

‘This is our movement’

BNP demands punishment for those who attacked JCD men

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP yesterday said their movement on the street started with their student wing Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal.

Party’s standing committee member Khandakar Mosharraf Hossain made this comment while addressing a protest rally organised by the party’s Dhaka north and south city units in front of Jatiya Press Club.

The event was organised, protesting the recent attacks on JCD leaders and activists on Dhaka University campus.

He said JCD has launched a street movement for the restoration of democracy through their protest programmes at DU.

The BNP leader said all the democratic forces and patriots will get united to make the ongoing movement a success. He warned that their will be dire consequences of the attacks on their party’s student leaders and activists.

Mosharraf condemned the attack on the JCD’s “peaceful procession” and also urged all to take their movement forward.

He demanded that the attackers be

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Every day at the break of dawn, Ibrahim Khalil sets out on a mission to collect as much scrap plastic bottles as he can. He packs them inside huge sacks and carries them on his shoulder, tied to a single piece of bamboo. After collecting a good amount, he sells them at scrap shops at Old Dhaka’s Ananda Bazar for Tk 8-10 per kg. This 90-year-old man has been making a living this way for years, and in turn, contributing to keeping this city clean. The photo was taken in Dhaka University area yesterday.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

‘Sustainable resilience need of the hour’

7th Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction concludes in Bali

PINAKI ROY from Bali

With a call to generate and allocate necessary global funding for LDCs (Least Developed Countries) faced with natural disasters, the seventh Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (GPDRR) 2022 ended yesterday in Bali, Indonesia.

“Bali Agenda for sustainable resilience can be the answer to the world’s challenges regarding disaster management after the pandemic, amid the threat of climate change,” said Lt Gen Suharyanto, head of

BALI AGENDA

- Strengthening culture of disaster preparedness
- Investing in disaster science, technology, innovation
- Building infrastructure resilient to disasters, climate change
- Committing to implement global agreements at local levels

natural disaster management authority, Indonesia, while reading out the agenda.

Before the closing session yesterday evening, the Bangladesh delegation discussed lessons learned from the conference in a programme hosted by UN Bangladesh office.

Earlier in three days official discussions, ministers and other high-level government representatives, civil society members and development partners from 181 countries discussed their experiences and strategies to

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The alumni of 1970-71 and 1991-92 batches of Buet’s engineering discipline along with architecture discipline’s 1971-72 and 1992-93 batches were given a warm reception on their 50th and 30th anniversaries of graduation yesterday. At the event, the university’s former vice chancellor Dr MH Khan was present as chief guest, while current VC Prof Satya Prasad Majumder was present as special guest. The programme was organised by Buet Alumni at the university’s central auditorium.

PHOTO: STAR

BNP upset over Padma Bridge completion

Says law minister

STAR REPORT

BNP activists are utterly upset as the long-cherished Padma Bridge project has been completed, Law Minister Anisul Huq said yesterday.

He was answering queries from journalists after visiting the under-construction Ashrayan Project at Rajapur village under Akhaura upazila of Brahmanbaria, reports our local correspondent. “Leaders and activists of BNP are habituated to spreading propaganda... They don’t want something beneficial for people to be implemented,” he said. “Their (BNP) hearts burn as people’s dream has come true under the leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. For this reason, they are spreading propaganda about Padma Bridge,” he said.



Bangladesh elected to all councils of UNESCAP

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Bangladesh has been elected to the governing councils of all four regional institutions of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) in Bangkok, Thailand. Bangladesh is the only country besides India who became elected to the governing councils in all four regional institutions, said a press release issued by Embassy of Bangladesh in Bangkok.

The election was held at the United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok as well as at the ESCAP Subregional Office for the Pacific, Suva, Fiji, and at the UN Compound, Beijing, China simultaneously. The members are elected for the period of 2022-24.

UN honours two fallen Bangladeshi peacekeepers

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Two fallen Bangladeshi peacekeepers were honoured during the commemoration of International Day of UN Peacekeepers at the UN Headquarters in New York on Thursday.

The peacekeepers are Maj AKM Mahmudul Hasan, who was serving in the Central African Republic, and Lance Corporal Md Rabiul Mollah, who was serving in South Sudan UNMISS.

Bangladesh’s Permanent Representative to the UN in New York Ambassador Rabab Fatima received the “Dag Hammarskjöld Medal” from UN Secretary-General António Guterres.



BCS PRELIMINARY EXAMS

Over 3.5 lakh candidates vying for 1,710 posts

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The preliminary exam for the 44th Bangladesh Civil Service (BCS) under Public Service Commission (PSC) was held yesterday.

Over 3.5 lakh candidates appeared for the two-hour long test vying for 1,710 posts in different cadres.

The tests were held in Dhaka, Chattogram, Rajshahi, Khulna, Barishal, Sylhet, Rangpur and Mymensingh divisions simultaneously from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

According to PSC, a total of 1,84,339 candidates sat for the tests in Dhaka, 32,581 in Rajshahi, 30,229 in Chattogram, 25,967 in Khulna, 11,639 in Barishal, 10,519 in Sylhet and 28,532 in Rangpur.

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	Fazr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
Azan	4-05	12-45	5-00	6-43	8-05
Jamaat	4-40	1-15	5-15	6-47	8-35

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Myanmar situation not safe for civilians

Says Rabab Fatima

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

Precarious security situation in Myanmar is causing delay in the repatriation of the Rohingya, said Bangladesh Permanent Representative to UN in New York, Ambassador Rabab Fatima.

“We remain concerned that the situation in Myanmar continues to remain unsafe for civilians, especially for the ethnic and religious minorities, such as the Rohingyas,” she said.

She was speaking at an open debate on the protection of civilians in armed conflict, convened by the US Delegation as the current president of the Council on Thursday.

About 750,000 Rohingyas fled Myanmar military crackdown in 2017 and took shelter in Bangladesh.

Despite repeated efforts, none of the Rohingyas was repatriated as they fear security risks back in Rakhine State.

Myanmar military’s takeover of power has further complicated the situation, with the military and civilians confronting with each other.

Bangladesh also called for strengthening national judicial mechanisms and, where necessary, supporting international accountability mechanisms, including in the International Court of Justice and International Criminal Court.

She also mentioned Bangladesh’s commitment to protect civilians, and the role its peacekeepers play in fulfilling this mandate.

“Nearly 7,000 peacekeepers from Bangladesh are serving in some of the most challenging missions, providing security at civilian sites, ensuring unhindered humanitarian services, supporting delivery of health and social services, community engagement and empowerment of women and youth,” she added.

“We remain concerned that the situation in Myanmar continues to remain unsafe for civilians, especially for the ethnic and religious minorities, such as the Rohingyas.”

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