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Terrorists

Youths term Jamaat-Shibir; from Rayerbazar rally, they urge all to resist today's hartal, call upon police to rise up to its historic reputation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Terming Jamaat-e-Islami and its student wing Islami Chhatra Shibir terrorist outfits, the Shahbagh activists yesterday urged the people to build resistance against the organisations in every locality across the country.

They castigated Jamaat-Shibir rioters for attacking law enforcers, journalists and demonstrators of Gonojagoron Manchas and defiling the National Flag and Shaheed Minar on Friday.

"What can be more derogatory than desecrating the National Flag and Shaheed Minar?" said Imran H Sarker, convener of the Blogger and Online Activist Network.

He was addressing a grand rally at Rayerbazar Martyred Intellectuals' Memorial in the capital around 5:30pm yesterday.

Condemning the recent surge in violence against police by these fanatics, Imran said, "We request our police brothers to play a courageous role as in 1971. The people of Bangladesh are with you."

He also noted that the media personnel, who have expressed solidarity with the demand for war crimes trial, also were targeted on Friday.

"We from the Gonojagoron Mancha want to say that if the mass movement of 2013 can be termed the



Carrying reds and greens of varying sizes, thousands rallied on the premises of Rayerbazar Martyred Intellectuals Memorial yesterday for a six-point demand including capital punishment to 1971 war criminals and a ban on Jamaat-Shibir. It was the first rally outside Projonmo Chattar in the capital's Shahbagh since the youth movement began on February 5.

DESECRATION OF NATIONAL FLAG, SHAHEED MINARS | JAMAAT'S HARTAL IN PABNA

Is it the struggle of 1952 all over again?

MAHFUZ ANAM

How can any citizen of Bangladesh insult our National Flag? How can a Bangalee attack and damage a Shaheed Minar? Unbelievable as they may sound this is exactly what happened

independence at the cost of millions of

COMMENTARY

Who are these people who desecrated our flag

mass

and the second most important national monument? Are they not Bangalees? Do they not speak Bangla? What is the language of communication with their par-42 years after we gained a hard fought ents, children, friends or near and dear SEE PAGE 6 COL 1

Two killed in gunfight

18 cops among 30 hurt; one dies in Tangail shop fire

STAR REPORT

At least two people were killed and 40 others injured in clashes between Jamaat-Shibir activists and law enforcers in Pabna and Barisal yesterday.

In Pabna, gunfight between fanatics and police during SEE PAGE 19 COL 6

INSULT TO SHAHEED MINAR, NAT'L FLAG

BNP slates crime, supports culprits

Backs today's hartal by 8 Islamist parties

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The BNP has extended support to today's · nationwide hartal called by eight Islamist

It has taken the decision with a view to

getting the maximum political mileage out of the religious sentiments that some Islamist groups have been trying to stir up,

a BNP policymaker said yesterday. At the same time, the main opposition

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People signing a petition at the capital's Shahbagh yesterday demanding capital punishment to all war criminals and a ban on Jamaat-e-Islami and Islami Chhatra Shibir. PHOTO: SK ENAMUL HAQ

Announcement

FE Into the 20th Year of Publication

Due to unavoidable circumstances, the reception, comme-

morating the 20th year of publication of The Financial Express at

Winter Garden, Ruposhi Bangla Hotel, Dhaka scheduled for

A fresh date for holding the programme will be announced later.

Monday, (February 25, 2013) at 7:30pm, has been postponed.

Journos denounce attacks

Demand arrest of culprits from Jamaat, Shibir

STAR REPORT

Journalists and their professional bodies have denounced the Friday attacks on journalists by religious fanatics during demonstrations by Jamaat-Shibir men and their sympathisers in the capital and elsewhere.

At least 14 journalists received injuries while the Islamic fanatics ransacked a number of media establishments, including Chittagong Press Club, during processions after the Juma prayers. Journalist leaders

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WITNESS AGAINST SQ CHY

Left dead at Ctg hospital

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A prosecution witness in a war crimes case against BNP lawmaker Salauddin Quader Chowdhury was found dead on Friday night, 22 hours after he went missing.

Syed Wahidul Alam Junu, who died in Wahidul Alam Junu mysterious circumstances, had testified against

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