

# Dal Bangladesh

## Four party alliance protest rally today

The four-party opposition alliance will stage demonstration across the country today (Thursday) to press its one-point demand for immediate resignation of the Government and to protest the deteriorating law and order situation in the country. The main opposition Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) and its allies Jatiya Party (Ershad), Jamaat-e-Islami and Islami Oikya Jote (IOJ) will hold rallies and bring out processions across the country as part of the demonstration programme.

Dhaka city all party action council will hold joint rallies and bring out processions at thana level and in the capital to intensify the ongoing one-point oust-government movement.

The leaders of the four-party opposition alliance called upon the people to make today's demonstration programme, a total success.

## 'Restore freedom of judiciary' Khaleda urges lawyers to be united

Chairperson of Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) and leader of the opposition in Parliament Begum Khaleda Zia has made an appeal to the lawyers, irrespective of the opinions, to be united on a single platform for restoring freedom of the judiciary and rule of law in the country. She also appealed to the lawyers of the country for playing their due role at the time when the rule of law and the freedom of judiciary had already been jeopardized. She was addressing the biennial conference of Dhaka city unit of Jatiyatabadi Ainjibi Forum at the auditorium of Supreme Court Bar Association on Wednesday.

Terming the ruling party Awami League as vote thieves she called upon the people to prepare for resisting the vote urging in the next general election and give them a befitting reply. Speaking as the guest BNP chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia urged the people to expedite the ongoing one-point movement not only to dislodge what she termed corrupt, fascist and subservient government but also to foil the ruling party's 'design' to return to power through vote rigging in the next general election.

"If they again return to the power at any cost the people of the country would not only lose the democratic, human and fundamental rights but also the independence and sovereignty of the country".

She blasted the ruling party for what she said turning Bangladesh into the most corrupt country in the world through its four years of "misrule and wide scale corruption".

Begum Zia alleged that the government was politicizing the high court and supreme court to intervene in the judiciary and warned that by politicizing the judiciary the ruling party caused damage to both its party and the nation because the result of politicizing had never been good.

Presided over by Md. Fazlur Rahman Khan the conference was also addressed, among others, by deputy leader of the opposition in parliament Prof. AQM Badrudduza Choudhury, chief whip of the opposition in parliament Khondokar Delwar Hossain, BNP Secretary General Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan MP, Justice T H Khan, Khondokar Mahbubuddin Ahmed, Barrister Moudud Ahmed, Barrister Nazmul Huda, Barrister Jamiruddin Sirker, Barrister Rafiqul Islam Mia and Barrister Aminul Haq.

Deputy Leader of the Opposition in parliament Prof. AQM Badrudduza Chowdhury accused the government of snatching the democratic as well as human rights of the countrymen.

BNP Secretary General Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan also blamed the government for conspiring to return to power through vote rigging in the next general polls. He cautioned that the people of the country would foil the government conspiracy to come to power through vote rigging at any cost.

## APSU protest rally held

Leaders of All Students Unity (APSU) said people will not allow Awami League to turn Bangladesh into a part of India. Addressing a rally protest against imposing of section 144 at Jhalakati in the meeting place of APSU students leaders said Awami League government is working to turn Bangladesh into a part of India.

Ehsanul Mahbub Jobir, presided over the rally and it was addressed among others by Habibunnabi Sohel, Nasiruddin Pinto, Saifur Rahman, Fakrul Islam Liton, Montasir Ali, Yusuf Asgar, Motahar Hossain, Abu Taher Khan, Mostafizur Rahman, Iftekhar Kabir and Mohammad Shajahan.

Students leaders alleged that Awami League want to stop the students-peoples movement through repression and for this it has planted its "sonar chheley" who are members of Bangladesh Chhatra League.

They said movement will continue until the fall of repressive Awami League government. After the rally a procession was brought out and paraded different city streets.

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## Transport men seek higher fares

MILITANT transport organizations will begin today protest actions against the impending oil price increase which they plan to cap with a nationwide transport strike next week.

Moderate groups such as the Federation of Jeepney Operators and Drivers Associations of the Philippines (Fejodap) and the Association of Taxi Operators in Metro Manila (ATOMM) said they would press the Land Transportation and Franchising Regulatory Board (LTFRB) to grant their request for fare increases should pump prices go up this weekend.

## Nur steps up attacks against RP government

CHAIRMAN Nur Misuari of the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) stepped up his attacks against Manila Wednesday night, accusing the military of bombing camps of the former guerrilla organization.

Interviewed by reporters at the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) foreign ministers' meeting in Kuala Lumpur, Misuari urged Malacañang to order a halt to the Armed Forces (AFP) attacks.

"This is a very, very serious situation," the ex-rebel said.

## OIC, UN eyeing rights raps in South

MONITORING teams from the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) will review humanitarian aspects on the government's all-out war against Moro secessionist rebels in Mindanao.

In Kuala Lumpur, Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) Gov. Nur Misuari said Malacañang had agreed to a visit by an OIC team.

The Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), meanwhile, said the OIC will also censure military offensives in southern Philippines.

## Cops seize trillions in counterfeit dollars

CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY — Local police seized trillions of dollars in counterfeit money and foreign treasury bond certificates in separate raids in this city last Wednesday.

Police also arrested 10 suspected members of a crime syndicate in different hotels and inns here.

Supt. Cesar Ouano Jr., city police director, identified the suspects as Lucrecio Semblante, Benjamin Sorela, Alejandro Meneses, Antonio Boloy, Divina Boloy, Danilo Penuela, Roberto Calgas, Leonardo Napoles, Delia Baslan and Allan Cabading.

## Metro policemen ready for anticipated bombings

METRO Manila is ready for whatever terrorists throw its way, the region's top cop stressed yesterday, citing maximum alert status and private sector cooperation on matters of security.

The City of Manila's special weapons and tactics (SWAT) team, however, bewailed what he described as the low level of security preparedness in malls and other public places.

Meanwhile, a Philippine Airlines plane bound for Zamboanga City was searched yesterday after officials received a bomb threat.