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Mutiny or Conspiracy

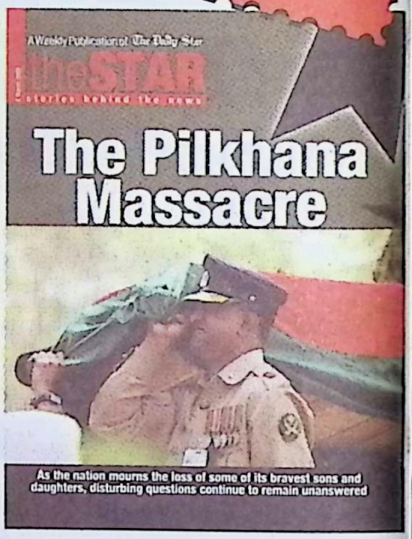
The mindless killing of the valiant army officers has created a sense of mourning in the air. People from home and abroad have stood against the barbarity. We have no words to express our anger and disgust at the blood-shed. What on earth called for the army officers to be killed so inhumanely? Is it really just a BDR mutiny stemmed from grievances?

Going by the events of February 25 doubts are creeping into our minds whether there were extraneous forces involved, which is a deep-rooted conspiracy against our sovereignty, damaging the major elements of our defence capability the army, and the BDR.

As for the incident, our political leaders have, yet again, started trading blame and counter blame. Politicising the matter they are, as usual, trying to capitalise on a grave catastrophe. Shame on our politicians!

This is a national crisis. It is a threat to our sovereignty. The politicians should stop pointing fingers at each other. Let us stand united to face the problems and help overcome the loss. We pray for the salvation of the martyrs' souls and hope that Almighty will grant them eternal peace.

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A Shameful Incident

On February 25 the entire nation experienced a very shameful incident. Some jawans of Bangladesh Rifles (BDR) mutinied at their headquarters in Pilkhana, Dhaka. BDR jawans rebelled against the chain of command and took up arms against both their senior officers and the Bangladesh armed forces. This was a brutal act of murder. General amnesty to BDR jawans can never be acceptable and the brutal killing of these army officers cannot go unpunished. Of course, not all BDR jawans are related to this incident. The government should take effective steps to find out the real criminals and punish them.

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