Elections Must Be Held at the Start of the New Year: Nurul Haq Nur



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Nurul Haq Nur, president of the Ganadhikar Parishad, believes that the national elections should be conducted in the first month of the new year. He stated, “Delaying the elections will further complicate issues related to justice and reform.” He made these remarks during a meeting held at the National Press Club on Wednesday (29 October).

Nur said that the current government is seeking excuses to postpone the elections, while the people are eagerly awaiting change. “Any delay until February is unnecessary,” he added.

He also alleged, “Dr. Yunus has granted certain political parties special privileges under the ‘A’ category, while the Ganadhikar Parishad has been placed in the ‘B’ and ‘C’ categories—which is completely unjust.” He claimed that while consulting with the BNP, an experienced party in governance, may be reasonable, equating Jamaat and NCP with them is an example of political bias.

Nur further stated, “Those who risked their lives to fight injustice are being placed in lower categories, while supporters of fascism are given high status—this is deceit.”

He raised concerns about the functioning of the judiciary as well. “Hundreds of bail approvals have been granted within a few hours by a single judge—such incidents are creating public suspicion,” he said. He added, “Support for the judiciary should not be blind; reasonable questions must be asked.”

Nur also called for bringing to justice those who exploited the spirit of popular uprisings or were involved in plundering under the guise of the business class. “The responsibility does not end with prosecuting only those who took part in street protests,” he noted.

Criticizing the government led by Dr. Yunus, Nur said, “This administration has created divisions among students and engaged in deceit. We supported them with trust, but they did not honor that trust. Students brought change with their blood, yet their contributions have been ignored.”

Regarding the government’s repressive policies, he said, “Even during Hasina’s tenure, we did not face such levels of persecution as we do now. This injustice must also be addressed.”

Finally, he called for creating a free and acceptable election environment through dialogue involving all political parties. He emphasized that “those in the judiciary, administration, and military who have supported fascism must also be held accountable.”