

Staff reporter

Pro-BNP student leaders of Ducsu and All Party Students Unity (Apsu) of the 90s on Monday announced to hold a convention in the city on December 18, claiming that BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia will give directions from it to ensure the fall of the current regime.

The convention will be held at the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh with the participation of the student leaders of Ducsu and Apsu of the 90s, elected representatives of the students unions of different colleges of the country and current student leaders, said former Ducsu VP Aman Ullah Aman.

He came up with the announcement at a press conference at the Jatiya Press Club, saying they will take a vow from the convention to unseat the current regime in a very short time like that of ouster of autocrat HM Ershad in 1990.

“A fascist regime, worse than that of the 90s autocrat, is now gobbling up the entire nation like an octopus. This situation can’t be allowed to continue and can’t be accepted in any way. People want to get rid of it as soon as possible,” he said.

Aman, also a BNP joint secretary general further said, “We’ve decided to hold a convention of the current student leaders and that of the 90s on December 18, like one we’d arranged on October 1, 1990 that hastened the fall of autocratic ruler HM Ershad. BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia will give outlines from the convention for the ouster of the fascist regime.”

He said there is no democracy and the rule of law in the country as the Awami League has put the last nail in the coffin of democracy through holding the January-5 election.

Asked whether any student body apart from Chhatra Dal will join the convention, Aman said some student organizations like Ganotantrik Chhatra League and Jagpa Chhatra League will participate in it.

Replying to another question whether Islami Chhatra Shibir will be there in the convention, he parried the question saying most of the student organisations of anti-Ershad Apsu of the 90s will join it.

Islami Chhatra Shibir, the student associate body of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami, was not there in the 90s Apsu.

Referring to BNP chairperson Khaleda Zia’s announcement that she will be there in the frontline of the movement this time to pull down the current monstrous regime, the BNP leader said they want to return home only after overthrowing the Awami League-led government under her leadership.