Country won't be safe in Khaleda's hands: Hasina

UNB, Mymensingh

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday said the country will never be safe in the hands of BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia as she is surrounded by anti-liberation forces.

Terming the forces as poisonous snakes, she said, "Khaleda Zia plays with snakes. She is roaming with snakes over her head who had killed intellectuals, oppressed women and carried out massacres during the country's Liberation War." "So, the country is not safe in your

(Khaleda) hands," she added.

The prime minister was addressing a public meeting organised by Mymensingh district unit of Awami League at Circuit House Maidan (premises).

"The country's people want peace ...they do not want Bangladesh to return to militancy and terrorism," she said.

"Peace would not come through BNP ...it had made the country a haven of

JAMAAT VIOLENCE

Taher on

remand

seven-day

COURT CORRESPONDENT

Two Dhaka courts sent

seven people including

Islami central Majlish-e-

Shura member and for-

mer lawmaker Syed

Abdullah Mohammad

Taher on a seven-day

rate cases yesterday.

remand order for four

of them.

remand each in two sepa-

The courts passed the

days and three days sepa-

rately when police sought

a 12-day remand for each

Rab arrested Taher at

Malibagh Chowdhurypara

The seven were held on

charge of plotting against

the government, explod-

Secretariat, torching buses

and attacking policemen at

capital, police sources said.

Police filed the cases

with Rampura station.

different places during

demonstrations in the

in the capital on

ing bombs at the

Wednesday.

Bangladesh Jamaat-e-

militants and terrorists during its rule," she added.

Hasina said, "Bangladesh is no longer known abroad as a militant state. Instead, it is established as a model of development."

BNP cannot do anything for the people of the country as their main virtue is killing people and indulge in corruption. They can only promote corruption, looting and money laundering, she observed.

Posing a question to Khaleda Zia, Hasina said, "What will you give the country as you have made hundreds of crores of taka from a broken suitcase and torn-

Awami League General Secretary Syed Ashraful Islam, Agriculture Minister Matia Chowdhury, Home Minister Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir, Health Minister AFM Ruhal Haque, among others, spoke on the occasion.

'Jamaat-backed' new party holds rally against Ahmadiyyas

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

In a surprise move, the newly formed fanatical Islamist party Tehrik-e-Khatme Nabuwwat held a rally against Ahmadiyyas, a Muslim minority community, in the capital yesterday.

The sudden campaign raised questions about the intentions of the party, which is allegedly linked to Jamaat-e-Islami and was founded 2-3 years back.

The party held the rally at Baitul Mukarram Mosque compound demanding that the government declare Ahmadiyyas non-Muslims. Ahmadiyyas, who do not believe Muhammad to be the last prophet, are considered by some to be non-Muslims.

Well informed sources told The Daily Star that Jamaate-Islami was patronising Tehrik-e-Khatme Nobuwwat to create unrest in the country in the name of an anti-Ahmadiyya movement and to keep administration busy with this.

A key partner in the BNP-led 18-party alliance, Jamaat, has been undergoing hard times since the war crimes trial opened against its top leaders in 2010.

An Ahmadiyya leader told The Daily Star, "Engaging Tehrik-e-Khatme Nabuwwat on the street against Ahmadiyya was nothing but a Jamaat strategy to create unrest in the country. This was not the first time Jamaat used this strategy."

Tehrik-e-Khatme Nabuwwat Ameer (chief) Anayetullah said they would take every step to declare Ahmadiyyas non-Muslims. Asked why they raised the issue suddenly, he said earlier they were engaged in the campaign through internet and other means.

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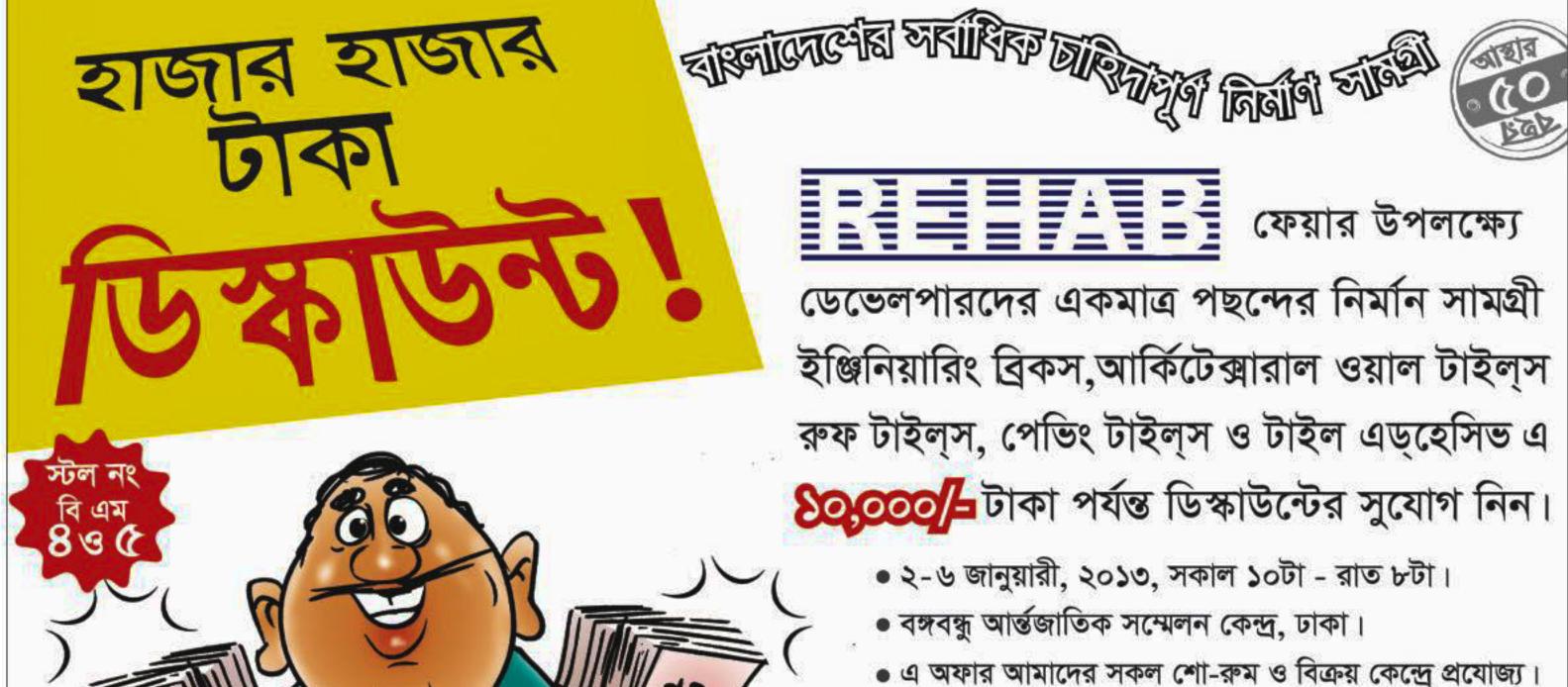
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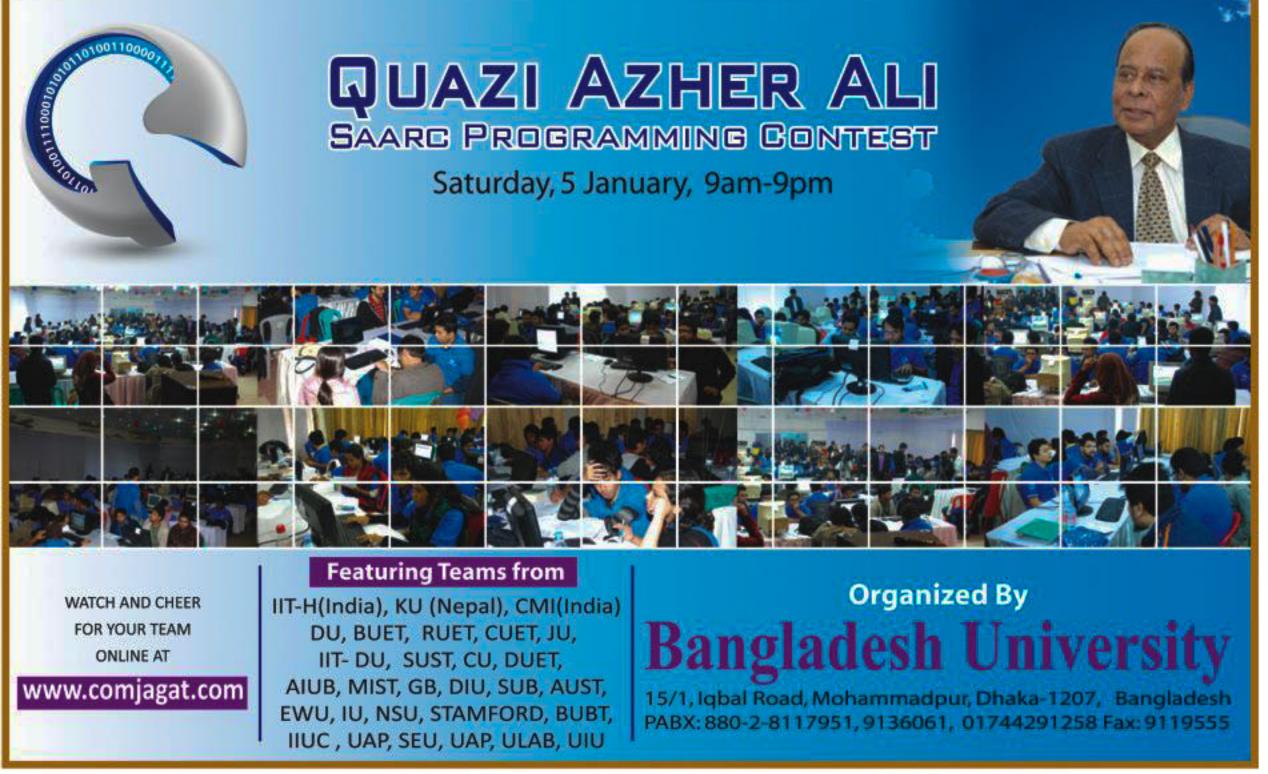
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