





Mahmud Tuku arrived at the rally at around 4 PM, just before the incident, while district and upazila BNP leaders were addressing the crowd.

Tarash Upazila BNP President S M Afsar Ali stated, "After a two-year absence, many activists gathered to catch a glimpse of Tuku Bhai. The stage couldn't bear the weight of so many people, leading to its collapse, resulting in injuries to about 20-25 of us."

The stage collapsed during the speech of Amirul Islam Alim, the co-organizational secretary of the Rajshahi Division BNP. At that moment, several leaders were present on the stage, including district BNP Vice President Nazmul Hasan Talukdar Rana, Joint Secretary Rashedul Hasan Ranjan, Tarash Upazila BNP President S M Afsar Ali, and General Secretary Aminur Rahman Tutu.

Among those present on stage were the chief guest Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku, former MP for Sirajganj-2 and district BNP President Romana Mahmud, Vice President Mojibur Rahman Lebu, and General Secretary Saidur Rahman Bacchu, among others.