



Bangla Academy statement on Adarsha ban muddies the water further



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It also spoke about contacting Adarsha CEO Mahabub Rahman on behalf of the committee, seeking assurances that the disputed book would not be kept and displayed at the book fair, which he refused to accept. It added that, in this situation, the

be married to one of the daughters of BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir. This raises questions about his apparent victimisation for political association. Discarding such allegations isn't easy, as the publisher has claimed that the book

Unless these legal loopholes are amended, for which strong social unity is necessary, there is little hope that the institution that emerged as an icon of free speech will ever be truly autonomous.

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Unsurprisingly, the fire spread to the sanctuary, increasing the death toll – though “officially,” there is no such thing. Three days passed but no one from the local administration, not a single forest official, came to stop the fire as living beings screamed their death

Think of the 20 acres of a reserve forest in Ramu, given to the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) to build a residential training facility. Recall the image of stumps of freshly cut trees in one of the remote forests of Bhola's Manpura Island to fuel brick kilns (*The Daily*

So why are we on this suicidal path while cheerleading environmental conservation abroad? How have we forgotten why we need our trees, our forests that shield us from cyclones and tsunamis, that give shelter to precious wildlife and absorb the toxic carbon we so copiously produce? Why are we so fixated on this insane war on trees?



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BEETLE BAILEY BY MORT WALKER

THAT WAS GOOD. READY FOR DESSERT?

I'M FULL

YOU'RE SKIPPING DESSERT?

I DIDN'T SAY THAT

GREY HAIRED WALKER

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BABY BLUES BY KIRKMAN & SCOTT

SO, ZOE VOLUNTEERED YOU TO BE CLASS MOM?

CLASS EVENT COORDINATOR, BUT YEAH.

NOW I GET TO PLAN FIELD TRIPS, DO FUNDRAISING, DECORATE FOR PARTIES, AND BE A SUBSTITUTE CROSSING GUARD!

I DIDN'T VOLUNTEER YOU IN MY CLASS, BECAUSE I WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION.

THANKS... I THINK.