



PHOTO: PID  
Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina places wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman near Bangabandhu Memorial Museum at Dhanmondi in the city yesterday on the occasion of historic June 7.

## 2cr children go to school everyday without food

Speakers tell rally

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Speakers at a rally yesterday urged all to come forward to end child hunger in school as two crore children in the country go to school everyday without having any food.

One child dies from hunger in every six seconds worldwide while in the country two children die from hunger every hour, but the issue is far away from the media, they said calling on the media to address the issue by creating massive awareness about child hunger.

As part of the worldwide walk to raise awareness about child hunger the World Food Programme (WFP) and Dhansiri Communication, a media production house, jointly organised the rally titled 'Stop hunger in school, Walk for the children' in the city with a view to raising public awareness and funds for WFP's School Feeding Programme.

Led by Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister GM Quader, the rally started from IDB Bhaban and

ended at Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre after holding a press briefing there.

Around 500 people including school children, UN officials and celebrities took part at the half-hour long rally to express their solidarity with the issue.

GM Quader said it is a matter of great concern and shame that millions of children are going to school unfed or underfed.

"Let us take an oath today that we would do everything possible to end hunger of our children," he said, adding that though the government has taken food for education at primary schools, the non-government organisations and well-to-do people should come forward to overcome the problem.

Popular writer Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, TV actress Shomi Kaiser, WFP Country Representative John Ayliff and writers Anisul Haque and Imdadul Haque Milon also spoke.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Death Anniversary



Today is the 1<sup>st</sup> death anniversary of our Maa, **Rezia Begum**. She was a freedom fighter, a writer & above all a loving mother.

The family members of late Rezia Begum have requested all her relatives, friends & well wishers to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

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