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Army personnel stand guard in front of the Supreme Court yesterday. Security at the SC has been heightened as part of precautionary measures in light of the ongoing situation in the country.

PHOTO: AMRAN HOSSAIN

'Indian media involved in AL's campaign against Yunus' says press secretary

UNB, Dhaka

Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam yesterday accused the "fallen" Awami League of carrying out a "well-orchestrated campaign" against Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus.

"Look at their messages -- their message is 3,000 police died; their message is Yunus is a militant leader; their message is Yunus is surrounded by militant leaders. It is a very well-orchestrated campaign," Alam said, adding that the Indian media is also involved in this campaign.

He said that Hasina's oligarchs are spending millions of dollars to create a new narrative challenging the July uprising in their efforts to make the global community understand that it was not an uprising but a big conspiracy.

He said this at a book launching ceremony at Jatiya Press Club.

Referring to Dr Yunus' decades of public life and his global repute, he said they need to document it all. Alam said they, through research, will let everyone know the facts and hold seminars in all the campuses so that the "fallen autocrat and her followers" cannot make a return.

ROHINGYA CRISIS
UN chief pledges to mobilise aid

DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

The United Nations is committed to supporting Bangladesh in addressing the Rohingya crisis, said UN Secretary-General António Guterres while discussing the upcoming UN International Conference on Rohingya Muslims and Other Minorities of Myanmar scheduled for later this year.

The statement came during a meeting in New York with Dr Khalilur Rahman, high representative of Bangladesh's chief adviser on Rohingya issues and priority matters, yesterday.

The UN General Assembly unanimously decided to hold the conference as some 80,000 Rohingya entered Bangladesh, joining the more than one million already there.

More than 80 percent of the Rakhine State is now controlled by the Arakan Army, further complicating the crisis.

During the meeting, Khalilur emphasised the urgent need for international action to achieve a sustainable resolution to the Rohingya crisis, which continues to threaten regional peace and security.

He urged Guterres to mobilise the international community to ensure that

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CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM PROPOSAL What rights will it ensure?

Commission submits full report to govt

MD ABBAS

The Constitution Reform Commission, led by Prof Ali Riaz, has recommended expanding fundamental rights, including making the right to education an enforceable constitutional provision.

The state must ensure free and compulsory education for all up to a level determined by law, with opportunities for higher education based on merit and inclusive education for children with disabilities.

In its full report submitted to the government yesterday, the commission provided an observational analysis and evaluation of the constitution, alongside proposals from political parties and civil society organisations.

Among its key recommendations, the commission advocates for an enforceable right to health, guaranteeing emergency medical care for all citizens without exception.



AT A GLANCE

Right to education	Expansion of social security
Right to health	Guaranteed fair wages
Adequate food rights	Right to learn in native language
Access to clean water	Right to information
Housing for all	Access to internet for all

It also recommends including rights to adequate food, clean water, sanitation, and housing within the state's available resources.

To enhance social security, the commission proposes recognising unemployment, maternity, illness, disability, old age, and orphanhood as grounds for enforceable social

protection rights.

It further calls for ensuring fair wages, safe working conditions, and the right to cultural identity, including language preservation and participation in cultural life.

The commission also emphasises the right of ethnic groups to protect and develop

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Vehicles find it difficult to navigate the eroded road beneath the Major Hanif flyover in the Sayedabad area. Neglect and a lack of repairs have worn the road down to the point where the underlying bricks are now exposed. This deterioration has led to increased dust pollution and traffic congestion, adversely affecting the daily lives of pedestrians and commuters. The photo was taken recently.

JONNY'S CUSTODIAL TORTURE, DEATH

11 years without justice

ASHUTOSH SARKAR

Final justice is yet to be delivered to the family members of Ishtiaque Hossain Jonny, a garment waste trader in the capital's Mirpur area, who was tortured to death in law enforcement's custody 11 years ago.

Jonny's family members, who have been suffering emotionally and financially, are now awaiting the High Court's adjudication of the appeals filed by the convicts challenging the trial court judgement.

"My son was tortured to death by the law enforcement of Pallabi Police Station. February 9 is his 11th death anniversary. I don't know whether I will be able to get justice. The accused parties are trying to harm us in various ways," alleged Jonny's mother Khurshida Begum.

It is still uncertain when the HC will conclude hearing of the appeals of convicts and deliver its verdict, as jurisdiction of its bench concerned has been reconstituted by the chief justice around six months ago.



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Jonny's mother

Since then the hearing remains adjourned.

Jonny's family members are yet to get any compensation from the convicted accused though the trial court directed them to give Tk 6 lakh to Jonny's family as the HC has issued a stay order to this effect.

said Advocate Md Rezaul Karim, the victim family's lawyer.

A group of 25 to 26 police officers -- including then sub-inspector of Pallabi Police Station Zahidur Rahman -- raided a house during a wedding ceremony in Pallabi's Irani camp area and picked up Jonny, who was then 28, and his brother Imtiaz Hossain Rocky, on February 8, 2014.

Police informers Sumon and Russell called the law enforcers after Jonny slapped Sumon for stalking and harassing women at the programme. Police then tortured the brothers at the police station, according to the case statement.

After Jonny fell sick the next day, he was admitted to a local clinic. Later, he was transferred to Suhrawardy Hospital, where doctors declared him dead.

On August 8, 2014, Rocky filed the murder case with the Metropolitan Sessions Judge's Court of Dhaka.

On September 9, 2020, a Dhaka court sentenced former

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Empower women, bridge leadership gap: speakers

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Despite an increase in women's labour force participation from 36.3 percent to 42.67 percent, their representation in mid- and senior-level leadership roles remains disproportionately low, speakers said at an event yesterday.

Structural barriers such as entrenched societal norms, institutional biases, and career breaks due to family responsibilities continue to hinder women's professional growth, they added.

The event, titled "Anirban -- Rise and Lead", aimed at empowering mid-career women, was held at a city hotel. It brought together key stakeholders from industries, development organisations, and policymakers.

Jointly organised by Oxfam in Bangladesh and WaterAid Bangladesh, the event also marked the launch of Anirban, a leadership initiative designed to empower mid-career women professionals and support their reintegration into the workforce and leadership roles after career breaks.

Humaira Azam, managing director of LankaBangla Finance, said, "Success isn't just about academic excellence -- it's about interpersonal skills, mental training, and how we

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Police recover 3 crude bombs at Farmgate



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Police recovered three crude bombs abandoned on the street near Ananda Cinema Hall at Farmgate yesterday.

Confirming the matter, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar Police Station Officer-in-Charge Golam Azam said after receiving information about a bomb-like object, police immediately arrived at the scene and found three such objects.

The Dhaka Metropolitan Police's bomb disposal unit was dispatched to the location.

Around 12:30pm, a man named Arif called the national emergency service 999 to report the bomb-like object. Upon receiving the report, police rushed to the scene.

The OC said the recovered objects were crude bombs, which were later disposed of by the bomb disposal unit.