

Zia chief patron of jail killers: Inu

BSS, Kushtia

Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu yesterday said BNP founder and former president Ziaur Rahman was the main patron of the killings of four national leaders in jail on November 3, 1975 and he accordingly rewarded the killers.

The information minister made the remark while speaking to journalists after discussions with leaders and workers of his party, Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal, at the Kushtia circuit house.

He said the BNP remained silent when the entire nation was solemnly observing the martyrdom of the four national leaders. This has, once again, indicated their tacit approval of the gruesome incident, he said. "BNP is upholding that tradition."



Senior Awami League leaders place a wreath at the memorial of four slain national leaders inside former Dhaka Central Jail marking Jail Killing Day yesterday. On this day in 1975, the Liberation War heroes were killed by some army officers inside the prison.

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Bring killers to book

Urges attorney general; nation recalls sacrifices of four heroes

STAR REPORT

The killers of four national leaders could not be given appropriate punishment due to a lack of proper documents and evidence, said Attorney General Mahbubey Alam yesterday.

The killers of four leaders and Bangabandhu should be brought to book, he said.

The attorney general said this while talking to reporters after attending a special prayer at a local mosque in Louhajang of Munshiganj marking the 42nd anniversary of Jail Killing Day, reports our Munshiganj correspondent.

The killers wanted to cripple the nation intellectually by murdering the four leaders, he said.

Mahbubey Alam also expressed his desire to contest the next parliamentary elections as an Awami League candidate from Munshiganj-2 (Louhajang-Tongibari) constituency.

Meanwhile, the nation yesterday solemnly commemorated the 42nd anniversary of gunning down four national leaders inside Dhaka Central Jail, ever since known as Jail Killing Day.

On this day in 1975, four Liberation War leaders -- Syed Nazrul Islam, acting president of Bangladesh government in exile in 1971, Tajuddin Ahmad, prime minister of the same government, Capt M Mansur Ali, finance minister, and AHM Quamruzzaman, minister for home affairs, relief and rehabilitation, --

were killed in captivity by some army officers.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina yesterday had to cancel all her scheduled programmes due to sickness.

The premier was supposed to attend programmes at Dhanmondi 32 and Krishibid Institution Bangladesh in the morning and afternoon respectively.

"The prime minister has cancelled the programmes due to sickness," said Awami League Joint General Secretary Mahbubul Alam Hanif. He said the PM recently underwent an operation in the US. "She felt sick yesterday as some complications arose," he added.

Two of the PM's press officials echoed the same to The Daily Star.

On her behalf, Industries Minister Amir Hossain Amu, Agriculture Minister Matia Chowdhury and Health Minister Mohammed Nasim placed a wreath at the portrait of Bangabandhu at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Memorial Museum at Dhanmondi 32.

AL General Secretary Obaidul Quader along with senior party leaders also placed a wreath on behalf of the Awami League president.

Marking the day, different socio-cultural and political organisations yesterday placed wreaths at the portrait of Bangabandhu and the graves of the four national leaders.

Special prayers were also held for the salvation of their departed souls.

JAIL KILLING DAY

Disgraceful

DU CORRESPONDENT

The split between two factions of pro-Awami League teachers at Dhaka University has taken a turn for the worse with Thursday's incident of "assault" on a teacher.

Many of the teachers, students, officials and employees of DU termed the incident "disgraceful" while many took to social media to express their frustration.

On Thursday, Proctor Prof AKM Golam Rabbani allegedly swooped on Prof AKM Jamal Uddin of sociology department and left him with minor injuries at a meeting of the Blue Panel teachers at TSC. With this "assault", the division that was created over the vice chancellor's post a few months earlier has widened further, said several teachers.

DU top administration took no immediate steps till yesterday to contain tension between the teachers' factions -- one loyal to Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, former vice chancellor, and the other to Prof Akhtaruzzaman, incumbent vice chancellor.

Meanwhile, the proctor yesterday made a counter allegation that Prof Jamal assaulted him in the meeting.

Some teachers of Blue Panel, loyal to Prof Arefin Siddique, alleged that the proctor was delivering a provocative speech about the former VC and was hurling abuses towards some other Blue Panel teachers.

On the contrary, some teachers of the same panel, loyal to the incumbent VC, claimed that Prof Jamal hurled abuses towards the proctor and assaulted him.

"Jamal fabricated the story and is trying to get sympathy from others," alleged Prof Golam Rabbani.

Meanwhile, many DU teachers expressed shock over the allegation of assaulting a teacher. "We cannot believe we had to witness this...it's very disgraceful...for the institution we take so much pride in," said a teacher, wishing anonymity.

A former DU student wrote on his Facebook page: "Thanks to appointing cadres on political consideration year after year, the nation gets to see such a thing from the DU teachers."

Contacted, DU VC Prof Akhtaruzzaman said, "We will solve the problem by holding a meeting of the Blue Panel teachers as it is an internal problem of the panel."

The Blue Panel teachers were not available for comments as they were at a meeting over the issue.

This split of Blue Panel teachers began with senate election where they submitted two different panels.

After the issue witnessed some developments even in the High Court, President Abdul Hamid, the chancellor of the university, appointed Prof Akhtaruzzaman temporarily as the new VC as the tenure of Prof Arefin ended on August 24.

In a surprise move, Prof Akhtaruzzaman assumed the office on September 4 when the university was on Eid-ul-Azha holidays and did not even take the charges from his predecessor.

Ctg man

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a meeting which was called by their co-villagers for settling the feud, said the OC.

At one stage, Mannan hit Mohin in the head with a stick, he added.

Later, Mohin was declared dead at Chittagong Medical College Hospital around 8:00pm on the day, said Assistant Sub-inspector Alauddin Talukdar of CMCH police outpost.

The body was sent to the CMC morgue for an autopsy.

Mannan is on the run, said OC Kefayet.



Speaker of West Bengal Legislative Assembly Biman Banerjee visits his ancestral land on BM College Road of Barisal city yesterday. His family left his birthplace during the riot in 1948. Biman came to Bangladesh to attend the conference of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. Accompanied by his wife Nandita Banerjee, he also visited the hospital he was born in--St Anne's Medical Centre--in Barisal city.

PHOTO: STAR

Family feud behind

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Karim, Mukta, and Jony -- and several other unidentified people.

In the case, the complainant said witnesses saw Jony and some other unidentified people fleeing his sister's house after hearing screams from it around 6:00pm on that day.

He told The Daily Star that the family feud started after Abdul Karim married for a second time around 21 years ago. His sister was not aware of it until his second wife gave birth to a baby son, he added.

The situation got worse when she came to know around eight months ago that Abdul Karim married a third wife, Mukta, he said.

"A few months ago, Mukta came to Nahar's house and beat her up for obtaining his sister's properties," alleged Ashraf.

Moreover, instigated by Karim, Mukta kept threatening her, he said.

Nahar wanted to file a general diary a week ago, but she refrained from doing so thinking of Karim's reaction and her security, he added.

Businesses fear

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lack of lighter jetties.

Urging immediate lighter jetty support outside the port, he proposed allowing the private sector to construct concrete jetties on the bank of the river Karnaphuli for a smoother unloading of lighter vessels.

The present situation is causing BSRM to pay a demurrage of around US\$ 3,00,000 each month for at least three cargo vessels, Aameir also said.

Shipping Secretary Abdus Samad said although the port remains open for 24 hours every day, as per the prime minister's directive, its activities slow down on Fridays and Saturdays when many stakeholders remain closed.

National Board of Revenue Chairman Nojibur Rahman, representatives of Bangladesh Garment Manufacturer and Exporters Association, Bangladesh Shipping Agents Association, Bangladesh Freight Forwarders Association and others also spoke at the meeting, chaired by CPA Chairman Rear Admiral M Khaled Iqbal.

NEWS IN brief

US envoy Shannon arrives tomorrow

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

US Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs Thomas A Shannon will arrive in Dhaka tomorrow to join the sixth US-Bangladesh Partnership Dialogue.

According to a media note issued in Washington yesterday, the US diplomat will discuss bilateral, regional, and global issues, including the Rohingya crisis, with government and non-government officials.

Diplomatic sources said Shannon is expected to call on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Foreign Minister AH Mahmood Ali and other high government officials during his less than two-day stay in Dhaka.

He will lead the US delegation while Foreign Secretary Md Shahidul Haque will lead the Bangladesh delegation at the partnership dialogue.

Shannon will leave Dhaka on Monday.

Bangladesh, Switzerland celebrate friendship

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh and Switzerland celebrated the 45th anniversary of their diplomatic relations through a special event at Pan Pacific Sonargaon in the capital on Thursday.

Foreign Affairs Minister Abul Hassan Mahmood Ali was present as the chief guest while Cultural Affairs Minister Asaduzzaman Noor was the special guest.

The main attractions of the event were video and on-stage presentations of young people of Bangladesh and Switzerland sharing their aspirations for the future.

On this occasion, the cultural affairs minister together with Ambassador of Switzerland to Bangladesh René Hostenstein launched a photography book "Focus on Culture" published by the Swiss Embassy in close cooperation with young Bangladeshi artists.

Foreign Minister in his address highlighted the relations between the two countries which are based on mutual respect and trust.

Death anniversary

CITY DESK

The first death anniversary of Alhajj Jahanara Begum will be observed today, says a press release.

On the occasion, a milad and doa mahfils will be held after the Zohr prayers at "Jahanara Monzil", Shaheb Para, Lalmonirhat.

Food will also be distributed among the destitute at that time.

Her relatives, friends and well wishers are requested to attend the programmes.



Bangladesh Tourism Board
(National Tourism Organization)
Level-3, Building-2, Hotel Intercontinental, 1,
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Open Tender Notice

1.	Ministry/Division	Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism.
2.	Procuring entity name	Bangladesh Tourism Board (BTB).
3.	Invitation for	Non-Consulting Services For Organizing the 10th Islamic Conference of Tourism Ministers (ICTM)-2018.
4.	Invitation Ref. No.	BTB/ICTM-Tender/17/556
KEY INFORMATION		
5.	Procurement method	Open Tender Method (OTM).
FUNDING INFORMATION		
6.	Budget & source of funds	GOB.
PARTICULAR INFORMATION		
7.	Tender publication date	November 4, 2017.
8.	Last selling date & time of tender documents	November 26, 2017, 5.00pm.
9.	Last date and time of submission of tender documents	November 27, 2017, 2.00pm.
10.	Tender opening date and time	November 27, 2017, 3.00pm.
11.	Place of submission	Office of the Chief Executive Officer, Bangladesh Tourism Board, Level-3, Building 2, BSL Office Complex (Hotel Intercontinental), 1, Mintu Road, Dhaka-1000.
INFORMATION FOR TENDERER		
12.	Brief eligibility and qualification of tenderer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 years experience of organizing International Multi-Country Conference in Bangladesh. Experience of organizing at least 01 (one) International Event at the national level in the last 2 years.
13.	Brief description of services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Event Management Services for organizing the 10th International Conference of Tourism Ministers (ICTM). Venue Decoration, Outdoor Branding, Design & Supply Conference Materials and Transport & Logistics.
14.	Price of tender document (Tk)	5000/- Taka non-refundable.
15.	Package No.	Package name
	(A)	Venue Decoration, Outdoor Branding & Conference Management
	(B)	Transport & Logistics
		Tender security
		Mode of submission
		Tk 7,00,000.00 (seven lac)
		Tk 2,00,000.00 (two lac)
		In the form of Pay Order
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS		
16.	Name & designation of official inviting tender	Dr. Md. Nasir Uddin, Chief Executive Officer (Additional Secretary).
The procuring entity reserves the right to reject any or all tenders or annul the tender proceedings without assigning any reason.		
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