

# Repressive steps condemned

## Mourning Day today

By A Staff Correspondent

Country-wide mourning day will be observed by the 15-party alliance, and the seven-party combine today (Monday). Identical programme synchronising date, time and place has been announced by both the alliances in the city today (Monday). Gaebana Janaza will be held at Central Shaheed Minar today (Monday) at 5 p.m. organised by both the alliances.

Mourning day will also be observed by the Central Students' Action Committee throughout the country today (Monday).

Students of all educational institutions will wear black badges on the day and black flags will be hoisted atop all educational institutions.

Gaebana janaza will be held separately at all the educational institutions. At Dhaka University the gaebana janaza will be held at the university Battala at 10 a.m. A rally of the women students will be held at Arts Faculty premises of Dhaka University on Monday at 9 a.m. in protest against the killing of university students at Fulbaria. The women students will later bring out a procession in the campus.

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teachers, students and employees was held on Sunday with departmental Chairman Dr. A. F. Salahuddin Ahmed in the chair. The meeting decided to wear black badges on Monday and hold a milad mahfil at university mosque on Tuesday at 10 a.m. The meeting also decided to name the students union as Shaheed Selim Smriti Sangsad.

More political parties and socio-cultural organisations continued to deplore the incident in which a police truck had over run a procession at Fulbaria killing Selim and Delwar students of the university.

The organisations which condemned the incident included Bangladesh People's League, Bangladesh Nezam-e-Islam Party, Bangladesh Nari Andolan, Sangsads, Gano-Sangskriti Parishad, Under-Graduate Students Union of IPGMR.

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"Protest Day" was observed in the city and elsewhere in the country on Sunday by the Central Students Action Committee. The call for observing the day was earlier given by the Action Committee in protest against the killing of two students at Fulbaria by a police van on February 28 last, killing of one minor boy at Azimpur on hartal day and assault on teachers, students and employees of Agriculture

re University on hartal day.

A meeting was arranged by the Action Committee at Dhaka University Battala on the day Presided over by the Action Committee leader and Vice-President of Bangladesh Agriculture University Central Students Union Mr. A. Maqan the meeting was addressed by the central committee leaders Vice-President of the DUCSU and Mr. Hashim Khan a teacher of the Institute of Arts and Crafts.

Speakers at the meeting bitterly criticised the Government for their highhandedness which they claimed surpassed all records. The reign of terror let loose has gone beyond tolerance they added. The speakers also condemned the repressive measures taken against the students and political parties and said history had proved time and again that repressions cannot prevail. Mr. Hashim Khan said that innumerable invaluable art pieces were destroyed during police raid at the Institute building on hartal day and students, teachers and employees were assaulted.

The Students Action Committee expressed solidarity with the 'mourning day' programme of the 15-party alliance and seven-party combine scheduled to be observed today (Monday).

Earlier students of the history department brought out a silent procession in the campus led by the teachers protest in the killing of Selim a student of History Department on February 28 by a police van at Fulbaria.

A Press release of the department said a protest meeting of the History Department

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## Teachers

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Aminul Islam, President of the association the meeting decided to wear black badges and full abstention from duties on March 6.

## BUET teachers

The Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology Teachers Association in an emergency general meeting held on Sunday expressed grave concern over the killing of students at Fulbaria by police truck and killing of a minor boy on hartal day and the assault of students and teachers of Agriculture University Mymensingh. The meeting in a resolution held the Government responsible for the incidents fully.

The meeting expressed sympathies with the members of the bereaved families including the family of labour leader Tajul Islam.

The meeting decided to wear black badges till March 20 from Sunday in protest against the incidents and the BUET teachers will abstain from their duties today (Monday).

## RU teachers slate police action

The working committee of the Rajshahi University Teachers Association has expressed shock at the killing of two Dhaka University students by a police van near Fulbaria on Tuesday last.

The meeting of the working committee was held in Rajshahi on March 2 with Mr. Ali Anwar in the chair. Rajshahi University Teachers Association strongly condemned the method adopted by the police in harassing the students. They termed the Government Press note on the incident as ridiculous and fabricated. Ruta expressed its condolences to the members of the bereaved families and asked the Government to pay adequate compensation to the families of those killed and injured. Ruta was also critical of the police role on the hartal day on March first.