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Nazrul Sangeet exponent and artiste Sudhin Das, middle, receives 'Lifetime Achievement Award' from Impress Telefilms Ltd Managing Director Faridur Reza Sagar, singer Sabina Yasmin, singer Runa Laila and Citycell Acting CEO Tarikul Hasan at the Fourth Citycell-Channel i Music Awards at Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre in the city yesterday.

## EC to accept HC verdict on defaulters

Says Sohul

UNB, Dhaka

The Election Commission would abide by the High Court order on defaulters, as the Commission has decided not to appeal against the verdict due to time constraint.

"We'll accept the High Court verdict because we don't have time in hand," Election Commissioner M Sohul Hussain said while addressing a training programme arranged for the members of election inquiry committees, formed with senior district judges, at the NEC auditorium in the morning.

He said the Commission cannot appeal against the verdict as yesterday was the last date for the scrutiny of nomination papers. "We couldn't appeal just for lack of time," he said.

He asked the inquiry committee officials to put in their extra efforts to hold the upcoming elections in a free, fair and acceptable manner. "You're our onetime colleagues and so you have to perform your duties accurately," he said.

Speaking on the occasion, Election Commissioner Brig

Gen (retd) M Sakhawat Hossain said bigwig loan defaulters are slipping out due to loopholes in the law.

Replying to a question, he said, "All of us will have to work without fear to resist the activities of the outlawed groups like JMB. If you get scared of JMB, they will continue to intimidate you."

Sakhawat said, "You don't need to be worried about your security, as law enforcing agencies, including police, Ansar-VDP, Rab, BDR and army, would be there on the field."

He said the Commission has retained the section 91 (e) of the Representation of People's Order (RPO) to avoid the repeat of the scenario people saw in previous years. "If any allegation is brought to us, steps will be taken after proper investigations," he said.

The EC started the training programme Wednesday, as it formed some 80 election inquiry committees across the country with 160 judicial officers ahead of the ninth parliamentary election.

## Army chief meets finance adviser

UNB, Dhaka

Army Chief Gen Moeen U Ahmed called on Finance Adviser Dr Mirza Azizul Islam at his Planning Ministry office yesterday.

"He (army chief) called on me to discuss financial affairs of the armed forces," the advisor told reporters after the meeting. "There was absolutely no political dimension of the meeting."

Replying to a question, he said, "I'm 100 percent sure the election is taking place."

## Six Al-Bayinat men on 2-day remand

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday placed six activists of Ulama Anjuman-e Al-Bayinat on a two-day remand in connection with a case filed against them for partially vandalising the sculpture 'Balaka' in front of the Hotel Purbani International at Motijheel in the city on November 30.

The arrestees are Mushtaq Ahmed Chowdhury, Jahangir Hussain, Hasibul Islam, Arafat Hossain, Ziaur Rahman and Kahled Shah Newaz Dipu.

They were arrested on November 30 from the spot when they locked in a clash with police, who tried to foil their move. They were sent to jail after being produced before the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's (CMM) Court the following day.

Police sought remand to interrogate them and the court fixed yesterday for hearing on remand prayer in presence of the arrestees.

Metropolitan Magistrate Emdadul Haque placed them on a two-day remand for interrogation after Sub-Inspector Mohammad Jamaluddin, also the investigation officer (IO) of the case, produced them before the court with a 10-day remand prayer.

In the remand prayer, the IO said the arrestees need to be remanded to know about the clues why they vandalised the sculpture 'Balaka' and to know whereabouts of their accomplices responsible for committing the offences.

# Set example before next generation: CA

UNB, Dhaka

Chief Adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed yesterday advised the poor meritorious students who defied the pangs of poverty and achieved outstanding results in this year's SSC examination to continue to strive to climb the peak of professions to lead the nation.

He also asked them to set an example before the next generation through their successful career and extend their helping hands to those who could face the similar adverse situation in their student life.

The CA also urged the well-off and corporate houses to extend their help to poor and underprivileged students for flourishing their nascent talent.



GPA-5 achievers pose for photograph with Chief Adviser Fakhruddin Ahmed and Education Adviser Hossain Zillur Rahman at CA's office in the city yesterday.

He was addressing a function of distribution of stipend among poor and underprivileged students who attained GPA-5 in SSC and equivalent examinations in 2008 at the CA's office.

The CA took personal initiative

to provide stipend from his special fund for the poor, very poor and underprivileged students to encourage and help them continue their studies.

The stipend with an amount of Tk 500 per month for two

years was given to 500 students covering 64 districts. Of them, 279 are boy students and 221 girls. Out of the 500 recipients, 423 passed SSC and 77 Dakhil examinations.

The CA handed over cheques

for the stipend money to six students—one each from six divisions in the country.

Education Adviser Hossain Zillur Rahman and Secretary to the CA's office Kazi M Aminul Islam also spoke.

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