

## BNP blames BCL anarchy in ednl institutions for HSC result debacle

Staff Correspondent

BANGLADESH Nationalist Party on Monday blamed anarchy in educational institutions by ruling Awami League-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League for the setback in results of this year's Higher Secondary Certificate examinations.

The party refuted the government's allegation that opposition's movement, hartal and blockade were behind the debacle in this year's HSC examination results.

BNP spokesman Asaduzzaman Ripon came up with the party's statement at a news briefing at the party's central office.

He said it was learnt that this time students did bad

in English and computer examinations.

Political tension could not be the reason for the students' bad score in English when they did well in other subjects, he observed.

Like other sectors, there was anarchy in education sector and under its influence the students could not do well in the HSC exams.

Ripon said politics might be a factor but not the only factor for bad results.

He said if politics was the only factor, the government should have been more sensitive to the demand of the opposition or could defer the exam until a consensus was reached with the opposition.

He alleged that the teachers were not attentive in teach-

ing, the government failed to create congenial atmosphere for education while admission of business and terrorism in educational institutions by Chhatra League caused the debacle in the HSC results.

He said the anti-government movement by BNP-led alliance against one-sided January 5 general election in 2014 and non-stop blockade in January to April this year was justified.

The BNP spokesman came down hard on the education minister for not taking steps to hold student union election at universities and colleges.

He, however, thanked the education minister for recent election of student cabinet in schools.

He demanded immediate holding of elections to

student unions in all educational institutions including DUCSU, RUCSU, JACU, CUCSU and ECSU.

The BNP spokesman also criticised Awami League general secretary Syed Ashrafur Islam for comparing Chhatra League men with 'children'.

Ripon alleged that Chhatra League men were involved in various misdeeds including killing, rape, tender manipulation, burning student dormitories, extortion and assaulting teachers.

He questioned whether these activities were of those of children.

BNP leaders Khairul Kabir Khokon, Abdus Salam Azad, Abdul Latif Jony and Asadul Karim Shahin, among others, were present.