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## Vow to fight corruption with Ekushey spirit

TIB holds discussion in Satkhira

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Speakers at a discussion here yesterday vowed to fight corruption unitedly from society with the spirit of Ekushey.

The discussion titled, 'Corruption is Contrary to Ekushey Perception,' was jointly organised by Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) and Sachetan Nagarik Committee (conscious citizen's committee) to mark the International Mother Language Day.

Held at Satkhira Bar Association Auditorium, the discussion was chaired by its convenor AKM Shahidullah.

Language veteran and Bangladesh Teachers' Associations Federation president Sheikh Amanullah was present as chief guest.

Paying glowing tributes to the language martyrs, the discussants termed corruption against the spirit of Ekushey'.

They said that previously honest people were involved in politics but now-a-days corrupt people and black money holders control politics. Devoted politicians are ignored because black money is a major factor in winning a election, they said.

Speakers said, widespread corruption in every sphere of life is hampering the growth of development in the country. They stressed on participation of young people in uprooting corruption with the spirit of Ekushey.

They urged people, especially members of the civil society to uproot corruption from the society once for all.

They alleged that due to unhealthy politics, development of the country is being hampered greatly.

They blamed rich businessmen for vitiating the atmosphere of politics. Most of the political parties of the country nominate them to contest polls because they donate a major amount of money to the party fund, speakers said.

They said that corruption is increasing day by day in all spheres of life due to unhealthy trend in politics.

They called for containing corruption and all sorts of irregularities including price hike of essentials to protect the country from

ruination.

They alleged that politicisation of administration was behind massive corruption in the country.

Among others, Principal Asit Kumar Majumdar, Anisur Rahim, Pabitra Mohon Das and Palu Bashar addressed.