

### Edn institutions directed to observe nat'l mourning day

The government Wednesday directed all educational institutions to observe the 34th death anniversary of father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman as national mourning day on August 15, reports UNB.

August 15 is a government holiday, but all educational institutions, including schools, colleges, madrasahs, technical educational institutions and universities, will observe the day with specific programmes to commemorate the death anniversary of the supreme leader of the country's struggle for independence, according to the Education Ministry.

On this day in 1975, Bangabandhu, along with his family members, was brutally killed by a splinter group of the army, excepting his two daughters--Sheikh Hasina and Sheikh Rehana, who were abroad at the time.

The national programme will include lowering the national flag half-mast, hoisting black flags, discussion on the life and activities Bangabandhu, offering prayers, cultural and literary competitions and blood donation.