



"Ukraine's health system is facing its darkest days in the war so far. Having endured more than 700 attacks, it is now also a victim of the energy crisis."



BNP'S DEC 10 DHAKA RALLY Cops, AL to be on high alert

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Law enforcers have taken all-out measures, including keeping Dhaka city BNP leaders and activists under close watch, to preempt "potential subversive activities" centering on the BNP's Dhaka rally on December 10.

Surveillance has already been stepped up to stop any arms and explosives from entering the city before the rally, law enforcement officials said.

Meanwhile, the ruling Awami League is making its own preparations to prevent BNP men from joining the rally. The measures include "cutting off" Dhaka from the rest of the country and taking position across the capital.

Like ahead of the BNP's previous divisional rallies in other parts of the country, transport will remain off the roads before the December 10 rally. Inter-district vehicular and launch movement is likely to be suspended as well. But vehicular movement within the city will remain normal, AL insiders said.

They said the party is taking measures carefully as they are somewhat clueless about what the BNP would do during the Dhaka rally.

The BNP is holding a series of public rallies in 10 divisional cities to protest price hikes of daily essentials and fuel and the deaths of its leaders in police action, as well as to press home the demand for the permanent release of its Chairperson Khaleda Zia.

The movement will end with the

Dhaka rally where BNP plans to gather 10 lakh people.

After the announcement for the rally, some BNP leaders threatened to unseat the government, but later party leaders went soft, saying they have such plans.

- BNP's Dhaka city leaders under surveillance
- DMP suggests BNP holds rally in Purbachal or Bishwa Ijtema ground
- AL men will take position at Dhaka's entry points
- AL to hold rally in Savar, has plans for two more in Jatrabari, Uttara
- Inter-district road and river transports may remain suspended

Sources in the Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) said intelligence started putting key BNP leaders from city units to ward levels under surveillance.

According to police sources, police stations under the DMP have already been asked to execute pending arrest warrants for BNP leaders and activists and arrest other BNP men facing charges.

Police also started checking vehicles and goods-laden trucks at the capital's

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MOVEMENT AT DEC 10 RALLY - PAGE 14



Argentina talisman Lionel Messi leaves the pitch dejected as Saudi Arabia players celebrate their stunning 2-1 win over the two-time world champions in a Group C fixture of the World Cup at the Lusail Stadium yesterday.



Saudi Arabia stun high-flying Argentina

REUTERS, Lusail

The stars appeared to be aligning for Lionel Messi as he arrived at the Qatar World Cup as the talisman for an Argentina squad that has been simply unbeatable since 2019.

When the mercurial 35-year-old stroked home a penalty 10 minutes into his side's opening Group C clash against Saudi Arabia it seemed all the pre-tournament talk that this

was his, and Argentina's, time was fully justified.

What happened next suggested that the seven-time Ballon d'Or winner's fifth and final World Cup might all end up in familiar crushing disappointment.

Saudi Arabia, FIFA's 51st ranked team and who have suffered 5-0 and 8-0 World Cup defeats down the years, roared back to claim an astonishing 2-1 victory that will go

down as one of the greatest shocks in any sport ever.

While their green-clad fans celebrated in delirious fashion, hundreds of Argentina's travelling army sat staring into space, trying to figure out what had happened.

They might point to the three disallowed goals, one for Messi and two for Lauturo Martinez, as bad luck.

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THE LATERAL VIEW



The Weah legacy and an upset for the ages



IRESH ZAKER

So today's big story obviously is Senegal and Tunisia's spirited performance against their much higher-ranked opponents, Holland and Denmark respectively. But for what seems to be a continental resolve not to score goals, either of them could have come away with an unexpected victory.

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TODAY'S MATCHES

Morocco v Croatia	4:00pm
Germany v Japan	7:00pm
Spain v Costa Rica	10:00pm
Belgium v Canada	01:00am

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