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BNP zeroes in on nomination, seat sharing

May roll out party tickets, launch campaign within a month

PARtha PRATIM BHATTACHARJEE

The BNP is preparing to announce candidates for around 200 constituencies and kick off its election campaign within a month, ahead of the national polls planned for February.

Party insiders said several internal surveys have already been carried out, and intelligence reports on prospective contenders are now being gathered.

Once compiled, the findings will be placed before the BNP Standing Committee, which also functions as the parliamentary board, for final approval.

The party will then officially announce its nominees and launch extensive door-to-door campaigns to establish a strong presence on the ground and build momentum surrounding the polls.

Acting chairman Tarique Rahman shared his idea on nominations at the last meeting of the party's Standing Committee on September 15.

Sources said the discussion also touched on grassroots concerns that, after its student wing Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal's poor performance in the Duchs and Jucsu polls, the BNP must begin its campaign without delay.

They also noted that the Jamaat-e-Islami has already announced its candidates and started canvassing. BNP leaders expressed fear the Jamaat could gain ground with an early start while the BNP remains preoccupied with street protests and political standoffs.

Contacted, Standing Committee member Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said area-wise surveys are ongoing, CVs of aspirants are being reviewed, and interviews are in progress.

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AMIR KHOSRU MAHMUD CHOWDHURY BNP Standing Committee member

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From left: Mashrur Arefin, managing director and CEO of City Bank; SM Mahbubul Alam, managing director of Walton Hi-Tech Industries; M Anis Ud Dowla, chairman of ACI Group; Safehuddin Ahmed, finance adviser; Sadia Haque, co-founder and CEO of ShareTrip; Ahsan Khan Chowdhury, chairman and CEO of Pran-RFL Group; and Miarul Haque, managing director of DHL Express Bangladesh, pose for a photo at the 23rd DHL-The Daily Star Bangladesh Business Awards ceremony at Radisson Blu Dhaka Water Garden last night.

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Best in business honoured

3 individuals, 2 firms get 23rd DHL-The Daily Star Bangladesh Business Awards



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The story of Bangladesh is often told through impressive growth charts that portray the nation as an emerging economic force. However, behind these macroeconomic statistics are the people who have fuelled this transformation -- the entrepreneurs whose ambition has lifted a nation from poverty to an economic contender.

For 23 years, the Bangladesh Business Awards (BBA), a partnership between DHL

Express and The Daily Star, has chronicled this journey. The awards serve as a powerful reminder that the country's true strength is rooted in its private sector. Last night, it was a celebration of the private sector's strength, resilience and contribution to the economy.

The awards ceremony honoured five outstanding entrepreneurs and enterprises, but perhaps the most important moment was the recognition of a business icon, M Anis Ud Dowla, chairman of ACI Ltd. He was bestowed

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Alhaj Md. Shamsul Huda

Managing Director

Greatwall Ceramic Industries Ltd.
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Passed away September 23, 2025
at 9:00 AM at a hospital in Dhaka.
Inna lillahi wa inna ilahi raji'un.

We pray for the forgiveness of his departed soul and may the Almighty Allah grant patience and strength to his bereaved family in this difficult time.

- Greatwall Ceramic, Charu Ceramic and Bengal Agencies all employees & officers

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Outrage over AL attack on NCP leaders in New York

Nahid blames foreign ministry negligence

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The physical and verbal attacks on National Citizen Party Member Secretary Akhter Hossen and Senior Joint Member Secretary Tasnim Jara by Awami League supporters in New York have sparked outrage, dominating conversations at home and abroad, and across social media.

A Bangladeshi delegation, including BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, Akhter and Jara, was accompanying Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus to the 80th United Nations General Assembly. After they landed at 3:00pm (New York time) on Monday, the two NCP leaders were accosted outside JFK Airport.

Eggs were hurled at Akhter, while a torrent of sexist slurs was directed at Jara. Fakhrul was just ahead of them at the time.

Following the incident, NCP's Diaspora Alliance issued a statement demanding that the Bangladeshi government file complaints with the US federal government, New York City authorities, and law enforcement, and provide maximum security for the leaders throughout the trip.

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