



## CJ under fire at JS

### Resolution passed seeking legal steps to scrap some SC observations in 16th amendment verdict

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Jatiya Sangsad last night unanimously passed a resolution for taking "proper" legal steps towards expunction of the chief justice's "unconstitutional, objectionable and irrelevant" observations in the Supreme Court verdict in the 16th amendment case.

The resolution followed more than a dozen lawmakers' scathing attack on Chief Justice SK Sinha for some of his observations.

Placed by Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal lawmaker Mayeen Uddin Khan Badal, the resolution was passed by a voice vote amid thumping of desks by the treasury bench, the opposition and independent lawmakers.

Taking part in the discussion on the resolution, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said, "In the verdict, the chief justice has echoed the remarks that BNP-Jamaat alliance and the anti-liberation elements used to make about the Father of the Nation [Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman]." In her 30-minute speech, the leader of the House pointed out that the chief justice made contradictory remarks in his observations.

"A question has arisen who has drafted the verdict and from where," Hasina said.

"By making such remarks, the chief justice has not only made himself controversial, but also made democracy and parliament questionable. What is his motive?", she asked. Noting that parliament is sovereign and people are the source of all power, the PM said the House is comprised of lawmakers elected by the people.

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### ROHINGYA INFLUX 3,89,000 AND COUNTING

A Rohingya woman, who did not find any shelter, stands in the rain with her infant at Balukhali of Ukhaia yesterday.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN



### Come up with help 'regardless of politics'

#### UN seeks 'massive' aid boost for Rohingyas

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

As the Rohingya crisis escalates into an unfolding tragedy, the United Nations yesterday appealed to the world to support the ongoing humanitarian efforts for the refugees "regardless of politics". It also said aid agencies have to step up operations "massively" in response to the inflow of Rohingyas fleeing atrocities in

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## UNSC MEETING ON MYANMAR Call for immediate steps to end violence

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The UN Security Council yesterday expressed concern about excessive force used by Myanmar during its security operation in Rakhine State and called for "immediate steps" to end the violence.

The unanimous statement followed a council meeting held behind closed doors to respond to the violence that has driven nearly 4,00,000 Rohingyas to flee across the border to Bangladesh.

The Security Council condemned the violence and called for humanitarian aid

workers to be able to reach those in need in Rakhine state, reports AFP.

Ethiopian Ambassador Takeda Alemu, who holds the council presidency, told reporters after the meeting that council members "expressed concern about reports of excessive violence during the security operations and called for immediate steps to end the violence in Rakhine."

British UN Ambassador Matthew Rycroft said it was the first time in nine years the council had agreed a statement on Myanmar, Reuters adds.

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### Suu Kyi won't attend key UN summit

REUTERS, Yangon

Myanmar's de facto leader Aung San Suu Kyi, who faces global outrage over violence that has forced about 4,00,000 Rohingyas to flee to Bangladesh, cancelled a trip to the upcoming UN General Assembly "because of the crisis".

The exodus of refugees, sparked by the fierce



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## The situation 'catastrophic'

### UN chief asks Myanmar to halt military action

REUTERS, United Nations

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres yesterday called on authorities in Myanmar to end violence against Rohingyas and acknowledged the situation there is best described as ethnic cleansing.

"The humanitarian situation in Myanmar was "catastrophic," Guterres said, and called on all countries to do what they could



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"When one-third of the Rohingya population had to flee the country, could you find a better word to describe it?"

UN CHIEF ANTONIO GUTERRES WHEN ASKED IF IT COULD BE DESCRIBED AS ETHNIC CLEANSING

## Intervene now, take action

### 12 Nobel laureates, 15 other eminent citizens call upon UNSC in open letter

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Twelve Nobel laureates and 15 other eminent global citizens yesterday urged the UN Security Council to intervene immediately to end the humanitarian crisis in Myanmar's Rakhine state.

"We call on UNSC to intervene immediately by using all available means. We request you to take immediate action for cessation of indiscriminate military attack on innocent civilians that is forcing them to leave their home and flee country to turn

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