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### **Navy chief arrives in city**

Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan, Commander-in-Chief, Pakistan Navy, arrived here yesterday from Karachi on a visit to East Pakistan reports APP.

Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan was received at the airport by Lt. General A.A.K. Niazi, Commander, Eastern command, Rear Admiral M. Shariff, Flag officer commanding, East Pakistan and other senior military officers.

During his stay, the Pakistan establishment. PN units and Navy chief will visit the naval groups in East Pakistan.

### **Tunku to convey Yahya's assurance to DPs in India**

Karachi (APP)

Tunku Abdul Rahman, Secretary General of the Islamic Secretariat, said here today he would convey to East Pakistani displaced persons at present in India. President Yahya Khan's assurance that Pakistan would welcome their return.

Speaking to newsmen at the Karachi airport this afternoon he said during his meeting with president Yahya in Rawalpindi last Saturday, the latter had reiterated his assurance of May 21 last that displaced persons should return to their homes in East Pakistan without any fear.

The Tunku, who flew from Pindi today said he would lead a five member mercy mission to Pakistan tomorrow to find out on behalf of the Islamic Secretariat (which represents 23 countries) how the Muslim states and the Secretariat could provide help to Pakistan in rehabilitating the displaced persons.

He said representatives from Afghanistan, Kuwait, Jordan and Iran besides the secretary of the Islamic Secretariat Mr. Ali Abdullah were the other members of the mercy mission.

The Saudi Arabian representative could not accompany them as he was indisposed, he added.

Tunku Abdul Rahman emphasized the mission was in no way a political one but was solely devoted to finding ways and means to help relieve the suffering of the victims of the recent happening in East Pakistan. It would not go into the causes, he remarked.

He said the Muslim states and the Islamic Secretariat wanted to provide assistance and help to the displaced persons.

The mission, after a four day stay in East Pakistan, would submit a report on the situation there and what the Islamic Secretariat can do to provide help, he said.

The mission would then go to Malayasia and from there fly to India, he added.

Replying to a question, he agreed that a reduction of tension of the East Pakistan India border would help in the rehabilitation of the displaced persons, but added that since his mission was not political, he could not say anything about this.

Referring to his meeting with president Yahya, the Tunku said the arrival of the mercy mission in Pakistan had given him (President Yahya) encouragement, as demonstrated the interest by other Muslim countries had in Pakistani affairs.

### **Talks with Yahya**

An Islamabad report says: Tunku Abdul Rahman Secretary General of the Islamic Secretariat today described his talks with president Yahya Khan as very satisfactory.

The Tunku who met the president on Saturday left here at noon today for Karachi en-route to Dacca after a four-day stay in the capital.

In an interview with APP at Islamabad airport, he said I now feel encouraged to go to Dacca after my very satisfactory talks with the president. I hope something useful will come out of it.

The Tunku said the president had reiterated his assurance that all Pakistani displaced persons in India were welcome to return to East Pakistan and that their safety would be guaranteed.

As a result of this assurance purpose of my mission has been fulfilled he added.

Tunku Abdul Rahman said he hoped to spend about four days in East Pakistan studying the situation and plans to go to India after his return to Malayasia to continue his study of the problem of displaced persons.

On his arrival here, he had termed his mission as a humanitarian one and said that efforts were being made to organise joint help for those who suffered in the recent crisis in East Pakistan. He was seen off at the airport by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Sultan Mohammed Khan and heads of the missions of Muslim countries.

### **Out side interference**

Tunku Abdul Rahman has expressed the opinion that every country should be allowed to run its own affairs without any outside interference.

In an interview with Radio Pakistan broadcast last night he said "I do not think anybody has any right to interfere in other people's business because of all the trouble we have had in this world."

On the East Pakistan question, he said that constitutional arrangement should be so worked out that East and West Pakistan always remain one.

Tunku Abdul Rahman's remarks were in line with the resolution passed by 22 Muslim countries in Jeddah last month supporting the solidarity and integrity of Pakistan and opposing outside interference in Pakistan's internal affairs.

He also told the interviewer that when he visits Pakistani displaced persons in Calcutta he would tell them that they were free to return to their homes in East Pakistan. President Yahya Khan, he said, had authorised him to convey this message to the displaced persons.

Tunku Abdul Rahman said the displaced persons should be free to return and it was India's duty to facilitate their return to East Pakistan.

He said that the president appreciated the sympathy and interest of Muslim countries in Pakistan's welfare. He was making investigations for the relief of those who have suffered as a result of political trouble recently.

I have come because of humanity and because of Islam in my mind, the Tunku added.

### **Serious differences between political, military factions of AL**

Serious differences have arisen between the political and military factions of the Awami League, according to refugees returning to East Pakistan from India, reports APP.

While the political leaders live in luxury, comfort and peace under the patronage of the Indian Government, the insurgents students and other able bodied field workers are having a rough time in Indian managed training camps around the border. After spell of hard labour described as military training, they are rushed into border areas of East Pakistan to commit acts of sabotage, loot and arson. Many of them do not return. They surrender voluntarily to escape the Indian camps.

According to them, the trainees at the Indian camps are bitter and highly critical of the political leaders who are having the time of their life under the Indian patronage while in India, they are not given arms and equipment as the Indian authorities do not trust them. They are issued arms and ammunition only when they infiltrate into East Pakistan.

### **Tunku Rahman due in city today**

Mr. Tunku Abdul Rahman, Secretary General of the Islamic Secretariat arrives here today from Karachi.

He will be accompanied by a delegation including the representatives of Iran, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

During his stay in the province, the Secretary General is scheduled to visit some of the reception centres in the bordering areas and cyclone affected areas in the coastal districts.

He is scheduled to leave for Karachi on July 24 after a three day visit to the province.

### **Bhutto agreeable to 4 month delay in power transfer**

Lahore (APP)

The People's Party Chairman, Mr. Z.A. Bhutto, said here today he was agreeable to delay in transfer of power for four months provided there was "no further procrastination."

The four months period should take effect from June 28 when president Yahya Khan announced this plea for transfer of power, Mr. Bhutto said during an informal address at a reception he hosted for journalists at a local hotel.

He hoped the president "would not be influenced" by those who were attempting to frustrate his plan for transfer of power. According to Mr. Bhutto, certain vested groups" were in intrigues and conspiracies to delay the transfer of power to the people's representatives.

### **Referendum**

PPI adds: Mr. Z.A. Bhutto, Chairman of PPP, while emphatically refuting the criticism that he represented only the Punjab and Sind provinces, called for the holding of a referendum to determine whether or not he was a national leader.

He was addressing at a local hotel a get together of Journalists which was meant for partly briefing, partly reporting. "It is a modest reception for you but you can report every word of it if you like," he said.

### **India seriously thinking to send envoy to Peking**

London

To counteract Pakistan's diplomatic coup in bringing Mr. Kissinger and Chinese premier Chou En-Lai face to face resulting invitation to President Nixon to visit Peking, India is seriously considering sending Ambassador to Peking at once, it was learnt here.

China and India withdrew their Ambassadors in 1962. president Nixon's announcement has upset the Indian apperception of her long nursed ambition of emerging as a decisive South-Asian power. Indian policy makers were harbouring the illusion that Americans were really fighting India's battle against China in Vietnam. India's fullhearted support to Bangladesh stand was also designed with the motive that if developments in East Pakistan were allowed to take its course India would have inevitably emerged as decisive South-Asian power. This Indian dream has been now shattered.

India has not yet fully realised the impact of 'president Nixon's announcement', wrote Guardian's India correspondent Inder Malhotra, but the consensus in India is that the development is likely to reshape world's entire power pattern with profound but determined impact on India's position as medium power."

He has called Swaran Singh's statement welcoming president Nixon's Peking trip as "Pavlovian reflex." India, he said, "must be incredibly naive if she's unperturbed by the development which might reduce her to a state of permanent insignificance."

What has hurt India most is the role played by Pakistan. "From Indian point of view." Inder Malhotra said, "it's indeed ironic and alarming that two of the three super powers chose Pakistan as a nation to render them a vital service by acting as intermediary at a time when Delhi was hopping to use the good offices of Big powers to force Pakistan to seek political solution in Bangladesh."

The context of Indian's uneasy relationship with Pakistan changes considerably with the coming together of two Major powers, which have been backing the "military regime" in Islamabad", he said.

"Unless India adopts timely and effective counter measures in the new power game", he said "India is unlikely to have any say in South and South-East Asia. China and America have done deal in which America might be expected to concede the region as China's sphere of influence in return for Chinese concessions elsewhere."

Blaming Pakistan for all this move he added, "it has been Pakistan's persistent effort especially since the Chinese invasion of India nine year ago to bring China into the picture so that super power entirely hostile to India can have a say in shaping future of the area.

### **East Pak situation McNamara regrets publication of World Bank report**

Rawalpindi (APP)

President Yahya Khan has received a letter from the World Bank President, Mr. Robert McNamara, regretting the unauthorised publication in the American press of a report on the East Pakistan situation, it was learnt here today.

Prepared by a World Bank team, after a visit to Pakistan in June, for the private information of the 11 nation Aid-to Pakistan consortium, the World Bank chief reportedly found it biased and provocative and placed restrictions on its circulation. The vested interests behind the biased and tendentious report, however defied the ban and leaked out portions of the draft report they thought damaging to Pakistan and embarrassing to the United States Government.

Underlining the significance of the calculated leak, the BBC says, "The report coincides with bitter arguments with him the United States Government and the congress about American military and economic aid to Pakistan which continues. More than 20 senators are pressing for a halt to American aid until international relief can be organised to the East Pakistan refugees in India. But the Nixon administration is resisting this"

The New York Times which is spearheading the campaign against Pakistan quotes World Bank officials, "for the view has in effect, the report recommended, that Economic assistance be withheld pending political accommodation between President Yahya and East Pakistan insurgents."

The Paper also quotes bank officials as insinuating that the "Pakistan Government would divert funds originally earmarked for the Eastern province to bolster the seriously affected Western economy." It lists the minimum conditions for the normalisation as a drastic reduction of hostility and preferably the presence of military." The calculated leak in the American press ends up with the conclusion that new international efforts will have to remain in suspension for at least the next year or so."

According to the report, financial circles in New York are surprised at what they regard as "unwarranted reference to the internal affairs of a sovereign country in the report of a mission entrusted with a purely assignment."

### **Sharp Reaction**

Public opinion in Pakistan has already reacted sharply to this bid to attach political strings to economic aid and this popular resentment was reflected by the president of Pakistan in his address to the nation on June 28, when he said: "I regret to have to say, however that lately there have been indications the foreign aid in acquiring certain political overtones and the people of Pakistan are getting the impression that strings are being sought to be attached to such aid."

"If this be case, let me say it quite categorically that aid which seeks to make inroads into our sovereignty is not acceptable to us. We shall be fully preapared to do without it."

Political quarters in Rawalpindi have made special note of two factors:

One, the bank's functionaries including its Resident Representative, Mr. David Gordon and its director for South Asia Mr. Cargill who set out to study the situation in East Pakistan swallowed the Indian propaganda, hook, line and sinker and produced a highly tendentious and politically motivated report. One of their colleagues, Van Der Heijden after visiting the Western areas of East Pakistan gave the verdict that in Jessore alone 20,000 persons were killed and Army terrorised the population, particularly the Hindus. Surprise was expressed here how Mr. Van Der Heijden managed to count the dead and work out a precise figure. Most of the report is a shaby patchwork of hearsay, completely unrelated to reality.

### **Collusion**

The other point noted by the political quarters is the obvious collusion between the Bank officials who came out to East Pakistan, the Indian lobby in Washington and the coterie of congressman frozen in anti-Pakistan postures.

It is led by Mr. Cornclius Gallagher Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee of Asian Affairs (Democrat of New Jersey), who spent weeks in India recently without caring to visit Pakistan and went home and delivered an expert verdict.

While appreciating the regrets offered by the World Bank President, the political quarters here have expressed the opinion that the world Bank deserves to be served by less biased and more balanced functionaries and that the least the World Bank president can do is to throw out those bank officials who have shown themselves up as tainted with political prejudice.

### **Call to fail anti-peace attempts**

Comilla

Kotwali Thana peace committee organised a public meeting here recently. Kazi Abdul Basher, member District council and convener of the Thana Peace Committee presided.

Several speakers, including Mr. Ali Akbar Advocate and Mr. Shamsul Alam, secretary, Sangfaish Peace Committee, addressed the gathering.

The speakers, in their address, urged upon the people to stand united and foil attempt to disturb the normal peaceful condition of the area.

The meeting pledged to fight to the last to safeguard the solidarity and national integrity.

### **People urged to ensure country's solidarity**

Sylhet

Mr. Shahid Ali, convener District Central Peace Committee, while addressing a largely attended, public meeting held at Chhatak declared that nobody voted for disintegration of Pakistan.

Mr. Shahid Ali recounted the struggle for creation of Pakisan and regretted that the forces of disintegration were now out to destroy it. He praised the Pakistan army which had successfully brought the situation under control, and called upon people to sort out the anti-state elements. He advised the people to put every house in order and ensure the solidarity of the country.

Mr. Shahid Ali criticised the six points of the defunct Awami League and observed that, besides, few leaders of the Awami League, bulk of the people did not know and understand these points and hence it was not correct to say that people voted for six points. He appreciated the president's determination not to accept foreign aid with string.

The meeting was also addressed by Mr. Golam Jilani, advocate, Mr. Ahmed Ali, Mr. Jasim Uddin Advocate, Mr. Hafiz Lutfur Rahman and Dr. Abdul Malek.

### **Bhutto defends Kawsar Niazi**

Rawalpindi (PP)

The Chairman of the Pakistan people's party, Mr. Z.A.Bhutto yesterday vehemently denied that Maulana Kausar Niazi, information secretary of the party was "under cloud".

Talking to newsmen at the Islamabad airport before his departure for Lahore last evening Mr. Bhutto described such reports and rumours as "absolute nonsense". He commanded Maulana Niazi and said, "he has rendered good service to the party." The

very fact that he attended the central committee meeting in Pindi recently showed that he is not under cloud.

Mr. Bhutto criticised that certain elements were trying to make amount out of mole and who were indulging in exaggerated and false versions.

He also criticised those who tried to give wrong colour to the statements of the Maulana on Kabul meetings.

He said, "Attributing wrong motives is a nonsensical devise."

He said that he knew fully the PPP and those who are trying to misguide the people are not doing any good to the country especially at a time when the country is passing through a crucial time.

Asked to elaborate his Saturday's statement to the press that on some points there was an agreement with the Government but differences on certain points Mr. Bhutto denied to make any comment.

Mr. Bhutto when asked to comment on the merger of the two factions of the Muslim League said, "I do not want to comment on redundant matters."

Mr. Bhutto said he will be staying in Lahore for a day after which he will leave for Larkana and from there to Karachi. He was accompanied to Lahore by Mr. Mustafa Khan.

#### **Jamiat delegation to visit East wing**

Rawalpindi (APP)

A seven man delegation of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-e-Pakistan will leave for East Pakistan after the General council meeting of the Jamiat being held at Multan on July 2.

This was stated by Sahibzada Nazar Diwan, Naib Nazim-e-Aala of the Jamiat, in a statement to the press issued here on Monday.

The statement also disclosed that a meeting of the Ulema of the North Western Frontier province will shortly be held, either at Peshawar or Haripur.

The statement said that the Jamiat was determined to play its full role in the national politics and the effort for introduction of Islamic system of life in Pakistan. He said now there was complete unity in the ranks and files of the Jamiat under the leadership of Khwaja Qamarudding Sialwi.

#### **Bomb thrown on EPRTC coach : 15 injured**

A country made bomb was thrown by some Indian agents on a running EPRTC coach at a point between Feni and Senbag on the Dacca Chittagong highway on July 13 injuring the driver and 14 passengers, a few of them seriously. Police have registered a case and investigations are in progress.

All the injured persons were innocent members of public who were perhaps going to Chittagong to meet their near and dear ones or attend their normal business there to earn livelihood. They have all since fully recovered and have been sent to their respective destinations.

The coach service between the two cities have been operating according to the normal schedule right from the following day with full load of passengers.

#### **Full co-operation assured in rebuilding E.Wing economy**



Mr. H.O. Dada, leader of the visiting Karachi Cotton Association delegation, extended fullest co-operation to East Pakistan brothers who were engaged in rebuilding the economy of the country, reports, APP.

In a statement yesterday he said, "I came to East Pakistan as leader of the delegation of Karachi Cotton Association on a 10 day visit.

"My delegation comprised of Messers Md. Hanif, Mirza Mugha. N.A. Sayeed and myself. We concentrated our activities mainly on easing supply of raw cotton to East Pakistan cotton mills. We also studied the situation of this wing of the country.

"We met with Chambers of Commerce and Industries, the East Pakistan Cotton Mills Association, Secretary, Commerce and Industry the Export Promotion Bureau, Secretary, IWTA, Chairman of the Railway Board and the Chairman of Chittagong Port Trust. We also met with many distinguished personality of the trade an industry lines, covering Dacca, Narayangonj and Chittagong and had useful discussion with them.

"We found the situation almost normal here and we are impressed to find that the tradesmen and industrialists are working in full speed to rebuild the economy of the country.

"We found the Government officials very much co-operative and energatic in their works. We also found that many tradesmen and industrialists from West Pakistan have also restarted their affairs and are working hard to rebuild the economy of the country.

Transportation arrangements have improved a great deal than before despite that further attention in this matter is required.

"We shall extend our fullest co-operation towards our East Pakistani brothers who are engaged in rebuilding the economy of the country."

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### **House and shops gutted: Number of people killed in Indian shelling in Comilla**

Rawalpindi (APP)

A number of persons were killed and many others wounded in Comilla yesterday as a result of the Indian shelling, it was officially stated here today.

The Indian field artillery opened up at 10.45 A.M. East Pakistan time without any provocation. A number of shops in the area caught fire and were completely gutted.

Another APP report from Comilla adds: Mortar shelling from Indian territory bordering Comilla killed a number of people and injured six civilians besides gutting shops and houses.

Yesterday at about 10 hours two inch mortars fired from Indian territory Tripura bordering Comilla hit houses around Kotwali police station and Rahgonj, the busiest shopping centre and market place of the town killing an employee of a bakery by Yusuf school road and injured five others. Three shops caught fire and were completely gutted.

Anandamayee Kalibari was also badly hit.

Kotwali police station was heavily pounded. But shells fell on the houses around the police station and damaged public properties and injured a servant.

No damage, however, was done to the police station building. Mortar shells that hit the house of Abu Naser, only 100 yards East and Feroz Box's house only 30 yards from the police station, partially damaged their buildings.

Four of the injured persons were let off after first aid and two were admitted into Sadar Hospital, Comilla. Strong resentment is prevailing in the town against this provocative act of India.

### **Tunku arrives in city**

The Secretary General of the Islamic Secretariat, Tunku Abdul Rahman, arrived in Dacca from Karachi this afternoon for a four day visit to East Pakistan, reports APP.

He was received at the airport by Dr. A.M. Malik, Special Assistant to the president for displaced persons and relief and rehabilitation operations in East Pakistan.

The Chief secretary to the Governor of East Pakistan, Director of Pakistan Foreign office in Dacca, Military secretary to the Governor of East Pakistan and principal protocol officer of the provincial Government were also present at the airport.

The Secretary-General of the Islamic Secretariat, who is accompanied by Mr. Kamal AL Shariff, Ambassador of Jordan, Mr. Solaiman Abu Ghaws charged' Affaires, Embassy of the State of Kuwait in Pakistan, Mr. Reza Teqavi, Representative of the Iranian Foreign Minister and Mr. Ali Bin Abdullah, Special Assistant to the Secretary-General. During the current trip to East Pakistan will visit some reception centres to see the arrangements made by the Government of Pakistan for relief and rehabilitation of the displaced persons.

The Secretary-General will also visit the cyclone-affected areas in Bhola and Patuakhali and see the progress of rehabilitation projects for the cyclone affected persons there.

In Dacca the Secretary-General will call on the Government of East Pakistan.

He will also meet prominent citizens of Dacca at a dinner to be given by them in his honour and visit the Islamic Academy and the Baitul Mukarram Mosque.

### **MLA zone 'B' HQ shifted to EPA building.**

The Headquarters of Martial Law Administrator Zone 'B' has shifted Governor's House to the East Pakistan Assembly Building on Airport Road and will start functioning at the new premises from today (Thursday), reports (APP).

The Headquarters of Sub-Martial Law Administrator subsector-1, have also shifted from East Pakistan Assembly Building to MPA Hostel on the Airport Road.

### **PN helping flow to essential goods, Admiral Hasan told**

The Pakistan Navy is giving substantial assistance to the administration in ensuring the flow of essential supplies, including food-grains and general cargo from Chittagong, Chalna and riverine ports to all parts of East Pakistan, reports APP.

The Commander-in-Chief, Pakistan Navy Vice-Admiral Muzaffar Hasan, was conveyed this at a briefing at the Headquarters Flag officer commanding East Pakistan, in Dacca, on Tuesday morning.

This assistance, the commander-in-chief was informed, had helped in keeping the lifeline of the riverine transport operating extremely satisfactorily and effectively throughout these past months.

Vice-Admiral Muzaffar Hasan spent a busy day yesterday visiting the Headquarters, Navy Headquarters, Eastern command PAF Air Base and the Narayanganj Shipyard.

At the Navy Headquarters Navy, Vice-Admiral Muzaffar Hasan was received by Rear Admiral M. Shariff, Flag Officer Commanding, East Pakistan, who introduced him round the headquarters.

The commander-in-chief was briefed on the situation in East Pakistan by Lieutenant General A.A.K. Niazi at the Headquarters, Eastern Command.

From the Eastern Command headquarters the Pakistan Navy Chief visited the PAF base where he spent sometime.

After a visit to PN units, near Dacca, the Commander-in-Chief, accompanied by Rear Admiral Shariff proceeded to Narayanganj on board a PN patrol craft.

At the Narayanganj shipyard the Commander-in-Chief was impressed by the skill of the staffs and complimented them on the fine job of work they were doing.

Later the commander-in-chief visited the IWTA jetty.

### **Six held in city for possessing explosives**

Six persons were arrested by the police from Dacca city area in connection with two different cases for possession of explosive materials, reports APP.

Some explosive materials were recovered from their possession.

In one case a police party while on patrol duty on the evening of July 14, apprehended one Ahsanullah, son of Lal Mohamad Sikdar of village Hashara in Sreenagar P.S. of Dacca District, who was moving about in a suspicious manner near Sutrapur iron bridge. He had in his possession a hand bag containing Grenades anti-personnel mines, TNT, stolen detonators, fuse and other explosive materials.

Investigation revealed that accused Ahsanullah along with three other Indian agents trained at Agartala camp, were sent to different parts of East Pakistan to disrupt the holding of SSC Examination.

Further investigation led to the arrest of Nazrul Islam, son of Mohamad Yasin of 272, Jatrabari in Tejgoan P.S.

In another case, one Nabiullah son of Shahzada of 138, Lutfar Rahman Lane, Kotwali P.S. was arrested on July 3 for being an Indian agent. Later on one Abdul Majid son of Mozam Ostagar of 5, Lutfar Rahman Lane, along with Abdul Quadir son of late Abdus Sattar of 143, Lutfar Rahman Lane and Habibullah son of Mian Chand Ostagar of 15, Lutfar Rahman lane of Korwali PS were arrested in this connection. An anti-personnel mine was recovered from shop of accused Abdul Majid.

### **ML. order no. 157, 148 and 159**

Martial Law no. 157, 158 and 159 were issued from the Headquarters of Martial Law Administration, zone 'B' in Dacca the other day, reports APP.

Following are the texts of MLOs:

#### **Martial Law Zone 'B' Order No. 157**

Martial Law Zone 'B' Order No.122, as reconstituted fire arms, ammunition or explosives. Persons holding licenced fire arms, fully verified by the police station concerned may carry the same for personal safety or protection while travelling from one district to another with the prior written permission of the Martial Law authorities of their respective areas.

2. this order shall not apply to members of the Armed Forces, Civil Armed Forces and police.

Martial Law Zone 'B' Order No. 158

Martial Law Zone 'B' orders No. 123,131 and 142 are hereby cancelled. They shall be deemed to have been cancelled with effect from the following dates:-

Martial Law Zone 'B' Order No. 123 April 2, 1971.

Martial Law Zone 'B' order No. 131, May 7, 1971.

Martial Law Zone 'B' Order No. 142 June 21, 1971.

#### **Martial Law Zone 'B' Order No. 159**

1. Any Razakar or a member of public may arrest any person who is proclaimed or an absconding offender, convict escapee or who is carrying any unlicensed fire arm, or who indulges in any act of Sabotage and subversion, attacks any thana, post offices, union council, banks or causes damage or interferes with the working of roads, railways, canals, aerodromes, telephone, telegraph, wireless installations or with any other government property, or is concerned with the commission of any non-bailable and cognizable offence.
2. The person so arrested shall be taken forth with to a police officer or in the absence of police officer he shall be taken to the nearest police station.
3. The police officer or the Officer in Charge of police station to whom any such arrested person is brought shall proceed against him in accordance with Law.

**Transfer of power shall improve situation —Tufail**  
Karachi (APP)

The Acting Amir of Jamaat-e-Islami, Mian Mohammad Tufail today expressed the view that transfer of power to the elected representatives should help improve the situation in the country.

Addressing a press conference here he said that the transfer of power would help on the one hand in stopping foreign criticism and on the other give of a sense participation to the people of Pakistan.

He, however, said that this transfer should take place through the National Assembly. He said effects should be made to fill the seats of those National Assembly members who belonged to the outlawed Awami League and were involved in the recent upheaval in East Pakistan.

Mian Tufail reiterated his earlier proposal that those candidates who secured second position in the last General Elections should be declared elected from the vacant seats.

Replying to a question, he said, he was not advocating the case of his party's candidates. In fact he was advocating the national cause. By declaring elected those candidates who secured second position the entire benefit would not go to the Jamaat-e-Islami.

He said that under the present circumstances everybody should think in terms of the entire nation and not his own party. The country needed unity so that the present crisis could be overcome completely to pave the way for economic rehabilitation.

Replying to a question Mian Tufail said that during his stay in East Pakistan he discussed the proposed by-elections with East Pakistani leaders as well as the Governor of that province. He said that a few leaders including Major Afsaruddin, former MNA, agreed with him that the National Assembly should be summoned as early as possible and instead of by-elections candidates who secured second and even third positions should be declared elected.

He said that East Pakistani people were anxiously waiting for the visit of West Pakistani leaders so that they could see the situation in East Pakistan.

He told a questioner that besides other problems the major obstacle in the way of by-elections was this monsoon.

He said that the present crisis in East Pakistan was the creation of 'marwaris' and industrialists of Calcutta (India) who wanted to capture East Pakistan market through their agents. He said with the exception of these stooges and agents all Bengalis and non-Bengalis had faith in one Pakistan.

Mian Tufail said that as their main purpose had been defeated by Pakistan's gallant forces now they were sending trained saboteurs in East Pakistan.

### **Razakars urged to remain vigilant**

Jessore (APP)

The Deputy Sub-Martial Law Administrator here urged the Razakars to devote fully to the cause of maintaining national integrity and solidarity.

Addressing the public meeting organised by the local Peace Committee at Tasbir Mahal on Friday last, the Deputy Sub-Martial Law Administrator further advised the Razakars to remain vigilant against the miscreants and infiltrators. He emphasised that the country must be cleared of the anti-social and anti-State elements who might disturb the peace of common man.

The Deputy Sub-Martial Law Administrators said it was the duty of all of us to give our very best to attain the mission. He also reminded the people the motto of Quaid-e-Azam "Unity, faith and discipline" and advised them to be imbued with the ideology of Pakistan.

The Deputy Sub-Martial Law Administrator donated Rs. 2000 to Razakars in recognition of their excellent services in apprehending a large number of miscreants.

Erlier, a passing out parade of Razakars was held at the Town Hall Compound where the Deputy Sub-Martial Law Administrator took the Salute.

### **Inflow of DPs continues**

The in flow of displaced Pakistan nationals is continuing as usual, reports APP. During the last four days 26,000 returnees crossed over into East Pakistan, 2,200 of them into Sylhet district alone.

The number of non-Muslims returnees was 500.

### **Prof. Williams in city**

Prof. Rushbrook Williams, an eminent British historian arrived in Dacca yesterday on a four day visit to East Pakisan, reports APP.

Prof. William was accompanied by his wife.

### **Bhutto accepts president's plan with reservations**

Lahore (APP)

The Pakistan People's Party Chairman, Mr. Z.A. Bhutto said last night that he had accepted the presidential plan for transfer of power with certain reserervation and not the whole as broadcast by Radio Pakistan.

Talking to newsmen at the Lahore Airport before his departure for Karachi, about the press conference addressed by him earlier is the day he said. The Presidential broadcast of June 28 last could be bifurcated into two namely plan of transfer of power and president's own observations.

He said he and his party had reservations on the plan.

There are certain things in it to which we agree. For instance the role of Awami League and that the fresh elections could not be held.

He said on president's observations negotiations were going on between him and the president.

He criticised PDP leader, Nawabzada Nasrullah Khan for saying that Mr. Bhutto should not have discussed national politics out side Pakistan. He said the Nawabzada had no locus stand. The Nawabzada should remember that the joint communique issued after discussions with Shahinsha of Iran said that president Yahya Khan had discussed with him national problems as could be done with friendly country.

He said the Amir of Jamaat-e-Islam also wrote letters to the heads of friendly and unfriendly countries about the outcome of the results of the elections, telling them all sorts of lies. Was that not discussion of national politics with other countries, he asked.

He also said that he expected co-operation from the press but added that he could not address the press any longer if it went on misquoting and misreporting him and we have to give up the small mass media that we have at our disposal now.

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### **China protests to India.**

Karachi (APP)

The People's Republic of China has protested to India against Indian interference in Pakistan's internal affairs, according to Radio Pakistan last night.

This was stated by the Indian External Affairs Minister Sardar Swaran Singh in the Upper House of Indian Parliament in New Delhi yesterday.

The Indian Minister said that India had rejected the protest.

### **Repatriation of DPs: Pakistan accepts proposal for UN observers on border**

Geneva (APP)

Pakistan has accepted a United Nations proposal for the stationing of UN civilian personnel in both India and Pakistan to facilitate the repatriation of displaced persons to East Pakistan, diplomatic observers disclosed here today.

The proposal envisages the stationing of representatives of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, in camps in India, on both sides of the Indo Pakistan border and at reception centres in East Pakistan.

### **India Rejects**

AFP reports from New Delhi: India has rejected suggestions that United Nations observers should be stationed on both sides of the East Pakistan border to supervise the return of refugees, official sources said here yesterday.

The suggestions were understood to have been made by United Nations Secretary-General U-Thant and United States officials during meetings with Indian representatives.

The sources said India had informed other countries which sponsored such a move that it would consider their continued support for it as "unfriendly act."

They said that a few observers on the border would not be able to achieve anything concrete, and their presence would only give a false facade of security.

The sources suggested that the presence of UN observers might be intended to help Pakistan overcome the "Liberation" movement rather than encourage the return of refugees.

The dispatch of observers was also reported to have been sought by UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan.

The sources indicated that India would be prepared to accept "some neutral presence" in refugees centres, but that this would be considered only after peace and normal conditions had returned to East Pakistan and a civil administration acceptable to the people had been established there.

The number of refugees entering India was continuing at rate of about 40,000 a day. The sources said, and the total was now estimated at nearly nine million.

### **Pakistan to protest Indian shelling of Comilla.**

Islamabad, (APP)

Pakistan is going to lodge a strong protest with India against the shelling of Comilla by India field artillery in which "number of persons were killed and wounded, a Foreign office spokesman said today.

The incident took place on Tuesday and as a result of the Indian shelling a number of shops in the area caught fire and were gutted.

### **Tunku calls on Governor**

Tunku Abdul Rahman, Secretary of Islamic Secetariat called on the Governor of East Pakistan Lt. General Tikka Khan yesterday, reports APP.

He was accopmanied by the representatives of Jordan, Iran and Kuwait.

Earlier, the Tunku had a meeting with UN representative for relief and rehabilitation in East Pakisan, Mr. Al Tauil.

During the day the Tunku had a around of the city yesterday morning visiting University Campus, Nawabpur Road, Jinnah Avenue and Sadarghat.

Tunku Abdul Rahman, who was scheduled to visit Chuadanga and Jhikargacha reception centres yesterday morning could not go as the flight was cancelled due to bad weather.

The Secretary General also visited I.W.T.A. Terminal at Sadarghat.

### **Detained Pakistanis: No reply from India to Pak enquiries**

Islamabad (APP)

India has not yet replied to the inquiries made by Pakistan about the Pakistani Nationals who were forced to cross the border as a result of disturbed conditions in East Pakistan, a Foreign office spokesman said today.

Some of the Pakistani Nationals, who include Government officials, businessmen, employees of tea estates and representatives of banks and commercial firms were arrested by the Indians and put in jails.

Pakistan had furnished a list of about 50 to 80 Pakistan nationals whose names and addressses were provided by their relatives to Indian Government which was asked to confirm their wherea abouts and also agree to their repatriation to this country.

The spokesman said despite several reminders Government of India had not given any information about the welfare and whereabouts of these persons.

Besides, Prince Sadruddin, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and friendly Governments, Pakistan had also approached the chairman of International League of Red Cross, Mr. Umbritch, to use their good offices with India to arrange the release and repatriation of the Pakistani personnel. However he said, India had shown callous disregard of this humanitarian question and provided no information to Pakistan about them.

### **Rehabilitation and Relief**

The first-Comprehensive review by United Nations official of the relief needs of East Pakistan puts the cost of meeting intitial needs at 28.2 million dollars (Rs. 14 crore). The

report discloses that, in the month that has elapsed since U.N. Secretary-General U-Thant's appeal on June 16 for international humanitarian assistance for East Pakistan, the basic frame work of the provision of relief assistance from and through the United Nations system has been established and a sustained effort has been made, in co-operation with the Government of Pakistan, to evaluate and assess the nature and extent of assistance required, the report by U.N. officials is intended to provide factual information on the current food, transport and health situation in East Pakistan and an indication of the assistance needed. Mr. Ismat T. Kitani the U.N Assistant Secretary-General for Inter-Agency Affairs, who travelled to Pakistan for consultations with Pakistani officials concerning the modalities of international humanitarian assistance for East Pakistan is reported to have spoken highly of the endeavours being made by the Government of Pakistan to rehabilitate the economy of East Pakistan.

### **Indian design to disintegrate Pakistan condemned**

Tangail (APP)

A big public meeting held in B.B. High School premises sponsored by Tangail District peace committee with Maulana Hakim Habibur Rahman, President of committee in the Chair condemned Indian design to disintegrate Pakistan.

Prof. M.A. Khaleque Khandar Abdul Hye, advocate, Shahidullah Khan, and others reiterated strong pledges for solidarity and integrity of Pakistan and maintenance of peace.

They strongly condemned Indian propaganda to disintegrate Pakistan. They continued anti-state elements and those supporting them with a threat to crush them in no time. The meeting ended with slogans in favour of solidarity, integrity and prosperity of Pakistan.

### **Armed Forces and people ready to meet Challenge : Ajmal warns India**

Sylhet (APP)

Mr. Ajmal Ali Choudhury, ex-central Minister, has warned India that if war was thrust on Pakistan, she would not find only the Armed Forces of this country but also the people ready to meet the challenge and face any eventualities.

In a statement issued here he deplored the attitude and policy adopted and said that it was high time Pakistan Government should consider suitable steps against flagrant violation of international obligations.

One can very well ask whether there is any justification to remain in the Commonwealth any more.

Mr. Choudhury said, "Pakistan at the moment is passing through a great test we have gone through a very critical time of national crisis. Thank Al-mighty, the bold and timely action of the President and thanks to the heroism of our Armed Forces, we have met the Challenge of the enemies of Pakistan firmly and effectively and although it may take some time more to heal up all our wounds. Things are moving fast towards normalisation but we must remember the enemies within and outside are still vigorous for destruction is quite alive to the situation and ready to face any challenge from whichever quarter it comes. It is the bold and firm line of action that has saved our hard earned independence and saved the Muslims of East Pakistan from the slavery of the

Hindus again. The nation as a whole should be grateful which they fought the internal and external enemies of our country particularly the Armed Indian infiltrators.

Mr. Chowdhury said, we should take lesson from what has happened in East Pakistan and prepared ourselves to build up our country on the principle on which Pakistan was achieved after great sacrifices.

We achieved Pakistan, the largest Muslim state of the world, under the leadership of Quaid-e-Azam and let me say that the People of Pakistan will die fighting but will never allow the enemies of Pakistan to destroy our country.

India is arming to the teeth and has pointed her guns towards East Pakistan and giving us constant threat of war India should know that war is not the solution. Pakistan does not want war and is maintaining utmost restraint in spite of serious provocation. But if war is thrust on us, India will not find out only the Armed Forces of Pakistan, but also the people of Pakistan ready to meet the challenge and face any eventualities and no amount of sacrifice will be considered too great to maintain the integrity and solidarity of our country.

### **Be Vigilant**

Every Pakistani should be vigilant as all of us know the vigilance is the price of freedom and it is our foremost duty to see that we exist as an independent and sovereign nation and do not allow history to repeat its darkest chapter which made our forefathers slaves for 200 years, he added.

I want to say with all the emphasis at my command that Pakistan is one and no power on Earth can divide us as in oneness, lies our salvation. We have given ample proof of our strength and solidarity before and if our enemies repeat the same blunder which they did in 1965 they will be suitably dealt with.

Pakistan will not tolerate any foreign interference in her internal affairs. The attitude and the policy adopted by the British Government and its press of interfering in the internal affairs of Pakistan is highly objectionable and most regrettable. It is high time that Pakistan Government should consider what suitable steps should be taken against such flagrant violation of international obligations of non-interfering in the internal affairs of any country.

One can very well ask whether there is any justification to remain in the Commonwealth any more.

It is our foremost duty at the present moment to make Pakistan a strong, prosperous and powerful country in the world and if need be to make the supreme sacrifice. I am happy to see that the Government is making all possible efforts to stabilise the economic condition of East Pakistan and I appeal to our countrymen to stand solidly behind the Government and help the administration in their great task.

### **Pakistan to stay one, united: Tufail**

Mian Tufail Mohammad, acting Amir, Jamaat-e-Islami, Pakistan has said that the course of events proved beyond doubt that "by the grace of Almighty Allah, Pakistan will continue to stay as one and united homeland of Muslims where they will lead their life in accordance with their code of conduct i.e., Islam," reports APP.

Addressing a workers meeting at Mirpur on Sunday evening he said that our enemies could realise that the real power and unity of the Muslims emanates from the Islamic

concept of nationality and they tried in every way to create a cleavage amongst the Muslim population and there by succeeded in driving a wedge between the sections of the Muslims here fanning to fire . The racial and linguistic prejudices. Mian Tufail said that the 11 crore Arabs were fatally unsuccessful in crushing the 27 lacs of Israelis as because they have become the victims of these prejudices instead of developing Islamic concept of nationality. He appealed to all sections of the people to rise to the occasion and understand the gravity of the situation and do away with all these prejudices.

Referring to the education policy, Mian Tufail said, that instead of moulding the character of the new Islamic concept of life we have created a generation who are so to say quite antagonistic to Islamic code of ethics. Education system on the basis of state ideology was more important than Islamic constitution, he added.

Referring to the present state of affairs the Jamaat Leader asked the Muhajirs as to why they have come to Pakistan leaving behind their belongings in India..

He said, the main objective of their coming over to Pakistan was to lead a life according to Quran and Sunnah.

From right earnest we should forget the differences of locals and non-locals and let us be true Muslims and true Pakistani at the first and the last and work shoulder to shoulder to intensify the work of Islamic movement and create conditions for peace and harmony once for all in the society Mian Saheb said.

While stating his tour impressions in most of the important cities of East Pakistan, Mian Tufail Mohammad said that he brought all those to look to Governor of East Pakistan Lt. Gen. Tikka Khan and assured that he would discuss them with president, General Aga Mohammad Yahya Khan after his return to West Pakistan.

The acting Amir of the Jamaat-e-Islami on his way to Mirpur visited the Mohammadpur and Mirpur relief camps and moved round the shelter places and talked to the widows orphans and destitutes and expressed his heartfelt sympathy for them. Mian Tufail Mohammad was accompanied by Janab Abdul Khaleque, General-Secretary, Jamaat-e-Islami, East Pakistan, Dr. Nazir Ahmed, MNA-elected Rajz Mohd, Basharat, Secretary, Jamaat-e-Islami Rawalpindi district.

### **Asghar apprises Yahya of East Pak situation**

Abbottabad, (APP)

Retired Air Marshal Asghar Khan, convener of the Tehrik-i-Istiqlal, said after meeting president Yahya here yesterday that he had apprised him his impressions about the situation in East Pakistan.

The Tehrik chief, who returned recently from a tour of E. Pakistan, reiterated the need for restoration of confidence among the people of that wing. Participation of the people, he said, was essential to achieve the objective.

The retired Air Marshal told APP that he would proceed on a tour of the Punjab soon in connection with organisational matters concerning his party.

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- Tunku leaves for Bangkok today.
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## **NEWS**

### **Repatriation of DPs. : India's rejection of UN offer exposes her game**

Islamabad (APP)

India's flat rejection of the United Nations proposal for stationing of UN civilian personnel in both India and Pakistan to facilitate the repatriation of displaced persons to East Pakistan has completely exposed her credibility and ingenuineness to solve this problem.

Observers here were hardly surprised by the Indian reaction as they have all along felt that India had something to hide from the world community.

A UN supervision, according to them would only unveil the actual game India was playing with the twin objective of extorting foreign countries and bringing bad name to Pakistan.

It suits India to go on exploiting the so-called refugee problem for balancing her current year's defence oriented budget.

With this aim in view, she called for dollars 200 million for "Looking after" the displaced persons from Pakistan. Taken in by the Indian propaganda various countries rushed aid to India which to date totals dollars 214 million.

Taking advantage of the response, India has now raised her demand to dollars 400 million and appears she would not help resolve this problem till her objective was achieved.

These observers said that instead of treating it as a humanitarian problem, India was exploiting it for its own political ends.

Apart from this, the presence of impartial United Nations personnel would have brought to light the war preparations India was making and the extent of her forces deployment.

It would have also exposed the Indian lies about the number of displaced persons and the method adopted by India to prevent their return to Pakistan.

Foreign diplomatic sources appreciated Pakistan's reported acceptance of the UN proposal which could speed up the return of the displaced persons.

They said New Delhi has not given ample proof that it was not interested in lessening the tension in the sub-continent.

### **Govt. has lined up 30 to 32 coasters, says M.M. Ahmed**

Karachi (APP)

The Government has lined up 30 to 32 coasters to speed up movement of foodgrains in the consuming centres of East Pakistan the Economic Adviser to the President, Mr. M.M. Ahmed said here tonight.

Talking to newsmen on arrival here from Rawalpindi he said that the Government had launched what he called a multiple attack' to solve the problem of the quick movement of foodgrains.



Mr. Ahmed said that the Government had already provided two million dollars for the acquisition of coasters from abroad and construction of river-craft within the country.

He said that one million dollars would be utilised for the purchase of five to six coasters while another one million dollars would be used for the construction of river-craft in the Khulna and Karachi Shipyards.

Giving the break up of the acquisition of coasters, Mr. Ahmad said that three coasters had already been acquired from the People's Republic of China against credit. Seventeen coasters were being hired from the United States for six months operation in East Pakistan. Another five to six coasters would be purchased out of the one million dollars provided by the Government for the purpose.

He said there were prospects for acquiring another five to six coasters from the Netherlands against credit.

He hoped that negotiations for purchase would start soon.

Mr. Ahmed expressed the hope that the Khulna and Karachi shipyards would be able to construct river-craft before the United States withdraws its coasters which were being hired by the Government.

### **Navy chief finds Chalna port busy**

Vice-Admiral Muzaaffar Hasan, commander-in-chief, Pakistan Navy, flew to Mongla from Chittagong yesterday morning to see the progress on the Chalna port project, reports APP.

The Commander-in-chief discussed in detail the plans of the port with the port director, who informed him that the preliminary of the construction of Chalna port at the finally selected site did not receive much setback inspite of the recent disturbances in the area.

Brisk activity has returned to the port and the export and import graph has shown a marked upward trend during the last one and a half month. The export of raw Jute and Jute goods is in full swing.

Yesterday, when the commander-in-chief flew over the area to have a view of the site, 18 ships were seen engaged in loading and unloading cargo in the Chalna port. The presence of so many ships at one time, the port director told the commander-in Chief, was a clear manifestation of the port's normal functioning.

In April last, after the disturbances, the Pakistan Navy took measures to rehabilitate the port which had been completely paralysed due to the activities of anti-State elements.

Radio communications were restored and about 400 craft were recovered, and 50 privately owned ships abandoned by the staff were also reactivated and put to use.

This did not include the 100 foodgrains barges hijacked by the miscreants which were salvaged and used for transportation purposes.

The naval presence in the region also contributed to the restoration of confidence of the workers and their subsequent return to work.

Yesterday morning the Commander-in Chief also visited the Mongla area where measures are being taken for the rehabilitation of the port workers.

After arrival at Mongla, Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan also met members of the peace committee who informed him that the people of the region were extending full co-

operation to the Government in the maintenance of peace and the reactivation of economic life.

The Commander-in-Chief deeply appreciated their sentiments and urged upon them not to relent their efforts in this behalf. "You are a fighter, armed with the faith in the destiny of the Nation, and I am confident that you will achieve your sacred mission of making Pakistan more strong and prosperous," he said.

Earlier, the Pakistan Navy chief arrived in Jessore by an army helicopter where he was apprised of the situation in the area by the local Army Commander.

Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan also visited a Pakistan Navy establishment PNS Titumir at Khulna.

Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan who was accompanied by Rear Admiral M. Shariff, Flag Officer Commanding, East Pakistan, returned to Dacca in the afternoon on the conclusion of his visit to Chittagong, Mongla, Chalna and Jessore.

### **Tunku leaves for Bangkok today**

Due to bad weather again yesterday the visit to Bhola and other cyclone affected areas of Tunku Abdul Rahman had to be cancelled, reports APP.

The Secretary General of the Islamic Secretariat instead undertook a river cruise for a couple of hours.

Accompanied by Mr. Kamel-Al-Shariff, Ambassador of Jordan in Pakistan, Dr. Ali Ahmad Popal, the Afghan Ambassador, Dr. Suleiman Abu Charge d'Affairs of Kuwait and Mr. Reza Taghavi representative of the Iranian Foreign Ministry and other members of the delegation, the Tunku boarded the IWTA steamer at Sadarghat at 9-45 a.m. After passing by Narayanganj, the party cruised up to Mirkadim and then returned to Dacca.

All along the cruise the Tunku took pictures extensively of the absorbing scenery.

The Tunku and party offered their Jumma prayers at the Baitul Mukarram Mosque.

As the Secretary General and delegates from other Muslim countries appeared on the steps of Baitul Mukarram thousands of people, who had come to offer prayer, burst into spontaneous welcome. They raised thunderous shouts of "Allah-ho-Akbar," "Islam Zindabad" and Pakistan Zindabad."

### **The Tunku visited the EPSIC yesterday**

On arrival he was received by Mr. A.B.M. Ghulam Mostafa, Chairman EPSIC. He was shown round sales and display centre of the corporation.

He evinced keen interest in the products and the magnificent designs of the designers of EPSIC. He exhorted the EPSIC to find export market for the small and cottage industries products to the Muslim countries.

Tunku Abdul Rahman, was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the citizens of Dacca at the Hotel Inter-continental last night.

The dinner was attended by Mr. A.M. Malik special Assistant to the president, Major General Rao Farman Ali and elite of the city.

PPI adds: Tunku Abdul Rahman is leaving Dacca this morning for Bangkok on conclusion of a three-day visit to East Pakistan.

### **Gen Niazi lauds high morale of people in border areas**

Lieut. General A.A.K. Niazi, Commander, Eastern command yesterday found the people in the border areas of the Western region in high spirits in the face of frequent Indian shelling from across the border.

He appreciated their morale and commended their whole hearted co-operation with the troops in meeting the threat to the security of Pakistan.

General Niazi, who was accompanied by the GOC, yesterday visited Meherpur, Jhenidah and Jessore areas.

He found that most of the people of Meherpur, a border town had returned to their homes and taken up their normal avocations. He saw farmers harvesting and thrashing the paddy crop and shop keepers tending their business.

At Mehrpur, Gen. Niazi also addressed members of peace committee and elite of the town. He told them that history was replete with inspiring examples of dedicated small nations triumphing over their adversary many times of their size.

"As long as we remain united and dedicated to our cause, no power can defeat us," he said and added that Muslims had glorious traditions and we should all endeavour to prove worthy of our glorious past.

General Niazi also appreciated people's wholehearted co-operation with the authorities in weeding out miscreants and anti-social elements from the area. Gen. Niazi told them that troops were there to protect life, property and honour of their fellow brethren. The address was punctuated with full throated patriotic slogans.

After the meeting, a large enthusiastic crowd swarmed General Niazi and eagerly shook hands with him.

Earlier, Jhenidah, General Niazi met members of peace committee and commended their contribution towards rehabilitation of people's confidence.

During yesterday's tour, General Niazi also visited army headquarters and troops in the forward areas. He met the troops talked to them informally and enquired about their welfare. He found them happy, cheerful and confident.

Talking to them informally at a border post General Niazi said there is no greater honour than to defend one's homeland, he added that service of the nation was the primary duty of a soldier and he performs this duty wherever the call of duty comes from.

General Niazi returned to Dacca in the evening.

### **Rajshahi fast returning to normal life**

Rajshahi, (APP)

With the gradual return of people both from India and the interior to Rajshahi town, life in the divisional border town is fast returning to normal.

The narrow meandering roads and streets are once again crowded with pedalled rickshaws, cyclists and pedestrians moving about in pursuit of their normal avocations.

Bazars are humming with activities as most of the shops have opened.

A group of editors of newspapers and agency from Dacca on way to Rajshahi from Ishurdi during their 68- mile drive saw farmers working in their fields.

The editors saw for themselves yesterday Pakistani nationals numbering seventeen, all members of the minority community, returning to Pakistan by boat at Godagari ghat, 18 miles from Rajshahi town. These returnees on arrival were inoculated and vaccinated, given food and passage money to leave for their respective homes.

The returning Pakistani nationals narrated their woeful tales of miseries which they had to undergo at the hands of Indians in the so-called refugee camps there. They also narrated how the Indians were standing in the way of Pakistani nationals who were eager to return to their homes.

The Dacca editors went round the town and met the heads of the department of the Rajshahi University. They also met across section of people and heard the peace committee members co-operations with the authorities in the restoration of peace and normalcy in the district.

### **Sylhet almost normal**

The normal activity in the district has almost reached a pre-disturbance level.

All offices of the provincial and central Government including the educational institutions have been functioning with almost full attendance.

Foodgrains are being distributed in the town and Mofussol areas as usual.

Price of rice has registered a downward trend. Medium quality rice is selling at Rs. 32/- to 33/- per maund and good quality rice at 38/- to 40/- per maund. There is adequate supply of vegetables, fowl, egg, pineapple, banana and other fruits in village markets.

During June, 610 cattle and 810 poultry birds were treated and 27264 cattle and 21658 poultry birds were vaccinated. One hundred thirty-two bulls were castrated.

Revenue collection has also been progressing satisfactorily.

### **Indian thinking**

Pakistan has done and is prepared to do everything it can to facilitate the return of displaced persons to their homes in East Pakistan. Any measure that would promote this end is welcome. Pakistan has, a report from Geneva says, accepted a UN proposal to station UN civilian personnel in both India and Pakistan to facilitate the return of displaced persons. On the other hand has rejected the proposal. Those who are not familiar with works might find the rejection perplexing. Why has India after desperately trying to internationalise the so-called refugee issue balked at international supervision instead of jumping at the proposal? The answer is simple; India Just cannot see straight.

The Indian Government tried to bamboozle the world about the so-called refugee problem. It appealed to foreign countries for aid at the same time warned them of dire consequences, if they did not share the responsibility of looking after these refugees" The combination of appeal and blackmail paid India well in the beginning, but India should not have expected to befool others all the time. Others have started seeing through the Indian game. India far from wanting to solve the 'refugee' problem is using these unfortunate persons as pawns in its game. Foreign friends of India who might still have some illusions about Indian intention should realise what India is. The Indian Government which has much to hide is chary of any supervision. It has been clearing

the border areas of foreign observers, whose presence could be a source of embarrassment. In rejecting the UN proposal India reportedly contends that the presence of few observers on the border would only succeed in giving a false facade of security. What she really fears is that the presence of UN observers would inhibit its nefarious activities.

#### **E. wing situation: Role played by some foreign news media condemned**

Brahmanbaria (Comilla), (APP)

A public meeting held here on Monday condemned the role played by some foreign news media regarding the East Pakistan situation and called upon the Government to cut all sorts of relations with those countries which maintained unfriendly and hostile attitudes towards Pakistan.

Sponsored by the Brahmanbaria sub-divisional peace committee the meeting in a resolution urged the Government and Tunku Abdul Rahman, Secretary-General of the Islamic-Secretariat, for forming a Muslim Commonwealth.

The meeting was addressed by Mr. Shafiqul Islam and Professor Ghulam Azam, members of the central peace committee, Mr. A.R. Mollah, Mr. Obaidullah, Mr. Zillur Rahman and others.

Mr. Zillur Rahman and Mr. A.T.M. Obaidullah called upon the people to rise up against the Indian conspiracy and safeguard Pakistan and Islam with full courage.

Mr. A.Q.M. Shafiqul Islam described the heinous conspiracy of India of separating Pakistan through creating disunity among the Muslims of Pakistan.

He described the emergence of the peace committee as a very timely incident for the welfare of the people and urged them to extend full co-operation to the committee.

Professor Ghulam Azam, Ameer Jamaat-e-Islam, East Pakistan, described the last 750 years of the history of Muslims in the East Pakistan and Indian sub-continent. He said that the Muslim saints had attracted people towards Islam only through their characters. It is the Brahmin Hindus who had oppressed the people in general and people got converted to Islam for peace. Afterwards we lost independence in the hands of the British and even being a Muslim majority province in India, were exploited by both the Hindus and the English rulers.

Professor Azam pointed at the British rule and described it as the age in which Muslims lagged behind the Hindus in every sphere of life.

Janab Azam described the emotional leadership of a particular gentleman of East Pakistan as the root cause of the present national crisis and catastrophe in the economic and social field. He called upon the people of Brahmanbaria to rise up against the miscreants.

He advised them to cooperate with the peace committee in bringing back full normalcy.

The meeting unanimously adopted the following resolutions and ended through "Munajat" by professor Ghulam Azam:

1. The meeting unanimously condemned the Indian interference in internal affairs of Pakistan. It condemned the war motives of India manifested through the creation of tension in the borders and declared that the people of Brahmanbaria are fully prepared to meet any challenge from India.

2. The meeting condemned the role of some foreign news media specially the Western press including the BBC. The people of Brahmanbraia called upon the Government to cut all sorts of relations with the Commonwealth countries for their unfriendly and hostile attitudes regarding the East Pakistan situation. It urged the Government and Tunku Abdul Rahman who is now visiting Pakistan to embark on the urgent task of forming a Muslim Commonwealth with the Muslim countries of the world.

3. The public meeting, Brahmanbaria peace committee advised the students community to bring back to normalcy the educational atmosphere of the province and expressed satisfaction at the smooth functioning of the Dacca Board SSC Examination. It also termed the present materialistic education system as the root of the present national crisis and urged the Government to establish universal education system based on the Islamic ideology.

4. The people of this town which is one of the worst sufferers of Indian aggression called upon the Pakistanis, who went to India due to the Chaos created by the Indian propaganda to come back to their homes.

### **Mirzapur and Tangail normal says Yousuf**

Mr. A.N.M. Yousuf, General Secretary, East Pakistan provincial Muslim League visited Mirzapur and some parts of Tangail district and expressed his satisfaction over the restoration of normalcy in every walk of public life reports APP.

He founds SSC examinees are attending their examinations centres in Joyous mood. He congratulated, the officials, non-officials, guardians, the chairman, secretary, controller and the other members of the staff of the Dacca Board for their efforts for holding the examination in a peaceful atmosphere.

Mr. Yousuf also urged upon the people specially guardians of the examinees belonging to the other 3 boards of East Pakistan to look after the well being of their students and send them in the examination centres and stand United to weed out the miscreants from the society and make it a healthy nation in maintaining the solidarity and integrity of Pakistan as the guardians are always liable for the expenditures incurred by their words. It is true that none will come forward in helping the guardians shouldering financial responsibilities and future prosperities of their words. It is clear that some interested persons are discouraging the students for the examination to make them unworkable elements of the society which should be averted very carefully and courageously.

### **400 DPs die of Cholera**

New Delhi (APP)

About 400 East Pakistani refugees died of Cholera in the Dinajpur district of West Bengal during the past three weeks, according to doctors working there.

There were also deaths from gastro-enteritis in refugee camp in nearby Kishanganj.

Meanwhile, Press Trust of India reported that evacuees had demanded better accommodation and sanitation in the camps, they said that tents and thatched sheds provided for them were leaking in the monsoon rains.

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### **90,000 DPs back home**

About 90,000 Pakistani nationals have by now returned to their homes from across the border through recognised and unrecognised routes despite obstruction created by Indian authorities, reports APP.

According to official sources, among the arrival, 72,000 have come through unrecognised routes and 18,000 through reception centres in the bordering districts.

The non-Muslims returnees total 36,000 and most of them crossed over into Sylhet district. Inflow of the returnees have been increasing with the return of normalcy in the province and due to the miserable condition in which they are passing their days in Indian camps.

### **30,000 refugee children on verge of death**

Calcutta (APA)

A top Indian health official said Friday 300,000 East Pakistani refugee children were on the verge of death because of severe malnutrition.

A fresh outbreak of cholera also was reported to be taking about 70 lives a day.

"This is worse than Beaver," said Dr. Hiralal Saha. Director of Health services in West Bengal state, referring to the widespread deaths caused by protein deficiencies during the Nigerian civil war.

Saha, in an interview with the Associated press said of 1.2 million refugee children in West Bengal below 10 in age 600,000 were suffering from malnutrition.

"Half of these, or about 300,000 are at the point of death and will die any time unless they receive large amounts of vitamin immediately," he said.

But, he warned "even if we save many children's lives those under four years old may already have suffered permanent irreversible brain damage.

"Don't send us money to buy high protein foods here, he said in an appeal for foreign assistance during the interview. 'We don't have enough of these vital foods for our own population, and the price of these foods is going up because of the demand.'

"What we need are emergency shipments from abroad, codliver oil, butter, salad oil, milk powders.

Saha said the malnutrition was striking the children in such large numbers because they were not receiving any special, protein-rich diets. He said they receive, instead, the same food rations, although in smaller quantities, given to adults mainly rice and vegetables, neither of which has much protein content.

### **Indian allegation of airspace violation completely baseless**

Islamabad (APP)

Pakistan today denied India's allegation that Pakistan aircraft violated the Indian airspace on Tuesday last.



Official sources here described the allegation as completely baseless, without foundation and mischievous that two Mirage jets had flown at only 500 feet over the airport at Srinagar.

An Indian protest note against the alleged violation by Pakistan aircraft was understood to have been handed over to Pakistan's High Commissioner in India. The note has not yet been received here but it would undoubtedly be rejected.

It is obvious that New Delhi has made the allegation to cover up her nefarious in East Pakistan where border areas are shelled from the Indian side without any provocation almost daily. A number of persons were killed and many others wounded in Comilla on Tuesday last as a result of the Indian shelling.

Besides ground violation, Indian aircraft also violate Pakistan's airspace. On July 15, Indian military aircraft violated the air space over East Pakistan three times and Pakistan lodged a strong protest with India. Earlier on July 3, Indian Air Force aircraft had strafed Amarkhana in Dinajpur district of East Pakistan which also provoked a strong protest from Pakistan.

PPI adds: It may also be pointed out that New Delhi rulers have got unnerved over their miserable failure to internationalise the East Pakistan situation. Their direct support to secessionist elements had failed to produce favourable results as Pakistan.

Army has resorted to the normalcy after crushing the Indian infiltrators and miscreants.

As India was facing mounting world pressure not to complicate the situation.

Against this background the Indian Government have decided to hurl threat to beat Pakistan, and increase tension in the sub-continent.

### **Peace depends on establishment of rule of law : Yahya**

Islamabad (APP):

President Yahya Khan has said that peace in any society whether of individuals or independent states must ultimately depend on the establishment of a rule of law.

The President said this in a message to the chairman of the fifth World Peace through Law conference, in session in Belgrade from July 21.

President Yahya Khan said that there was a complete recognition of the need of international cooperation for the achievement of peaceful world order based on the principles of the charter of the United Nations.

### **Navy chief visits Chandpur**

Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan Commander-in-Chief, Pakistan Navy, visited Chandpur yesterday morning, reports APP.

During his few hours stay there vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan met military and civil officers and members of peace committee. They apprised the Pakistan Navy chief of the measures taken in the area for the maintenance of peace and harmony. They also informed him the steps taken to purge the area of the anti-state elements.

The Deputy Commissioner in particular referred to the normal functioning of the Government departments. He said that practically all the Government servants were attending to their duties.

Vice Admiral Muzaffar Hasan, who was accompanied by Rear Admiral M. Shariff, Flag officer commanding East Pakistan had a short river cruise on board a Pakistan Navy patrol craft before returning to Dacca.

The Navy chief left Dacca yesterday afternoon for Karachi at the end of his five day visit to East Pakistan.

Lt General Tikka Khan Governor of East Pakistan and Martial law Administrator, Zone B, Rear Admiral M. Shariff, Flag officer Commanding, East Pakistan, and other senior military officers saw him off at the Airport.

### **Properties of AL leaders: Auction today**

The moveable preoperties the Leader of the outlawed Awami League, Tajuddin Ahmed and two others convicted by special Military court No. 1 will be sold on public auction here by the Government on July 25, it was officially announced here, reports APP.

The successful bidders will have to deposit the full amount of the bid money on the spot after the bid is closed and the articles will be delivered then and there. The authority, however, reserves the right to accept or reject any bid without assigning any reason.

All moveable and imoveable properties of the three convicted persons have already been attached.

The moveable properties which will be put on auction on July 25 comprise some household effects like furnitre, steel almirahs and books.

The programme of auction as annoucned are:

1. Properties of Tajuddin Ahmed will be sold at 2 P.M. at 751, Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi Residential area.
2. Properties of Abidur Rahman, proprietor "The people," at 11 a.m. at 251/B, Dhanmondi Residential Ara, road No. 22 and
3. Properties of Abdul Mannan of Mansur Villa, 110, Shidheswari, District Dacca at 9 a.m. at Ramna police station.

The auction notice has already been published in four Dacca daily newspapers.

The moveable properites of Tajuddin, a two storied building on nine Kathas and ten Chattak land at 751, Satmasjid Road, Dacca at 11-30 a.m. Bidders can inspect the building on July 26 and 27 from 10 a,m, to 5 p.m

The successful bidder will have to deposit the 50 percent of the bid money on the spot and balance within three days when delivery of the possession will be made. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any bid without assigning any reason.

Tajuddin Ahmed was tried alongwith four other including A.M. Nazrul Islam and Tofail Ahmed in Absentia udnder MIR-40 by special Military Court No. 1, Dacca, Mymensingh and Tangail and all the accused persons were found guilty and sentenced to suffer rigorous imprisenment for 14 years each and confiscation of fifty percent of their propeties. The sentence having been confirmed by MLA zone 'B' has been duly promulgated by the special military court on June 7 last.

The main charges, however, stands against Mr. Tajuddin and four others and they will be tried on apprehension.

### **EMK criticised for releasing cables on E.Pak situation**

Washington, (APA)

The US State Department on Friday said the release of cablegrams by senator Edward Kennedy concerning East Pakistan's food situation could effect the US ability to deal with the problem.

Press officer Charles W. Bray said it will be "difficult to continue discussions on East Pakistan if the Chairman continues to abuse of confidential communications."

Bray was referring to a series of state Department cablegrams Kennedy made public on Thursday during a hearing by his sub-committee.

The cablegrams were from US officials in East Pakistan.

### **People urged to guard against Indian designs**

Faridpur (APP)

The Speakers at a largely attended public meeting held recently in the District council Hall under the auspices of the District peace committee urged upon the people to be on guard against the imperialist design of India which had been making constant endeavour during the last 23 years to isolate Pakistan and cripple her economy. Mr. Afzal Hossain, advocate and chairman, District peace committee, Faridpur, presided over the meeting.

Among those who addressed were by Mr. Anwarjan Mia, Mr. Adeluddin Ahmed, MNA - elect, Kazi Khalilur Rahman. Advocate, Mr. Majibar Rahman, Advocate, and Mr. Amiruzzaman, Advocate.

The members of the outlawed Awami League told the audience that they had supported the economic programme of the Awami League and were not at all aware of the secret design of the party to disintegrate Pakistan which was created after great sacrifices.

They condemned the idea of the cessation of East Pakistan in collaboration with India, a die hard enemy of Pakistan. They appealed to the people to help maintain complete normalcy and to work hard to rebuild the country and her economy.

Mr. Afzal Hossain explained elaborating the circumstances which compelled the Muslims of Indo-Pak sub-continent to fight for the creation of Pakistan.

He also detailed how during the last 23 years the Hindus exploited the market of East Pakistan and drained out money into India causing serious damage to the economy of the Province.

He urged upon the people to go ahead with fresh- zeal to rebuild the economy of the country on a sound basis. He also urged upon the people not to be misled by India which wants to disintegrate Pakistan in her own interest.

The meeting rounded off with a number of resolutions condemning India for her shameless interference in the internal affairs of Pakistan through armed infiltration and malicious propaganda against Pakistan and urging upon the people to protect national property from destruction by miscreants and to work hard to safeguard the unity, integrity and ideology of Pakistan.

### **UN aware of Pak refugees situation in India : Wood**

London (Reuter)

The United Nations was fully aware of the Pakistani refugees situation in India and there was no need for British representations to the world body, Overseas Development Minister Richard Wood assured Parliament on Thursday.

Mr. Wood told a questioner that India estimated there were now more than 6,750,000 refugees and the cost of maintaining them for six months at 167 million sterling.

"The United Nations estimates that, By July 4, international (Relief) contributions, through the UN and directly, were about 70 million sterling, the Minister added.

### **Call to help Govt. in maintaining normalcy**

Mr. Rana Khudad Khan, a council Muslim League leader from Sahiwal, has said that the greatest need of the hour was to help the administration of president Yahya Khan in maintaining normalcy in East Pakistan, reports APP.

Addressing a meeting of the council Muslim League and convention Muslim League workers in the city on Thursday, he said that the country was passing through most difficult period. Martial Law authorities are doing their utmost to tackle economic and administrative problems in the possible manpowers. Therefore, every Pakistani is duty bound to give fullest co-operation to make their efforts fruitful. "NO personal or factional interest or ambition should be allowed to stand in the way of this vital national necessity," he stressed.

Mr. Khudadad Khan also stressed the need for bringing the three factions of Muslim League together to serve the interests of the people better.

### **US encouraged by Pak acceptance of UN proposal**

Washington (APP):

Mr. John Irwin, Under Secretary of state told senate's judiciary sub-committee on Refugees yesterday that president Yahya Khan had welcomed proposal for posting United Nations observers in East Pakistan-India border to facilitate return and rehabilitation of East Pakistani refugees, but Indian Government had not accepted the proposal.

Irwin, who appeared before senate sub-committee consisting senator Edward Kennedy, Senator Hiram Fong and Senator Charles Mathias, said figure of seven million refugees having come to India from East Pakistan was an Indian figure and it was impossible for United States to check it accurately. Similarly, Pakistani claim that 45,000 to 50,000 refugees had returned home, he added was harder to check.

Mr. Irwin agreed with the view expressed by senator Fong that military action and guerilla raids in border areas worked as deterrent to return of refugees to East Pakistan.

Chairman of State Department's Special Committee on refugees, Francis Kellog, who recently visited India and Pakistan and saw refugee camps, said United States felt encouraged by Pakistan's acceptance of proposal for posting of United Nations observers on both sides of East Pakistan-India border to help return of refugees. Kellog said, during his recent visit to East Pakistan and West Bengal he did not see evidence of any guerilla activity or open fighting on ground inside East Pakistan. He said, rumours of warlike activity were heard on both sides of border and there were no United Nations observers in border areas.

Mr. Irwin said 1,05,000 tons of wheat from United States, earlier diverted to West Pakistan because of fighting in East Pakistan were now on way to Pakistan's eastern province. United States he added, had made another 3,60,000 tons of wheat available.

### **Razakars kill 4 miscreants in Sylhet.**

Sylhet (APP)

Razakars are vigilantly defending our village specially in border areas, supressing bad elements and saboteours.

Razakar's recently killed four misceants, wounded and caought three when they attacked village Karaver in Beani Bazar P.S., the Razakars valiantly resisted them and they fled away leaving four dead and three injured.

### **Daultana opposes tranfer of power**

Sheikhpura (APP)

Mian Mumtaz Mohammad Khan Daultan, president of Pakistan Muslim League (Council) yesterday strongly criticised the demand for power transfer because he said, it would be harmful for the country at this critical juncture.

Addressing party workers here he said transfer of power should take place in both parts of the country simultaneously when there is complete normalcy in all spheres of life.

The persistence of majority party of West Wing (PPP) in demanding transfer of power at this stage would be an indiscreet act, he said. He said the People's Party should adopt realistic attitude, take serious note of the situation and devote themselves to protecting the country.

The CML chief paid tributes to the Armed Forces for frustrating the malicious designs of India and other enemies of the country in East Pakistan.

### **Ten airlines offer to carry goods free for E. Pak refugees in India**

Generva (Reuter)

The United Nations High Commission for Refugees here announced yesterday that ten airlines had offered to carry goods for East Pakistani refugees in India free of charge on their regular flights to India.

The High Commission, through which aid organised by the United Nations and its specialised agencies is being channelled, said the airlines' offer was also open for goods sent by the league of Red Cross societies and voluntary agencies.

The High commission will co-ordinate the transport schedules for relief supplies with the airlines. The first sitem being flown to India under the offer will be a consignment of .5 tons of blankets from Switzerland, to be followed by a shipment of shelter material from Copenhagen.

The airlines are: Air France, Air India, Alitalia, British Overseas Airways Corporation, Iran Air, Lufthansa, Sabena, Scandinavian Air Service, Swissair, and Transworld Airlines.

**Sufi Ahsan coming to Dacca.**

Islamabad (*APP*)

Mr. A.K.M. Ahsan, Secretary Ministry of Agriculture and Works is leaving here tomorrow for Karachi.

He will proceed to Dacca from Karachi on August 27. He will come back to Islamabad on August 3.

Mr. M.H. Sufi, Adviser Ministry of Agriculture and Works and Kashmir Affairs Division is leaving here tomorrow for Karachi.

He will proceed to Dacca from Karachi on July 27.

After five days stay in Dacca, he will return to Islamabad on August 2.

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### **India can never be a friend of E. wing people, says Tikka.**

Lt. General Tikka Khan, governor of East Pakistan and Martial Law Administrator, Zone 'b' during his visit to the eastern border region yesterday told a representatives gathering in Comilla that India who did not hesitate to shell civil population of Comilla town indiscriminately last Wednesday, can never be a friend of people of East Pakistan, reports APP.

Expressing his sympathy with the victims of unprovoked Indian shelling, the Governor said the action showed India's total disregard for the life of innocent people.

Gen. Tikka Khan said, "We want peace so that we may improve the economic lot of our people but India was keeping up tension on the border.

The Governor said that Indian troops in civilian clothes at times sneak into the border areas in collaboration with their agents and disrupt our means of communication to ruin our economy. "It is the common man who ultimately suffers," he said and cautioned the people against their enemies.

He said Razakars were being raised to enable the rural people to protect themselves against trouble makers.

He also lauded efforts of peace committees in maintaining peace and tracking down miscreants. The Governor said that peace committees are not a political institution and they are working with the sole aim of preserving the integrity and sovereignty of Pakistan.

### **No credence to rumours**

Gen. Tikka Khan advised the people not to give credence to rumours as they are directed against the interest of the people. Citing a recent example, the Governor said that SSC examinations were held in Dacca peacefully and those who did not take the examination due to misleading rumours have lost one valuable academic year. "Full educational activity is being revived through out the province and all concerned should make proper use of these facilities," he said..

The Governor expressed his satisfaction with food stocks in the region and said that in spite of communication difficulties, food would reach all the needy people in all parts of the province. He said Boro crop this year was quite good and Amon crop has also bright prospects.

### **Pre-Independence Day**

Talking of the pre-independence days, the Governor dilated on the plight of Bengali Muslims and highlighted their contribution to the creation of Pakistan. "Without their overwhelming support, Pakistan could not have been carved out in its present shape," he said and added that the people of this province who had worked so hard to achieve Pakistan could never allow its disintegration. He further said that people's vote for provincial autonomy during last election was misinterpreted by defunct Awami League as a mandate for disintegration of Pakistan.



Referreing to the return of displaced persons from across the border the Governor said that president of Pakistan had assured more than once that all Pakistanis are welcome back home and over 90,000 of them have already returned mostly through unauthorized channels.

### **India rejects**

The Governor added that Pakistan had agreed to the posting of UN observers along the border to facilitate return of displaced persons but India had rejected because the presence of UN observers would expose her real intentions.

From Comilla. Gen Tikka Khan went to see Gonabati rail bridge between Feni and Lakhsham. The bridge dynamited earlier by expert Indian infiltrators, is now in the last phase of reconstruction.

The Governor also visited Feni and Maijdi Court (Noakhali) where he met the local officials and members of peace committees.

The Governor informally talkd to the peace committees and appreciated their role in the maintenance of peaceful conditions and restoration of people's confidence.

He exchanged views with the local officials on various matters particularly those pertaining to law and order, food and communication.

Syed Kamal AL Shareef, Ambassador of Jordan, currently on a visit to East Pakistan, accompanied the Governor during yesterday's tour.

The Governor returned to Dacca in the afternoon.

### **Rivals exchange fire in Indian training camps.**

A serious rift among various factions of so-called MuktiFauj, students and political leaders now in India has been reported by displaced persons returning to East Pakistan, reports APP.

The returnees also reported that the rift has resulted in violent clashes among these factions.

The returnees further said that there was general realisation among the defectionists and defunct Awami League workers now in India about the futility of their collaboration with India.

Exchange of fire has taken place between these factions in various training camps, the returnees added.

They also said that in the clash, one officer and several men of the so-called Mukti Fauj and its collaborators were killed. Small arms and automatic weapons were freely used by both sides.

The returnees continued to say that Indian authorities were training and equipping a large number of saboteurs and sending them to East Pakistan mainly to disrupts means of communications.

One of these saboteurs was apprehended by the Pakistani troops near the border.

### **'United Pakistan inspiration for Muslim countries.'**

Syed Kamal-AL-Shareef, Ambassador of Jordan, who is on a 5-day private visit to East Pakistan, said in Dacca yesterday that a strong and unified Pakistan is a source of inspiration for all the Muslim countries reports APP.

He said that Jordan fully supported the step taken by the Pakistan Government to preserve the solidarity of the state.

Talking to APP in Dacca after his tour of Comilla, Feni and Noakhali with Lt Gen. Tikka Khan, Governor of East Pakistan today, the Jordanian Ambassador said that his impression of the people of East Pakistan was that they knew that their survival was linked with a strong and integrated Pakistan.

He said that after talking to a cross-section of people he was of the opinion that they feel their safety and well-being lay in active cooperation with the Government in preserving peaceful condition.

The Ambassador said that during his day's tour, he saw farmers and labourers at work in Comilla, Feni and Noakhali and life fast returning to normal in this border region. He said he was glad to note that the people did not give credence to hostile propaganda which, they realise aimed at running their economy resulting in economic hardship to the people.

He said he was convinced of Government's resolve to maintain peaceful conditions and devote full attention to building a strong and prosperous Pakistan, but he regretted that "hostile propaganda" and "interference" would only prevent implementation of constructive plans and add to the hardship of the common people.

Syed Kamel-AL-Shareef who also visited damaged railway bridge at Gunabati on Chittagong-Comilla rail link, said that extensive damage done to the gigantic bridge only showed it was dynamited by highly trained expertise."

Talking of the Pakistani troops whom he met during the today's tour, he said "they are defending a cause with a missionary zeal. They are highly motivated with Islamic spirit and are in high morale."

### **Rich tributes paid to Army**

Comilla (APP)

Rich tributes were paid to the army for successfully forestalling the designs of the disintegrationists at a public meeting held under the auspices of the Sangraish Union Committee recently. The meeting expressed vehement indignation over the ludicrous lies broadcast by the Indian Radio.

Mr. Ali Akbar, Advocate who presided over the meeting urged the people to extend their whole-hearted cooperation to the army in dealing with the miscreants and thus frustrating the covetous design of the Indian imperialists.

### **Laksmam**

At a large meeting held under the auspices of the Lacksam peace committee recently the Pakistan Army was congratulated for their heroic action in saving the country from disintegration.

Mr. Sajedul Huq, ex-MNA while addressing the gathering of about 10,000 people advised them not to pay any heed to the false propaganda of Indian Radio against Pakistan.

The audience reiterated their oath of allegiance to their homeland, Pakistan and expressed their determination for safeguarding the solidarity of the country at any cost.

The meeting was addressed among others by Mr. Abdul Hakim, ex-MNA, Mr. Abdus Salam, Ex-MP, Mr. Hashmiatullah Khan.

### **ML will resolve socio-economic problems-Khattak**

Abbottabad (APP)

Mr. Mohammad Yusuf Khan Khattak, MNA elect of the Pakistan Muslim League (Qayyum Group) yesterday assured that his party would resolve the socio-economic problems of the people, through planned and feasible programme, in accordance with the Islamic tenents.

Addressing party workers, Mr. Khattak, a former Leader of opposition in National Assembly, emphasised that his party did not believe in snatching from one and giving to the other. What the Muslim League stood for was that the socio-economic problems should be resolved by harnessing all the national resources and creating new avenues to eliminate poverty, disease, hunger from the country.

Mr. Khattak took exception to certain political elements' role during the elections. He alleged they had exploited the fair name of Islam, to fetch votes from the people and said that those who did not even hesitate to sell Islam, for becoming members of the Assembly, could never be sincere in either to religion or to the people.

Mr. Ghulam Mohammed Khan Lundkwar, General Secretary of the Sarhad provincial QML, in his speech suggested that a commission should be appointed to probe into the conduct of the Jamiatul Ulema-e-Islam (Hazarvi Group) during the elections.

Exploitation of the fair name of Islam, nothing less than 'regularity' which should be censored.

He said that these leaders, in their lust for power went to the extent that they fully advocated transfer of power to criticise Indian or its anti-Pakistan posture, whereas they were tight-lipped on the six-points of the defunct Awami League, he said.

About transfer of power, Mr. Lundkwar emphasized that power must be transferred to the peoples' representatives, but it must take into account the situation prevailing in the country, if power was transferred without restoration of the crisis it would further get aggravated, he observed.

### **Navy's laudable performance**

Pakistan Navy has been playing a significant role in rehabilitating the economy of East Pakistan. In March this year when this part of the country witnessed widespread disturbances, our Navy along with other members of the Armed Forces shared the responsibility of defending the territorial integrity of Pakistan. The Navy took appropriate steps to safeguard major installations along the coastal areas of the province. And now when the situation has returned to normal, the Navy is actively participating in the most crucial task of speeding up the movement of foodgrains in the consuming centres of East Pakistan.

Vice-Admiral Muzaffar Hasan, commander-in-chief, Pakistan Navy during his visit to various parts of the province, saw for himself the brisk activity that has returned to the ports. The C-in-C was informed how the Navy was assisting the administration in the

regular flow of essential commodities from different parts to all parts of East Pakistan. This assistance from the Navy was mainly responsible for maintaining the extremely satisfactory and effective riverine transport operation during all these months. In Mongla, Vice-Admiral Muzaffar Hasan discussed with port authority's measures for construction of Chalna port. It was again the Navy which rehabilitated the port following the subversive activities of anti-state elements who were paralysing means of communications. It was through its efforts that radio communications were restored and about four hundred craft were recovered. Fifty privately owned ships abandoned by the staff were also put into operation. Indian infiltrators who were determined to wreck the economy of East Pakistan had also carried with them a large number of foodgrain barges. Hundred such barges were salvaged by the Navy and used for transportation purposes.

The people of East Pakistan are familiar with the commendable service that the Navy has always rendered in difficult situations. This riverine province has to bear the strains caused by recurring cyclones and floods. During those days, our Navy with all its resources, immediately rushed to the stricken people for providing them relief and succour. Even today when the administration has taken all measures to reach foodgrains and other essential commodities to the farthest corners of the province, the Naval presence in the coastal areas has speeded up the work and restored confidence among the people.

### **Indian propaganda against Pakistan condemned**

Sylhet (APP)

The Sylhet Sodor sub-divisional peace committee at its meeting held here vehemently condemned the Indian propaganda against Pakistan and decided to hold processions and meetings on July 29 with a view to warning people against its baneful effects.

The Committee reviewed the present situation in the sub-division and thanked army for restoring normal conditions in all spheres of life. The committee also expressed its satisfaction over the vigilance and activities of the Razakars in suppressing the anti-national and anti-social elements.

### **75,000 tons of cargo bound for E. Wing lying at KPT**

Karachi (PP)

About 75,000 tons of cargo originally shipped from various world ports for transportation to East Pakistan was at present lying at Karachi port for want of shipping space, sources stated here today.

Sixty percent of the cargo had been imported by the public sector which included various autonomous and semi-autonomous bodies in East Pakistan.

The KPT sources said about 12 general cargo ships excluding coastal and bulk vessels had unloaded cargo at the Karachi port following disturbances in East Pakistan early this year.

A small quantity of the cargo landed at the port had been delivered either for storage outside the port or for local consumption.

While stressing the need for making adequate arrangements for immediate shipping of the cargo to East Pakistan, the sources said if guided by the present arrangements, it

would take at least 14 to 15 months to transport the cargo to Chittagong or Chalna as the space made available hardly provided for shipping of 5,000 to 7,000 tons a month.

Meanwhile, the cargo lying at the port would incur storage charges to the extent of crores of rupees, exceeding the value of the goods.

Referring to the demands by the importers for allowing them further concessions in storage charges, the KPT sources pointed out that they had already allowed the importers concessions to the tune of Rs. 50 Lakh. Having given such a concession, the port was not financially in a position to assist further.

The importers had recently urged the Government to allow concessions in storage charges till June 15. However, the sources said if this request was granted, the port would further lose a revenue of Rs. 14 lakh. They said the original concessions for two months was more than sufficient when all the cargo had been stored at the port free of charges.

The sources pointed out that the KPT was an independent organisation and was expected to subsist by its own resources. All its expenditure and provisions for expansion schemes were financed from its own resources and no contribution was received from the Government.

Ships should be chartered if necessary to immediately transport the goods to East Pakistan to avoid further expenses the sources said. However, they said this was also dependent on the conditions at the Chittagong and Chalna ports if cargo in big quantities could be unloaded there without delay for onward distribution to various centres in East Pakistan.

### **Indian activities condemned**

Noakhali: A big public meeting was held under the auspices of Noakhali Sadar Sub-Divisional peace committee at Kalitar Bazar on Thursday afternoon. The meeting was presided over by Advocate Sayedul Hoque chairman, district peace committee.

Among those who spoke on the occasion were Mr. Maswood Muktear, chairman, Subdivisional peace committee, Advocate Aatur Rahman Choudhury and Dr. A.K.M. Abdul Jalil, Assistant secretary, sub-divisional peace committee. They condemned nefarious activities of India against Pakistan and called upon the people to stand united to safeguard the integrity of Pakistan. They eulogised the timely action of the Armed Forces and appealed to the audience to extend wholehearted co-operation to the administration to bring about peace and stability.

### **Jamiat expresses full support to Yahya**

Multan (APP)

The General council of the Jamiatul Ulema Pakistan (Sialvi Group) in an emergency meeting yesterday expressed full support to president Yahya Khan in framing an Islamic constitution.

The three hour meeting which was mainly held to resolve internal differences of the Jamiat and to consider the present situation of the country was presided over by Pir Syed Mohammad Karam Shah, Vice-President of the Jamiat.

Khawaja Qumaruddin Sialvi, who was to preside over the meeting could not reach Multan. Jamiat sources said he developed kidney pain while on way to Multan and was held up at Kot Addu.

Prominent among those who attended the meeting included members elect of National Assembly, Maulana Shah Ahmed Nooranin Mian Ibrahim, Barqmehr Ghulam Haider Bharwana, Maulana Mohammad Ali and Allama Mustafa, Naziam Jamiat, Maulana Mahmud Ahmed Rizvi and Naib Nazim, Sahibzada Badar Devan.

### **Food position in Barisal satisfactory**

Barisal (APP)

Satisfaction was expressed at food position and also price of food stuff in the district.

### **Public meeting**

Another report from Barisal adds: A public meeting was held at premises of Matbaria Community Centre with Khan Shaheb Matemali Jamadder, a veteran leader in chair.

Former provincial Minister and president, Perojpur sub-divisional peace committee Syed criticised outlawed Awami League leader's conspiracy of secession of East Pakistan at the instigation of Indian Hindus which 90 percent people of East wing could not think of even.

He said, Pakistan was achieved to safeguard Islam and Muslims could not imagine of destroying country and thus finishing Islam. If East Pakistanis could understand objectives of Awami League, they would never cast a single vote for them, he said Awami League without uttering any single word of independence of East Pakistan. They preached disparity and created public sentiments in their favour destroying sentiments of national integration and Islamic unity. He said that by the grace of Almighty Allah, country was saved and people started their normal life.

### **Ulema urged to cooperate with Armed Forces**

Maulana Abdul Matin, Joint Secretary, and Syed Manzurul Ahsan, Secretary, parliamentary Board, Nizam-e-Islam Party, have asked the Ulema to lend their active co-operation to the Armed Forces and explain the basic ideology of the country to the people, reports APP.

In a Joint statement they said what the valiant Pak Army has done by timely intervention in order to preclude dismemberment of Pakistan by internal subversion is highly commendable and deserve our unstinted support and cooperation.

The advent of the Pak Army in March coincided with establishment of a law enforcing agency and viewed in such context the valiant Pak Army had earned the gratitude which was a precondition to any established order in the country.

More expression of gratitude cannot help solve our problems, what is required is cooperation and association with administration in order to remove the difficulties that have blocked progress to national reconstructions. The loss sustained by the country is colossal, but the loss can be repaired within the shortest possible time given the determination to rebuild the country afresh with sincere zeal and enthusiasm. for the contest of the recent development. We would urge upon the Ulema and Islam loving patriotic persons to come forward in order to associate themselves with the administration in the task of nation building and further upon them to help the

administration purge the anti-social elements, who had made deep inroads into our national life.

To the task national construction by their action participation in the Armed Forces and in the police services, not to speak of the Razakars who can provide a second line of defence to the civil armed Forces.

He further urged upon the Ulema and the Imams of the Mosques in East Pakistan to make it a part of their programme to explain the basic ideology which Governed the movement of a separate homeland for the Muslims in the Indo-Pak sub-continent in congregational prayers up to the village level.

This another form of cooperation extended to the administration to ensure to way of life founded upon the principle of 'Love for all and malice against none.' Islam provides the basis for unity and the bonds of unity can be strengthened among the component parts of Pakistan provided the people of Pakistan can be made to adhere to the teachings of Islam as enshrined in the Quran and Sunnah.

### **India's continued provocations along border condemned**

Mr. Abdul Khaleque, General Secretary, Jamaat-e-Islamic, East Pakistan and member, working committee of the central peace committee, has strongly condemned the continued provoking acts of India along the border, reports APP.

He said that the Indian rulers tried to dismember Pakistan through her agents and armed infiltrators. Now being failure in this attempt, they are creating troubles along the border.

He was addressing a Jamaat workers meeting at Comilla on Wednesday last.

Mr. Abdul Khaleque appealed to the patriotic people to be cautions about the anti-Pakistani miscreants and requested them to frustrate any such attempt to create hindrances on the way to restoration of normalcy and economic activities. He also asked the Jamaat workers to work ceaselessly with a new zeal for the safeguard of the integrity and solidarity of Pakistan.

Dr. Nazir Ahmed MNA-elect also addressed the meeting. He enumerated a number of internal and external conspiracies made from the very inception of Pakistan against Pakistan, Islam and Islamic forces. He emphasised the intensification of Jamaat workers and said that the very existence of Pakistan fully depends on the progress of Islamic movement.

He asked the Jamaat workers to go to the masses with the mission of the Jamaat-e-Islami and try their utmost to redress the difficulties of the people.

### **UN observers on border; Pakistan has proved its good intention says Turkish MP**

Karachi (APP)

Mr Kaism Gulek leader of the visiting Turkish parliamentarians team, said here today by accepting the United Nations proposal to station UN observes on the India East Pakistan border Pakistan had proved its good intention.

He was talking to newsmen at the Karachi airport this afternoon on arrival from Lahore en route to Dacca.

Mr. Gulek said acceptance of the UN proposal which was designed to facilitate the return of displaced persons to East Pakistan.

Asked whether India's rejection of the UN proposal would hinder the return of the DPs., Mr. Gulek said, 'Any one who refuses a proposal of this kind will be in a weak position.'

He said, he and the other members of the team, Mr. Mehmud Vural Iskh would leave for Dacca tomorrow morning for an on the spot inspection of the situation there.

They would then be able to tell their countrymen of the true situation in Pakistan, he added.

#### **E. Wing MPA meets Bhutto**

Karachi (*APP*)

Mr. S.B. Zaman MPA aelect from East Pakistan of the defunct Awami League, today met the chairman of the Pakistan peoples party, Mr. Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and discussed with him the political situation in the country and the transfer of power to the elected representatives of the people.

After an hour-long meeting with PPP chairman Mr. Zaman told APP that he had requested Mr. Bhutto to visit East Pakistan as early as possible.

He said he had sent a telegram to the Military Secretary of the president to give him an appointment to meet president Yahya Khan during his (president's) stay in the city.

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### **Turkish MPs in city**

A two member Turkish parliamentary delegation comprising Mr. Kasim Gulek and Mr. Mahmut Vural arrived here yesterday afternoon from Karachi on a three day visit to East Pakistan.

The Turkish parliamentary delegation was received on its arrival here by the Additional chief secretary, East Pakistan, Joint secretary, Ministry of Information and National Affairs, Government of Pakistan, Military secretary to the Governor, Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and principal protocol officer of the provincial Government.

Today, the visiting delegation is scheduled to visit reception centres at Jhicargacha and Chudanga set up to receive the returning Pakistani nationals who had crossed the border out of panic created by mischievous Indian propaganda.

The delegation will also call on the Governor. On July 28 the Turkish Parliamentarians will visit Chittagong. They will leave Dacca for Karachi the same afternoon.

### **Strong pak protest against Indian shelling of Comilla**

Islamabad (APP)

Pakistan has strongly protested to India against shelling of Comilla town by Indian field artillery on July 20, it was officially stated today.

In a note sent to the Indian High Commission on July 24 the Pakistan Government described the incident as a wanton act which involved damage to life and property.

The note said that inspite of repeated protests by Pakistan, India had failed to check such unprovoked attacks on Pakistan's territory by the Indian armed forces.

The protest note said: At 1045 hours on 20th July 1971, the Indian field artillery carried out in provoked and indiscriminate shelling on Comilla town. As a result of this wanton act one civilian was killed and many injured. A number of shops were completely gutted.

The Government of Pakistan takes a very serious view of the incident and lodges a strong protest against it. It is a matter of regret that inspite of repeated protests the Government of India has failed to check such incidents of an provoked attacks on Pakistan territory by the Indian armed forces, which are increasing day by day.

In conveying its protest the Government of Pakistan reserves the right to demand compensation caused to the life and property in Pakistan as a result of the attack.

### **ML sub-sectors reconstituted**

The Martial law sub-sectors 6 and 7 of sector 2 have been reconstituted, according to Martial Law Order No 160 issued from the Headquarters of Martial Law Administrator, Zone B, yesterday, reports APP.

Following is the text of MLO 160:- Martial Law Zone B, Order No. 150 dated 7 June 71 is further amended, as follows namely.

In the aforesaid order in Paragraph 1, under sector-2, under the sub-sectors, after Sub-sector-5 for the existing entries relating to sub-sectors 6 and 7, The following shall be sub-situted namely:

(B) Sub-sector Bogra District and Gaibanda sub-division of Rangpur district, with HQ at Bogra.

(C) Sub-sector 7 Rangpur district less Gaibanda sub-division and Dinajpur district, with HQ at Rangpur.

### **179 MNAs and MPAs to form party with Zahiruddin as leader**

Karachi (PPJ)

Some 70 MNAs and 109 MPAs, elected on the defunct Awami League ticket, have accepted the leadership of Mr. Zahiruddin and will either form a party of their own or join the peoples party to work for the glory and prosperity of Pakistan.

This was disclosed by M.B. Zaman, an MPA-elect of the defunct Awami League while addressing a press conference here today.

It was clear from his statement that a majority of the six pointers are now disillusioned of the plans, hatched by a handful of seccssionists. Now that they have seen through its game. They have been holding meetings among themselves to chalk out the new line of action.

Questioned by inquisitive newsmen Mr. Zaman left no doubt in the minds of the journalists of the Awami League ticket-holders were patriotic Pakistanis. These people were now awaiting publication of the list of disqualified members, once that is done, they would call a convention and take a decision whether to float a new political party or join the PPP enmasse.

The MPA from Mymensingh said he had already had two meeting with Mr. Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and delivered a personal message to him of Mr. Zahiruddin. There are also possibilities Mr. Zahiruddin himself, in whose leadership, the outlawed party members have reposed confidence now might soon be visiting West wing for political talks.

He ruled out chances of the East wing legislators joining the Muslim League because according to him, Muslim League had now lost the confidence of the masses, it now consisted of people who had neither the capacity nor the desire to see beyond the confines of their luxurious drawing rooms.

Mr. Zaman made it clear that members of the banned Awami League party will again bring a landslide victory in the bye-elections, proposed in the eastern wing.

He disclosed that already a large number of Awami League Assembly Members were cooperating with the Government to ensure return of normalcy in East Pakistan. But, he said, for a quicker return of normalcy, responsibilities of running the Government must be entrusted to the elected representatives of the people.

It was, therefore, all the more necessary that power should be transferred to those voted for the purpose.

Paying rich tributes to the president and the armed forces, he said the armed forces had saved the country from disintegration.

He severly criticised Maulana Bhashani, Ataur Rahman Khan and Prof. Muzaffar Ahmed, accusing them of hatching a conspiracy against Pakistan "the naxalites, anti-

state elements and a handful of secessionists of the outlawed Awami League were also involved in the unfortunate events, we witnessed in March, he said.

Mr. Zaman reiterated that elected members should be consulted before the future constitution of the country was drafted and placed before the Assembly for approval. He demanded an impartial judicial inquiry, against those who supported "Bangladesh" and were involved in the secessionist's movement.

Referring to the general amnesty he said measures to ensure its implementation should be taken, he said the displaced persons including minorities need positive and practical assurance and guarantee for their rehabilitation in their homes as soon as they return.

He said peace committees be manned by persons of the character and integrity and elected representatives be associated. Those defeated in the polls should not be allowed to Poke their nose," because they had selfish motives.

He emphasised the need for frequent inter-wing visits of educationists, professionals, peoples elected members, Government servants cultural troup's and students to promote national integrity and to forget the days of bickerings, he said.

He stressed the need for forging unity between the people of East and West Pakistan so as to try and build an edifice of good will, friendship, brotherhood, economic and social justice with a view to building a strong and unified Pakistan.

He said in view of the situation in East Pakistan power should be immediately transferred to the elected representatives of the people.

The people of East wing want to live as brothers with the West Pakistanis.' he declared.

He said, "economy in East wing needs to be geared up and production in mills and factories increased," if we want to live as one nation we should remove the mistrust and misunderstanding that have been created in the minds of the people" Mr. Zaman remarked "the people of East Pakistan, he added, never voted for secession, in fact they voted for ending exploitation and for one Pakistan. He urged the elected members and people of the West wing to visit East wing to see for themselves the situation in the province and meet the people to redress their grievances.

### **Zaman again meets Bhutto**

Karachi (APP)

S.B. Zaman, MPA-elect and a leading member of defunct Awami League, had an hour long meeting with Mr. Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Chairman PPP, at his clifton residence here today.

Mr. Zaman told newsmen that he discussed with Mr. Bhutto the possibilities of cooperation and adjustment between his party and MNAs and MPAs-elect of the outlawed Awami League.

He said some leaders of the PPP were also present during the discussions. He said he will have another round talks with Mr. Bhutto after he (Bhutto) had met here president General A.M. Yahya Khan.

He said he would avail the opportunity of meeting leaders of the other political parties in case they were available here and seek their cooperation solving the problems confronting the poor people in both wing of the country.

### **PPP leaders to meet in Karachi today**

Karachi (PPI)

The Chairman of the Pakistan people's party (PPP) Mr. Z.A. Bhutto, has summoned 65 important leaders of his party from all over West Pakistan to reach Karachi for important discussions, party sources told PPI here last night.

The sources said an important meeting of party leaders including members of the central committee will be held in the party's secretariat tomorrow at 10 A.M. under the chairmanship of Mr. Bhutto.

The meeting will discuss the agenda of talks which Mr. Bhutto is going to hold with the president in his proposed meeting with him (President).

### **Plea to consult MNA's MPA's before drafting constitution**

Karachi (PPI)

Mr. S.B. Zaman, MPA-elect of the out lawed Awami League has urged the president to consult elected representatives of the people in both the wings of the country before the future constitution of the country is drafted.

Talking to PPI here yesterday Mr. Zaman who is now on a visit to West wing said the elected representatives have got the mandate from the people for framing the constitution. He doubted if the elected representatives are not consulted the people may not accept it.

He asked the government to lift press censorship and restore political activity in the country to pave a way for a democratic government.

He appealed to president Yahya Khan to visit East Pakistan as soon as possible to see for himself the situation in the province. He urged the government to publish a list of those MNA's and MPA's of the defunct Awami League who are going to be disqualified immediately.

Mr. Zaman further asked the government to lift the ban on the Awami League and if it was not possible then elected MNA's and MPA's of the defunct Awami League would call a convention of elected members at Dacca and then take a decision whether to form a new party or join any other political party.

He said power should be transferred to the elected representatives as soon as possible.

### **Bhutto lauded**

Mr. Zaman paying tributes to Mr. Z.A. Bhutto observed that undoubtedly he was the representative of West Pakistan whose cooperation was needed by East Pakistan to pull the country out of the present crisis which is the gravest in our history.

Referring to the bye-elections in East Wing he said that they could not be held before December as monsoon had already started. Moreover he added a lot of displaced persons were still in India. Answering another question he said power should be transferred simultaneously in both the wings before bye-elections are held so that confidence is restored in the people.

He asked the authorities in East wing to include elected MNA's and MPA's in the peace committees. He said there were large number of elected members who are already cooperating with the government.

Recalling the recent happenings in East Pakistan Mr. Zaman said they were created by the miscreants and handful of secessionists of the defunct Awami League.

### **Steps about prices**

He said the Government must take steps to stabilize the prices of essential commodities as they had gone high in East Wing. The MPA elect said the people of East Pakistan voted for one Pakistan, They voted for maximum provincial autonomy and removing of exploitation done during the last 23 years.

He said the people of East Wing are united and are already to face the challenge and threat of India. Mr. Zaman suggested that elected representatives be sent abroad to project Pakistani point of view to the outside world and to counter Indian propaganda. He said defeated candidates are not in a position to tackle this issue and it creates dissatisfaction among the minds of the people.

### **Ahmed Force Praised**

Mr. Zaman paid glowing tributes to the Armed Forces for restoring normalcy in East Wing and dealing effectively with anti-state elements, miscreants and Naxalites. He asked political leaders and people of West Pakistan to visit East wing and remove the misunderstandings that have been created. This he said, will bring people of the two wings still closer to each other.

He said during his stay in Pindi he met political leaders who are of the opinion that power should be transferred to elected representatives as soon as possible. He said he also met few PPP leaders in Pindi.

Concluding Mr. Zaman appealed to the president that if power is not transferred soon then the elected members be allowed to serve in Government and autonomous bodies and start their business with Government. He said this clause of the Legal Framework Order (LFO) does not allow them to serve in Government offices and should be lifted as they have received no payment as elected members during the last seven months.

### **E. Pakistan ulema whole-heartedly support army action**

Rawalpindi (APP)

A nine-man joint delegation of East Pakistan Jamiat-ul -Mudarresin and Jamiatul Mashakh yesterday assured the West Pakistan brethren that they and their followers stood for unity, progress and prosperity of the country and would frustrate the nefarious Indian designs in a much bigger way than they did in 1965 war.

The delegation included Maulana Abdul Mannan, president of the East Pakistan Jamiatul Mudarresin representing 1,500 recognised religious institutions and qualified ulema and Pir Sahib of Sarsina Sharif, president of the East Pakistan Branch of the Jamiatul Mashaikh.

In a joint statement Malulana Abdul Mannan and Pir Sahib of Sarsina Sharif said that they welcomed and wholeheartedly support the army action in East Pakistan and stood behind the Armed Forces and the Government of Pakistan.

They also planned to invite leading West Pakistan's non-political ulema and address non-political meetings to counteract the venomous propaganda done by Sheikh Mujibur Rahman of the now defunct Awami League and his traitor comrades and miscreants.

The people of East Pakistan, the said never voted for or authorised Sheikh Mujibur Rahman to conspire with India to divide or undo Pakistan.

Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and his followers had looted and acquired arms while unarmed patriotic ulema were left for some time at their mercy while certain Islam loving parties lost no time in acclaiming and supporting the leadership of Sheikh Mujib.

Later the delegation of Jamiaatul Mudarresion and Jamiaatul Mashaikh called on the president of the Pakistan Jamiatul Mashaikh, Pir Saheb of Dewan Sharif at Astan-e-Alia Faizabad.

During their three hour stay they discussed matters relating to security unity and integrity of Pakistan and efforts to introduce Islamic system of life in Pakistan.

### **Muslim League factions urged to unite**

Lahore (APP)

The Pakistan National Movement today urged the three factions of the Muslim League to forge unity and unitedly work for the full realisation of the Pakistan ideology and creation of a society free from all sorts of exploitation based on Islamic social justice as dreamt by the father of the Nation.

In a statement the convener of the Movement, Choudhury Akhtar Elahi said it was heartening to know that the three factions of the Muslim League were merging into a single party. He said that the united league must come out with a programme to solve people's economic problems on the basis of social justice otherwise it would fail to evoke as much of people's interest as it expected.

### **Qayyum differs on timing of power transfer**

Rawalpindi (APP)

Khan Abdul Qayyum Khan president of the Pakistan Muslim League (Qayyum Group), said here today that he was not opposed to transfer of power to the elected representatives of the people and difference was only on when it would take place.

'When the president feels that time has come for transfer of power, we will not stand in this way, he told a meeting of the Rawalpindi Bar Association at the Bar room.

Khan Qayyum dwelt on the crisis resulting from the East Pakistan situation, constitutional problems and threats to the country's integrity from India and observed that "we are still not out of woods".

He stressed that the president give a constitution, there should be a united fight to safeguard the country's integrity and strict adherence to the ideology of Pakistan based on Islam and Quran as had been time and again stated by the Quaid-e-Azam.

He denied the statement attributed to him of having demanded acceptance of the six point programme before his departure for East Pakistan in March last and said he had been consistently opposing. His points while some other parties kept silent on this issue even in their manifestoes.

The PML chief said lessons should be learnt from what had happened in the country, and proposed that the constitution to be given by the president should be based on Islam and the Quran, the centre should be strong enough to defend the country as well as look after its finances as well.

Earlier in his speech, the PML chief said when different parties came forward with their programmes after elections were ordered to be held in the country Awami League with six points, Wali Khan's NAP for a strong Pakistan but a weak centre, people's party for removing economic disparities and several Ulama parties for Islamic way of life. The six point programme was a time bomb which, if put into practice would disintegrate the country.

### **Silence**

Wondering why some other parties kept silent on the issue, he said either they did not realise its implications or they thought Sheikh Mujibur Rahman would change it.

He said during election campaign he had stated even in East Pakistan that Sheikh Mujib would break up Pakistan and he had links with India, adding that subsequent events proved our forecast as correct.

If the country did not have a strong centre, the situation in East Pakistan could not have been controlled, keeping in view the flow of Indian infiltrators and arms into that wing.

If armed forces had not acted swiftly, foreign paratroopers would have landed in East Pakistan and some countries might have recognised the so-called Bangladesh Government, he added.

Khan Qayyum pointed out that Pakistan came into being on the basis of the two-nation theory with even Muslims who remained in India having voted for it, and said if we are going to have socialism and secularism, then India also practices this and there would be no justifications for our separate existence.

He said every nation had its own basic ideology against which they would not allow any activity. But tolerance shown in Pakistan in this respect had resulted in the emergence of ideas like Bangladesh, Pakhtoonistan, Jaisind, Greater Baluchistan and the talk even in the Punjab by some people that six-point would be beneficial for Punjab.

He said all teachers and other persons who did not believe in Pakistan ideology should be removed from their jobs.

### **Constitution**

On constitution, he said it should be made before the transfer of power to the elected representatives, and the centre should have defence, foreign affairs, foreign trade and power of taxation with it. He said even in India more and more power were being given to the Centre.

He said he was not in favour of talks with those who had rebelled.

About relations with India, he observed that it had been said that we can make friends with India, but until Kashmir issue remained unsolved and New Delhi abandoned its designs to undo Pakistan there could be no friendship with that country.

He said: we are in a state of war with India. The Indians are still shelling our territory (in East Pakistan).

In view of the Indian Leaders' statements, he said, the Indians might escalate the war. In his opinion a civilian Government could not meet the present situation created by India.

Khan Qayyum asked how the central Government could be entrusted to the legislature as it stood today with the banning of the Awami League which had majority of the members.



### **Foreign Links**

He said any settlement with any party having foreign links and receiving foreign money should never be even thought of.

He said he had been pointed out that even in West Pakistan there are groups and individuals who had such links.

He said prof. Muzaffar Ahmed, president of East Pakistan NAP (Wali Group), was a Minister in the so called Bangladesh Government based in India, and Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan had sent money for Mujib's followers in India.

Khan Qayyum referred to the proposed visit of president Nixon of the United States to China and said this was because of common borders with China that Pakistan had been able to play an important role in this regard.

He said there would have been no common borders between China and Pakistan if the tribal Lashkars had not been sent to Jammu and Kashmir State during his Chief Ministership of the NWFP to help liberate the present Azad Kashmir and Gilgit and Baltistan.

Asked by a bar member whether in view of the proposed merger of the three Muslim League factions, he would be able to adjust Mian Mumtaz Daultana, president of the Council Muslim League, Khan Qayyum said his differences with Mr. Daultana were not personal but on policies.

He said there was a general urge among the Muslim League workers for unity and Mr. Daultana would be most welcome.

He said, he had resigned from the Council Muslim League when Mr. Daultana made an agreement with Wali Khan. He also pointed out that Mian Mumtaz Daultana had insisted on the participation of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in the Round Table Conference called by former President Ayub Khan.

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### **Over one lakh DPs return**

The number of Pakistani citizens returning to their homes from India has now crossed well over one lakh mark, according to the information received in Dacca from official sources, reports APP.

Over 12,000 persons returned only in the last four days, over 10,000 in Sylhet district and about 2,000 in Dinajpur district registering the figure to over one lakh and two thousand.

The reason for the spurt in the arrival is ascribed to the deteriorating condition in the so-called refugee camps in India and their confidence in the reports of normal condition in E. Pakistan.

According to returns, the waves of flood have further worsened the condition in the camps from where the inmates are fleeing to East Pakistan.

Further more they said the frustrated camp dwellers now madly felt that how long they could sustain their life uncertainties when normal condition had returned in their home land in which they could rehabilitate themselves with the Government help and took forward to their future with hopes.

### **Agreed Formula For ML Merger in Few Days**

Rawalpindi (PPI)

Mr. Yusuf Khattak, a prominent leader of Pakistan Muslim League (Qayyum Group) and an MNA-elect from NWFP has said that there may be an announcement on the agreed formula for the merger of the three factions of the Muslim League within a few days.

In an interview with PPI he said that this time there is an excellent chance for the merger of three groups.

Something, he hoped will soon, emerge when asked whether any formula for the merger has already been decided upon he replied that during the meeting of the representatives of the three leagues at Abbottabad a number of proposals and formula were discussed he expressed the hope that one of these will be accepted by all the three groups of the league. Mr. Yusuf Khattak was of the view that now there is no hitch for the unification of the three groups of the Muslim League where there is a unanimity of views on merger.

Mr. Yusuf Khattak said that the workers of the three factions of the League are strongly in favour of the unification. Infact they are exerting real pressure over their leadership to close their ranks and form one national organisation.

Asked whether the working committee of the PML (Qayyum Group) will also meet simultaneously at Dacca when the Working Committees of the other factions do? He replied, "If things move smoothly the council of PML (Qayyum Group) might also meet at Dacca at the same time.

He was asked whether the question of leadership was the bone of contention which has proved a strumbling block for the merger so far? He said that now this is not the case and added that Khan Qayyum had asked the Muslim Leagues to close their ranks

and forget the differences which existed in the past. However, he said that the question of leadership should be decided before the council of the three factions meet at Dacca.

### **Indian Army again shells comilla : Several killed**

Islamabad (APP)

The Indian Armed Forces again shelled on Monday Comilla town second time within a week at 13.10 hours (EPST) in the Kotwali area, killing several civilians and injured many more.

The Indian Acting High Commissioner was summoned to the Foreign office last night and was handed over a note strongly protesting against this "wanton act of aggression."

### **Protest meetings**

A Chandpur report States: A big public meeting held in local Municipal park yesterday condemned unprovoked Indian shelling on Pakistan soil causing loss of civilian life and property in Comilla. Alhaj M.A. Salam convener, sub-divisional Peace Committee presided over the meeting. Several speakers including Messers Ibrahim Khalil, Ahmedullah, G.M. Choudhury, Abdul Matin, and Serajul Huq addressing the gathering condemned barbarious Indian attack on Pak territory, Alhaj M.A. Salam in his presidential speech asked people to stand united to combat Indian nefarious designs and to up hold the integrity and solidarity of Pakistan.

### **Sreepur**

Another report from Sreepur says: The unprovoked shellings by the Indian forces in Comilla was vehemently condemned at the large attended public meeting held here recently under the auspices of the local thana peace committee. The meeting also pleaded its full support to the Pakistan Army.

The meeting was addressed among other by Mr. Ahmed Ali Mondal ex-MNA Joint Secretary General PDP.

13 members of the defunct Awami League from different Thana declared that they had severed all connection with defunct Awami League.

Name of the members are :-

- (1) Miaanur Rahman
- (2) Munsur Doctor
- (3) Yakub Ali
- (4) Zigir Ali
- (5) Abed Ali
- (6) Abdul Karim
- (7) Moslemuddin
- (8) Abdul Mazid
- (9) Afiruddin
- (10) Abdus Sattar
- (11) Shamsul Huq
- (12) Wahab Ali Fakir

(13) Fazlur rahman

### **Turkish Mp visit Ctg**

Chittagong

Dr. Kasim Gulek, a member of the Turkish parliamentary Delegation, this morning flew into this major port city in the province from Dacca.

On arrival at the Patenga airport, the Turkish parliamentarian was received by the Additional commissioner, Chittagong Division and other high officials.

Dr. Kashim Gulek met the Chairman, Chittagong Port Trust and discussed with him port facilities, handling capacity of the port and navigability of the river Karnafuly. He was shown round the port by the Chairman.

Dr. Kashim Gulek then visited Kalurghat area and went round a Jute mill. From Kalurghat, the visiting dignitary drove through different parts of the city. He visited handicraft centres in the local New Market.

The other member of the Turkish parliamentary delegation, Mr. Mahmut Vura, could not go to Chittagong due to indisposition.

Later in the afternoon, the visiting parliamentarians left Dacca for Karachi.

### **India trying to wriggle out of security council debate -From Hasan Akhtar**

Islamabad

India is believed to be making efforts to wriggle out of a possible debate in security council on question of serious threat to regional peace as result of present confrontation along Indo-Pakistan borders.

Diplomatic quarters have noted that UN Security General U-Thant's suggestions for security council debate relates to consideration of present high State of tension along Pakistan-India borders and is designed precisely to arrest any further dangerous drift in this situation.

While Pakistan may be quite willing to participate in any UN move or debate to avert any further deterioration in Indo-Pakistan confrontation. India is believed to be opposed to any UN measures unless security council is prepared to accept the so-called Bangladesh, question as the central issue for discussion. However, Pakistan's position on this question is well-known that it will not let its internal affairs be converted into an international issue.

APP adds: The disclosure that India does not favour U-Thant's proposal that the UN security council be convened to discuss the situation created by the civil war in East-Pakistan, was made shortly after Prime Minister Indira Gandhi had taken counsel of her senior Ministers and officials at an hour long meeting. U-Thant, in a letter to members of the Security Council, is reported to have expressed his apprehension that the civil war in East Pakistan might lead to an armed conflict between India and Pakistan. New Delhi has received a copy of the letter, the sources said.

Present at the top-level meeting were: Foreign Minister Swaran Singh, Defence Minister Jagjivan Ram, Finance Minister Yeshwantrao Chavan, Agriculture Minister Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed and T.N. Kaul.

Informed sources said the meeting disapproved of the world body's top executive's proposal.

India's reponse will be conveyed to the UN Secretary General shortly, the sources said. They declined to indicate if India will attend a security council meeting convened to discuss the situation in East Pakistan.

U-Thant's proposal that UN observers be posted on either side of the border between India and East Pakistan to facilitate the return of the East Pakistan refugees to their homes was rejected at the top level meeting, the sources said.

The sources said that India will not accept foreign observers on the Indian side of the border.

### **Bhutto to call on President today**

Karachi (PPF)

The Chairman of the PPP, will call on president Yahya Khan tomorrow at 10 a.m. at the president's House here.

This was disclosed by Maulana Kausar Niazi MNA-elect and Information secretary PPP, while briefing newsmen after a three-hour meeting of party leaders at the central secretariat here today.

Maulana Niazi disclosed that Mr. S.B. Zaman MPA-lect of the outlawed Awami League currently in Karachi also attended the today's meeting for some time on special invitation. He said Mr. Zaman apprised PPP leaders of the situation in East Pakistan.

When asked whether during the proposal meeting with the President will Mr. Bhutto discuss PPP cooperation with elected members of the defunct Awami League, Maulana Niazi offered "no comments". He said PPP is ready to talk and cooperate with all the elected patriotic members of the now defunct Awami League.

Referring to today's meeting the PPP Information secretary said that Mr. Bhutto spoke today. His winding up speech related to the present situation in the country and international situation. He said the PPP was ready to face the Indian threat and for this, he pointed out, that the elected representatives should be allowed to perform their responsibilities.

In reply to a question Maulana Niazi said that the current meetings which is informal would continue till July 30.

### **Constitution**

Questioned whether people's party would give any proposals for the future constitution of the country, Maulana Niazi offered 'no comment'. He however, said that the PPP discussed in detail the president's plan for the transfer powers to the people's representatives.

Replying to questions about the meeting of Mr. S. Zaman with the PPP Chief Maulana Niazi said he was optimistic of cooperation with the patriotic members of the Awami League. He said, "you will see the results of the discussions at the appropriate time."

He denied that there are any rift in the PPP. He said, "we are all united." Maulana Niazi further said that Mr. Justice Faizullah, member of the party, from NWFP had been appointed as Vice-Chairman of PPP for NWFP and become a member of the central committee also.

The Maulana said that this evening some 20 top leaders of the party would meet Mr. Z.A. Bhutto at his residence for important discussion.

### **John Kelly arrives in Islamabad**

Islamabad

Mr. John Kelly, Resident Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees arrived here this morning to take up his assignment at Dacca.

He told the reporters that he will coordinate his activities with the residential Representatives of the UN Secretary General in East Pakistan, Mr. EL Tauri.

Mr. Kelly will also visit the 21 reception centres set up by the Government of Pakistan for the returning residents as and when necessary.

He will proceed to Dacca where his Headquarters will be located after his talks with central Government officials here.

He was received at the airport by Foreign office and United Nations officials.

### **Razakars to be trained**

Cox's Bazar, (APP)

A few hundred Razakars are to start taking training at Cox's Bazar, it is learnt.

They will render assistance to the local administration in guarding important installations and in suppressing anti-state elements.

### **Pakistan and Arabs face common enemy**

Multan (APP)

Mufti Mahmood Ahmed, General Secretary, Jamial-ul-Ulema-e-Islam who is currently visiting the United Arab Republic has said that Pakistan and Arab faced common enemies who were trying to destroy their entity.

In a lengthy press statement in Cairo which was published in most of Cairo press, Mufti Mahmood Ahmed hoped that the people of Pakistan and the Arabs would frustrate the attempts of imperialist forces, India and Israel to undermine their unity.

According to a press release of the Jamiat the statement was distributed by Mufti Mahmood Ahmed and Maulana Ghulam Ghaus Hazarvi at a press conference which they addressed at the Pakistan Embassy in Cairo.

The Jamiat leaders explained at length the situation now India was indulging in false propaganda to mislead the world about situation in East Pakistan. They emphasized that the Army had taken action in East Pakistan to counter the secessionist movement launched by Sheikh Mujibur Rahman with the help of India and the imperialist forces.

Mufti Mahmood said just as the Arabs and the people of Pakistan faced the same set of enemies similarly they had received support for their just cause from countries like the Soviet Union in case of Arabs and China in case of Pakistan.

Mufti Mahmood exposed the role of a section of the defunct Awami League leadership who thwarted all hopes of restoration of the democracy in Pakistan and embarked upon a calculated plan to destroy the centre and thus the unity of the people of East and West Pakistan.

He said the Awami League leadership had offered impossible solution to the existing constitutional crisis for transfer of power and has based its stand entirely on regional interests.

Sheikh Mujibur Rahman turned down all attempts by various political parties from West Pakistan to accept a realistic formula for the transfer of power and instead gave an opportunity to India to intervene in the internal affairs of Pakistan.

He said the President and the Army had been left with no choice except to take stern action for safeguarding the integrity of the country.

He added that the political parties and the people of West Pakistan never desired to deny the rights of East Pakistanis yet it was a puzzle to them that Sheikh Mujib had not agreed to accept the role.

He said he was pleased to note that the Arabs had not been deceived by the misleading propaganda campaign. He expressed the hope that the Arabs and the people of Pakistan would remain united against their common enemies in future as well.

### **Quit C'wealth, urges Ispahani**

Karachi (APP)

Mr. M.A.H. Ispahani a Former Central Minister and close associate of Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah said here yesterday the question of stopping all military aid to Pakistan and evening breaking understanding already given and not permitting the shipment of hardware already contracted for was a piece of immorality.

Speaking on Pakistan "Pakistan and Britain-the present crisis" at the Pakistan Institute of International Affairs, he said, this act on the part of some nations was despicable because it was indirect way of "adding more grease to our enemy's elbow."

However, he said, "we do not despair the decision."

"I am sure we shall have what we need from the other sources open to us. If Britain and others who are following her lead in this regard think that we shall soon be left without a cartridge or grenade to defend ourselves, they for sure, are barking up the wrong tree."

Paying tributes to President General A.M. Yahya Khan for adopting a courageous attitude, he said "come what may and under all types even worse pressure, Pakistan will move forward on the path she has chartered for herself, accepting no compromise which will barter her rights as an independent, sovereign country. Let there be no misgiving on this score.

### **Commonwealth**

Dealing with the Commonwealth, he thought that its membership is not our interest because it had turned into a farce."

He said it seems that the Commonwealth is kept alive under the oxygen of British interests. Let us get out of it now.

I sincerely hope and trust that our president will not waste more precious time in arriving at this logical decision.

"A mother country" which throws equity and fairplay to the wind in deciding issues between two members of the Commonwealth, is not worthy of having a number."

Referring to Sir Alex Douglas Hume, the British Foreign Secretary and Mr. Heath, the prime Minister's statements that Britain will stop fresh aid until a political settlement



acceptable to all was reached he asked them to "mind your own business and set your own house in order."

India, he said, had no legal or moral right to interfere in the internal affairs of Pakistan. She had better turned her attention to her own problems.

### **Call to work for safeguarding solidarity**

Maulana Ashraf Ali General Secretary, East Pakistan Niazam-e-Islam Party has called upon the people of East Pakistan to offer all help for stabilising economy in East Pakistan.

In his presidential address, at a public meeting held in front of Fandauk High School, organised by local peace committee the Maulana said the law and order situation in East Pakistan was created by the Indian infiltrators in collusion with the handful of their East Pakistani agents who drew their strength and inspiration.

### **Practise Islam**

The Maulana further said what happened in East Pakistan was the direct result of fact that the youth were frustrated by the old politicians who he added exploited Islam for their own personal ends. The best thing to do now was to practise Islam in a better spirit and not to just talk about it as, had been done during the last 23 years, he added.

Mr. Abdus Subhan, convener Thana peace committee and Mr. Rafiqul Islam were also present in the meeting.

### **E. Wing people ready to lay down life for integrity of Pakistan**

Rawalpindi (APP)

Two prominent religious leaders from East Pakistan yesterday said that the people of that wing were ready to lay down their life for the integrity and ideology of Pakistan.

Pir Sahib of Sorsina Sharif, president of East Pakistan Jamiatul Mashaikh and Maulan Abdul Mannan, chief of East Pakistan Jamiatul Mudarressin, made the statement at a press conference here last evening.

The leaders are touring West Pakistan as the head of a joint nine-man delegation including prominent members of the two organisations.

The president of the Jamiatul Mashaikh, Pir Sahib of Dewan Sharif, who addressed the press conference, said that his organisation had planned inter-wing tours by ulema.

### **Shamefule defeat for Inida at Belgrade confree**

Karachi (APP)

India suffered a "Shameful defeat" when it tried to damage Pakistan's image by asking for a debate on the East Pakistan situation at the recently concluded international law conference on world peace through law held at Belgrade.

This was disclosed yesterday by Choudhury Nazir Ahmed, a former Attorney General of Pakistan, on his return here after attending the conference.

He said that India wanted to discuss the East Pakistan situation but was overruled by a majority of about 4,000 participants seemed to be in favour of the interpretation of the term refugees of East Pakistan as hinted by the Chair.

Chaudhury Nazir Ahmed who presided over committee number eight on "The individual-his rights and responsibilities," said there had been some references in other committees to East Pakistan refugees and to uprooted humanity from East Pakistan.

He posed the question whether a fugitive from justice or one who was afraid of the consequences of his misdeeds towards society or state, or was working in league with foreign and local enemies or who flees from his country without any internal pressure being brought on him was a refugee or not.

He said, he told the conference that as these references were prohibited understanding orders of the conference, they should be omitted from the official record.

Chaudhury Niazi Ahmed said when some participants including from, Israel, India and Britain joined hands against Pakistan admirably.

He was confident that 'if we take up the matter of whether or not the people who have left East Pakistan for India, in the eye of law were refugees or not, we have a very good case for convincing the world.'

He said he convinced most of the participants that the stories about excess in East Pakistan were entirely baseless and unfounded.

He said he explained to them as to how a disciplined army could resort to violence against its own civilian population.

He thought that most of the participants were satisfied with his narration of the facts that it were Hindus who in collusion with the Indian masters created law and order situation in East Pakistan.

He told them that India was out to undo Pakistan and destroy its economy.

Pakistan, he said, had repeatedly given an assurance to the people including Hindus who had left East Pakistan to return to their hearths and homes and that they would be provided all possible protection and facilities.

### **Zaman denies press report**

Karachi (PP)

Mr. S.B. Zaman, MPA-elect of the outlawed Awami League, has contradicted a report appearing in a section of the press that he had said that Mr. Z.A. Bhutto accepted five points of the now defunct Awami League and that the sixth point (foreign trade) was negotiable.

In a press statement here today, Mr. Zaman clarified his statement at the press conference held on Monday at a local hotel. He said that he did not discuss anything regarding six-points of the outlawed Awami League. This, he said, would be decided by the elected members of the Awami League.

He said he had been misreported that he carried letter of Mr. Zaheeruddin, MNA-elect for Mr. Bhutto. Mr. Zaman said he did not carry any letter for the Pakistan people's Party Chairman but only conveyed a message of Mr. Zaheeruddin to him (Bhutto). He said the views expressed by him at the press conference were his personal views.

Mr. Zaman said that only when the list of disqualified MNAs and MPAs-elect of the Awami League was published then he would contact the elected representatives for the further course of action.

### **Majlis-e-Shoora meets in Lahore on August 18**

The sitting of the Central Majlish -e-Shoora of Jamaat-e-Islami Pakistan will commence on August 18 at its central office Lahore, under the presidentship of Mian Tufail Ahmed the Acting Amir says a press release of Jamaat in Dacca yesterday reports APP.

Chowdhury Rahmat flahi Secretary General, Jamaat-e-Islami informed this over telephone while talking to the provincial chief of the Jamaat-e-Islami Prof. Ghulam Azam. The sitting of the Shoora is convened earlier as Mian Shaheb will present Maulana Moudoodi in the session of the Rabeta-e-Alam Islami which is scheduled to be held by the last week of August.

Syed Abul Ala Moudoodi the chief of the Jamaat-e-Islami due to his ill health and according to the advice of the doctors cancelled all his programmes abroad.

The agenda of the Shoora will be sent individually against the address of the members of the Shoora. The Shoora members are requested by the provincial Jamaat chief to keep contact with Janab Abdul Khaleque in this regard.

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### **Bhutto's talks with Yahya 'useful, productive'**

Karachi (APP)

Mr. Z.A. Bhutto, Chairman of the Pakistan People's Party, described his talks with president General A.M. Yahya Khan here at the president's House as useful and 'productive'.

Talking to newsmen at the end of a two and -half-hour talks with the president at a luncheon given in honour of Mr. Bhutto and the party leaders who are currently in Karachi in connection with the party's meetings at the Sind club by Mr. Ali Khan Junejo he said we discussed and covered a number of vital problems facing the country.

Mr. Bhutto was assisted in the talks by Mr. J. Rahim, Mian Mahmud Ali Qasuri, Mr. Rasul Baksh Khan Talpur Mr. Hayat Mohammed Khan Sherpao and Dr. Mubashar Hasan.

Other PPP leaders stood by to be called in case of need. They were Mr. Abdul Hafeez Pirzada, Sheikh Mohammed Rasheed, Mr. Maulana Kausar Niazi, Mr. Rati Raza and Malik Ghulam Mustafa Khan, they also met the president.

The president's advisors were Lt. Gen. S.G.M.M. Prizada, Mr. Justice A.R. Cornelius and Mr. M. Ahmed.

Mr. Bhutto said, "I can say that we had useful and productive discussions. Discussions are likely to continue and as a matter of fact will continue. You will appreciate and I hope people will understand that if I don't make any statement at this stage it is because it may unnecessarily complicate the problems.

### **People's consent**

"But I can assure people that at an appropriate time when certain conclusions are there and decisions taken the people will be the first to be informed and their consent will be sought by me and my party.

He said we can't act in our individual capacity. We speak on behalf of people with their consent. The PPP chairman added it had been my cordial principle, unshakable and unalterable that whatever the vagaries and exigencies of time, we will move forward according to the will and directive of the people.

This principle I shall pursue till the end so that the people should feel at ease. Their interests will never be compromised. I know they (people) will give us time to conclude fruitful negotiations in their own interests and in the interest of Pakistan. So if there is nothing specific it is in the interest of the discussions and also in the interest of satisfactory solution of our country's problems.

He said the president had also cordial discussions with the remaining leaders of his party.

According to a party source Mr. Bhutto is expected to enlighten the leaders of his party on the significance and outcome of his talks he had today with president General A.M. Yahya Khan at a meeting of the party to be held at the party's secretariat here this evening.

### **Unheard melodies**

PPI adds: Mr. Bhutto laughingly said "Keats once said 'heard melodies are sweet those unheard are sweeter'. He said "while we were leaving the president's House, president Yahya Khan also held cordial discussion with the remaining members of my party who accompanied him for consultations if necessary.

Replying to another question Mr. Bhutto said that no date had been fixed for the next meeting with the president. But he said we are in touch with the president's secretariat in this connection."

Asked was he not alone with the president today Mr. Bhutto said, 'No I met president Yahya Khan along with my party members. He said if the president thinks necessary to see me alone for certain clarifications, I am available for it."

He said the atmosphere in the president's House was very good and we had tea and chocolate cakes.

### **Muslim DPs in Agartala go hungry, says returnee**

The Muslim displaced persons in Agartala have either to receive military training perforce or go hungry or because Indian authority do not provide them food unless they agree to undergo hard labour in the name of military training, reports APP.

This was disclosed by Mr. Qadir of Kaligaon (Dacca) a bank employee, who returned from Agartala recently.

Mr. Qadir said that as facilities for military training are limited, mostly of the Muslim displaced persons have to go hungry.

"Hindu families are enjoying all facilities in double-rooms but Muslim families of some social status were hurdled together in single rooms,' Mr. Qadir added Illustrating his view. Mr. Qadir said that Hindu families are enjoying life at Congress Bhavan in Agartala while Muslims are rotting on college Tilla.

Continuing Mr. Qadir said that available food is first served to the Hindus and the leftovers given to the Muslims. He gave an instance where Motia Chowdhury's followers living in T.I. Institute went without food because CPI Hindu workers who were served first had consumed the whole food.

Mr. Qadir also spotlighted the growing rift between political leader of defunct Awami League and their armed rebels. Describing one of his meetings with Maj. Zia a defector from East Bangal Regiment, Mr. Qadir said that Maj. Zia bitterly criticized Tajuddin and his political associates. Mr. Qadir quoted Maj. Zia having said: "I was told to control Chittagong for a few days after which a foreign Government would move into Chittagong with everything. I held the city for many days but no help came and I was thrown out by the Pakistan Army."

### **India's monsoon offensive hopes shattered**

Islamabad (APP)

India's hope's, that the so-called 'Mukti Fauj' will launch a big offensive during monsoon have been shattered.

According to a reporter in the Daily Telegraph of July 10, 'The big monsoon offensive planned by the Bangladesh guerillas against the Pakistan Army in East Pakistan is faltering."

It had been hoped the report says, the monsoon down pours which annually turn part of East Pakistan into land of lanes and waterways, would immobilise the Pakistan Army and the guerrillas used to both the terrain and the conditions would make its occupation of rural areas untenable.

But during the last six weeks of monsoon, the Mukti Fauj guerrillas could not show any activity and they remain where they were before the start of monsoon weather, the report adds.

The report confirms that the guerrillas are getting Indian weapons. According to it the guerrillas say that the Indian authorities are sending the supplies of small arms and ammunition to the 'Mukti-Fauj'. They also admit that the local commanders of the Indian Border Security Force and regular army are providing them open generous help as a result of 'deliberate policy.'

Western diplomats see Indian Government's policy towards the guerrillas as one of giving them enough support, the report adds.

The report reveals that the guerrillas may get arms supplies from countries other than India.

Bangladesh emissaries are Known to have received undertakings from Israel that arms will be available to them.

### **NO sensible Govt can tolerate secessionists: Gulek**

Karachi (PPJ)

Kasim Gulek, leader of the visiting two-member Turkish MP's delegation said here today that no sensible and respectable Government can tolerate a secessionist movement in her country.

Addressing a news conference at a local hotel here this afternoon, he said Pakistan has dealt with this movement seriously. He said after his visit of East Pakistan and meeting with the people "I have come to the conclusion that the secessionist movement was not the desire goal as it had been reported in the foreign press that Pakistan should have some term with secessionist." You cannot reach an agreement with the secessionists", he added.

Continuing Mr. Gulek said secessionist movement is internal affair and no outside intervention be allowed nor any foreign opinion or desire be accepted.

### **Main purpose**

Mr. Gulek said the main purpose of his visit to Pakistan was to see for himself the situation in East Wing and then report to his country and people. He said "I have come to see how Pakistan is facing the events which happened during the last few months."

He said he was looking at them objectively to have an idea of the situation he added Pakistan has gone through a disaster of high magnitude during the cyclones last year and also after the general elections.

He pointed out that Pakistan and Turkey were very close brothers and friends and "I feel myself at home in Pakistan", he remarked.

Paying tributes to president Yahya Khan, Mr Gulek said I am convinced that he is devoted to his country. He said the president told me that he was ready to talk anything with political leaders of East Pakistan except secession. He said the president was of a

view to early return of normalcy. This the Turkey MP said, was also endorsed by other political leaders of Pakistan.

He said after the secessionist movement many members may be disqualified and partial elections can be held for their seats. He said the elections has not been nullified by the Pakistan Government.

### **Niazi visits Ghazipur POF**

Lieut. General A.A.K. Niazi, Commander, Eastern Command, yesterday visited Pakistan Ordnance Factory, Ghazipur, about 25 miles North of Dacca.

The factory was normally inaugurated by the President of Pakistan, General A.M. Yahya Khan, on April 6 last year spread over an area of 300 acres the factory has been established with the assistance of People's Republic of China.

On arrival, Gen. Niazi was received by the Resident Director of the Factory who first explained the lay-out of the factory to the General and then took him round the factory area. He also explained to him facilities provided to the officers and staff of the factory.

Most of the labours have returned to work and the factory is functioning normally, the Resident Director told the Commander, Eastern Command.

Gen. Niazi visited different Parts of the factory and saw various stages of production of arms and ammunition. He also inspected the finished material and visited the proof ranges.

Gen. Niazi who spent about two hours in the factory talked to the officers and staff working in various shops. Earlier, Gen. Niazi visited Military Farm at savar near Dacca.

Gen Niazi returned to Dacca in afternoon.

### **Kelly calls on Foreign secretary**

Islamabad

Steps taken by the Government of Pakistan to facilitate the return and rehabilitation of displaced persons were discussed at a meeting when the special representative of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) Mr. D.R. Kelly called on the foreign Secretary in his office here today.

During the meeting which lasted about an hour it was stressed upon the UNHCR Representative that the Government of Pakistan for its part was most anxious to see that all the displaced persons are rehabilitated expeditiously but a great deal depended upon the attitude of the Government of India which at present was lacking in co-operation.

The UNHCR Representative was assured that he will have the fullest co-operation of the Government of Pakistan in the discharge of duties in East Pakistan.

### **PPP fully prepared to meet Indian aggression**

Karachi (APP)

Indian threat posed to Pakistan was among other things considered at the resumed meeting of the leaders of the Pakistan People's party, held at the Party's secretariat here yesterday.



Mr. Z.A. Bhutto Chairman of the PPP was in the chair.

Briefing the newsmen at the end of the meeting Maulana Kausar Niazi said the meeting also considered internal matters and the attitude of foreign countries towards Pakistan.

He said that PPP was fully prepared to meet the Indian aggression against Pakistan if she dared to do so. He however, thought that the frontiers of the Pakistan and its integrity could be effectively protected and preserved.

Maulana Kausar Niazi said that his party owed an obligation to the nation and that it would prove equal to the confidence and trust reposed in it by the people of the country.

He said that today's meeting was also attended among others by Mr. S.B. Zaman, MPA-elect of the defunct Awami League on a special invitation and he also addressed the meeting.

Asked about the contents of Mr. Zaman's speech, he said, he spoke on the situation obtaining in East Pakistan.

Asked about the progress on exploring the possibilities of co-operation and understanding between his party and the qualified, elected members of the outlawed Awami League, he said the result would be made known in the near future.

He was optimist in this behalf and described the possibilities as "bright".

He declined to comment when his attention was drawn to Mr. Zaheeruddin's statement disowning Mr.S.B.Zaheeruddin as his authorised delegate to hold talks with Mr. Z.A. Bhutto, on the possibilities of alignment between the PPP and the qualified MNAs and MPAs of the defunct Awami League.

He said a 2-member delegation from East Pakistan consisting of Mr. Kamal Hussain Rizvi and Dr. Sikder which was due to arrive here on Tuesday to attend the meeting have not reached and after his address did not stay in the meeting for long.

In reply to a question he denied that Mr. Zaman had been sent here with a view to creating a question he denied a rift in the PPP.

He said the meeting also discussed the president's plan for the transfer of power to the elected representatives.

At the end Mr. Z.A. Bhutto threw light on the national and international situation as it affected Pakistan, he said.

#### **Unification of ML' factions mechanism, procedure under active study says Qayyum** Karachi (APP)

Khan Abdul Qayyum Khan chief of the Pakistan Muslim League said here yesterday that method, mechanism and procedure of the unification of three leaders were under active consideration of the leaders of the factions concerned.

Talking to newsmen on arrival here from Abbottabad for a 3-day stay in the city, he said it was the urge and desire of his party workers that three leaders should be united and made a strong mass organisation.

He recalled that during his recent tour of ten districts of Punjab, he met over 120,000 workers of his party who all were of the unanimous views that the three leagues should be united.

During his stay here, he would discuss this subject with the council and convention Muslim League leaders available here.

He said there were some "artificial," differences between the three leagues before March 25, but after that there did not exist any difference.

Khan Abdul Qayyum felt that for the integrity and consolidation of Pakistan it was necessary that the three leaders were united. Asked as to when he proposed to convene a meeting of the council of his party to take final decision about the merger of the three leaders, he said that under the present condition it was very difficult to convene a meeting of his party council.

Asked if he would like to seek cooperation of the patriotic elements of the defunct Awami League he said "I would like to know first if there were patriotic elements in the defunct Awami League."

The PML Chief said that he would like to visit East Pakistan. Asked about his views on the demand made of by some political leaders that list of the unpatriotic MNA's and MPA's elect of the defunct Awami League be published and in the meantime a target date be fixed for their return, he said "It was for the Government to take whatever action it deemed fit and necessary."

Asked whether he would meet the PPP chairman Mr. Bhutto here said "I think Mr. Bhutto is very busy with his party meeting."

He made it clear that his party explored the possibilities of cooperation with the Pakistan Democratic Party as there was a great deal of identity of views between his party and the PDP.

In reply to a question, he said that the proposed United League would participate in the bye-elections for the seats likely to fall vacant in East Pakistan following ban imposed on the Awami League in case these were held.

Khan Abdul Qayyum Khan was received among others, by Khan A. Sabur Khan, Mr. A.M. Qureshi, Malik Mir Hazar Khan and a large number of the party workers.

As the PLM chief came out of airport building he was profusely garlanded and greeted with slogans of "Pakistan Zindabad," Pakistan Muslim League Zindabad," and "Quaid-e-Azam Zindabad."

### **E. Pak. Govt. effectively dealing with problems facing province: Sabur**

Karachi (APP)

Khan A Sabur Khan, Secretary General, Pakistan Muslim League (Qayyum Group) said here yesterday the East Pakistan Government was effectively dealing with the tremendous problems facing the province.

Talking to newsmen at the Karachi airport on his arrival from Dacca yesterday, Khan Sabur said with the limited means available the East Pakistan authorities were doing everything possible to overcome the problems

He said the "white lies" being disseminated by the All-India Radio about the so-called successes of the secessionist elements and agents should be "taken not with a grain but a lot of salt."

Replying to a question, he said the East Pakistani people were disillusioned with the defunct Awami League, and had been misled by the latter which used the "catchy slogan" of regional autonomy.

Khan A. Sabur said the people of East Pakistan at the time of elections did not know of the banned Awami League's intention to destroy Pakistan, but now the party stood exposed.

Asked about the chances of success for his party in bye-elections in East Pakistan, he said if they were fair elections, the PML had "every chance".

He said in view of the difficulties in communication which there during the monsoons in even normal years, he thought 50 to 60 percent turn out in the bye-elections would be a good figure.

Khan Sabur said if any alliance between the Pakistan People's Party and members of the banned Awami League came into being it would "be their affair," but he doubted that it would make any headway in East Pakistan.

Regarding chances of a merger of the three Muslim League groups, he said the climate for this was much brighter at the present moment than at any time in the past.

He hoped that his party chief, Khan Abdul Qayyum Khan, would visit East Pakistan in the near future.

He said he would discuss party matters, including meeting of the party working committee, with Khan Qayyum Khan.

He said such matters as his resignation would be discussed at the PML working committee meeting.

### **No change in British policy towards Pakistan**

London (*Reuter*)

Britain has again told Pakistan that there must be a political and administrative framework in East Pakistan before further British development aid can be injected there, a Foreign office spokesman said on Tuesday.

Answering questions at his press conference, the spokesman said Foreign secretary Sir Alec Douglas Hume made this point during an hour long meeting yesterday with Pakistan's High Commissioner here Mr. Salam Ali.

The spokesman said, the current situation in East Pakistan was discussed and Sir Alec assured the High commissioner there was no change in the British Government's policy towards Pakistan. It was settlement in East Pakistan, which Britain was anxious to see was a matter for the Pakistani Government.

So far as aid was concerned, Sir stressed to the High Commissioner that obviously there must be a political and administrative framework in East Pakistan before further aid could be injected there, the spokesman added.

The British Government's interest, which it shared with all other friends of Pakistan, was that the problems of East Pakistan should be solved as soon as possible.

In the House of Commons last month Sir Alec said it remained British policy that projects already in hand in Pakistan must continue so far as possible.

But there can be no question of new British aid to Pakistan until we have firm evidence that real progress is made towards a political solution, he said.

### **Leaders of all Three MLs to be invited**

An emergent workers meeting of the Dacca city Muslim League yesterday morning decided to invite all the prominent leaders of the three Muslim Leagues in the

forthcoming workers' convention to be held in Dacca on August 22, a press release of the Muslim League said yesterday, reports PPI.

The meeting, presided over by the chairman of the joint workers convention of the three leagues, Hakim I.R. Khan Akhunzade, listed Messers Fazlul Quader Chowdhury, Malik Mohammad Quasim, Mian Mumtaz Daulatana, Khawaja Khairuddin Khan, Abdul Qayyum Khan, Khan Abdus Sabur Khan and Yusuf Khatak as the honoured invitees.

Two sub-committees for reception and finance were also formed yesterday morning with Mr. Amir Hossain and Dr. Noorur Rahman as their respective chairman.

Besides fixing the date of the workers convention on August 22 the meeting also decided to celebrate Pakistan Day on August 14 with due solemnity. It called upon all the patriotic Pakistani citizens and Muslim League units. throughout the province to hoist the Pakistan Flag on all the rooftops.

### **Shelling kills 3 in Assam**

New Delhi (Reuter)

The Press Trust of India news agency reported that three people were killed and several injured when Pakistan artillery shelled a border village in North-East India on Tuesday. Quoting reports reaching Shillong, a North-East Indian hill town the agency said the shelling was continuing. The whole Sanamura population had been evacuated to the neighbouring village of Melaghar.

The Indian Border Security Force (BSF) were returning the fire, the reports said.

Further reports reaching Shillong said eight people, including three women were wounded when the Pakistan Army pumped mortar fire into the Assam border village of Latu. A number of houses were damaged. Latu is in Assam's Cachar district which borders Sylhet district of East Pakistan.

The BSF returned the fire in an exchange lasting three hours.

### **Call for war with Pakistan madness, says Indian newsman**

Islamabad (APP)

The Indian journalist Nirad C. Chaudhri has described Indian leaders' calls for war with Pakistan as madness and regretted that they had learnt no lesson of experience from India's failures in 1962 and 1965 wars.

The war with China, he said, ended with a most humiliating defeat for India and 'destroyed any faith that even weak nations had of India's military strength.' Similarly in 1965 war with Pakistan, 'the Indian army failed to make any mark on the defences of West Pakistan' despite 'its overwhelming superiority in men and armament.' India, he said 'had three weeks to show some military results.' But it had none to show,' he added.

The Indian journalist made these observations in an article published by the Indian Daily Hindustan Standard of Calcutta on July 13, dealing with the Chauvinistic attitude of the Indian leaders towards Pakistan over East Pakistan situation.

Nirad Chaudhury specifically referred to the attitude of two Indian leaders, Mr. Jayparakash Narayan and Jan Sangh Chief Atal Bihari Vajpayee, both of whom are advocating war with Pakistan, and said none of them 'knows what war means in general and still less do they understand that a war with Pakistan at this juncture can result in.'

Nirad said he was particularly shocked to read the statement of Mr. Jayprakash Narayan in which he called upon the Indian Government to act and give all military assistance to "The liberation army of Bengali Muslim" as a measure to impose a political solution on Pakistan in favour of Bengali Muslims".

Nirad said that "Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee spoke more naturally when he declared for a war with Pakistan 'because 'he had contracted the most straight forward kind of madness for a modern Hindu.

### **Laborious conversion**

But Mr. Jayprakash Narayan had to move from one kind of madness to another and therefore needed more Laborious conversion if the end of non-violence Mr. Narayan preached and believed in a passive and inert madness, his conversion to military violence is a seizure by an active and malignant madness," he added.

The Indian journalist who termed desire for war as madness said that "no people in recent times had shown this paralysts of intelligence more decisively" than the Indian Hindus had been doing since independence. But they had only the Jingoism without the capacity to fight, he said and added: "the less unable a group of Indians are military and more vicariously violent do they become.

Nirad Chaudhury was, however confident that despite all the war cries being raised in India, 'There will be no war' because the military men of India' have learnt a final lesson from wars with China and Pakistan. They will not oblige civilian hysteria by countenancing any idea of war," he said and added: "Perhaps the Government of India is also equally wary, though it cannot afford to suppress the bluster."

Nirad Chaudhuri also referred to the attitude of British politicians and journalists vis-a-vis East Pakistan and said that these people" who are showing such virtuous indignation" over Pakistan army's action in East Pakistan should see what their forefathers did in the U.P." Which has not even now recovered from the efforts" of the slaughter" perpetrated by them.

He also reminded them of "the burning of Pathan villages during the British rule, which he said had been "a matter of normal military operation on the Frontier."

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### **No UN Council meeting on E. Pak situation; Swarn**

New Delhi (*Reuter*)

United Nations Secretary General U-Thant has not suggested the convening of a security council meeting, formal or informal, to consider the East Pakistan crisis, Indian External Affairs Minister Swarn Singh said.

India has no intention of raising the Bangladesh issue before the security council at present, he said.

He was replying to questions based on Indian press report yesterday to the effect that U Thant had Mooted the idea of the special security council session to discuss the East Pakistan situation.

The Indian Express (right wing) said in a lead story yesterday that the Secretary General had also sought to equate India and Pakistan in regard to the Bangladesh issue in a letter circulated to the Security Council.

Mr. Swarn Singh also denied this and said some other countries have in their postures tried to equate India and Pakistan.

"We have expressed our view point very clearly and unequivocally, any such equation is totally opposed to facts and we have rejected it totally," he said.

### **Indo-Pak situation, Thant lifts embargo from his memo**

United Nations (*Reuter*)

Secretary General U Thant in effect yesterday lifted the embargo on a confidential memorandum he had circulated nine days ago about the India-Pakistan situation.

In a statement read by his press spokesman he said publication of the document which was addressed to the security council president Jacques Kosciusko Morizet of France was entirely up to the president and the members of the Council.

Kosciusko Morzet gave copies of the memorandum in which U Thant was understood to have expressed serious concern about the situation in the sub-continent to council members and the delegates of India and Pakistan all kept the contents secret.

### **Pakistan welcomes discussion in security council**

Islamabad (*APP*)

The Government of Pakistan will welcome a discussion of the current tension between India and Pakistan in the security council, authoritative sources told APP today.

They said that Pakistan was not responsible for this tension. Therefore there was no reason why Pakistan should avoid the discussion over the matter. The current situation had been created by the Indian interference and their continued insistence on meddling in the affairs of Pakistan.

Pakistan was dealing with a situation which had been created by an attempt by some misguided people to secede. This secessionist move was backed by India when they had

failed some people had taken shelter in the country which had conspired with them, incited them and aided on abetted them. Pakistan still had shown forbearance, announed amnesty and made arrangements for the return of bonafide Pakistani citizens.

India on the other hand was creating obstrucions in the way of returnees. She wanted the problem of refugees to remain alive because it provided them an opportunity to mobilise international aid for themselves. They also wanted the refugees because they had opened training centres to train saboteurs and infiltrators to damage the economy of Pakistan.

Further more, Indians had adopted an aggressive posture on the borders of Pakistan. They had concentrated their forces who had shelled Comilla twice.

### **People urged to stand United**

Sylhet (*UPP*)

The convenor of the Sylhet District Central Peace Committee, Mr. Shahid Ali and other members including Dr. Abdul Malik, Messrs Ahmed Ali and Ghulam Jillani called upon the people at a public meeting held at the Gulni primary school premises on Sunday last to stand united to foil the evil designs of the enemies of Pakistan. They also warned the people to remain vigilant against the activities of the agent provocateurs who have been trying from all sides to disrupt Pakistan's sovereignty and integrity.

The Peace Committee convener, Mr. Shahid Ali, told the gathering that the Indian ruling chique who could not yet reconcile themselves with the establishment of Pakistan had been fostering the secessionists on Indian soil and helping them with arms and ammunition. He said that he was convinced world powers today could realise India's game fully.

### **March past of Mujahids held at Kushtia**

Kushtia, (*APP*)

The Oath talking and march past ceremony of the first batch of Mujahids of Kushtia was held here on Tuesday on the United school ground in the presence of a huge gathering of people including gentry, civil and military officials.

The chief guest addressing the Mujahids said that he was highly impressed by their enthusiasm and smart turn-out.

He advised the Majahids not to rest on their present training which was only a part of the continuous process to follow.

He said Indian agents could never do good to either Pakistan or Islam. He alerted the Mujahids to be vigilant about saboteurs and miscreants.

Earlier, Said Ahmed, chairman, Kushtia District Peace Committee and Ahmed Ali administered the oath of allegiance to the Mujahids in Bengali and Urdu respectively.

It may be stated here that the Mujahids and the Razakars have been rendering wonderful service by keeping watchful eyes against any damage that may be done to public property.

They had already succeeded in apprehending a large number of miscreants, some of them on the point of doing mischief. This has restored confidence in the minds of the people who have now united and are standing as a rock to defend their motherland.



### **CML will not allow forced transfer of power, says Daultana**

Sialkot (APP)

Mian Mumtaz Mohammad Khan Daultana, president, Council Muslim League, said here yesterday that his party would not allow forced transfer of power to take place in the country and would fight tooth and nail against it.

Addressing his party workers he said that the demand for transfer of power under the existing circumstances when the sovereignty and solidarity of the country was in jeopardy was "unwise and unpatriotic."

He said that it should take place simultaneously in both wings when complete normal life was restored in East Pakistan.

He said Pakistan was achieved in the name of Islam and no other ideology like socialism would be allowed to flourish in it.

Those, he added, who wanted to bring in socialist order or any alien system should look for some other land as Pakiistan has no room for such elements.

On the present political crisis, he said that it was not the result of economic depression as some said but had the result of intellectual vacuum.

### **Mahmud Ali criticises western press**

Brussels, (APP)

Mr. Mahmud Ali, Vice-president of the Pakistan Democratic Party, has regretted that the western press had not painted a correct picture of the situation in Pakistan.

Addressing a press conference here Mr. Mahmud Ali said it was wrong to say that president Yahya Khan had refused to hand over power to the elected representatives of the Awami League. The first function of these elected representatives, he added, was the drafting of a constitution for one Pakistan but the leaders of the Awami League insisted on framing two constitutions.

The stage for the transfer of power to these representatives headed, simply did not arise until after the constitution had been framed.

Mr. Mahmud Ali had a busy schedule during his four day visit to Brussels from July 23 to July 27.

### **Provocation by India may disturb peace in region**

Karachi (APP)

AL-Haj Zahid Ali, MPA-elect from Sind (Jamiatul Ulema Pakistan), said here yesterday that India was constantly talking provocative actions which could destroy the peace in the sub-continent.

In a statement he said that besides other provocative acts and interference in Pakistan's internal affairs, India twice shelled Comilla which clearly showed the evil intentions of the Indian warlords.

He added, India should realise that the people of Pakistan were strong enough to face any eventuality.

Pakistan's main aim was to live in peace so that the country could continue its march forward on the road to progress and prosperity. But if the war is thrust on us we will safeguard every inch of our sacred land.

AL-Haj Zahid reminded India of its crushing defeat by the gallant armed forces of Pakistan in 1965 and said India would be well advised if "she desists from such provocative acts."

He said that India's refusal to the posting of the United Nations observers was a clear proof of its bad intentions. In fact India did not want that any UN observer should be posted along the Indian border because of its nefarious activities and war preparations against Pakistan.

AL-Haj Zahid criticised those countries which were threatening to stop economic aid to Pakistan. He said that Pakistani nation was prepared to face any difficulty in order to safeguard its sovereignty.

He asked all political parties to unite and strengthen the hands of President Yahya Khan to deal with the present crisis effectively. He said it was not the time for the transfer of power. This could be done when the situation in East Pakistan would improve further.

### **CML leader visits Rangpur, Bogra and Dinajpur**

Mr. Abul Quasem, Secretary General of Pakistan Muslim League (Council) and a senior member of Working Committee returned to Dacca after a week long extensive tour of the districts of Rangpur, Dinajpur and Bogra, says a press release, reports APP.

During his tour, he met local officials and consulted with them about law and order situation in the districts. He observed that people everywhere are whole-heartedly cooperating with local peace committee.

### **Peace Committees formed in Nowgaon**

Nowgaon

Peace Committees at sub-divisional Thana and Union level have been formed in Nowgaon sub-division and working in close cooperation with the civil and Martial law authorities to maintain normalcy in the far flang areas of the sub-division. Patients are being treated in the hospital and to prevent tropical diseases mass vaccination and inoculation have been started in fulswing in the rural areas.

People of every walk of life have started their usual avocation. Schools, Madrashahs and primary schools have been opened, teachers and students regularly attending their classes.

The Municipal authority has started a cleaning campaign in the town.

### **Schemes draw up to providedKustia people with essential service**

Kusita (APP)

Kushtia District Peace Committee has drawn up two ambitious schemes at Rs. 407,000 to provide essential services to the people of the town.

The two schemes, the first at Rs. 1,10,000 has already been implemented. The scheme envisaged cash help for widows and destitutes, donation to social welfare centre for providing employment to widows, sewing machines for 20 tailors, instrument for motor mechanics, and cycle repairing shops, monetary assistance for vulcanising shops, battery charging shops, cobblers, barbery barbers, was-hermen, carpenters, electrical

mistries, radio mechanics, homeopath practitioners, photographers and surgical instruments for doctors.

The Scheme also included training of Razakars.

The District Peace Committee were now executing their second Scheme costing Rs. 2,97,000 under the supervision of a sub-committee headed by Saad Ahmed, Chairman, Md. Hanif, secretary and three other members.

Kushtia District Peace Committee was formed with Saad Ahmed as chairman and Md. Hanif as secretary for the purpose of helping the administration in restoring normalcy in all spheres of life and to make our people aware of the evil designs of the enemies of Pakistan both within and without and to arrange relief to the affected people.

It is heartening to note that during this short period more than 1,000 Razakars have been trained in Kushtia sub-division.

They have so far recovered several hundred rifles, a thousand rounds of bullets and a sizeable quantity of hand grenades, mines and letters written by anti-state elements.

### **People urged to build glorious Pakistan**

Comilla

The people reiterated their determination to maintain the solidarity of their dear homeland, Pakistan at a large public meeting held at Chandpur under Kotwali P.S. on Monday last.

My Sajedul Haque, ex-MNA, paid tributes to the heroic army for saving the country from disintegration. He advised the people to work for the peace and prosperity of the country and not to pay any heed to the lies of the Indian propaganda.

Mr. Abdus Salam ex-MPA, and Mr. Hashenatullah Mia, among others addressed the gathering urging people to build a glorious Pakistan.

### **People urged not to pay heed to false propaganda**

Comilla (APP)

A public meeting was held at Mudaffarganj recently under the auspices of Laksam Thana Peace Committee.

While addressing the meeting Mr. Azizur Rahman, Advocate ex-MNA and convener, Comilla District Peace Committee, compared the outlawed Awami League's plot with India to disintegrate Pakistan with that of Mir Zafar's with Omichad, Jagat Shet, etc. in 1957 which enslaved the Muslims for 200 years.

Among others, Messrs Sajedul Haq, ex-MNA, Abdul Hakim, ex-MPA and vice-chairman, District Council, Comilla, Abdus Samad, ex-MPA, and Hashmatullah addressed the meeting.

### **Argentina to give 4000 tons of wheat for DPs in India**

United Nations, New Yourk, (Reuter)

Argentina is to give 4,000 tons of wheat to help East Pakistani refugees in India, it was announced here on Wednesday.

The announcement further said that the wheat would be distributed through the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, and it was being sent in response to the international appeal for aid for the refugees.

### **India's refusal to posting of UN observers deplored**

Rawalpindi (APP)

Prof. Rushbrook Williams, well known British historian, has deplored India's refusal to posting of UN observers on the Indo-Pakistan borders along East Pakistan.

The fact that Pakistan had agreed to the posting of U.N. observers and India had apparently refused, was going to have a mortal effect, he said in an interview with Radio Pakistan, Rawalpindi broadcast last night.

He said that Pakistan had nothing whatsoever to conceal and it was only interested to enable the displaced persons from East Pakistan to return under conditions in which they rehabilitate themselves.

Prof. Rushbrook Williams, who visited East Pakistan for four days, said he was struck by the fact that events in East Pakistan brought to a sudden halt the steps which were being taken to develop that part of the country economically.

He described the recovery of Dacca as remarkable and said people were resuming their normal life. There was good evidence of the way of the public confidence was being restored even among foreigners, he added.

He termed as "most regrettable" reporting of the Western press about the situation in East Pakistan.

He said that because of disruption in communications, the authorities of East Pakistan were able to get foreign correspondents to the places where they should have seen what had happened. It was very difficult indeed. Hence all sensational and horror stories were published.

The British historian pointed out that stories about East Pakistan went from the Indian side. It was "unfortunate" that their foreign correspondents were not visiting East Pakistan, particularly its upper parts.

He said he knew president Yahya Khan had never wavered in his determination to hand over power to "civil authority" as soon as possible so that political life could grow along democratic lines.

He also pointed out that damage was being done to communications by the saboteurs coming from the Indian side regardless of the hardships to the local population.

He said that stocks of food existed but it was difficult to get it where it was needed because of the damage to communications.

### **Sylhet meeting condemns India for infiltrators**

Sylhet (APP)

India was strongly condemned to a large public meeting held here yesterday for sending armed infiltrators in East Pakistan for destructive activities and warned to see reason for stopping nefarious acts forthwith.

The meeting chaired by Dr. Abdul Majid, Vice- Chairman Sylhet district Council and convenor, Sadar Sub-division peace committee, in another resolution view with great

concern the Indian attack on Comilla killing civilian population recently warned India of dire consequences if she failed to stop immediately such unprovoked attack. The meeting also expressed its strong resentment against the British propaganda and termed it as interference in Pakistan's internal affairs. The meeting further demanded the government for immediate withdrawal from the Commonwealth.

Dr. Abul Majid in his presidential address warned India against her warlike activity to destroy Pakistan.

Maulana Abdul Latif Choudhury Fulbari while addressing the gathering advised the people to strictly follow the tenets of Islam. Once they act like true believers, they would surely overcome the present crisis.

### **Stern warning**

The Maulana voiced a stern warning against Indian threat and said that people of Pakistan would live and die as Muslims and prefer death to surrendering to the Brahmans.

Mr. Ajmal Ali Choudhury ex-central Minister said in the meeting that India was trying to undo Pakistan since her very birth. She waged war in 1965 but the result of the war was no lesson for her. She constructed Farakka embankment to turn East Pakistan into a desert. This time again she took recourse to a new strategy to destroy East Pakistan by sending armed infiltrators. Mr. Choudhury posed a question how it would be to India if Pakistan interfere in the affairs of West Bengal. Mr. Choudhury categorically declared that Pakistan believes in peaceful co-existence with all her neighbours, including India but if war was thrust upon us by India, she will face serious consequences. He appealed to people to follow the ideology of Pakistan faithfully. He praised president General Yahya Khan, for his timely action. He also eulogised the role of the Pakistan Army in throwing out the infiltrators.

### **Razakars exhorted**

Mr. Choudhury exhorted the Razakars to work faithfully and to use their training fruitfully.

Mr. Abdus Salam Ex-provincial Minister made a fervent appeal to the people to make united effort to foil the Indian bid to destroy Pakistan. He praised the role of the Armed Forces of Pakistan.

The meeting was also addressed by Mr. Nazmul Hussain, member, District Peace Committee and Mr. Abdul Bari member, sub-divisional Peace Committee, Moulana Hasunullah recited one appealing Tarana in Urdu.

The meeting was organised by the sub-divisional peace committee, Sadar. A number of big processions came to the town chanting slogans of Pakistan Zindabad and Quaid-e-Azam Zindabad. A large number of Razakars attending the meeting took a vow to eliminate the miscreants.

### **Islam alone can save Pakistan, says Yousuf**

Mr. A.N.M. Yousuf, General Secretary of East Pakistan provincial Muslim League has said that Pakistan came into being on the basis of Islam and it could be saved only by Islamic ideology and brotherhood, reports APP.

Addressing the members and office-bearers of the city Muslim League Organising Committee, he said people had now realised that fascist activities of the miscreants were fully responsible for the upheavels and our nation. He appealed to the people to stand united to weed out all the traces of the miscreants and work wholeheartedly for maintaining the solidarity and integrity of Pakistan. He also called upon the workers of his party to join the "Razakars Party" to root out the anti-social forces and miscreants from our soil.

The meeting in a resolution paid tributes to the Pakistan Armed Forces for their timely action in saving the country from the clutches of the miscreants and anti-state elements.

In another resolution the meeting offered its condolence for those who were killed by the miscreants throughout the province.

### **Islamic principles only way to avert present crisis**

Dr. Nazir Ahmed, MNA-elect has said that not lip services but strict adherence to Islamic principles can save the country from the present crisis, reports APP.

He was addressing an intelligentsia meeting held under the auspices of the Tangail Jamaat-e-Islami last Sunday evening at the local public library Hall, says Jamaati press release.

Referring to the present situation in East Pakistan Dr. Nazir Ahmed said that India through her agents had been trying to completely stop the economic activities of East Pakistan.

He appealed to the public to face the trouble-creators boldly and frustrate their misdeeds.

Raja Mohd. Basharat, while addressing the meeting, said that every true Muslim has a particular mission of life and that is to achieve the satisfaction of Allah Almighty. Pakistan was achieved to establish Islamic law, order and justice, he said.

He said that the outlawed Awami League and its leader tried to dismember Pakistan under the garb of the affection the people's autonomy of East Pakistan.

Maulana Abdul Jabbar, Organising Secretary of the East Pakistan Jamaat-e-Islami also addressed the meeting. He said in order to safeguard the ideology, integrity and solidarity of Pakistan the patriotic people should be united and work sincerely. Earlier the Jamaat leaders addressed a worker's meeting.

The Jamaat leaders also visiting Momenshahi District on 26th and 27th July and addressed several meetings.

During their tour of the above two districts the Jamaat leaders have found people working with a new zeal for restoration of economic activities.

### **India accused of providing arms to infiltrators**

Islamabad (PPJ)

India is certainly providing weapons and explosives to the so-called "Mukti Fouj" operating from the base on the Indian soil.

According to a report in Economist London of July 17 "India is Known to be giving to Mukti-Fouj the guerrillas in East Pakistan some help. But how much help, neither party is eager to reveal," The report adds.

It says 'Sanctuary, invaluable to all guerrillas is certainly being granted and perhaps covering fire in the Indian border security forces.'

Referring to the "bridge blowing" the report says "Even those of the guerrillas who were previously a regular part of the Pakistan Army had no training with explosives and since they have recently pulled off some bridge blowing. It is likely that Indian sippers have been providing the explosives and knowledge."

"The Indian Authorities," the report says, "have returned all of the arms to the "Mukti Fouj" which were seized earlier from them. Besides, the Indians have also supplied them three inch mortars, pen grenades, mine and other small arms.

The report hints at the possibility of supply of surplus stocks of foreign made weapons by India to the guerrillas because, "They are inhabited with the fear that arms with Indian markings would prove Pakistan and expose them.

The report also refers to the communal trouble in India and says that as a result of tension "several thousand refugees have been forced back into East Pakistan from Assam."

A slightest incident could spark off rioting against the 60 million Indian Muslims, the report adds.

Refferring to the war like statements of the Indian leaders, the report says, first it was hoped that Pakistani economy will break, then it was hoped that the monsoon will let down the Pakistan army and help the "Mukti Fouj" "but now there is a wild talk about a war being cheaper than feeding of refugee."

The Indian Government, the report adds, seems to be undecided what to do.

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