

Opposition may return to JS tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The parliament resumes sitting today while BNP-led opposition lawmakers are likely to return to the House tomorrow after skipping the House for 64 consecutive sittings since last June.

"We may join the House on Thursday," BNP Standing Committee Member Salauddin Quader Chowdhury told The Daily Star yesterday.

The opposition lawmakers belonging to BNP, Jamaat-e-Islami and Bangladesh Jatiya Party on Thursday at a meeting with BNP Chief Khaleda Zia in the chair decided to join the current session of the parliament.

After the meeting, opposition lawmakers hinted that they might join the House this afternoon after a five-day recess.

"We will join the House any time as per our earlier decision," Opposition Chief Whip Zainul Abdin Faroque said at a press briefing yesterday.

Party stalwarts asked opposition lawmakers to submit notices to parliament secretariat demanding for holding discussion in the House on different important issues, SEE PAGE 15 COL 2

Rampage at RU

Shibir kills BCL man, cuts tendons of 4 others; 100 more injured in clash

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi and RU CORRESPONDENT

A final-year student and activist of Bangladesh Chhatra League was hacked to death by cadres of Islami Chhatra Shibir at Rajshahi University early yesterday.

Around 100 others were wounded in overnight clashes between BCL and Shibir activists.

Motihar police recovered the body of Faruk Hossain, a BCL activist and student of mathematics, from inside a manhole yesterday morning.

Police say Faruk was hacked in the television room of Shah Mokhdum Hall around 2:00am and dumped into the manhole.

The injured were admitted to Rajshahi Medical College Hospital and RU Medical Centre. Condition of 17 of them is stated to be critical.

Shibir men had cut tendons of at least four BCL activists, said leaders of Chhatra League, associated student body of the ruling Awami League.

Police arrested 16 cadres of Shibir, associated student organisation of Jamaat-e-Islami, on charge of killing Faruk.

The RU syndicate at an emergency meeting last night suspended all classes till tomorrow and examinations till February 17.

A five-member committee headed by Prof Golam Kabir, dean of Life and Earth Science Faculty, has been formed to probe the violence and submit a report as soon as possible.

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Injured Chhatra League activist Badsha lies on the floor in his room at Habibur Rahman Hall after Shibir men cut the tendon in his right hand and leg during an attack in the wee hours yesterday.

6 RU-bound cops die in road crash

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

At least six police personnel were killed and 23 others injured after a police van collided with a speeding bus on Natore-Rajshahi Highway in Sadar upazila of Natore yesterday afternoon.

A commanding officer of the Armed Police

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None to be spared: PM

STAR REPORT

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said her government would spare none of those responsible for violence in Dhaka and Rajshahi Universities, irrespective of their political identity.

The prime minister voiced the warnings while speaking at a meeting of Bangladesh

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Hopes dashed

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Dinajpur

The death of Faruk Hossain at Rajshahi University shattered the hopes of a poor family who was dreaming to come out from the vicious poverty cycle with the

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Intelligence out to malign Tarique

BNP on Ctg arms haul case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The BNP yesterday alleged that a certain intelligence agency was assisting the government in plotting a conspiracy to implicate BNP Senior Vice-Chairman Tarique Rahman in the 10-truck arms haul case in Chittagong.

"A certain intelligence agency is trying to tarnish the image of Ziaur Rahman's family by making public false

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PM pulls for law abiders

Says workers to be sent to Kuwait thru' proper process

UNB, Kuwait City

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has said Bangladeshi workers will now be sent to Kuwait through a selection committee and understanding between the two governments, so that the Gulf country could recruit law-abiding good workers.

Hasina also came down heavily on those workers who were involved in misdeeds and flouted Kuwaiti laws and rules that damaged the prospect of the Bangladeshi labour market in the Gulf state.

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Rejoinder, our reply

The admission committee for honours 2009-2010 session of Kabi Nazrul College has sent a rejoinder to a report of The Daily Star's February 7 issue headlined Admission Trade Nets Tk 1 Crore in 3 Colleges.

Signed by the admission committee's convener Prof Swapna Rani Saha, the rejoinder said the college was strictly following the instructions of the National University regarding admission.

It also said the reporter did not contact the college administration or the admission committee before publishing the report. That the student

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14-party stung by tender, admission

AL claims Shibir infiltrating top BCL ranks

HASAN JAHD TUSHER

The ruling Awami League-led 14-party leaders yesterday voiced concern over violence, tender manipulations and admission trade in the name of student politics, and asked the government to act immediately to arrest the alarming trends.

They also expressed worries over the continuous price hike of essentials.

At a meeting at the AL president's political office in Dhanmondi, the alliance leaders urged the government to speed up the process of holding trial of the war criminals.

Syeda Sajeda Chowdhury, AL presidium member and

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TOXIC PARACETAMOL Warrant to arrest Adflame director

COURT CORRESPONDENT

A Dhaka court yesterday issued an arrest warrant against one of the directors of Adflame Pharmaceuticals who is charged with adulteration of paracetamol syrup 18 years ago.

Judge Abdul Majid of the Drug Court cancelled bail of director Azfar Pasha and ordered to arrest him as his guarantors failed to produce him before the court yesterday.

The court directed Officer-in-charge of Dhanmondi police station to submit report by March 14 on execution of arrest warrant against the director.

However, one of its directors Dr Helena Pasha and a manager Mizanur Rahman appeared before it yesterday. The court also rejected a petition to exempt Dr Helena Pasha from personal

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Inviting Nominations for **DHL The Daily Star Bangladesh Business Awards 2009**

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The awardees should be involved in private business enterprise and must be a Bangladeshi citizen or ordinarily a resident in Bangladesh. He/ she must have clean banking and tax records. There is no restriction on age or race. In case of Enterprise Award, only Bangladeshi companies will be considered with published balanced sheets. In case of financial institution Award, Bangladeshi and joint venture financial institutions, a company incorporated in Bangladesh for carrying out business activities jointly by a Bangladeshi and foreign investors will be considered. The shares of the company are to be held by Bangladeshi and foreign shareholders as per the joint agreement. The Bangladeshi investor must have invested at the start up capital of the company. Shareholding by Bangladeshi shareholder(s) as a nominee shareholder/subsidiary company will not fall under this category.

Selection Process
An independent eleven-member jury panel comprising of leading intellectuals, business persons, academicians, lawyers, financial experts and eminent personalities with high social standing, credibility and prestige including CEO's of the two sponsoring organizations shall select the winners.

Criteria

- Business Person of the Year**
The nominee will be selected for his/her leadership, financial performance, personal qualities, managerial skills and contribution to Bangladesh's development in financial performance, the nominee must have made outstanding contribution to a substantial increase in the returns on shareholders' funds. In case of a private company or sole proprietorship, he/she must have contributed to an improvement in return on capital invested. Personal qualities will include integrity, entrepreneurial abilities and personal leadership. Managerial skills will depend on tenacity, innovation, determination, adaptability and depth of management.
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The nominee must be an entrepreneur who has proven her capability to successfully establish and run a business on her own. She must be a person of integrity, tenacity, and her success should be a source of inspiration for others. She must be an example to others that women can be successful in business against all odds that they are faced with. Focus would also be given on her dimension, innovation, determination, adaptability and depth of management.
- Enterprise of the Year**
Open to small and medium-sized companies, the nominee will be based on innovation, financial performance, productivity, company management and contribution to the community. Innovation will mean success of the company either in products, services or new markets. In financial performance/productivity, the enterprise must have made outstanding growth in profit. Company management will focus on creative management style in developing harmonious relations within the organization.
- Best Financial Institution of the Year**
Open to financial institutions-commercial Banks, insurance companies and leasing companies. The nomination will be based on innovation, financial performance, productivity, company management and contribution to the community. Innovation will mean the success of the institution in innovation of products, services or new markets. In financial performance or productivity, the company must have an outstanding and sustainable growth in profit. The company must also have clean banking, client and tax records. In the area of management, the company must display an effective management style and have a track record of establishing and maintaining harmonious relations within the organization and set examples for the industry. The company should have made positive contribution to Bangladesh's development and corporate social responsibility programs.
- Lifelong Achievement**
S/he must have made a lifelong outstanding contribution over the last several decades to the entrepreneurial landscape of Bangladesh and is considered a role model in business and corporate world. S/he should have a pioneering role in the sector/s that they are involved through their tenacity and sustainability in the entrepreneurship aspect.

The business concerns that s/he leads should be of very high ethical standards, should show emulative CSR programs, prudent management practices contributing to stability of the company and exceptional contribution to the economy of Bangladesh. The business establishment s/he leads must bear the hallmarks of their own style of thinking and should be highly regarded for its financial performance, market positioning and clean records.

The decisions of the Jury shall be final and binding and cannot be contested. Please fill the attached form and send it to:

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