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Newsbrief

The US-based International Republican Institute (IRI) confirmed Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus that the organization will send at least 10 international observers for Bangladesh's national election in February next. The confirmation came at a meeting between the Chief Adviser and an IRI delegation at the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday. Member of the Board of Directors of IRI Christopher J. Fussner led the delegation.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus discussed the government's preparations for the upcoming national election in February next year with Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) leaders. The Chief Adviser and the BNP leaders discussed the election preparations in details as a three-member delegation of the party met him at the State Guest House Jamuna yesterday, according to the Chief Adviser's Press Wing. The BNP delegation included the party's Secretary General Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir, Planning Adviser Professor Wahiduddin Mahmud, Law Adviser Professor Asif Nazrul and Industries Adviser Adilur Rahman Khan were also present at the meeting.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus yesterday hoped that the agitating teachers listed under the MPO scheme would return to classrooms with renewed spirit and contribute to shaping the nation's future generations as the government has already increased their house rent allowance. The Chief Adviser expressed optimism following the interim government's decision to increase the house rent allowance for MPO-listed teachers and employees of private educational institutions by 7.5 percent of their basic salary, effective from November 1 this year, according to the Chief Adviser's Press Wing.

The Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (ECNEC) approved a total of 13 projects with an estimated cost of Tk 1,988.09 crore. The approval came from a meeting of the ECNEC with Chief Adviser and ECNEC Chairperson Professor Muhammad Yunus in the chair at the NEC conference room in the capital's Sher-e-Bangla Nagar area yesterday.

Foreign Affairs Adviser Md. Touhid Hossain said, the interim government has so far cancelled one agreement with India while some others, including the Adani power deal, are under review for possible revision or cancellation. The Adviser told reporters during a media briefing at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday.

Education Adviser Prof. Dr Chowdhury Rafiqul Abrar said, the government is committed to improving living standard of teachers as it has increased house rent allowance for Monthly Pay Order (MPO)-listed non-government educational institutions' teachers and employees to 15 percent of their basic salary. The Adviser said this in a press release yesterday.

Newly appointed Pakistani High Commission to Bangladesh Imran Haider met with Food and Land Adviser Ali Imam Majumder at his office at the secretariat yesterday. During the meeting, issues related to bilateral interests, including rice import from Pakistan were discussed, according to a press release said. The Adviser emphasized on regional connectivity and said that during the tenure of the current interim government, cargo ships have been coming directly from Pakistan's Karachi port to Chattogram Port. Through this, trade activities between the two countries have increased, the Adviser added.

The Energy Ministry's Power Division yesterday signed memoranda of understanding (MoU) with five Ministries and Divisions on installing rooftop solar power panels at educational institutions and hospitals across the country. Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Adviser Dr Muhammad Fauzul Kabir Khan said, as he witnessed the signing at Bidyut Bhaban yesterday. The Adviser expected quick completion of the panel installations and their connection to the national power grid to ensure flow the surplus power generated in the panels by February next year.

Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhter urged fishermen to refrain from catching mother fish in order to protect fish reproduction and maintain ecological balance. The Adviser made these remarks while addressing the 12th National Conference-2025 of the Bangladesh Small Fishermen Association held at the auditorium of the Jatiya Press Club in Dhaka yesterday.

Executive Chairman of Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA) Ashik Chowdhury has urged Korean investors to leverage Bangladesh's dynamic investment landscape, highlighting the country's strategic advantages and ongoing pro-business reforms aimed at facilitating foreign direct investment. The Executive Chairman of BIDA made the urges at an investment seminar titled 'Gateway to Growth: Invest in Bangladesh', held at a hotel in Seoul in South Korea yesterday.

Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) A M M Nasir Uddin said, the Election Commission (EC) has planned to establish a central cell to combat artificial intelligence (AI) generated misinformation and disinformation during the upcoming national elections. The CEC also said, a centrally coordinated cell would be formed to ensure accurate information reaches remote areas, guided by a structured operational framework designed to address the challenges effectively. The CEC made the remarks as the chief guest at a workshop titled 'Integration of AI in Upcoming National Election to Counter Misinformation and Disinformation' held at the Election Training Institute in the capital's Agargaon yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Secretary Mahbuba Farzana said that government rules must be followed strictly in promotion, post creation and manpower appointments. The Secretary made this call to the officials participating in a day-long training related to 'DPC, SSB, Post Creation and Outsourcing' at the Press Information Division conference room at the Secretariat yesterday. The Secretary also urged the officials to make full use of the knowledge gained from the training.

More Four dengue patients were died and 814 were hospitalized in across the country in the past 24 hours till Tuesday morning, according to a press release issued by the Directorate General of Health Services said yesterday.



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