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Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus addressed the inaugural session of the 3rd edition of 'Bay of Bengal Conversation' organised by the Centre for Governance Studies at a hotel in the capital yesterday. The Chief Adviser urged the participants to watch the walls along the streets painted with the colorful paintings expressing the emotions and aspirations of young people, painted while there was a lull between the killing spree. Anybody watching them cannot but be amazed by the power of the expressions young people came up with, right at the killing fields. Bangladesh, has always been a land of dreams, hard work and an unbreakable will. It is more so now, as the aspirations of the revolution are fresh in minds, the Chief Adviser added.

Pope Francis, the spiritual leader of the Catholic Church and Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus jointly launched a "Pope Francis Yunus 3Zero Club" in Rome yesterday in an effort to usher in a transformative and inclusive future for humanity. In a letter to the Vicar General of Rome, Cardinal Baldo Reina, the Adviser said, he was deeply honored by the gesture. The Chief Adviser extended his heartfelt congratulations to Cardinal Reina on the occasion.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus delivered a compelling call to action for world leaders to build a "World of Three Zeros", a world free from poverty, unemployment and net carbon emissions. The Chief Adviser made the call in a video message played at the G20 Social Summit held in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil on Friday, according to a message received in Dhaka yesterday. The inaugural session of the summit commenced with a special virtual message from the Chief Adviser, followed by a keynote address from Janja Lula, the First Lady of Brazil.

Earlier, the Chief Adviser stressed building an economy where fruits of technology and economic growth are shared evenly by all people. The Chief Adviser said this while addressing the inaugural session of the 3rd edition of 'Bay of Bengal Conversation' organised by the Centre for Governance Studies at a hotel in the yesterday.

Finance Adviser Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed said, the government would be able to face the challenges surrounding it alongside dealing with internal and external factors to move forward the nation. The Finance Adviser said this while addressing a "Policy Dialogue on Financial and Economic Reforms in Bangladesh" hosted by BRAC University at its Merul Badda Campus in the capital yesterday.

Austrian Non-resident Ambassador to Bangladesh Katharina Wieser paid a courtesy call on Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir at the BNP Chairperson's Gulshan office yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed bilateral issues between Bangladesh and Austria, according to BNP Media Cell Member Sairul Kabir Khan.

Earlier, the Finance Adviser yesterday said, the government is happy regarding the reform initiatives of the banking sector although there are constraints. The Finance Adviser made the comments during an interview with BSS at his Secretariat office marking the completion of three months or 100 days by the interim government.

Finance Adviser Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed said, although the interim government inherited high inflationary trend from the previous regime, stability has been restored due to various steps of the government. The Adviser made comments during an interview with the national news agency at his office at Secretariat marking the completion of three months or 100 days of the office by the interim government led by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Yunus.

Information and Broadcasting Adviser Md. Nahid Islam yesterday said, the interim government has ensured freedom of press along with freedom of expression and holding rally as he attributed his government's another major success to not interference in any media event. The Adviser told BSS in an interview marking the government's hundred days.

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Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhter sought Brazilian investment in Bangladesh for stronger economic ties between the South Asian and Latin American nations. The Adviser told Brazilian Ambassador to Bangladesh Paulo Fernando Dias Feres at a reception on Friday.

Primary and Mass Education Adviser Professor Dr. Bidhan Ranjan Roy Podder underscored the need for developing local tools and methods adopting native cultural context for conducting psychometric tests in the recruitment process. The Adviser said this while addressing as chief guest at a session of Second International Conference on psychometric at the auditorium of Dhaka University's Teacher-Student Centre in the capital yesterday.

Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Acting Chairman Tarique Rahman criticized the past Awami League government for taking many unwise mega projects saying those projects, taken in the name of development, was not the real picture of country's progress. The Acting Chairman said this while addressing virtually the concluding session of the 3rd National Council of the Jatiyatabadi Textile Engineers' Association at the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh in the capital yesterday.

At least eight patients died of dengue in the last 24 hours while 994 were hospitalized till Sunday morning, according to the Directorate General of Health Services yesterday.

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