

Newspaper editors urged to mobilise public opinion against terrorism, anarchy

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Online Desk: Information and Broadcasting Minister Dr Hasan Mahmud has called upon the editors of national dailies to mobilise public opinion against terrorism and anarchy.

At the same time, he suggested to file cases against the torture and repression on journalists.

Dr Hasan Mahmud, who is also the Awami League Joint General Secretary, made the call while exchanging opinions with the editors of different national dailies at his office at the secretariat in the capital on Wednesday (November 1).

He said ill efforts are going on to create an indiscipline and anarchic situation in the country. “An anarchic situation was created by BNP in the name of grand rally in Dhaka city on October 28 last and, in fact, attacks were carried out on the state. Attacks on the residence of chief justice, hospital and Judges Complex have never happened before. The attackers on the state were identified, and they were the leaders and workers of BNP-Jamaat. We can’t avoid our responsibility by terming it a mere politics, and it will be a historic mistake.”

The meeting was attended by The Daily Observer editor Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury, Dainik Amader Shomoy’s emeritus editor Naimul Islam Khan, Bhorer Kagoj editor Shyamol Dutta, Kaler Kantho editor Shahed Mohammad Ali, Daily Sun’s chief editor Enamul Huq Chowdhury, Bhorer Daak editor Belayet Hossain, Dainik Kalbela editor Santosh Sharma, Desh Rupantor acting editor Mostofa Mamun, Bangladesh Bulletin acting editor Rafiqul Islam Ratan, Amader Shomoy’s executive editor Mainul Alam, Protidin Bangladesh editor Mustafiz Shafi, Ajkaler Khobor editor Faruque Ahmed Talukder, Sangbad Protidin acting editor Rimon Mahfuz, Protiner Sangbad acting editor Mahbubur Rahman, Bangladesher Alo editor Mofizur Rahman Khan Babu, Bangladesh Today editor Jobayer Alam, Daily People’s Life editor Azizul Islam Bhuiyan, Amader Notun Shomoy editor Nasima Khan Monty and Dainik Bhorer Akash advisory editor Motahar Hossain.

The editors condemned attacks on journalists and condemned indulging in terrorism in the name of politics. They also pledged to continue their writings against such terrorist acts.