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### Newsbrief

Home Adviser Lieutenant General (Retd.) Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury said, the problem regarding the government's initiative to amend the Government Service Act-2018 can be solved through discussion. The Adviser said this while replying to a question after a meeting on better management of the cattle markets and rawhide selling at his office at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. The Adviser's comment came when the employees of the Bangladesh Secretariat are in agitation programme to press home their demand for withdrawal the Government Service (Amendment) Ordinance, 2025.

Ahead of the holy Eid-ul-Azha, the government fixed the prices of the salt-applied rawhides of cows at Tk 60 to Tk 65 per square foot in the city and Tk 55 to Tk 60 per square foot outside the capital. The price of goat hides was set at Tk 22 to Tk 27 per square foot, while that of she-goat hides was fixed at Tk 20 to Tk 22 per square foot across the country. Commerce Adviser Sk Bashir Uddin announced the rates at a press conference at the Ministry of Commerce in the capital yesterday.

Cultural Affairs Adviser Mostofa Sarwar Farooki said that the songs and poems of national Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam were the driving force behind the July-August mass uprising. The Adviser told journalists after inaugurating a three-day national poet Kazi Nazrul Islam's birth anniversary celebration programme in Cumilla yesterday. The Adviser also said that his revolutionary verses played a symbolic and inspirational role during the political upheavals.

Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said, the government is not giving Chattogram Port to anyone rather it wants to renovate it. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary told an event of the Capital Market Journalists Forum at its office in Paltan in the capital yesterday. The interim government is working for reforms, judicial processes and elections as economic reforms are underway, he added.

Earlier, Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said, political parties have expressed their support for the steps taken by the interim government, including reforms. Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus held meetings with 20 leaders of political parties for the second day yesterday. The Press Secretary briefed reporters in front of the State Guest House Jamuna last night after the meetings. He said the Chief Adviser discussed various issues, including elections and progress of reforms, with the political parties. The Chief Adviser has informed the political parties that the elections will be held between December and June next, the Chief Adviser's Press Secretary added.

National Consensus Commission (NCC) Vice-Chairman Professor Ali Riaz said, people will soon be informed about key unresolved issues, including reforms to the state structure, in order to help them to ease their decision-making process in future. He made the remark while presiding over a discussion with members of civil society in the capital's Krishibid Institution Bangladesh yesterday.

The government reconstituted a standing committee to review and examine various demands, opinions and suggestions of the public employees. The Additional Secretary of the Public Administration Ministry was made head of the 10-member committee. The Ministry of Public Administration issued a notification in this connection yesterday.

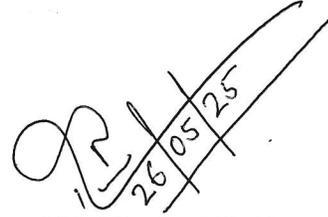
The National Board of Revenue would be upgraded into a separate and specialized division of the government under the Ministry of Finance. The Ministry of Finance issued a press release in this regard yesterday.

The International Crimes Tribunal has ordered the publication of a notice in two widely circulated newspapers summoning ousted Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and former Chhatra League leader Shakil Alam Bulbul to face contempt of court charges. The three-member tribunal panel led by Justice Md. Golam Murtoza Majumder passed the order after hearing a petition by Chief Prosecutor Mohammad Tajul Islam yesterday.

A total of 61,724 Bangladeshi Hajj pilgrims have reached Saudi Arabia onboard 160 flights so far while nine of them passed away sadly due to old age or other health grounds. Religious Affairs Ministry Spokesman M Abu bakor Siddik said this to reporters yesterday.

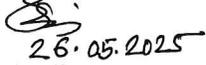
The Indian Border Security Force (BSF) pushed 153 people into Bangladesh through the borders of Sylhet, Beanibazar and Moulvibazar from Saturday night until 8:00 am on Sunday. Lieutenant colonel Mehedi Hasan, commanding officer of BGB-52 confirmed it yesterday. BGB members detained all of them after they crossed into Bangladeshi territory.

At the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), the benchmark index DSEX fell by 10 points yesterday.



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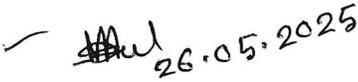
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