Mad about Muhith

AMA Muhith is one of the few statesmen of our country who have hit the headlines through his comments. He compared Nobel Laureate Dr Yunus with terrorists, called all the expert economists "rubbish" and "nonsense", and addressed the Integrity Department of the World Bank "worthless". Muhith's dealing with the Hallmark issue, share market collapse and Padma bridge corruption was always in the headlines. His role was highly questioned when he commented that Hallmark was not a major scam in the banking sector and the amount of money Hallmark withdrew was "negligible". It may be mentioned that Hallmark withdrew some 4000 crore taka as funded and non-funded loans from the Sonali Bank Limited, one of the major state owned commercial banks. His role in controlling the share market made him a controversial phenomenon in the politico-economical arena of Bangladesh. He fought an uncompromising dual with Dr Yunus, split the Grameen Bank into 19 parts and removed Dr Yunus from his very own organisation.

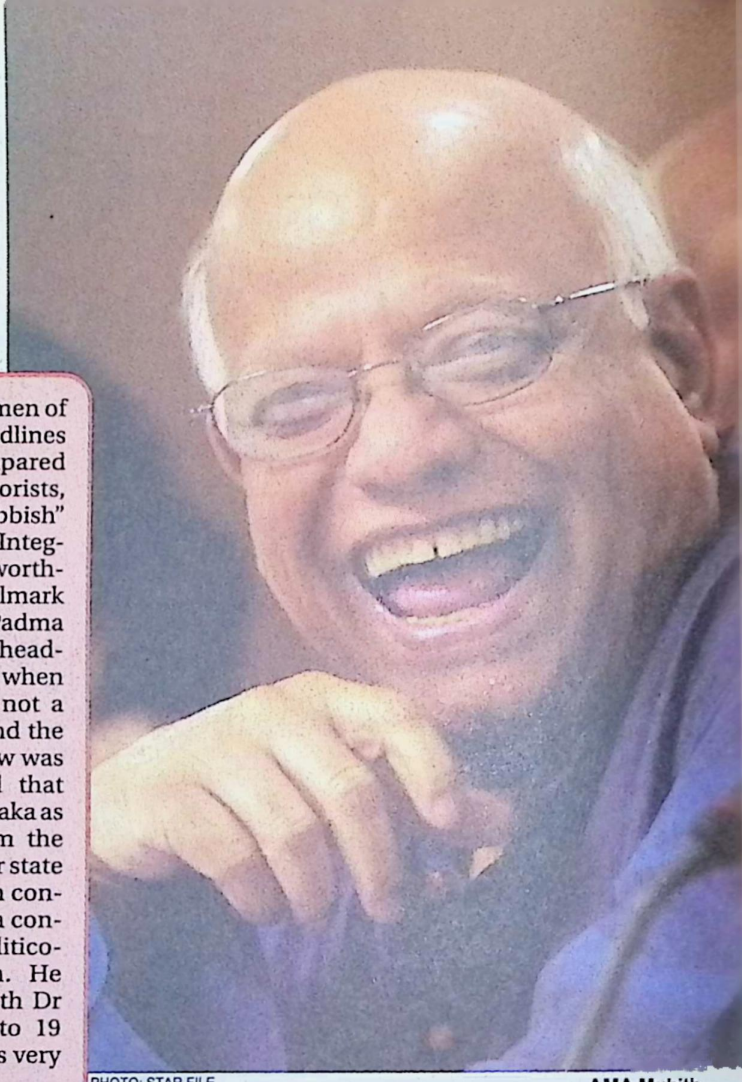


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Awami League's Enfant Terrible

Golam Maola Rony is one of the most discussed and televised parliamentarians of the Awami in 2013. From the very beginning of this year this MP attracted people's attention by being outspoken about the failures and corruption of his party. His analysis and commentary on various political aspects especially of his party has made him a popular figure in TV talk shows. Some say that his "too honest" image has made many senior leaders angry. Even an AL policymaker has said, "Rony is the evil star for Awami League." But his TV intellectual image was shattered when he has allegedly beaten some journalists up in his office. After that Rony was sent to jail and he has apologised for his misconduct. He is the first ruling party parliamentarian who has been imprisoned when his party is in power. But such controversy has failed to silence him. He continued to speak and air his thought frankly and fearlessly. Of late he has been in the news by expressing sympathy with the hanged Jamaat Leader Abdul Kader Molla, saying Molla and 'butcher Kader' of Mirpur are not the same person.



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