



An artisan puts the finishing touches to an idol of Durga in Kalibari temple in Barisal city yesterday on the eve of Durga Puja, the biggest festival of Bangalee Hindus.

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Jamaat in league with int'l extremists

Claims Syed Ashraf

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Jamaat-e-Islami is in league with different international extremist groups that have waged a war against humanity across the globe, Awami League General Secretary Syed Ashraf Islam said yesterday. "This war won't take much time to come to our country," he said at a programme at Jatiya Press Club where he unveiled a DVD titled "Blood-stained Bangladesh: a saga of BNP-Jamaat terrorism", brought out by the ruling Awami League.

"Here they [extremists] are known as Jamaat while elsewhere they are known as al-Qaeda, Taliban and IS. They are the enemy of humanity. None is safe anywhere today. So we will

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Forget 1971

Khandaker Mahbub advises people

UNB, Dhaka

The people who believe in the country's independence must get united against this government to free the nation from its misrule forgetting who did what in 1971, BNP chairperson's adviser Khandaker Mahbub Hossain said yesterday.

"The country is now facing only one problem--an illegal administration is weighing heavily on the shoulder of the people. So, there's only one solution--this illegal government must be dislodged through a decisive movement," he told a discussion, "The impeachment law and the independence of the judiciary", at Dhaka Reporters Unity, organised by pro-BNP platform Jatiyatabadi Prajanma 71.

The Supreme Court lawyer said the government was chaining the people by formulating various laws and policies one after another.

About the 16th constitutional amendment through which the parliament has re-empowered itself to impeach SC judges, he said it was to keep judges under pressure. "This regime has lost its balance. Now the people will have to get united to dislodge it."

Mahbub said the BNP chairperson would call for a decisive movement at a suitable time. "Sheikh Hasina is now riding the tiger's back and she can't get off it. She'll not go for an election till her fall through a mass upsurge," he added.

Addressing the programme, BNP international affairs

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Govt destroying education system by increasing pass rates

Says Khaleda

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia last night said the government had destroyed the education sector by increasing the pass rates in public examinations in order to get compliments from others.

"...the inside story is the knowledge level of students is going down. They did not qualify in the admission tests," she said.

Because of this, meritorious students are getting upset day by day, the former prime minister told a discussion at her Gulshan office in the capital with Buddhist leaders, who called on her marking the second anniversary of the attack on the religious minority at Ramu in Cox's Bazar.

Referring to the present status of the Ramu cases,

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TONGI JUVENILE DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Five 'attempt suicide'

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Five teenage boys of Tongi Juvenile Development Centre in Gazipur yesterday allegedly tried to commit suicide by slashing their bodies with sharp objects.

The injured are Nayeem, 16, Iqbal, 16, Panjas, 16, Faruk, 17, and Asad, 17. They were sent to Tongi Government Hospital for treatment.

Mahbubur Rahman Chowdhury, residential medical officer of the

hospital, said a medical assistant of the correctional centre, Helal Uddin, brought the boys to the hospital around 1:15pm.

"The boys hurt themselves with sharp weapons like blades in the classroom inside the centre," said Rabiul Islam, supervisor at the reformatory, adding that frustration might be the reason behind them hurting themselves.

"They are out of danger now," he said.

On February 11 this year, 20 ado-

lescents gashed their foreheads, arms and wrists by blades protesting misbehaviour and physical abuse by then acting supervisor Anwarul Kabir.

Kabir has been suspended for negligence in duty and alleged mismanagement after the High Court issued a rule following the incident.

The centre houses at least 309 teenagers, who were charged with criminal offences, from different parts of the country.

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