Extremist forces take advantage of 'lack' of democratic practice: Moudud OUR CORRESPONDENT, New Delhi

Senior BNP leader Moudud Ahmed yesterday alleged that a "lack" of democratic practice, "suppression" of the opposition and "political vacuum" in the country has created opportunities

for extremist forces to take advantage of the situation. In order to contain and resist rising terrorism in Bangladesh, he suggested

holding of free and fair election immediately in order to have an accountable and elected government and to unite people under a national platform.

He was delivering a lecture on "Security of Bangladesh in South Asian Context" organised by think-tank Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies at a hotel in Delhi.

The senior BNP leader said the terror attacks in Gulshan and Sholakia added "a new dimension in the security concerns of Bangladesh".

"These killings and the government's failure to track down the killers has caused a great amount of uncertainty, fear and a sense of insecurity in all sections of people," he

Moudud said Bangladesh and India will have to work together urgently, if necessary with international support, to eliminate forces of terrorism in this region.



A traffic police fines a CNG-run auto-rickshaw driver for not using the fare meter at Chittagong city's New Market intersection yesterday.

PHOTO: **ANURUP KANTI DAS**

Massive drives against CNG-run auto-rickshaws in Ctg

1,700 cases filed, 70 vehicles seized in two days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Traffic department of Chittagong Metropolitan Police (CMP) and Bangladesh Road Transport Authority (BRTA) have been continuing drives against CNG-run auto-rickshaws that were not using the fare meters in the port city since Sunday.

During a drive in the city's New Market Intersection, Masood-ul-Hasan, additional commissioner (traffic) of CMP, yesterday told the reporters that 1,700 cases have been filed against the same number of autorickshaws and 70 auto-rickshaws were seized in the first two days.

"950 cases were filed and 40 autorickshaws were seized in the first day and 750 cases and 30 auto-rickshaws in the second," he said, adding, "As a result of the drives, most of the drivers are seen operating on meters today [yesterday]."

Meanwhile, passengers said drivers were using fare meters but many also complained that some of the drivers were still refusing to use them.

Hasibul Hussain, a passenger, who was going to Jamal Khan Road, said the auto-rickshaw he was traveling on used the fare meter, while another passenger

Turna Das, traveling to Anderkilla, said the driver refused go by the meter and she ended up bargaining with him. "Around 75 percent of auto-

rickshaws were seen operating on fare meter today [yesterday]. We will continue the drives till the problem is addressed fully," said CMP additional commissioner Masood.

He said over ten thousand CNG-run auto-rickshaws ply the city roads.

Mohammad Shohidullah, BRTA deputy director of Chittagong, could not be contacted for his comment despite repeated attempts as his cell phone remained switched off.

List of missing persons may be revised again

Says Rab chief STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rapid Action Battalion Director General Benazir Ahmed yesterday said the list of 68 missing persons which the force disclosed before the media on Monday may be revised further.

Some persons may return to their families while new names of missing persons may be included, he said.

The Rab chief was briefing reporters at the capital's Gulshan-2 while inaugurating an anti-militancy campaign against the backdrop of Holey Artisan Bakery deadly attack.

As part of the initiative, Rab will distribute leaflets and posters among people across the country to make them aware of terrorism.

Rab disclosed a list of 261 missing persons last week.

As many of them was later found to be in contact with their families, it made a new list of 68 persons on Monday.

During editing of a report

Correction

headlined "Niblett

Australian envoy" published in The Daily Star on Tuesday, the last two words -- "and smuggling" -- of a deleted sentence, "Announcing the appointment, Julie Bishop, minister for foreign affairs of Australia, said Bangladesh and Australia are enhancing their cooperation on shared security challenges, including counterterrorism and smuggling", were inadvertently left behind after the second paragraph. We regret the error.

NEWS_{IN} brief

Kabir new UNFICYP force commander

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has appointed Maj Gen Mohammad Humayun Kabir of Bangladesh as United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) force commander. The announcement came yesterday, according to UN

Information Centre in Dhaka. Kabir will succeed Maj Gen Kristin Lund of Norway, who is the first female force commander in the UN and will complete her assignment on July 29.

Khaleda condemns Munich attack

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia yesterday condemned the terrorist attack in Munich of Germany.

The incident is dread and inhumane, said Khaleda in her statement that was sent to the media houses four days after the incident. She called for immediate collective initiatives across the world to eliminate terrorism.

At least nine people were killed in terror attack at a busy shopping mall in Munich on July 22.

Cuet admission test on Nov 5

CU CORRESPONDENT

The first-year honours admission test under 2016-17 academic session of Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology (Cuet) will be held on November 5, said Cuet Registrar Prof Faruque-Uz-Jaman Chowdhury.

Candidates can get all information about the test from the university website www.cuet.ac.bd.

Sylhet Jamaat secretary arrested

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Sylhet

Police arrested a Jamaat leader at an anti-militancy rally of the party in Sobhaighat area of Sylhet city yesterday. The arrestee Sohel Ahmed is the secretary of Sylhet

metro unit Jamaat.

Police said some Jamaat and Shibir men brought out the rally without any prior permission from the authority. Later, they tried to gather in front of Rose View Hotel where police blocked them. Following that, they locked into a clash with police, who arrested Sohel at the gathering. Sohel later, was shown arrest in an anti-state case filed for printing and publishing anti-state leaflets and posters on May 25 this year, said Rahmat Ullah, additional deputy commissioner of SMP.



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2 get death for killing

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On December 21, 2010, Journalist Monir Rari, 31, was critically injured after Alauddin, his uncle, hit him with a spade when Monir went to oppose the construction of a wall blocking a portion of a road, said the public prosecutor.

Monir died on the way to the capital from Barisal Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital, the same night.

A murder case was lodged the next day against five people including Alauddin Rari, Russell Rari, Sohag Rari, Motaleb Rari and Aleya Begum, said Sub-inspector Kaikobad of the detective branch of district police, who filed a charge sheet against them in 2011.

Among the accused, Motaleb died in 2014 and Aleya Begum was acquitted in 2015, he said.

Motor vehicle deal

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without proper qualifications. Many vehicles are unfit and are being run by unskilled drivers. Consequently, passengers' safety is being endangered," mentioned Quader, reiterating that one of his major challenges was to maintain discipline in the transport sector.

"If we cannot reclaim roads and footpaths from the illegal occupiers, mega-projects like metro rail and flyover will bring no benefit to reducing traffic congestion in the capital," he added.

About 15 lakh rickshaws run in the capital, while the number of registered rickshaws is around 50,000. Hundreds of unregistered three wheelers are also running, said the minister.

A topic on traffic rules should be added to the school textbooks to build awareness among children, he underscored. Eminent writer and educationist Prof Abdullah Abu

Sayeed proposed formulating a rule making graduation-level qualification mandatory for being a bus driver and SSC-level for a truck driver.

Militancy protested

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CUJA President Abu Bakar Rahat said, "Militancy is prohibited in Islam. So we all should be united against militancy and terrorism."

"No human being can support militancy and terrorism," he further said, urging the government to nab the militants and ensure capital punishment for them so that none can dare to commit such crimes.

RUET

Teachers, students and employees of Rajshahi University of Engineering and Technology (Ruet) held a rally in the auditorium of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman Hall on its campus on Monday to raise awareness against terrorism and militancy.

Ruet Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Md Rafiqul Alam Beg was present there as the chief guest.

Speakers at the rally said there was no place for terrorism and militancy on the university and they would fight militancy together.

Three sent to jail after FROM PAGE 3

renting out a flat to the suspected Gulshan café militants which were being verified. They will be remanded again, the IO said, adding that so they needed to be confined to jail until the investigation completed. After their arrest on July 16, they were shown arrested

under section-54 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC). The following day, they were remanded. The same day, police also arrested the owner of the Shewrapara flat, Nurul Islam, 68, for not collecting tenants'

information while renting out the flat and allegedly sheltering militants. He was remanded for eight days, but he was sent to jail after he fell sick on July 20 on remand. Yesterday, they did not get any lawyers to defend them even though Gias Uddin Ahsan and Nurul Islam got lawyers

on July 17 during the hearing of their remand prayer. On July 1, armed militants attacked the Holey Artisan Bakery in Gulshan's diplomatic zone and killed 20 people -nine Italian, seven Japanese, two Bangladeshis, one Indian and one Bangladesh-born US citizen. Two police officers were also killed.

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