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## Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus directed the Ministries and departments concerned to quickly implement the recommendations of the Women's Affairs Reform Commission, which are implementable right now, aiming to remove discrimination against women. He gave the directives after receiving the report of the Women's Affairs Reform Commission at the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday. Members of the Women's Affairs Reform Commission, led by its chief Shireen Parveen Haque, handed over the report to the Chief Adviser.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus assured the Asian Network for Free Elections (ANFREL) that the interim government will host a free and fair election between December 2025 and June 2026. He said this when a delegation of ANFRE led by its Executive Director Brizza Rosales met him at the State Guest House Jamuna yesterday. During the meeting, the ANFREL shared its ongoing initiatives in Bangladesh, particularly its commitment to rebuilding independent, citizen-led election observation efforts.

Home Adviser Lieutenant General (Retd) Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury warned of stern actions against the police personnel who will be found inactive to prevent the fallen fascist Awami League from staging any form of political activities. The Adviser said this when he visited four police stations at Airport, Uttara West, Turag and Pallabi in the capital yesterday. The Adviser also said, the law and order is gradually improving and it will further improve with the passage of time.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan said, jute shopping bags will be distributed among people as an alternative to polythene shopping bags. She said this while speaking as the chief guest at a seminar on plastic pollution control and cleanliness campaign held at Senate Building of Dhaka University yesterday. In this regard, the Adviser said, coordinated efforts will be taken in collaboration with the Ministry of Textiles and Jute.

Calling for the end of leasing out haor areas in the greater interest of genuine fish farmers, Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhter said, haors are the rights of the locals and those must be protected. She said this while speaking as the chief guest at the 'Government Water Management Policy 2009: Discrimination and Mismanagement in Haor Areas' at the National Press Club yesterday. The Adviser said, a discriminatory system has been maintained around the haor regions where around 29 percent people still live below the poverty line.

National Consensus Commission Vice-Chairman, Professor Ali Riaz said, the leaders of the National Citizen Party (NCP) played a pivotal role in ending the 15-year-long fascist regime and ushering in a new, hopeful chapter in Bangladesh's history. He made this remark at the beginning of the discussion between the National Consensus Commission and NCP at the LD Hall of the Parliament Building in Dhaka yesterday.

The Women's Affairs Reform Commission has recommended forming an independent permanent women affairs commission to ensure the rights of women. Commission Chief Shireen Parveen Haque told a press briefing to inform media of the findings of the report prepared by the commission. The briefing was arranged at the Foreign Service Academy to inform media of the findings of the report prepared by the commission.

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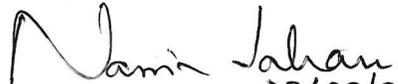
The e-passport service was inaugurated in the Bangladesh High Commission at Port Louis in Mauritius yesterday. Bangladesh High Commissioner to Mauritius Dr. Zokey Ahmed was present at the inauguration programme as chief guest while Deputy Project Director of the E-passport and automatic border control system project Lieutenant Colonel Mohammad Manzur-E-Elahi attended the programme as special guest.

The United States yesterday warned its citizens to travel to Bangladesh and refrain from visiting its hill districts due to communal violence, crime, terrorism, kidnapping and other security risks. The US state department also issued the alert asking its citizens not to visit Khagrachari, Rangamati and Bandarban Hill Tracts on the same grounds.

  
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