No Compromise on the ‘Shapla’ Symbol: NCP



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Calling upon the Election Commission (EC), Nasiruddin Patwary said, “Add the ‘Shapla’ (water lily) to the list immediately and ensure NCP’s rightful recognition. We have been deliberately delayed to benefit the BNP–Jamaat alliance and suppress the power of the people.”

Issuing a warning, he added, “Such games must stop. Otherwise, we will be compelled to launch a democratic movement and force your resignation in front of the Election Commission.”

At the seminar, NCP’s senior joint convener Samanta Sharmin claimed that by excluding the ‘Shapla’ and listing ‘Shapla Kali’ (water lily bud) instead, the EC is exerting psychological pressure on their party. She alleged that the decision was made without any legal or constitutional explanation. According to her, a fair election is impossible without a reformation of the EC.

Other speakers at the event included NCP’s senior joint member secretary Tasnim Zara, joint member secretary Zahirul Islam Musa, and joint convener Khaled Saifullah. The session was presided over by Md. Tariqul Islam, convener of the National Youth Force.