



THE VICTORY IS OURS

THIS is our story. The green-red in the hand of a child is the reminder of the story written in blood back in 1971.

The hint of accusation in the eyes of war-wounded freedom fighters tells the same.

It is the December 16 story, the most glorious chapter of our history book. On this day in 1971, the nation won victory over Pakistani occupation forces after nine months of bloodshed.

Gallant sons and daughters of the soil made supreme sacrifices for self-determination and a secular democratic state and we got our freedom.

This year Bangladesh celebrated 38th anniversary of victory paying homage to three million martyrs in the War of Independence.

People from all walks of life paid tributes to the martyrs, children took part in the Victory Day parade and choreograph, and organisations lay wreaths at the memorials. But all the sounds of celebration receded as one line echoed in every corner: "Try war criminals fast."

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