



A human chain was formed by Shujan demanding reforms to the state to make the country more democratic, secular and humanitarian. The photo was taken on Manik Mia Avenue in front of the parliament building yesterday.

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## Reform the state, punish criminals

Say speakers at Shujan event

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Shushashoner Jonno Nagorik (Shujan), a civil society platform, yesterday demanded that the interim government build a democratic, non-communal and human state through reforms.

In a human chain at the capital's Manik Mia Avenue, they urged that steps be taken against those involved in the recent attacks on minority communities across the country.

They also demanded that compensation be provided to the families of those who died during the recent protests and that medical expenses be given to the injured.

Badiul Alam Majumdar, secretary of Shujan, said, "The interim government has to work with two issues simultaneously. One is to bring those who were involved in corruption, mischief, killings and other criminal activities in the past to justice, while the second is to take necessary steps for reforming the state."

He said the current opportunity to reform the state shouldn't be wasted.

In the programme, Robaet Ferdous, a professor of Dhaka University, said, "Proper steps must be taken to bring back all the money laundered out of the country."

victims of the ongoing flood and donate to the Chief Adviser's relief fund," said Dr Tofail Ahmed, Shujan's executive member, said, "Everyone, particularly those who are well off, should extend their hands to the victims of the ongoing flood and donate to the Chief Adviser's relief fund."

He also urged everyone to remain cautious of propandas regarding Bangladesh from foreign media outlets.

In a press release, Shujan also urged that the election commission be reformed with honest, eligible and impartial individuals, and that repressive laws like the Cyber Security Act should be removed. They also recommended holding students' union elections at the educational institutions.

They also urged for political unity to amend the constitution and setting term limits for future prime ministers.

## NSU chairman urges govt to uphold current board

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Javed Muneer Ahmad, chairman of the reconstituted North South University trustee board, urged the government to protect the current management of NSU.

His statement comes as tensions rise due to a conflict among trustees after the High Court ordered the reinstatement of the previous board on August 21.

Javed criticised the High Court's decision, calling it "highly abnormal" as the order was issued without hearing the respondents and without representation from the Attorney General's office. He urged the Attorney General to be present at the August 27 hearing in the Chief Justice's court.

The previous board included five trustees facing an Anti Corruption Commission case involving Tk 304 crore in alleged irregularities.

They are: Azim Uddin Ahmed, Mohammed Shajahan, Benajir Ahmed, MA Kashem and Rehana Rahman.

In 2022, President Hamid reconstituted the board, reducing its members from 16 to 12 after a UGC probe found some members involved in anti-state activities, militancy sponsorship, and corruption.

## Sadek Khan arrested over murder

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Police arrested former Dhaka 13 Awami League lawmaker Sadek Khan in the West Nakhhalpara area of the capital yesterday, in a case filed for killing a trucker Sujan, 24, on July 20 during the student movement.

Victim's brother Rafiqul Islam filed the case with Mohammadpur Police Station on August 22.

Sadek was arrested in the case, according to a text message sent by the Dhaka Metropolitan Police.

In the FIR, Sadek Khan was named as the 21st accused out of 79 named including the former prime minister Sheikh Hasina.



## DMP chief pledges

FROM PAGE 5 officials still remain in the posts, he said adding, "How the trust can be brought back by keeping these officials in the chair."

"This is an ongoing process. It may take some time. But you [addressing journalists] will see clean policing. Those [unprofessional officials] will not be in posts, who create a crisis on trust," he added.

"The issue of departmental action is ongoing," he said. "We want to create a well-disciplined police force... where all policemen will work professionally," he said.

Asked about the unprofessional officers who might be evading

accountability, the commissioner noted that their whereabouts are currently unknown but efforts are being made to address these issues.

He also refuted claims that favouritism based on district affiliations influences police appointments, asserting that professionalism should be the sole criterion for police roles.

Regarding "corruption" within the police force, Mainul pledged to form a professional police service devoid of corruption, irregularities, and injustice. He acknowledged the challenge of rebuilding trust and called for public support in overcoming the current crisis.

## My husband was hacked

FROM PAGE 3 he could no longer stay home and joined the protest with us."

"On August 4, bhaia joined the protest at Bogura's Satmatha area. I was also there. Police hurled tear shells at the protesters while Awami League and Chhatra League activists also attacked them. I returned home around 2:00pm after sustaining injuries," he said.

"Around 3:00pm, facing two-pronged attacks by police and AL-BCL men, the protesters at Satmatha fled from the spot but bhaia

took shelter on the Dak Bungalow premises. The AL-BCL goons swooped on him and stabbed and hacked him numerous times, leaving him dead," Uzzal alleged citing witnesses.

Some student protesters informed Uzzal about Selim's death around 3:30pm.

Selim's father, Sikandar Hossain, filed a murder case against Sheikh Hasina, Obaidul Quader, and 99 other local AL leaders and activists with Bogura Sadar Police Station on August 16, said Saihan Oliullah, OC of the police station.

## I realised how good my son

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prayers and have lunch with me afterwards. He even asked me to keep the food ready," Begum recalled.

When Mahfuzur did not return, Mannan, along with his son-in-law and some of Mahfuzur's classmates, went searching in the Mirpur 10 area. They eventually learned from a student who knew Mahfuzur that he had likely been shot around 4:00pm, when police and ruling party members fired indiscriminately at a procession Mahfuzur had participated in.

Desperate and anxious, Mannan and his relatives searched various hospitals throughout the night and the next morning.

At around 10:30am on July 20, their worst fears were confirmed.

A morgue assistant at Shaheed Suhrawardy Medical College identified

Mahfuzur from a photograph on Mannan's cellphone and informed him that his son's body was in the morgue.

When Mannan went to the Sher-e-Bangla Nagar police station to request the return of his son's body, the police agreed on the condition that the body be taken directly to their village in Morelganj, Bagerhat, for burial.

However, students from Mirpur, who had gathered at the hospital, took the vehicle carrying Mahfuzur's body to Mirpur for a funeral prayer (janaza).

There, members of the Awami League and Jubo League prevented the vehicle from entering Madina Nagar.

So, students hastily conducted a brief janaza before transporting the body to Mahfuzur's village, where he was buried around midnight that day.

"While I was attending my son's janaza, I received several phone calls, urging me to flee to avoid going to jail, as police were planning to arrest me," Mannan said.

After his son's death, local members of the Awami League and Jubo League pressured his landlord to evict the family, labeling them "razakars".

Fearing for their safety, Mannan did not return to Dhaka until Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina was forced to step down and flee the country.

Mahfuzur's classmate, Atiq Raihan, remembered him as an individual driven by a sense of justice. "Mahfuzur joined the protest to stand against injustice," Atiq said, adding that he and other students demanded that a playground in their area be named after Mahfuzur to honour his memory.

## 290 medical teams deployed

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for 24 hours, around 2.6 lakh people in Chattogram district were stranded in flood water, according to officials of Chattogram District Administration.

According to local sources, the district health staffers were supplying water purification tablets (WPT) and oral saline (ORS) to the people affected by flood in the upazilas, but many of them feared that these supplies would run out due to high demand.

"Almost all the tube wells in Narayanhat union in Fatickchhari upazila have gone under water, while most of the ponds were also submerged by flood water," said Abdul

Halim, a resident in the union, adding, "We have received oral saline and water purification tablets from the relief teams."

However, officials of the district civil surgeon office assured that there was sufficient stock of WPT and ORS, so people should not panic.

Chattogram District Civil Surgeon Dr Ilias Chowdhury said, "We have sufficient stock of WPT and ORS to combat the present situation and we have already sent requisition for more supplies."

Asked about the stock, he said at present there are 1.11 lakh pieces of WPT and 3.48 lakh packets of ORS in stock in the district.

According to experts, many of the flood affected people would likely suffer from various water-borne diseases — including diarrhoea, cholera, dysentery and jaundice.

Contacted, Dr Aniruddha Ghosh, professor of Medicine at Chittagong Medical College, said people in the flood affected areas are vulnerable to many diseases. Infants, young children and elderly people are the most vulnerable groups.

"So, they will need immediate medical care," he also said.

"Their drinking water and water for cooking and washing hands and mouth must be purified," he added.

## Salman, Anisul, Dipu Moni

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His name was not included in FIR, but he was shown arrested in the case.

On August 20, the victim's father filed the case against Hasina and 90 others with Bhatara Police Station.

On August 14, Salman and Anisul were placed on a 10 day remand in a case filed over the death of shop employee Shahjahan Ali, 24, in the New Market area on July 16.

They were arrested in Dhaka's Sadarghat in the case on August 13.

On August 16, Ziaul was placed on an eight-day remand in the same case. He was arrested in Dhaka's Khilkhet on August 15.

On July 17, Ayesha Begum, mother of the victim Shahjahan, filed the case with New Market Police Station against some unnamed miscreants.

On August 20, Dipu Moni was placed on a four-

day remand in the case filed over the death of a grocery shop owner, Abu Saeed, in Mohammadpur on July 19.

She was arrested from the capital's Baridhara DOHS area on August 19.

On August 13, Amir Hamza Shatil of Mohammadpur filed the murder case against Hasina and six others with a court.

In this case, the name of Dipu Moni was not included in FIR, but she was shown arrested.

## From TSC to flood zones

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Students were packaging relief goods at Dhaka University Central Students Union's Cafeteria as well as TSC.

Not only were current students of DU working as volunteers, but former DU

students and many school and college-going students were also participating as volunteers.

"We volunteers have been working in shifts. When we become tired, another group replaces us," said Amjad Hossain,

another former DU student.

From 10 AM to 5 PM, students have collected a total of 1 crore 24 lakh 48 thousand taka in cash at TSC. The collection and counting process is still ongoing, said Saud Ashrefa, a DU student.

## Police killed 98pc work of third

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from the hospital. On July 21, we got his body after collecting necessary papers," he added.

Ahadun's body was taken to the family's village home and was buried at the family graveyard on the next day. The family returned to Dhaka later on.

"I still cannot believe my son is no more. I demand proper investigation into my son's killing to bring the killers to book," said Kalpana Akter, Ahadun's mother.

FROM PAGE 5 completion of work with the officers and employees concerned with the work.

Monjur Kabir said this terminal has special importance as a gateway for the economic growth of the country and global communication.

He emphasised completing the remaining work of the terminal-3 at the earliest.

The CAAB chairman expressed his satisfaction with the progress of the

overall work and thanked all those involved in the project.

The third terminal project, costing Tk 21,300 crore, commenced on December 28, 2019. The government contributed Tk 5,000 crore, while the Japan International Cooperation Agency (Jica) provided the remaining funds.

Former prime minister Sheikh Hasina made the soft launch of the much anticipated third terminal on October 6 the last year.

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