Opposition Party discriminated against: Jamaat Ameer

Jamaat Ameer Dr. Shafiqur Rahman. Photo: collected

Opposition Leader and Jamaat-e-Islami Ameer Dr. Shafiqur Rahman has alleged that the opposition is facing discrimination in various areas both inside and outside Parliament. He said they are being deprived of a significant portion of the rights they are entitled to as an opposition party.

Dr. Shafiqur Rahman made the remarks on Tuesday (August 25) during his first visit to the National Citizens Party (NCP) office in Banglamotor, Dhaka.

The Opposition Leader said the nation is currently going through a crucial period in its history. He said the aspiration to build a discrimination-free Bangladesh, with which the journey began, has not yet been fulfilled.

Despite various questions surrounding the election, the opposition accepted the results in the national interest. However, he alleged that the government is treating the opposition and the people of the country discriminatorily in various areas. He said such discrimination would not be accepted by the opposition.

He further said the opposition is being deprived of its rights both inside and outside Parliament. Compared with the allocations made for the ruling party, the allocations for the opposition in the country's development activities are very low, he said. He also alleged that a similar form of discrimination is being practiced against members of the reserved women's seats.

The Jamaat Ameer also criticized the government over the implementation of the referendum verdict. He alleged that before the election, the government had agreed to hold the referendum, but changed its position on the issue after the voting ended.