



Chief Martial Law Administrator Lt. Gen. H. M. Ershad, addressing a mammoth gathering at Begumganj

Students urged to keep away from politics

CHAUMOHANI (Noakhala) Sept. 26: The Chief Martial Law Administrator, Lt. Gen. H. M. Ershad today reiterated his call to the students to devote themselves to the pursuit of knowledge and keep away from party politics, reports BSS.

Addressing the students of Chaumohani College here the CMLA reminded the students that their prime and basic responsibilities are to acquire knowledge to grow as worthy citizens.

He, however, said it is natural that the students will keep themselves abreast with the socio-economic and political developments of the country. But they should not involve themselves in party politics which is harmful to their lives and future, he added.

Gen. Ershad urged the students not to be misguided by the vested interests who are utilising them for their selfish ends.

The students cheered the CMLA as he told them "you are like my children and I am doing everything possible for your welfare as parents do for their children."

He said the Government has been making allout efforts to create more facilities and opportunities for the students and en-

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sure a secured future for them. "You should come to me and strengthen my hand to build a new Bangladesh," he told the students.

Gen. Ershad advised the students to help the Government in maintaining proper academic atmosphere in educational institutions.

Recalling his student life in an emotion-choked voice he said "we were obedient to our teachers and parents and respected them from the core of our hearts." The present generation should also create an ideal teacher-student relationship following the examples of those golden days, he added.

The CMLA once again urged the students to go to the rural areas during their vacations and participate in development activities of their respective areas. "You must stand by the side of the rural people who are striving hard to build a new life under the guidelines provided by the present Government," he added.

Gen. Ershad advised the students to take up development programmes in their localities and said, "I will be with you to work for implementation of such programmes."

Amidst thunderous applause the CMLA announced that the college will be made a Government college. He also announced that a hostel for the girl students of the college will be constructed.

Local Government, Co-operative and Religious Affairs Minister Mahbubur Rahman also spoke on the occasion.

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