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Resolve caretaker government issue

The article "Let's talk about it" on March 22 mentions the ongoing differences of opinion about the caretaker government issue. In the past, Begum Khaleda Zia's remark "no one is unbiased except mad or children" surfaced regarding the need for a caretaker government. In 1996, Sheikh Hasina said that "no election will be accepted except caretaker government." It is clear that both leaders, as opposition chiefs, have been unequivocal about the role of a caretaker government. Following the constitution's 15th amendment abolishing caretaker government's provision, the BNP's demand over reinstating a caretaker government is now accompanied with vandalism, hartal and countrywide unrest. We, the young people, do not expect such things to happen. We don't want further violence centring any demand or protest. We urge both the government and the opposition to kindly arrange for a dialogue to resolve the crisis.

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Via email

Value of life

The article "Out of Touch" pointed out the government's indifference about the loss of lives during the current political unrest. Police actions on picketers and party activists' brutality against police resulted in unwanted deaths. A few days of political chaos have claimed 82 lives. This is totally unacceptable in an independent country like ours. We must keep in mind that every life is valuable. Leaders of all the parties should be more concerned about this. We want our lives to be secure, as we want to see ourselves as a peaceful nation.

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Justice for Biswajit

The photo of Biswajit Das killing in the article "Questions for a Conscientious Citizen" by Omar Chowdhury on March 15 gave me a horrific feeling. I just can't imagine what a terrible time it was for Biswajit when he was being hit with sharp weapons by Chhatro League criminals (they can't be called students or activists of any party. They are criminals, killers.) Biswajit was trying to free himself from the grip of the criminals. As conscientious citizens, there's more to think about it. Did we shed the blood of three millions to see this after 42 years of independence? It's a great shame for the nation, for everyone, for humanity.

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Via email