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Newsbrief

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Adviser Dr. Asif Nazrul said, the government is determined to complete the judicial process and ensure trial of all previously committed crimes against humanity by the fascist Sheikh Hasina-led government before next Victory Day. The Law Adviser said this while addressing the opening session of the second day of National Dialogue 2024 titled "Unity, Reform and Elections" organized by the Forum for Bangladesh Studies at the Krishi bid Institute in Dhaka's Khamarbari in Dhaka yesterday.

Interim government Adviser Mahfuj Alam said, though Bangladesh is expecting a reply from India regarding its request for former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's extradition. They heard that India would not return her. The Adviser said this when asked whether the issue was discussed or whether they have any observation regarding Hasina's stay in India. The adviser was talking to reporters after attending a foreign policy dialogue on "Establishing New Bangladesh: Internal Reforms and Foreign Policy" moderated by Foreign Secretary Md Jashim Uddin.

Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said, the government has no relation with initiative of the proclamation of July uprising by the Anti-Discrimination Student Movement on December 31. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary told a press conference in front of the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday.

Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kamal Azad Majumder said, the government decided to review the press accreditation cards issued to journalists. The Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary told a press conference in front of the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday.

BNP Standing Committee Member Mirza Abbas said, BNP demands election as it wants restoration of the people's voting rights. The BNP Standing Committee Member made this demand while addressing a views-exchange meeting of newly elected leaders of BNP's Dhaka City South unit with journalists at Ananda Community Center in the capital yesterday. The BNP Standing Committee Member reiterated his call to the interim government to hold the national election within reasonable time to meet the people's expectations.

Local Government Reform Commission will propose arranging polls of all local government bodies including city corporation, municipalities, upazilas and union parishads on the same day aimed at reducing the polls related expenditures. The Chairman of the Commission Dr. Tofayel Ahmed said this while exchanging views with the stakeholders on making the elections of local bodies fair and acceptable at a city hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

Malaysian High Commissioner in Dhaka Mohd Shuhada Othman called on Chief Adviser's Special Envoy on International Affairs Lutfey Siddiqi at Foreign Service Academy in Dhaka yesterday. Both the dignitaries discussed wide-ranging issues on Bangladesh-Malaysia relations, which included bilateral, regional and international issues of common interests, a press release said. The Special Envoy reiterated that Bangladesh attaches high importance to its relations to Malaysia in cementing their bilateral relations in various areas of cooperation and partnership in the last 53 years.

Chief Prosecutor of the International Crime Tribunal (ICT) Mohammad Tajul Islam said, the trial of main accused of the July mass killing will be completed within one year. The Chief Prosecutor of ICT said this while addressing the first session of a two-day dialogue on "From Enforced disappearance, murder to July Mass Killing-Challenges of Trial" at the auditorium of the Krishibid Institution Bangladesh (KIB) here. Forum for Bangladesh Studies organized the two-day dialogue on "Unity, Reforms and Election".

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Indian Immigration Police handed over seven Bangladeshi nationals, including Rahmatullah, a member banned militant group Jama'atul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB), through Benapole check post on Saturday. They returned after serving 4 years in Indian prison while Benapole Immigration Police received them and later shifted to the Benapole Port Police Station. Rahmatullah fled to India after he and his men attacked a prison van in Trishal of Mymensingh killing a policeman to snatch away three arrested JMB members. He was arrested by Indian Police in Kolkata city seven years back.

Two more dengue patients died and 572 patients were admitted to different hospitals in the country during the last 24 hours, according to a press release issued by the Directorate General of Health Services yesterday.

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