

Prioritise CHT Peace

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It called for a clear action plan to implement the accord, along with five specific demands, including preparing a time-bound action plan for rapid and proper implementation of the accord, democratising the CHT Regional Council and the three hill district councils according to the accord, and ensuring

indigenous participation in mainstream economic growth and sustainable development programs. The movement urged political parties to take these recommendations seriously and include them in their election manifestos, emphasising that the upcoming election presents an opportunity to strengthen democracy and inclusivity in the country.

US deports 36 more

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Shariful Hasan, associate director of BRAC's Migration and Youth Platform, said that after arrival at Dhaka airport, returnees received transport and emergency support from BRAC with the help of the expatriates' welfare desk and aviation security.

Shariful added that agencies sending these workers and those involved in the permission process should be held accountable.

In 2025, 1,320 Bangladeshis went to Brazil with BMET approval, including 951 from Noakhali. It is believed that many tried to enter the US through Mexico.

Shariful urged the government to be more careful before allowing workers to go to Brazil.

After Donald Trump began his second term as US president, actions against illegal immigrants intensified, resulting in citizens of Bangladesh and other countries being sent

back multiple times.

US law allows authorities to return people without valid documents to their home countries through court orders or administrative decisions.

When asylum applications are rejected, the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement organises deportation.

Recently, this process has become faster, and chartered or military flights are being used. Some returnees have even been sent back with their hands and feet chained.

SC tightens

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official identity cards at all times while entering different buildings, courtrooms and sections of the SC.

They have also been asked to produce their National Identity Cards, passports or official identifications upon demand by on-duty law enforcement personnel. The notice further said that, in the interest of maintaining security and limiting public gatherings, each lawyer will be allowed to facilitate the entry of a maximum of two case-related persons or litigants per day into the SCBA building, subject to prior approval from the Bar Association.

500 shelters

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Primarily, the fire is suspected to have originated from a cooking stove in a kitchen, he said.

Fire incidents have been recurring in Rohingya camps in recent months, raising concerns over safety and fire prevention there. On December 26 last year, a hospital at Camp-4 was destroyed by fire, while around 10 shelters were gutted in a blaze at the Kutupalong camp the previous night.

Witness recounts

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In his opening statement earlier in the day, Chief Prosecutor Tajul Islam said the brutality of the Rampura killings was comparable to March 25, 1971, adding that state forces opened fire on citizens without provocation using arms bought with taxpayers' money.

Meanwhile, the same tribunal deferred to January 26 the delivery of its verdict in a case over the killing of six people in the capital's Chankharpul area during the 2024 mass uprising.

Several parents of the victims gathered at the ICT-1 premises, hoping to witness justice for their sons. Grieving mothers and fathers arrived early, some supported by relatives. Speaking to The Daily Star, they said they had come to see whether the law would finally acknowledge their loss.

In another development, the verdict is set to be announced any day in a crimes against humanity case linked to the killing of seven people during the July uprising of 2024 in Ashulia, as arguments from both the prosecution and defence concluded yesterday.

Recover looted weapons before polls: Yunus

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government approved 11 proposals, including the creation of four new police stations.

According to a pressing statement from the chief adviser, the government approved the creation of two administrative units under the finance ministry the Revenue Policy Division and the Revenue Management Division -- to make revenue collection more transparent, accountable and efficient.

The meeting also approved merging the Health Services Division and the Health Education and Family Welfare Division into a single Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Satkhira district was upgraded from a "B" category district to an "A"

category district due to its environmental heritage, tourism and economic potential, the press secretary said.

Approval was also given to create four new police stations by splitting existing areas: Purbachal North in Gazipur district, Purbachal South in Narayanganj district, Matarbari in Cox's Bazar district, and Raypur in Narsingdi district.

At the press briefing, Shahiul said the Dhaka Metropolitan Police currently operates a large force with 50 police stations.

He said yesterday's meeting discussed whether the DMP could be divided into separate units such as "DMP North" and "DMP South," but no final decision was taken.

Ensure access

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country's constitutional and electoral framework.

He said, despite the increasingly limited timeframe, necessary steps could still be taken to improve accessibility for persons with disabilities before the February 12 election.

Presenting the policy analysis, disability specialist and lead author Nusrat Jarin said several government laws reflect a lack of recognition of human diversity by portraying persons with disabilities as incapable.

She said the participation of voters with disabilities is often treated as optional and called for legal mechanisms to make such participation mandatory.

The analysis noted that while some formal legal provisions exist, additional reforms are needed to clearly recognise persons with disabilities as rights-holders in political and electoral processes.

The report outlined medium- and long-term reform proposals, including amending the Representation of the

People Order 1972 to align it with the Rights and Protection of Persons with Disabilities Act and Article 29 of the UN Convention.

It recommended incorporating accessibility standards into all electoral rules and regulations and ensuring regular data collection and monitoring to strengthen accountability.

Lucky Akter, executive director of Dhaka DPO-D, said the EC holds the key to organising an inclusive election and that several steps could still be taken before the polls to improve inclusion.

Bappi Sarkar, a young freelancer and associate coordinator of B-Scan, said the government has yet to establish clear procedures regarding assistants for voters with severe disabilities, which could create complications at polling centres.

The report placed particular emphasis on targeted voter information and education materials, improvements to polling-day infrastructure, clear guidelines on assisted voting procedures, and better transport services for voters with disabilities.

BNP, Jamaat clash

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door, asking families to vote for them.

"They have campaigned in this area and this building several times before. We even hung a notice board at the entrance stating 'Political discussions and campaigning are forbidden here', but they ignored it," he said.

Several local BNP leaders alleged that Jamaat activists, while campaigning, were asking for residents' mobile numbers and National Identity cards.

Witnesses said a heated exchange ensued between the two groups. At one point, female Jamaat activists took shelter in the building's garage.

The situation eventually cooled down, and both groups left the spot.

However, a second round of clashes erupted shortly before Maghrib prayers.

Local BNP leaders alleged that Jamaat activists surrounded some BNP members in front of the Mubarak Mosque, accusing them of "confining" Jamaat workers inside the building.

The Jamaat activists reportedly beat and chased the BNP men.

Shariful Islam Milon, former general secretary

of Kafrul Thana Jubo Dal, said, "Jamaat came with 100-150 people in front of the mosque and chased our men. Hearing this, we gathered about 1,000-1,500 people."

Locals said BNP activists gathered in the alleys around the mosque and chanted anti-Jamaat slogans. Many activists from both sides entered the mosque, but witnesses confirmed that no confrontation took place inside the prayer hall.

Shortly after, police and army personnel arrived at the scene and brought the situation inside and outside the mosque under control.

Milon claimed that six BNP activists were injured in the clash, with three receiving hospital treatment.

At a press conference around 10:30pm, Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir Secretary General Sibgatullah claimed that BNP activists had harassed "some women" in Mirpur earlier in the day. He did not specify whether the women were linked to Jamaat.

He also alleged that when some Shibir activists, along with "numerous youths", went to protest the incident,

"BNP terrorists" launched a surprise attack on them.

Sixteen Jamaat and Shibir activists were allegedly injured in the attack.

"When the locals put up resistance, they [BNP men] fled the scene," Sibgatullah said.

Another Shibir leader, Azizur Rahman Azad, claimed that his party activists were attacked with sharp weapons inside the mosque.

Contacted, Mizanur Rahman, assistant commissioner of Dhaka Metropolitan Police's Mirpur Zone, said, "I have learned through the police station that some junior-level Jamaat activists were campaigning in the afternoon. BNP workers went there and obstructed them. This dispute eventually spilled over into the mosque area."

"I heard there was a lot of pushing and shoving between the two groups. I am not yet aware if anyone was injured."

South Pirebagh is located inside the Dhaka-15 constituency, where Jamaat-e-Islami Ameer Shafiqur Rahman is contesting against BNP candidate Shafiqul Islam Khan Milton.

Commit to energy sector

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Kazi Sajjad Zahir Chandan, president of the Communist Party of Bangladesh, said, "Thousands of crores of taka have been looted from the power sector."

He alleged that foreign companies have repeatedly been favoured over public interest. He called for a government that prioritises people's needs and commits to protecting energy resources for public benefit.

Razequzzaman Ratan, joint general secretary of the Socialist Party of Bangladesh, said, "We are stuck with old projects that nobody wanted, which cost a lot but produce little."

Navid Nowroz Shah, joint chief convener of the National Citizen Party, said, "Our energy sector must prioritise the needs of ordinary citizens and ensure fairness, transparency and

sustainability."

Readus Salehen Jawad, central council member at Network for People's Action, called for a just energy transition that protects both people and the environment.

Ashrafal Alam, joint secretary general of Islami Andolan Bangladesh, said the government must ensure that energy transition meets people's needs with zero tolerance for corruption, adding that a successful energy policy would lead to a prosperous Bangladesh with fair energy and resource distribution.

Aasha Mehreen Amin, joint editor at The Daily Star, called for a just and inclusive energy transition, saying the current energy system places a heavy financial and environmental burden on the country.

"We are paying billions of

dollars in capacity charges while the Bangladesh Power Development Board continues to incur significant losses," she said, urging political parties to adopt realistic and time-bound energy plans that can be implemented effectively.

The event was moderated by Tanjim Ferdous, in-charge of NGOs and foreign missions at The Daily Star, and featured Manirul Islam, deputy director at BILS; Moushumi Yesmin, advocacy officer at Manusher Jonno Foundation; Mosleh Uddin Shuchok, energy lead at Reglobal; Benozir Ahmed, policy adviser at CLEAN; Bareesh Chowdhury of BELA; Shawkat Ara Begum of Tara Climate Foundation Bangladesh; and Faisal Azim and Ashrafal Islam Raana of the Global Strategy Communication Council.

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Submit probe report

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On January 15, the court directed the CID to further investigate the case after granting a no confidence (naraji) petition. It also asked the investigation agency to submit the report yesterday.

Inqilab Moncho Member Secretary Abdullah Al Jaber filed the petition with the court, rejecting the probe report submitted by the Detective Branch of Dhaka Metropolitan Police.

In the no confidence petition, the complainant said the submitted charge sheet skipped the main planners of the killing. Moreover, negligence was found in the collection of witness' testimony and evidence.

On December 12 last year, Hadi, an independent aspirant for the Dhaka-8 constituency, was shot in Dhaka's Paltan area. He died on December 18 while undergoing treatment in Singapore.

On December 14, Abdullah Al Jaber filed an attempted murder case with Paltan Model Police Station against Faisal and several unnamed individuals, which later turned into a murder case.

On January 6 this year, investigation officer Faisal Ahmed, a DB inspector, submitted a charge sheet before the court, naming prime accused Faisal Karim Masud, four of his family members and 12 others.

Housing, basic services

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people who live here and provide each family with a flat in their own name. Those who have lived here for many years will receive those flats so that they have a permanent place to live in Dhaka city..."

The BNP chairman also said he wants to establish two schools and a playground for children in Korail, along with basic healthcare facilities. "If Allah helps us, then Inshallah we will be able to implement every one of these tasks."

The Korail residents arranged the programme seeking divine blessings for the departed soul of Khaleda Zia, BNP's late chairperson and former prime minister.

Tarique said Korail holds a personal connection for him, calling himself "a son

of the area".

He recalled that the house where he grew up after independence was later demolished during the autocratic regime of Awami League. "As long as I live, I will stand by you."

Outlining future plans, the BNP chairman said his party wants to introduce a "Family Card" for women to help households run with dignity, and a "Farmer Card" to support agriculture.

Tarique, who is contesting the 13th parliamentary election from Dhaka-17 with the paddy sheaf symbol, is set to visit the shrines of Hazrat Shahjalal (RA) and Hazrat Shah Paran (RA) in Sylhet on Thursday to formally launch his election campaign after offering fateha there.

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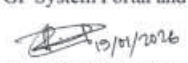
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