

# Alliances call off programmes

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The three mainstream alliances Thursday called off their programmes and urged all to resume normal activities in the offices of the government, semi-government and all other institutions in the greater interest of the nation.

The alliances took the decision following the transfer of power to Chief Justice Mr. Shahbuddin Ahmed by President Ershad marking the victory of the people's movement for democracy. The alliances, however, urged the people to maintain unity to help establish a democratic process imbued with the spirit of freedom movement. They also called for maintaining strict discipline by the people.

The three alliances which met on Thursday at the office of the Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB) congratulated the people for their victory in the struggle for democracy and paid tributes to those who laid down their lives in the democratic movement. The meeting chaired by Mr. Saifuddin Ahmed Manik expressed the hope that the movement for establishing democracy and the spirit of liberation war would continue. The meeting urged the people to maintain unity at all cost.

The three alliances, cautioned the people to guard against conspiracy and resist the miscreants and anti-

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socials now trying to loot and destroy the property of the people. They also warned the elements now trying to disturb communal harmony and law and order.

The three alliances called upon the workers, specially the students and youth forces to extend their full cooperation to the members of the law enforcing agencies in maintaining peace and law and order.

The alliances called upon the people to form gana sangram committee (People's action committee) with volunteers to help maintain peace and not to take law in their own hands. They however made it clear that the persons found to have committed offences with the backing of Ershad regime would be tried according to the laws of the land.

The three alliances announced the programme of special prayer after Juma prayer today (Friday) in the mosques and places of worships for the salvation of the souls of those who had sacrificed their lives in the democratic movement.

The meeting of the three alliances was attended by Messers Abdus Samad Azad, Abdul Mannan, Abdul Jalil, Tosayel Ahmed, Mohammed Nasim, Mohiuddin Ahmed, Mazharul Islam, Monem Sarkar, Nurul Islam, Mujahidul Islam Selim, Morshed Ali, Azizul Islam Khan, Suranjit Sen Gupta, Ali Haider Khan, Pankaj Bhattacharya, Abdul Hafiz Majedul Huq, Abdul Mannan Bhuiya, Khondakar Delwar Hossain Afsar Siddiqui, Shamsul Arefin, Rashed Khan Menon, Hassanul Huq Inu, Nirmal Sen, Sharif Nurul Ambia, Bimal Biswas, Mainuddin Khan Badal, Abdullah, Tipu Biswas, Haider Akbar Khan Rono and others.

### BMA

UNB adds: Bangladesh Medical Association (BMA) has withdrawn its programme of continuous work stoppage across the country.

In a statement on Thursday M.A. Majed and Mustafa Jalal Mohiuddin, President and Secretary General respectively of BMA, said the programmes were called off following the downfall of the autocratic regime.

They urged all physicians to resume their duties immediately.

### Radio, TV artistes

The combined cultural alliance, Bangladesh Radio and Television Artistes Council and Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation have withdrawn their boycott of Radio and Television programmes in view of the political change and realisation of their demands.

The three groups in a joint statement in Dhaka on Thursday said that they had stayed away from participating in the Radio and Television programmes after the proclamation of emergency and demanding ouster of Ershad regime.

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