

Nasheed defiant, rejects US compromise call

Fresh clashes in Male; C'wealth to send mission

AFP, Male



Mohamed Nasheed

Ousted Maldives president Mohamed Nasheed yesterday rejected a US call for compromise and rejected a unity government to end political unrest as fresh clashes erupted in the Indian Ocean nation.

Meanwhile, the Commonwealth yesterday said it would send a ministerial mission to the Maldives to investigate the circumstances of the ousting of president Mohamed Nasheed.

The decision was taken after an emergency telephone conference by the nine-member Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group, which deals with serious violations of the 54-nation bloc's political values.

Nasheed, who insists he was removed in a coup, told supporters overnight in the capital Male that he would press for snap elections instead of recommending his party consider a coalition with his former deputy who succeeded him.

Later in the evening hundreds of Nasheed loyalists surrounded the National Majlis, or parliament, and clashed with police after chanting slogans demanding the release of an MDP legislator arrested in the southernmost atoll of Addu.

Police dressed in full riot gear used pepper-spray on protesters to lift the siege on the parliament building where 20 MDP law makers were petitioning the authorities about the arrest of their colleagues.

Nasheed was not among the protesters

outside parliament.

His remarks came after US assistant secretary of state for South Asian affairs Robert Blake spoke out against snap polls and asked both sides to make "compromises."

The United States is backing calls from the new president, Mohamed Waheed, for a national unity government that will hold election by November 2013 when they are due.

Blake had said it was too early to hold a snap election and he wanted Maldivian institutions such as the police, the judiciary and the elections commission strengthened before the next vote.

Blake blamed both Nasheed's MDP party and the police under the new president for violence that swept across the nation of 330,000 Sunni Muslims on Wednesday.

At least 35 people were wounded in a police crackdown in Male on Wednesday while 18 police stations were set ablaze by MDP supporters in the southern islands. The MDP said police continued to arrest their supporters.

The new government is not carrying out a warrant issued for Nasheed's arrest, following international pressure and fears such a move could spark more street protests and violence. It has also agreed to probe coup charges.

President Waheed appointed seven more cabinet members yesterday, but kept five portfolios open in a sign of his wish for a national unity government.

Iran warns Arabs not to side with US

AFP, Tehran

Iran's parliamentary speaker Ali Larijani warned that Iran will not forgive Gulf Arab nations if they continue backing US "plots" against Tehran, local media reported yesterday.

"We recommend to some of the countries in the region who were siding with (Iraq dictator) Saddam (Hussein) and now are siding with the US plots against the Iranian nation to give it up," he was quoted as saying.

"Iran will not forgive them again. There will be consequences in the region if new plots against our nation are carried out," Larijani said.

Larijani was referring to the generous financial aid and political support provided by Gulf Arab states, namely Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, to the Iraqi regime during the 1980-1988 war against Iran.

European Union have imposed new sanctions on Iran's central bank and oil exports in January over its controversial nuclear programme.

Tehran has called on Saudi Arabia to reconsider a vow to make up for any shortfall in Iran's oil exports due to these new sanctions, saying Riyadh's pledge to intervene on the market was unfriendly.

HC summons

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today, and it has to submit its report within seven working days, Maruf told journalists.

And Home Minister Shahara Khatun told journalists yesterday the authorities already closed two police personnel and further action will be taken following the probe body report.

Meanwhile, Rakib was released from the city's United Hospital yesterday noon but he was still having pain in his back, neck, chest and legs as police severely tortured him, said Simin Hossain Rimi, mother of Rakib who is a nephew of former state minister for home Sohail Taj.

Rakib is in trauma following the incident, Rimi added.

Asked whether they will file any case in this connection, she said since the HC has already summoned police, "We will see what happens and then decide".

The HC order came when Supreme Court lawyer SM Rezaul Karim brought to its attention press reports on the incident.

An HC bench comprising Justice AHM Shamsuddin Choudhury Manik and Justice Jahangir Hossain Selim gave the order.

According to the reports, Somen and Mostafiz tortured Rakib when he along with a friend, Himel, parked his car in front of a roadside restaurant on Gulshan Avenue around 6:00pm on Friday.

The two police personnel reached the spot and addressed them as "Tui". As Rakib strongly protested this, they beat him up severely.

10 sacked

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Bangabandhu Bride authority.

They were involved in misappropriating toll collected during their duty hours, Toll Manager Safat Kader told the press yesterday.

The bridge authority appointed the operating company-- a venture of Goangxi Scientific Institute of Communication (GSIC), Shamim Enterprise Limited (SEL) & United Development Corporation (UDC) -- in short GSIC-SEL-UDC for toll-collection on the largest bridge of the country. They were appointed on a five-year contact from November

1, 2010.

The Chinese company appointed over 100 personnel for toll collection.

The men dismissed are shift-supervisors Sajol Biswas, Shafikul Islam and Shahidul Islam, and toll-collectors Javed Hossain, Titu Mollah, Taufikul Islam, Abu Ilius, Amirul Islam, Abu Saied and Shariful Islam. Of them, Shariful Islam died in a road accident on January 29.

Earlier on January 3, four other shift-supervisors and toll-collectors -- Arafat Rahman, Saied Jubae Alam, Rajib ahmed and Enamul Kabir -- were sacked on similar corruption charges.

Cops claim progress

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brother of Meherun Runi, filed a murder case with the Sher-e-Bangla Nagar Police Station in the afternoon without mentioning the name of any accused.

Runi's family members and relatives could not give any hints about who might have been involved in the killings.

Runi, senior reporter of private TV channel ATB Bangla, and her husband Sagar Sarowar, news editor of another private TV station Maasranga, were murdered in the bedroom of their West Rajabazar apartment early Saturday. Their five-year-old son Mahir Sarowar Megh was in the apartment when the murder took place.

Runi's another brother Nawajesh Alam said two laptops and a cell phone that belonged to Sagar had been missing since the incident.

"We are not sure whether anything else is missing," he said.

After the incident, police detained two security guards -- Palash Rudra Paul and Humayun Kabir -- and Abu Taher, caretaker of the building, Shahjalal Rashid Lodge, for interrogation.

Police have been deployed at the house of Runi's mother where Megh is staying. Law enforcers have also been guarding the building where the murders took place.

Monirul Islam, deputy commissioner of Detective

Branch of police (DB-South) said, "We have information, but we cannot disclose anything until we produce the killers before you (the media)."

"We hope to arrest the murderers soon and unveil the mystery behind the killings. We have given it top priority," said Monirul.

Home Minister Shahara Khatun told journalists at the secretariat yesterday that law enforcers must arrest the murderers within the 48-hour deadline she gave on Saturday.

Shahara said, while visiting the scene of the murder, that she had directed the law enforcers to put the killers behind bars within 48 hours.

Inspector General of Police Hassan Mahmood Khandker has said that personnel from the DB, the Criminal Investigation Department (CID), Special Branch (SB) and Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) have been working together on it.

In the meantime, journalists formed a human chain in front of the Jatiya Press Club demanding the immediate arrest of and punishment to the murderers. The colleagues of the two slain journalists formed another human chain at the "Saarc Fountain" in the capital.

Journalists and rights activists also formed human chains and brought out silent processions across the country to press home the same demand.

EC meeting

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leaving his office.

On November 29, the government split the DCC into two by amending the city corporation law with a provision to hold the polls within 90 days.

However, Rakibuddin's predecessor ATM Shamsul Huda-led Election Commission (EC) declined to hold the polls due to time constraints. Huda's tenure expired on February 4 while the deadline for DCC polls is February 29.

Amid such a situation, the government decided to

amend the law again and extend the deadline by 90 more days, allowing the EC until May to hold the polls.

The newly formed EC faces a stiff challenge ahead as the main opposition BNP has already announced it will not participate in the DCC polls under it.

President Zillur Rahman formed the new EC on February 8 by appointing Rakibuddin as CEC and four others as election commissioners.

Yesterday was the first working day of the newly formed EC.

Students, politicians

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contact with the Awami Muslim League, a political party formed by Maulana Bhashani and Huseyn Shaheed Suhrawardy in June 1949 as a counterweight to the ruling Muslim League. The result was the convening of an all-party conference on the issue. Held on January 31 and presided over by Maulana Bhashani, the meeting was attended by representatives of diverse organisations. Among the organisations were the Youth League, All-East Pakistan Students' League, Dhaka University State Language Action Committee, Tamaddun Majlis, Islamic Brotherhood, East Pakistan Muslim Students League and East Pakistan Awami Muslim League.

A good number of politicians, particularly Abul Hashim, Hamidul Haq Chowdhury, Shamsul Haq and Khaleq Nawaz Khan severely condemned the government over its insensitivity to Bengali feelings on the language question. The result of the meeting was spectacular: a 40-member body, known as the All-Party State Language Committee of Action, with Kazi Golam Mahub as convener, was formed. A number of resolutions were adopted at the meeting, one being an expression of full support for the general strike called for

February 4. Moves to adopt the Arabic script for Bangla were roundly condemned and demands for the release of all political prisoners were made. Among the prisoners was a dynamic, young, fast-rising Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

On the day of the strike, February 4, a large number of students gathered at Dhaka University for a meeting which commenced at 11 a.m. Presided over by Gazul Haq, the students deliberated on the issue of whether a demonstration should be organized in the city in the course of the strike. At one point, Abdul Matin, conve-

nor of Dhaka University State Language Committee, intervened to ask the students if they were willing to go for a demonstration. The answer was a resounding 'Yes'. Soon a procession of students was out marching on the streets before the residences of the vice chancellor and the chief minister. The strike on February 4 was observed in Dhaka, Chittagong, Mymensingh, Comilla and Narayanganj.

Buoyed by the public response to the strike, the students of Dhaka University called a general strike throughout East Bengal for February 21.

INVITATION FOR TENDERS

Strengthening Comptrollership and Oversight of Public Expenditures (SCOPE) Project

Tender Ref.: SCOPE.IT.007 ; CIDA Project No.: 7049333

Supply & Installation of Laptop & Server for OCAg users

Under an agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Government of Canada, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) has provided funds for the cost of the **Strengthening of Comptrollership and Oversight of Public Expenditures [SCOPE] Project**. The SCOPE project intends to apply part of the allocation of this credit to payments under the contract for: **Supply & Installation of 250 Laptops and 3 Servers for OCAg users**.

Cowater International Inc., the Canadian implementing agency of the SCOPE project now invites sealed tenders from eligible bidders for the supply of related goods/services described in the above mentioned tender package.

A complete set of bidding documents in the English language will be available upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Taka Five Thousand (Tk. 5,000) only, for which a receipt will be issued. Bidding documents are available at the address below, during normal working hours.

SCOPE Project;
C/O- Program Support Unit (PSU) of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)
House No. 19, Road No. 3, Block K (off Park Road)
Baridhara, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh
Tel: +88 02 8824740-44

BID DOCUMENT WILL BE SOLD UNTIL
4:00 P.M. THURSDAY 16TH OF FEBRUARY 2012

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project, Bangladesh
(Component A)

Invitation for Bids for Procurement of Live Birds (Ducks) and Structure for Poultry sheds
Credit No. 4507 - BD, Project ID No. UTF/BGD/040/BGD, Bid Package No.3G17.L and 3G15.L

The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Emergency 2007 Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project and it intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for the Procurement of goods against two Livestock packages. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the supply of Live Birds (Ducks) and Structures for Poultry sheds. Bidders having a minimum of 3 (three) years of experience in the supply of the tendered items/similar items are only encouraged to participate. The delivery period is between 8 (eight) weeks and 24 (twenty four) weeks from the date of the Notification of the Award.

Bidding will be conducted through the national competitive bidding procedures as specified in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits*, (current edition), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the guidelines.

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents from the ECRRP office of FAO Representation in Bangladesh (Hs. # 27, Rd. # 9/A, Apt. # A-1, Dhanmondi R/A, Dhaka - 1209, Telephone 8130758/104) during office hours i.e. 08:00 to 16:30 Hrs. A complete set of bidding documents for each package in English may be purchased by the interested bidders from the ECRRP office of FAO on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee as mentioned below. The method of payment for the tender documents will be in cash against a written receipt. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security for an amount mentioned below.

Package No.	Item	Quantity/ Nos.	Bid Security (Tk.)	Price of Bid Document (Tk.)
3G17.L	Live Birds (Ducks)	72,000 Nos.	650,000.00	2000.00
3G15.L	Structure for Poultry Sheds	11,000 Nos.	600,000.00	2000.00

Bids shall be delivered to the address below by 14:00 Hrs. on 08 March 2012. They will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of bidder's representatives, who choose to attend, at the address below. Late bids will be rejected.

FAO Representation in Bangladesh
House # 37, Road # 8
Dhanmondi, Dhaka-1205
Tel: 880-2-8118015
Fax: 8802-2-811 3446

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