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On August 4, the Anti-Discrimination Student Movement announced the “Long March to Dhaka” programme – urging everyone to show up to the capital. The early hours of August 5 were tense. By early afternoon, however, the tension that hung in the air was suspended. Rumours of Sheikh Hasina’s resignation was confirmed by the Bangladesh Army Chief, General Waker-Uz-Zaman. People were jubilant. Nonetheless, it was short-lived as vandalism and violence swept the country once again.

