Detainees break hunger strike

The detainees in Dillibazaar Prison Branch have, today, finally broken the hunger strike that they have been staging for long. Following the National Human Rights Commission's concerted efforts and government's positive response on their demands about prison conditions and detainees' rights they announced to this effect in the presence of Dr. K. B. Rokaya, a member of NHRC, and other human rights workers.

NHRC has recommended government many times regarding the physical conditions of prison, detainees' rights and humanitarian aspects of prison, after the monitoring of various prisons of the country including Dillibazar Prison Branch. Lately, Commission received the report of the Prison Reforms High Level Recommendation Committee from the government and made necessary recommendations to the government in this connection.

The detainees of Dillibazar Prison Branch also informed the Commission that they would urge the detainees staging similar strikes in other prisons of the country to call it off. The Commission is also making its efforts to this end.

The Commission would also like to remind the government for the full implementation of its recommendations with regard to prison reforms and detainees rights.

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