



Bangladesh Adivasi Forum forms a human chain at Shahbagh in the city yesterday demanding constitutional recognition of indigenous communities. PHOTO: STAR



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Plot on to make judiciary ineffective
Says Dr Kamal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Gono Forum President Dr Kamal Hossain yesterday said a conspiracy is being planned to make the country's judiciary ineffective.

As law and order is worsening every day and small investors are being robbed by syndicates in the stock market, the general people need to walk forward united, he said.

Dr Kamal was addressing a meeting of Gono Forum central committee at its head office in the city yesterday, says a press release.

Jahirul Islam, Ranesh Maitra, Abdus Shaheed Lal, and AHM Khalequzzaman, among others, also spoke at the meeting.

Decision on lower court judges' transfer today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The general administration committee of Supreme Court (SC) today will decide on a government proposal for the transfer of around 60 lower court judges across the country.

The four-member committee will decide at a meeting with Chief Justice ABM Khairul Haque in the chair at his residential office in the evening, SC sources said. The committee is responsible for decisions regarding posting, promotion and other departmental action.

The chief justice heads the committee and selected three other members from the judges of High Court Division -- Justice Mohammad Anwar-ul Haque, Justice AKM Fazlur Rahman and Justice Justice Hasan Foez Siddique.

Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs placed the proposal to the committee for approval around two months ago.

The government is dealing with posting, promotion, and grant of leave of lower court judges in consultation with the SC as per the directive of Masdar Hossain case popularly known as separation of judiciary case, a law ministry official said.

Hatirjheel-Begunbari roads likely to open from Nov

But to be finished by June 2012

HELEMUL ALAM

The much-awaited Hatirjheel-Begunbari roads are likely to be opened on a temporary basis from November.

Prof Mujibur Rahman of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet), who is also overseeing the technical aspects of the project, said the roads would not have the carpeting when opened but it will be finished by June 2012, as the construction work is now going swiftly.

He said land acquisition was the main reason for the delay.

According to original timeframe, land acquisition was supposed to be completed by December 2007 but it rolled till the last quarter of 2010.

A total of 299.24 acres of land have been acquired of which about 219 acres have been acquired newly while the rest belonged to different government organisations.

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Leader of the Opposition in parliament and BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia and Robert O Blake, US assistant secretary of state for South and Central Asia, during a courtesy call at her Gulshan office in the city yesterday. PHOTO: BNP

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