Attorney General Envisions a Constitution of Unity and Justice



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Attorney General Mohammad Asaduzzaman has said that he dreams of a constitution where no citizen will have to mourn the loss of loved ones to violence. He called upon all to move forward in unity by embracing the spirit of the July Uprising.

Speaking at a seminar titled “July Uprising and Constitutional Reconstruction: Bangladesh of the Youth’s Aspirations” held at Rajshahi University’s Senate Building on Saturday, the Attorney General emphasized the need for a constitutional framework that values every martyr’s sacrifice.

“We want to reach a constitutional position where the blood of every martyr will be honored,” he said. Referring to the former regime as a dictatorship, he noted that its fall paved the way for a new independent Bangladesh. This new state, he asserted, must be built on a well-organized structure.

Citing the sacrifices made during the July Uprising, Asaduzzaman mentioned that over 1,500 people were martyred and more than 30,000 were permanently disabled. In the past 17 years, more than 5,000 people were victims of extrajudicial killings, while 6 million citizens faced politically motivated cases, of which 99% were filed by the police.

However, he expressed pride that no incidents of enforced disappearance had been reported in the past year. He further connected the July Uprising to the spirit of the 1971 Liberation War.

The Attorney General also revealed that around 30,000 people had been forcibly disappeared in earlier times, and trials against those responsible are now set to begin. He reiterated his firm stance: “My vote is mine; I will give it to whomever I want. No matter the obstacles, this principle will be established.”

Presiding over the seminar, Rajshahi University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saleh Hasan Nakib stressed that the key to solving the nation’s problems lies in quality education. “A great constitution can prevent many wrongs, but it alone cannot build a beautiful state,” he said.

He described the July–August uprising as a new opportunity, encouraging people to break free from outdated traditions and embrace fresh thinking. The VC added that true patriotism is proven through work, not merely by listening to patriotic songs.

The seminar was also attended by Dhaka University’s Dean of Law, Prof. Ekramul Islam, Rajshahi University’s Pro-Vice Chancellor (Education) Dr. Farid Uddin, alongside faculty members and hundreds of students.