



Demanding reinstatement of 30 percent freedom fighters' quota in civil service, protesters block Dhaka-Chattogram highway in City Gate area near port city around 11:00am yesterday. Agitators under the banner of Muktiyoddha Sangsad Santan Command, Chattogram also brought out a procession in the area, inset.



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AUG 21 CASE VERDICT

BNP wants to hold rally, AL will be on the streets

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

The port city unit of Awami League decided to remain on the streets for three days around the delivery of verdict of August 21 grenade attack case [scheduled for Oct 10] while BNP wants to hold a grand rally on the day of the verdict.

Khorshed Alam Sujan, vice president of AL's Chattogram city unit, told The Daily Star that the leaders and activists of their party and its associate organisations would take position at 17 strategic points of the city today, tomorrow and Thursday, so that no one can carry out any subversive activities centring the verdict.

Apart from thwarting any untoward incident, they would also campaign on development activities of the government during the period, he added.

Abdul Hashem Bakkar, general secretary of BNP's port city unit, said they have sought permission for holding a grand rally at Laldighi Maidan on Wednesday. He, however, said that the rally was not only aimed at the verdict of the August 21 grenade attack case but also to press home their seven-point demand.

He said they would try to hold the rally on Saturday if they do not get permission from the administration for Wednesday. "We have sought permission from the administration at least nine times to hold a grand rally at Laldighi Maidan in the last five years to no avail," he said.

BNP held its last public rally at Polo Ground in the city in 2012, and its activities have remained confined to their Nasiman Bhaban office on Nur Ahmed Road since then.

BGC MEDICAL COLLEGE

CU to probe into admission test forgery allegation

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Chittagong University has decided to form a probe body to investigate into the allegations of admission test forgery by 60 MBBS students at BGC Trust Medical College, a private medical college affiliated with CU.

A meeting was held on the campus on Sunday evening, in presence of principals of nine such medical colleges.

VC Prof Iftekher Uddin Chowdhury chaired the meeting, where Prof Selim Muhammad Jahangir, dean of medicine faculty, was present.

The meeting was held after Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council issued a letter to probe into the matter.

The allegations were raised against 12 students of 2013-14 session and 48 of 2014-15 session. They got admitted to the course allegedly through unfair means. The VC said the committee would be formed immediately.

DEFAMATORY REMARKS AGAINST PM

CU teacher Maidul put on three-day remand

STAR REPORT

A Chattogram court yesterday granted three-day remand against Chittagong University (CU) teacher Maidul Islam, in connection with a case filed under section 57 of ICT Act for his alleged defamatory remarks against Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina on social media.

Judge Shahidullah Kaiser of Senior Judicial Magistrate's court-1 passed the remand order, after he was produced before the court by police with a five-day remand prayer, said the plaintiff's lawyer Bhulan Lal Vowmik, reports our CU correspondent.

On July 24, former CU unit BCL leader Md Iftekhat Uddin Ayaz lodged a case against Maidul, an assistant professor of CU's sociology department. Maidul was granted bail from the High Court in the case on August 6.

On September 24, Maidul was sent to jail after he surrendered before a Chattogram court on completion of his eight-week bail, and was suspended from CU a day later.

BCL men of CU unit had also lodged a complaint against Maidul to the department chairperson, and submitted a memorandum to the vice-chancellor against two teachers of the university -- Maidul and Khandakar Ali Ar Raji, a teacher of CU's Communication and Journalism department.

The BCL men have also announced the teachers "unwelcome" on campus.

The university formed a three-member probe committee to investigate into these allegations, against Maidul and Ali Ar Raji.

However, Maidul maintains that he never wrote derogatory remarks against the premier.

JU TEACHERS PROTEST MAIDUL'S REMAND

In an immediate reaction to the news, a number of teachers of Jahangirnagar University (JU) observed their admission test duties covering their mouths with black cloth, protesting Maidul Islam's remand.

Under the banner of "Protesting teachers of JU", they also gathered in front of the social science building and held a short rally around 6:00pm. Both pro-Awami League and pro-BNP teachers were seen taking part at the rally, reports our JU correspondent. "Everyone, irrespective of disagreements in opinions and ideologies, should protest the government's oppression on dissent," said Prof Sayeed Ferdous of anthropology department.

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Influx of drugs a conspiracy against country

Says Rajshahi DIG

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Rajshahi range police's deputy inspector general Khurshid Alam yesterday termed illegal drugs a conspiracy against the country.

"Influx of different kinds of drugs is a conspiracy against the country by some internal and international groups," Alam said at a press conference at the DIG's conference room.

The event was held to brief journalists about security measures ahead of Durga Puja celebrations. The DIG, however, also answered questions regarding progress of the operations against narcotics in Rajshahi division.

Journalists asked how notorious drug peddlers of Godagari upazila of Rajshahi and Shibganj upazila of Chapainawabganj escaped the anti-drug operations, when the upazilas are considered the main points for smuggling of drugs and firearms.

DIG Khurshid Alam in reply said, "Police is retrieving illegal drugs almost every day. We act on information; we cannot check everywhere based just on suspicion."

Two-day int'l conference at BUBT

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A two-day international conference on sustainable development through cross-border cooperation began at Bangladesh University of Business and Technology (BUBT) yesterday, said a press release.

Several reputed researchers and professors from different countries are attending the conference.

A series of seven technical sessions on business, economics and information technology (IT) were held on the first day.

Chief Guest Prof Abdul Mannan, chairman of University Grants Commission (UGC) said, knowledge has no border. "It is a political matter, and we can share knowledge or exchange it to develop ourselves together," he said.

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Guests at the inaugural ceremony of the conference.

Idols found vandalised at two temples

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gazipur

Seven idols at two adjoining temples in Sreepur of Gazipur were found vandalised early yesterday. The temples are Sonabo Kalibari Battala Durga Mandir and Gobinda Mandir.

"Miscreants must have vandalised those late Sunday night. Though there were no caretakers at the time, the temples were locked from outside," said Badal Chandra, president of the Sonabo Kalibari temple committee.

Jabedul Islam, officer-in-charge of Sreepur Police Station, said, "A woman and child first noticed the vandalised idols from outside in the morning. The locks were found intact when we visited the spots."

"We are looking into the matter," he added.

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