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Mixing Religion with Politics



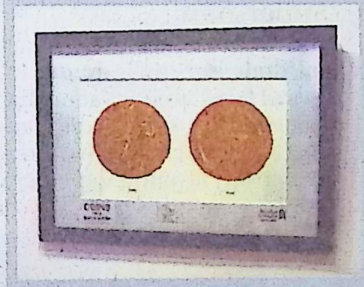
An otherwise little known group Hefazat-e-Islam has become instrumental in winning election, especially at a time when everyone thought that secularism in Bangladesh was taking a strong foothold. Political use of religion– especially Islam– is back, and it seems to have all the ingredients to turn the nation's politics upside down. Both the major parties are using Islam indiscriminately, setting a dangerous trend for Bangladesh's future polity.

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Md Noorul Islam considers collecting coins to be a passion rather than a mere hobby. With over 2000 ancient coins in his collection, the 84-year old former civil engineer still feels the excitement and thrill of adding a new coin to his valuable treasure.

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Introvert in Wonderland

Introverts seek time alone because they want time alone. They prefer less stimulating environments, tend to enjoy quiet concentration, listen more than they talk and think before they speak. Preferring writing to speaking, avoiding excessive body-contact and nurturing a dislike of conflict may also be signs of introversion.

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