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### Newsbrief

Chiefs of the three services paid a courtesy call on President Mohammed Shahabuddin at Bangabhaban on the occasion of the Armed Forces Day. Chief of Army Staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral M Nazmul Hassan and Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal Hasan Mahmood Khan met the President yesterday.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus said, the armed forces have been recognised as a symbol of confidence by standing beside the people of the country. The Chief Adviser made the remark while addressing the reception at Senakunja in Dhaka yesterday, on the occasion of the Armed Forces Day. Recalling the contribution of the armed forces the Chief Adviser said, since the independence of the country, the armed forces has been working, standing by the people, in nation building and tackling disasters alongside protecting the country's independence and sovereignty. The Chief Adviser also exchanged greetings with BNP Chairperson and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia. The interim government wants to build Bangladesh in such a way that the people are the true source of all power, the Chief Adviser added.

The interim government's three young Advisers-Mahfuj Alam, Md. Nahid Islam and Asif Mahmud Shojib Bhuiyan exchanged greetings with BNP Chairperson and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia at the reception programme of Armed Forces Day at Senakunja in Dhaka Cantonment yesterday.

Agricultural Adviser Lt Gen. Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury (retd) sought Turkish support for the country's agriculture sector, saying big companies can invest here as agriculture logistics and processing sector is an evolving sector in Bangladesh. The Adviser sought the support while Ambassador of Turkey to Bangladesh Ramis Sen called on him at his Ministry office in Dhaka yesterday.

Environment, Forest, Climate Change Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan yesterday stressed the need for regional cooperation in the South Asian to address climate challenges impacts. The Adviser said this while speaking at a meeting with the Environment Secretaries of Nepal and Bhutan at the Bangladesh Pavilion during the ongoing COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan.

Bangladesh is likely to discuss the extradition of ousted Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina during the upcoming Bangladesh-India Foreign Office Consultation (FOC) scheduled for early December in Dhaka. Foreign Ministry Spokesperson Taufique Hasan said this during a weekly media briefing at the Ministry yesterday.

Interim government formed new Election Commission (EC) comprising the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and four commissioners. Retired Secretary AMM Nasir Uddin has been made as the new Chief Election Commissioner. Newly appointed election commissioners are- former Additional Secretary Md. Anwarul Islam Sarkar, retired District and Sessions Judge Abdur Rahmanuel Masud, Joint Secretary (retied) Begum Tahmida Ahmad and Brigadier General (Retd) Abul Fazal Md. Sanaullah. Cabinet Division issued separate gazette notifications to this regard yesterday.

Nine dengue patients died while 1,214 were admitted to different hospitals in the country during the past 24 hours, according to the Directorate General of Health Services yesterday.

DSEX, the prime index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), went down by 47.68 points or 0.91 percent to 5,197.58 points yesterday.



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