

Osman Hadi's Death and the West's Favorite Myth of "Democratic Discipline"

News:

The killing of Sharif Osman Hadi has plunged Bangladesh into one of its most volatile moments since the dramatic political upheaval of 2024. As protests enter their second day, with roads blocked and buildings set ablaze—including the offices of leading newspapers—the country finds itself navigating a delicate balance between public anger, political accountability, and democratic restraint. The tragedy has exposed deep fault lines in Bangladesh's post-Hasina political landscape, raising urgent questions about justice, sovereignty, and the future of political expression. ("Sharif Osman Hadi's Death: Bangladesh-India At A Crossroads", [euraisareview](#), December 23, 2025)

Comment:

The op-ed's concluding plea for "democratic discipline" to safeguard mass mobilization that fueled the 2024 movement is not just a misreading; it's an ideological deception. This narrative, imported and then echoed here, tries to neutralize a revolution by tethering it to the same corrupt secular system people rose up against. Hadi didn't die for procedural democracy; he was killed by it. His power came from exposing the hollow core of our politics—a game run by secular elites and their foreign backers. His 'Inqilab Moncho' mobilized millions for a radical reimagining: a society rooted in Islamic justice (insaf), sovereign dignity against Indian hegemony, and a flat rejection of capitalist greed and political elitism.

To suggest his mission needed the "protection" of the institutions that silenced him is absurd. Which ones? A court system that still fails the powerless, even now that Hasina is gone? A political stage owned by the same secular clowns and bankrolled from the West? A secular framework designed to sideline the faith of the Muslim majority, while Islam itself remains under constant attack in this 'new' Bangladesh?

Hadi's elimination was not a failure of these institutions to protect democracy; it was their successful function in protecting the status quo. The real lesson is the bankruptcy of the Western democratic model here. In our context, "democracy" is often a managed facade, used to legitimize regimes serving foreign interests and local oligarchs while suppressing real, faith-driven mobilization. Justice won't come from appealing to these corrupted pillars. Hadi's cause—sovereign dignity, Islamic justice, and liberation from foreign dominion—can only be realized by tearing down the Western-sponsored political order for good. Honoring him means rejecting the deceptive call for "discipline" within this broken game of secular democracy. His struggle was a call for 'inqlab' (revolution) not for repairing a system designed to fail the people. The way out of this deceptive democracy—designed to captivate and subjugate—is to return to our natural abode: the Caliphate, established on the method of the Prophethood.

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