

'Stop radicalising school books'

Nirmul Committee warns govt, announces to plant 30 lakh trees in three yrs

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Ekattorer Ghatak Dalal Nirmul Committee yesterday announced its 13-point action plan including plantation of 30 lakh trees across the country in the next three years to keep the memory of the three million Liberation War martyrs and prevent environment pollution.

It also warned the government of taking to the streets if it does not stop radicalisation in the textbooks as "prescribed by the communal forces".

Shahriar Kabir, president of the Nirmul Committee, announced this at a press conference at the capital's Dhaka Reporters Unity following its two-day silver jubilee celebration and the seventh national council.

He said they will also take all-out

activities so that the government declares March 25 as National Genocide Day. "We will start the plantation on March 25 this year."

On the recent change on the textbooks, he said these changes will bring social disaster as it will radicalise children.

"We will have no alternative to taking to the streets if the government does not correct those changes," he added.

He also announced to form a "cultural and information technology cell" at each district and upazila unit of the Nirmul Committee to wage a socio-cultural movement against the radicalisation.

"All of the achievements will be marred if radicalisation in the textbooks is not stopped," said Prof Muntassir Mamoon, the committee's vice-president.