

Press Release

O Hasina! No reason to be overjoyed seeing the apparent forsaking of Khaleda by her American masters, because your British-Indian masters will forsake you likewise

On 8 February 2018, the graft case conviction of the opposition leader Khaleda Zia proved that there is no last word in the politics of serving imperialist interests. We should not be fooled into thinking that Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina pursued the corruption case of Khaleda for the sake of nation, because she herself is no less corrupted. Rather, on guidance from her British-Indian masters, she is using the judicial system to remove Khaleda from politics, the agent of another imperialist, America, and it is but another move in the continuing Anglo-American conflict for global dominance. To eliminate British-European influence, America has been using her agent rulers, examples of which we have observed in the recent anti-corruption drive in Saudi Arabia, in Qatar and in the Lebanon crisis, and in Yemen. These imperialists forsake their agents when they are of no more use, or when they do not have the capacity to save them, just like a used-up tissue paper is thrown away into the dustbin. Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, Qaddafi of Libya, Saddam of Iraq, Saleh of Yemen, etc., are some of the self-evident examples of that; but, the rulers in the Muslim world still do not learn from history. America did not stand beside Khaleda because they have vested in India the role of caretaker for their regional interest. Therefore, Hasina has no reason to be overjoyed, because her British-Indian masters will forsake her in the same way when they have achieved their interests or if it gets beyond her masters capacity to save their agent. The Awami-BNP regimes should know that interest is the last word for their imperialist masters, and they are not friends of anyone.

We should not be fooled into thinking that Hasina has proven that law is above all, or that Khaleda has shown respect to law, and thus accepted conviction and went to jail; because, these regimes use the judicial system to monopolize their power, to get indemnity for their crimes, to suppress the opposition politics and opinion, to suppress the sincere political force of Islam, and above all, to get indemnity of their tyranny against the people. So, in order to maintain this culture, they have to stage this drama of respecting the judicial system, because in the future, BNP will need this same judicial system against the Awami ruling class.

O People! How many times will you be deceived by these regimes! They have chanted the cheap slogans of nationalism, patriotism, muktijuddher chetona, Vision 2020, so called democracy of development, Vision 2030, Digital Bangladesh, but they have given people only murder-abduction, corruption-looting, extreme poverty, women's oppression, ruination of the education system, imperialist dominance, weakening of the defence system, all out cooperation with the imperialist in their war against Islam, etc. In nearly three decades of politics and ruling, they have given the people nothing but hatred and division. So, do not be fooled by their cheap slogans of maintaining democracy or regaining democracy. Rasulallah (saw) said, «لَا يُلْدَغُ الْمُؤْمِنُ» «**A believer is not bitten in the same hole twice.**»

They are continuously engaging the people in cheap debates to divert the people's attention from the real problems. Previously, they engaged the people in the cheap debates of Election under Hasina as per Constitution vs. Election under Caretaker government, or Dialogue, and now they have brought the new debate of Election with vs. Election without Khaleda, whereas, an election with or without Hasina-Khaleda has nothing to do with people's interest, and will not bring any real change in the circumstances of people. Until democracy is

'minus' from the politics and ruling of Bangladesh, regimes like Hasina-Khaleda will continue to emerge, who will exceed their ancestors in looting, corruption, killing people, serving imperialists and cooperation with the Kafir-Musrik in their war against Islam, and many more crimes. Because, in the name of various freedoms like personal freedom, freedom of opinion, freedom of ownership and religious freedom, the secular democratic system produces rulers who exercise and enjoy such freedoms that make them tyrants, as we are observing in Hasina and many others regimes. The so-called freedom makes man a slave of his desires, makes him thoughtless, so he fulfils his corrupted interests and spreads tyranny in the nation. Allah (swt) says: ﴿أَفَرَأَيْتَ مَنِ اتَّخَذَ إِلَهَهُ هَوَاهُ﴾ **“Have you seen he who has taken as his god his [own] desire”** [Surah Al-Jathiya: 23].

On the other hand, Islam has a defined and unchangeable ruling system, which has been revealed and set by Allah (swt), where the responsibility of the ruler, that is, the Khalifah (Caliph) is to implement and safeguard the system properly, and he considers himself not 'free' but rather the slave of Almighty Allah (swt), and it is for the pleasure of Allah (swt) and the desire to be in Jannah that motivates the ruler to establish justice on people. Rulers like Abu Bakr (ra) and Umar (ra) emerge, who bring justice not only for the Muslims but also for the whole humankind.

O People! Do not fall in the trap of vain debates of these regimes, but rather recognize this democratic system and the secular ruling class as the real problem, and demand from the sincere military officers to remove this and to establish the Khilafah Rashida (Righteous Caliphate). Meet the officers who are your father-uncle, brother-son and relative-acquaintance, and keep pressure on them, because they have the tools in their hands to bring change, i.e. military power, by which they are capable of easily removing the present ruling class and this democratic system. It is a responsibility on their shoulder, because they took oath to protect the country, its people and Islam. So, they have to come forward from this sense of responsibility toward the people and Islam, and not to establish military rule, but rather to transfer power to the sincere leadership of **Hizb ut Tahrir** who are working with devotion to establish the Khilafah Rashida.

O Military Officers! We call upon the courageous men amongst you, those of you who are sincere and loyal to Islam and the people: Do not forsake Islam and the people in exchange of worldly gains which are only temporary. Fulfill the oath that you took to protect the interest of the people and the country. You did not take oath to protect any tyrant who is serving your enemy. Otherwise, just as now you are humiliated seeing the inauguration of a cantonment in the name of the tyrant Hasina, killer of your sincere and brilliant officers, tomorrow you might be humiliated to inaugurate another cantonment in the name of some other tyrant. Do not forsake Islam and the Muslims for misplaced loyalties or obeying illegitimate orders. **Hizb ut Tahrir** and the people are calling you to the Call of Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw). So ignore every other call, demand and order. Respond to the demand of the people, and above all, obey the command of Allah (swt) and His Messenger (saw). Fulfill your duty as Muslims by providing the material support in removing the tyrant Hasina and the Awami-BNP regimes and establishing the Khilafah.

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اسْتَجِيبُوا لِلَّهِ وَلِلرَّسُولِ إِذَا دَعَاكُمْ لِمَا يُحْيِيكُمْ﴾

“O you who believe! Answer the call of Allah and His Messenger when He calls you to that which gives you life...” [Surah Al-Anfal: 24]

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