satkhira

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Satkhira

The government has taken up 326 projects involving over Tk 2 crore under its 'Taka for Work Project' in seven upazilas of the district to create jobs for the rural poor.

The projects to be implemented in the current financial year include repair of kucha roads, excavation of ponds, earth filling work and reconstruction of mosques, temples and educational institutions.

Satkhira Deputy Commissioner Md Kefayeturahman inaugurated the project at Kalaroa yesterday.

A worker will get Tk 150 a day under the project, official sources said.

At least 4,482 male and 60 female workers will benefit from the projects, sources said.

## Arms, ammo recovered in Mohalchhara

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Khagrachhari

The Army in a raid recovered a revolver with six bullets and one magazine from the house of Benoyboron Chakma in Kengalchhara upazila in the district.

During the dive led by Maj. Abdul Gaffar, the army also recovered 1400 hemp plants from lands of Kengalchhara Mouza Headman Polin Talukder Bangali Chakma and Karanmoy Karbari.

They had cultivated hemp on 1.5 acres, sources said.

Narcotics Department Inspector Mohammad Kamruzzaman, ASI Mohammad Harun and Constable Ringhu Chakma accompanied the army during recovery of the hemp plants, sources said.



Indigenous people burn forests and shrubs in Chittagong Hill Tracts as season for jhum farming approach. The photo was taken from near the Chimbuk Road in Bandarban yesterday.

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