

RAJSHAHI POLYTECHNIC BCL, Moitree to meet Mar 15 for joint programme

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Two months into the murder of Chhatra Moitree leader Sunny by Bangladesh Chhatra League men at Rajshahi Polytechnic Institute, the feuding groups reached a reconciliation at a joint meeting in presence of the leaders of their parent organisations on Sunday night.

Meeting sources said Chhatra Moitree and BCL reached the reconciliation after leaders of Awami League (AL) and Workers Party (WP) agreed that they would not influence the investigation into the murder and trial of the killers including the polytechnic unit BCL President Nizam Uddin who 'infiltrated' into the party from Islami Chhatra Shibir.

The meeting suspended political activities of BCL and Moitree at the institute until holding of a meeting scheduled for March 15 to decide a joint action plan at all educational institutes in Rajshahi demanding trial of war criminals and restoration of 1972 constitution.

Held at Rajshahi city AL office, the meeting was attended, among others, by Rajshahi Mayor and city AL General Secretary AHM Khairuzzaman Liton, lawmaker and WP politburo

member Fazle Hossain Badsha, city AL leaders Shafiqur Rahman Badsha, Mir Iqbal, Shahadat Hossain, WP leaders Liakat Ali, Abu Sayeed and Entajul Haque Babu, city BCL President Abdul Momin, General Secretary Zedu Sarker, Chhatra Moitree city unit President Motiur Rahman and district unit General Secretary Mohaimenul Haq Rana.

Moitree leader Motiur said Nizam Uddin, who infiltrated into BCL from Shibir, is enjoying Awami League blessings and avoiding arrest when Jamaat-Shibir men are still being arrested for the killing of BCL worker Faruk Hossain at Rajshahi University. Rajshahi city BCL General Secretary Zedu Sarker said, Nizam joined the BCL during mayor election in 2008 and was made the polytechnic unit's president months later for his role in the election.

Talking to this correspondent, Mayor Liton said they have no sympathy for the killers and they requested police to arrest the killers immediately.

Lawmaker Fazle Hossain Badsha said they advanced for reconciliation considering the grand alliance's image and to avoid clashes among their student bodies on campus.



Students of Shalpa Technical School and College bring out a procession in Sherpur upazila of Bogra district yesterday demanding arrest and punishment to the culprits responsible for the suicide of Reshma, a student of the college.

Reshma's teasers still remain at large

Protest continues in Bogra

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Bogra

Two criminals accused of teasing college girl Reshma who committed suicide in Sherpur of Bogra district on March 2 could not be arrested till yesterday.

Reshma, 18, a student of Shalpa Technical School and College under the upazila, complained to local influential persons against Munnaf and Robin for teasing her, but to no effect.

On March 2, Munnaf and Robin again teased Reshma while she was tending goats at a field near her house. Police quoted locals as saying that Reshma returned home and committed suicide by taking pesticide.

Reshma's father rickshawpuller Abdul Jalil had earlier complained to police against the two for teasing his daughter, but they (police) did not take any action.

When asked, OC Aminul Islam of Sherpur Police Station said nobody made any written or verbal complaint with the police about the incident of teasing.

"I hope the criminals who compelled Reshma to commit suicide will be arrested in a day or two," the OC said.

Students of Shalpa Technical School and College yesterday brought out a procession demanding immediate arrest and trial of Munnaf and Robin.



Aggrieved at the death of class two student Laboni, 8, in an accident with a speeding microbus at Ichhakhada Bazar, students and villagers put up barricade on Magura-Jhenidah road yesterday demanding construction of a speed-breaker at the place.

KILLING OF RU STUDENT ON FEB 9 Arrested Shibir man brought to Rajshahi, interrogated

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Rajshahi University (RU) Shibir leader Ekram Hossain arrested in connection with Chhatra League worker Faruk murder case from Dhamrai was brought to Rajshahi and handed over to Motihar police yesterday.

Ekram, president of Amir Ali hall unit of Shibir and a masters student of Islamic Studies department at RU was quizzed by local police and Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) members yesterday.

He will be placed before the court today with a remand prayer for 10 days, said Mrinal Bhattacharya, Motihar zonal assistant commissioner of RMP.

He said Ekram disclosed names of many RU employees,

mostly among the disputed 544 employees recruited during the previous BNP-Jamaat rule, who took part in the February 9 violence.

Ekram also named several RU employees who were paid by Jamaat and Shibir leaders, gave addresses of private dormitories rented around RU campus for sheltering Shibir men added the official without giving details.

Meanwhile, the police on Monday took the Jamaat leader and former ward councillor Gias Uddin on a 5-day police remand.

Police also arrested Bidyut, a Jamaat worker from Kharkhari area in the city for circulating leaflets demanding release of Rajshahi city Jamaat ameer Ataur Rahman and for instigating locals against the police activities.

Eviction sparks protest in Gaibandha Human chain formed, mayor's office besieged

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Around a thousand people of Gaibandha municipal area yesterday formed a human chain and later laid a siege to the mayor's office for calling a halt to illegal eviction of valid land owners in different areas.

The aggrieved victims said that the ADC (Rev) recently served eviction notices on more than 90 families who possessed landed properties with valid documents and had been living there for long 40 to 50 years.

Organised by convener of local 'law and order protection committee' Rostum Ali, the human chain was formed in Bridge Road area.

Holding banners they chanted slogans against the 'eviction farce' and said the occupants are living in the areas constructing building and business structures and paying land and municipal taxes for decades.

Shafnaz Chowdhury, a custodian of Paschim

Kamornai Waqf estate, also demanded recovery of lands sold by the heirs under registered deeds.

The protesters alleged that the district administration ignoring the legal ownership served eviction notices intentionally terming all as trespassers.

They warned of tougher agitation programme if the administration did not stop the illegal eviction immediately.

The protesters later laid a siege to the office of the mayor of Gaibandha pourashava.

Mayor Anwarul Hasan Sabur assured the people that none can evict them without his knowledge since they are all tax payers and legal poura citizens.

On Sunday, hundreds of residents of Paschim Kamoranai held a press conference at the local press club to express their grievances.

They also sought help of top government officials, political leaders and human rights bodies to stop 'illegal' eviction.



Locals form a human chain on Bridge Road in Gaibandha town yesterday demanding end to 'illegal' eviction by authorities.

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