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Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus agreed to increase connectivity with Azerbaijan aiming to boost trade and commerce and increase the exchange of scholarship programmes for students. The Chief Adviser also laid emphasis on opening an embassy of Azerbaijan in Dhaka and launching a direct flight between Dhaka and Baku when Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan Elnur Mammadov met him at the state guest house Jamuna in the capital yesterday.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus asked the police to revive people's trust in the force, saying that the law enforcement agency must have to play a significant role in holding a free and fair election. The Chief Adviser made the remarks while speaking at the inaugural session of Police Week-2025 at Rajarbagh Police Auditorium in Dhaka yesterday.

Finance Adviser Dr Salehuddin Ahmed said that the USA has shown a positive notion over its reciprocal tariff issue with Bangladesh. The Adviser said this while replying to a question after chairing two separate meetings on the Advisers Council Committee on Economic Affairs and the Advisers Council Committee on Government Purchase at the Cabinet Division Conference Room at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. Dr Salehuddin also said that during the different engagements with the US side, they have suggested Bangladesh to import LNG under a long-term contract.

Foreign Affairs Adviser Mohammad Touhid Hossain said that arrangements are underway to bring back former Prime Minister and BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia from London via air ambulance. Speaking to journalists at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Adviser said, the initiative follows a formal request from the BNP.

Home Adviser Lieutenant General Md Jahangir Alam Chowdhury (Retd.) called upon the Bangladesh Police to be a people-friendly force. The Adviser told Bangladesh police while exchanging views with police officers marking the Police Week-2025 at Bangladesh Police Auditorium of the Rajarbagh Police Lines yesterday. The Home Adviser also asked the police personnel to change the mindset of the people towards police force through good behaviour, expected services and honesty.

Information and Broadcasting Adviser Md. Mahfuj Alam said that there should be a law on the responsibility and ethics of journalists for the betterment of media people of the country. The Adviser said this at a discussion with editors and senior journalists of various media outlets on the reality of the media in the 15 years of fascism in the meeting room of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting at the Secretariat in the capital yesterday. The Adviser further said that there has been no major change in the newspapers during the current government. During the previous Awami government, many journalists had to lose their jobs, he said, adding that many newspapers were closed.

Earlier, Information and Broadcasting Adviser yesterday denied a report that the government banned the news broadcast of the private Deepto TV channel. The Ministry in a statement quoted the Adviser as saying at a function of itself.

Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) AMM Nasir Uddin said, the Election Commission (EC) is working to ensure the voting rights of expatriate Bangladeshis in the next parliamentary election, even if it is on a limited scale. The CEC made the remarks while addressing a seminar titled 'On development of voting for diaspora Bangladeshis' at the Election Commission auditorium yesterday, organized by the EC to explore mechanisms for allowing Bangladeshi citizens living abroad to vote in the upcoming 13th parliamentary election.

Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said, the interim government has not discussed about the so-called 'humanitarian corridor' with the United Nations (UN) or any other entity. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary told reporters, responding to a question over reports about the UN 'humanitarian corridor' to Rakhine State of Myanmar through Cox's Bazar. According to UNDP he said, the Rakhine state is facing an acute humanitarian situation.

A big business delegation from China will be visiting Bangladesh soon that manifests strong economic ties between the two countries, Foreign Secretary Md. Jashim Uddin said. The 100-member Chinese business delegation will be led by the Commerce Minister of China, UNB reports yesterday. Expressing satisfaction at the ease of visa, Foreign Secretary Md. Jashim Uddin underlined that the affordable airfare on Dhaka-Kunming flights would further encourage Bangladeshi patients to receive treatment in China. Bangladesh thanked the government of China for offering special medical treatment facilities for Bangladeshi patients in Kunming.

Convener of the Citizen's Platform for Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Dr. Debapriya Bhattacharya said, technical and vocational education will be key factors in addressing Bangladesh's challenges after graduating from the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) list. He said this while addressing the media briefing, titled 'Technical and Vocational Education in Bangladesh: Current Situation and Reform Thoughts' at the CPD office in the capital yesterday.

BanglaFact', a fact-checking and media research unit under the Press Institute of Bangladesh (PIB), yesterday said that the government did not shut down the Deepto TV's news bulletin. The topic 'The government has shut down Deepto TV's news bulletin for asking controversial questions' has spread on social media and this is not true, said the BanglaFact investigation team.

Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulatory Commission (BTRC) granted licenses to Starlink, in a major step toward expanding satellite-based internet services in Bangladesh. The telecom regulator handed over the licences to the representative of Starlink, a satellite internet service owned by SpaceX, which is a company founded and led by Elon Musk, following the approval of Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus the day before yesterday, according to a media release issued by the telecom regulator yesterday.

The DSE's prime index decreased by 17.17 points, closing at 4,935.62 points yesterday.


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