

Illegal fair occupies

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Sadib, a local youth. Dhupkhola has long served as a community hub for sports and recreation, especially in the densely populated Old Dhaka area where open spaces are rare. The fair features over a hundred stalls and amusement rides, with locals alleging that organisers are collecting fees from stall owners.

The event is being organised by East End Club, a local sports organisation.

"This field belongs to East End Club, so we didn't need city corporation approval," said Abdul Kader, the club's member

secretary and former councillor of Ward 45. He added that the Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) provided security clearance, but the DSCC did not respond to their application due to the Eid holidays.

DSCC Chief Estate Officer Kaiser Mohammad Farabi confirmed the fair was unauthorised and said, "We will investigate and take necessary action."

DMP officials clarified that while they provided security, permission to use the land must come from DSCC, and their clearance explicitly mentioned this requirement.

1971 war crimes

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When the tribunal asked for the first investigation report and formal charges, the defence failed to provide them.

Dissatisfied, the three-member tribunal led by Chairman Justice Md Golam Mortuza Mozumder said, "Then what is the need for you?"

Justice Md Shoful Alam Mahmood added, "You don't even know the charges against your client."

The tribunal was reconstituted in October 2024 with changes in its judges, prosecutors, and investigation officers.

Banning AL top

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a nonpartisan presidential candidate and the inclusion of pluralism in the constitution.

"We have a different opinion on altering the fundamental principles of the state, particularly regarding nationalism," he added.

He also found the recommendation for political parties to nominate at least 10 percent youth candidates vague and said lowering the minimum age for parliamentary candidates to 21 is "not feasible."

He opposed the suggestion that an MP cannot simultaneously serve as leader of the house, prime minister, and head of a political party.

Hajaj also criticised recommendations by the

Public Administration Reform Commission, including forming citizen committees at district and upazila levels, claiming they were designed to benefit a "newly formed special political party."

At the beginning of the meeting, NCC Vice-Chairman Prof Ali Riaz stressed resolving differences through dialogue to create a national charter.

"Through this charter, the nation can move toward meaningful state reform," he said.

Later in the day, the commission also met with the Bangladesh Revolutionary Communist League and the Democratic Revolutionary Party.

An eight-member delegation, led by Iqbal Karim Zahid of the

Revolutionary Communist League and Mosharafa Mishu of the Democratic Revolutionary Party, joined the discussion.

EC, voter

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progress of the work of three DUCSU-related committees was informed. The DUCSU Constitution Reform Committee has so far held six meetings and finalised reform activities based on the opinions of all.

The revised constitution has already been sent to student organisations and stakeholders. It is now awaiting syndicate approval.

The committee has also finalised the code of conduct, which is awaiting the syndicate's approval as well.

EC sets

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procurement and printing process.

Following the meeting, EC Senior Secretary Akhtar Ahmed told reporters that preparations are being streamlined to ensure that election-related activities do not fall behind schedule.

"The main issue is how much time it takes from paper procurement to printing. They [officials] said it takes about three to four months. So, things will proceed based on a backwards calculation. Once a decision is made regarding the election date or schedule, we will align our preparations accordingly," he said.

Not sparing any

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special assistant to the chief adviser for home affairs, acknowledged it as a long-standing issue.

"Steps are being taken to digitalise the system. We're launching online GD and FIR services in two districts initially. This will help solve the issue permanently," said Khuda Baksh, who was also present at the briefing.

Jahangir Alam added, "There are still areas where we are falling short. We are identifying our mistakes and working on them."

Clarifying his recent remarks in Sunamganj, where he was quoted as saying people want the current government to

stay for five more years, Jahangir Alam said, "I didn't say that. It was the people who said it. The chief adviser has already stated that elections will be held between December and June."

On the vandalism of a stage during Pahela Baishakh celebrations in Chattogram, he said, "That shouldn't have happened. We'll take steps to prevent such incidents in the future."

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Nation celebrates

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"Those who fear women in public, who resist joy, are re-emerging," he said.

The Daily Star Editor and Publisher Mahfuz Anam,

Gulshan Society President Omar Sadat, and organiser Navin Murshed also

addressed attendees.

HEROES IN THE SKY

As darkness fell, the skies over Manik Mia Avenue lit up with a 14-minute drone display.

Organised by Bangladesh Shilpkala Academy with support from Ministry of Cultural Affairs and Chinese Embassy, 2,600 drones illustrated 12 motifs telling the story of July Uprising.

In Barishal, a student-led rally added colour to the streets, and similar events took place in Khulna, Thakurgaon, Narayanganj, and Bagerhat.

Public universities, including Jahangirnagar and Rajshahi University, joined in the festivities.

Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus, in a message, called Pahela Baishakh "a symbol of social harmony," urging all to

celebrate it in keeping with their own traditions and values.

Prof Daniel W Lund joins IUB as pro-VC

CITY DESK

A black and white portrait of a man with short hair, wearing a suit and tie, looking slightly to the side.

Canadian academic and international business education leader Prof Daniel W Lund joined Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) as the pro-vice chancellor on April 13, said a press release.

Before joining IUB, he served as the founding dean of Graduate Programs and Executive Education at British Management University in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

He has held several senior academic leadership positions across universities in Asia, the Middle East, and the South Pacific.

He holds a PhD from Griffith University, Australia, specialising in Higher Education Organizational Effectiveness and Management of Diversity.

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