



Lt.-Gen. A. A. K. Niazi, Commander, Eastern Command and Deputy Martial Law Administrator, Zone 'B', talking informally to the people of Bogra on Friday.

Gen. Niazi lauds selfless efforts of people

Lieut. General A. A. K. Niazi, Commander, Eastern Command and Deputy Martial Law Administrator, Zone 'B' Friday appreciated the selfless and devoted efforts of the people of Bogra in preserving the integrity and solidarity of Pakistan.

Gen. Niazi was addressing a joint meeting of members of Peace Committee and elite of the area who had assembled there to greet the General.

Gen. Niazi, who was accompanied by the GOC, was on a one-day visit to the area to see the defensive deployment of troops along the western border.

Talking to the people, Gen. Niazi said: "You are doing a valuable service to the nation." He added that service to the Islamic State of Pakistan was, in fact, service of Islam and God would certainly reward them for their noble deeds.

General Niazi reminded the people of the glorious past of the Muslims and said that they had achieved splendid glory by following injunctions of Islam and "we, too can aspire for the same if we honestly practice precepts of Islam."

Gen. Niazi also cautioned the people against the elements who play in the hands of the enemy to the detriment of their national interest. He quoted instances from Muslim history to show that such elements always undermined the unity and strength of Muslims.

Gen. Niazi added: "Those who are maltreating our women and children in the refugee camps and are disrupting our means of communication to ruin our economy cannot be the well-wishers of the people." On this, the people raised full-throated slogans expressing their determination to crush the enemies of Pakistan.

Gen. Niazi appreciated the people's enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. He also commended their co-operation with the armed forces in the defence of the country.

After the meeting, Gen. Niazi went to the Martial Law Headquarters where he was briefed on the law and order situation and normal functioning in all walks of life.

Later, Gen. Niazi visited troops in the border area. He talked to them informally and enquired about their welfare. He found them confident and cheerful.

During the visit, Gen. Niazi was told by the local Commander that the task of the armed forces in the area was greatly facilitated by active co-operation of the people. He also said that a large number of people were offering themselves for enrolment as Razakars and Mujahids.

Gen. Niazi returned to Dacca in the afternoon.

Jail break attempt 9 Naxalites killed in W. Bengal

ASANSOL (India) Aug. 6.—Nine Naxalite prisoners were killed during an unsuccessful jail break attempt in this West Bengal industrial town yesterday, reports Reuter.

Jail officials said five other prisoners and eight warders were injured in the second major jail break attempt in India in two weeks.

They said the extremists broke open their cells yesterday morning and tried to escape over the roof by overpowering warders on duty.

Sixteen Naxalites died in an armed bid to escape from the Hazaribagh Central Jail in Northern Bihar state on July 25.

Yesterday's deaths took the toll in prison rioting and escape attempts in Bihar and West Bengal in the past three months to at least 47. There were six incidents.



Apollo 15 commander David R. Scott, trips over a rock between his feet, (left photo) and stretches out his arms as he starts to fall. He finally tumbles (right