'15th Amendment a conspiracy to establish one-party system'

The 15th Amendment to the constitution is a high-level conspiracy to establish a one-party state, the BNP alleged on Thursday.

“Chief Justice ABM Khairul Huq helped the government move toward a one-party system through the 15th amendment to the constitution. It was a naked conspiracy at the highest level to move forward on a one-party ruling system.

“This has been made clear before the public again by incumbent chief justice SK Sinha,” Ruhul Kabir Rizvi, joint secretary general of the party, told journalists at a press briefing at the party’s Nayapaltan headquarters.

“Khairul Huq took Tk10 lakh from the prime minister for his treatment and to get the law commission chairmanship. He wrote the verdict and signed it after his retirement,” Rizvi alleged.

Chief Justice SK Sinha recently said: “Some judges take a long time to write their judgements. Others continue writing their verdicts even after retirement, a practice that is against the law and the Constitution.”

Sinha said a judge is an ordinary citizen after retirement.

“Court papers are official documents. A judge loses his authority to keep them, review them, prepare judgements and sign on them after retirement,” he said.