

2.2. Legislative changes and other decisions

Soon after the fall of the former government, the interim government ratified the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CED),[97](#) and also issued an 'immunity order' for protesters, who 'will not face prosecution, arrest, or harassment for their acts' in the period 15 July–8 August 2024.[98](#) It furthermore lifted a recent ban on the political party Jamaat-e-Islami,[99](#) while banning the Chhatra League.[100](#)

Later the interim government also temporarily banned all activities of the Awami League under the Anti-Terrorism Act.[101](#) The Election Commission consequently barred the Awami League from running in elections.[102](#) This prohibition is reportedly 'temporary', and the interim government also amended the International Crimes (Tribunal) Act of 1973, 'which gives the Tribunal broad powers to prosecute and dismantle political organizations'.[103](#) Meanwhile, the Supreme Court lifted its election ban on Jamaat-e-Islami.[104](#)

The Women and Children Repression Prevention Act has also been amended, inter alia to speed up trials on rape cases.[105](#)

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