

Press Release

In the Midst of “Lock Down” the Crisis of Food Relief and Mass Looting of Relief have Exposed the Deceptive and Ugly Face of the Systematic Corruption of this Government

Abolishing the Tyranny-Producing Secular Democracy by Reestablishing the Second Righteous Khilafah (Caliphate) is the only Path left to rescue the People in Bangladesh

In Bangladesh, when in the midst of “Lock Down” the people are suffering from severe crisis of food relief, mass looting of relief items is going on throughout the country, and all of this widespread corruption is taking place behind Hasina’s political rhetoric and phenomenal art of deception. In the context of the widespread “Lock Down” imposed to restrict the transmission of the novel Corona virus, the government announced relief allocation of over 30 thousand tons of rice and around Taka 220 million in cash supposedly to aid the people of low income in various districts. Moreover, through video-conferencing, Sheikh Hasina ingeniously ordered to prepare a list of daily wage-earners, rickshaw pullers, transport workers etc. so that no one remains hungry (Dhaka Tribune, 31 March, 2020). Although she frequently tries to remind the people forcefully about prosperous Bangladesh with such rhetoric: “Everyone will get a prosperous life, no one will be left hungry and homeless, and no one will suffer without treatment...” (Daily Prothom Alo, 25 March 2019), by now everyone is aware that her habitual lying is only deception, not for protecting people from misery. Otherwise, even after Hasina’s “stern warning” (!) of taking actions for misusing food aid of the poor, how come mass looting is still going on while thousands of vulnerable poor are coming out on the road every day for getting no food aid from the local government even after going to offices and houses of local representatives (Dhaka Tribune, 16 April, 2020)?

Fact of the matter is that there has been hardly any real relief distribution taking place for the poor other than false promises and rhetoric by the treacherous government. There is no doubt that some reliefs and funds are disbursed every day through district and upazila administration, but they are mostly for looting by the government-backed politicians, councilors, members, and chairmen. While ruling party people are busy with their fake, pre-arranged photo shoots of the relief distribution works for creating hype in the social media, in reality, old farmers are getting beaten up by their chairman for calling the government hotline (333) for food aid (Dhaka Tribune, 14 April, 2020). And whatever few arrests of ruling party men are taking place for misusing food aid are in fact made scapegoat in order to safeguard the big fishes as well as the rotten image of the regime. The same way Hasina let a certain elites of her party make fortunes by means of the so-called ‘development projects’, she has also now taken this ‘systematic corruption’ to the remotest corners to rehabilitate the rest of the corrupt party men.

O People! Hizb ut Tahrir will never be tired in reminding you that as long as secular Democracy remains, such menace of corruption also prevails. This flawed ruling system, which assigns the right of legislation to man, naturally attracts the most corrupt and greedy towards power for their quest of amassing huge amounts of wealth. Corruption of secular rulers can only be dealt with by bringing back the second Khilafah Rashidah (rightly guided Caliphate) on the method of the Prophethood under which no one have the authority to legislate - people are only allowed to implement what have already been determined by Quran and Sunnah.

O Muslims! Strive hard for that promised Khilafah, which will produce rulers like Umar ibn al-Khattab, may Allah be pleased with him, who said, *لو أن جملا أو قال شاة أو قال حملا، هلك بشط الفرات، لخشيت أن يسألني الله عنه* “If a lost sheep under my care were to die on the banks of the Euphrates, I would expect Allah the Exalted to question me about it on the Day of Resurrection.” (Hilyat al-Awliyā).

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