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Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus held a one-on-one meeting with BNP Chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia at Senakunja in Dhaka yesterday. They held the meeting on the sidelines of a reception programme at the Senakunja on the occasion of the Armed Forces Day-2025, according to a Chief Adviser's Press Wing yesterday. During the meeting, the Chief Adviser inquired about the physical condition of former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia and wished her recovery.

At least six people were killed and many injured as a 5.7-magnitude earthquake rattled Dhaka and several adjoining districts yesterday. The Bangladesh Meteorological Department (BMD) said, the tremor struck at 10:38am, with its epicentre located at Madhabdi in Narsingdi, about 13 kilometres east of the BMD Seismic Centre in Agargaon, Dhaka. The United States Geological Survey later reported the epicentre to be 14 kilometres west-southwest of Narsingdi at a depth of 10 kilometres.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus expressed profound shock and sorrow at the reports of deaths and injuries in house collapses and other incidents triggered by a powerful earthquake in several districts across the country. The Chief Adviser said that the government is closely monitoring the situation after an earthquake and instructed all the offices concerned to immediately move to the field level and assess the possible damages. The Chief Adviser said this in a condolence message, released by his press wing yesterday. The Chief Adviser said, adding that fire service personnel are quickly responding to the reports of damage coming immediately from various parts of the country, including the capital.

Chiefs of the three services paid a courtesy call on Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus on the occasion of the 'Armed Forces Day-2025'. 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 joined the meeting at the Armed Forces Division at Dhaka Cantonment, Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Mohammad Abul Kalam Azad Majumder told this to reporters yesterday.

Terming the upcoming national polls a crucial chapter in Bangladesh's democratic transition, Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus expressed the hope that the members of the Armed Forces would perform their duties with utmost efficiency and professionalism to make the elections smooth and festive. The Chief Adviser made the remarks while addressing a reception at Senakunja in Dhaka Cantonment yesterday, on the occasion of the Armed Forces Day-2025. The Chief Adviser also said that the government is committed to building a discrimination-free, exploitation-free and welfare-oriented state as envisioned by the Freedom Fighters.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan stressed the urgent need to safeguard hilly landscapes and strengthen the promotion of indigenous agricultural products from the Chittagong Hill Tracts. The Adviser made the remarks while inaugurating the two-day 'Indigenous Food and Crops Fair-2025' at the Parbatya Buddho Sanggho Complex in the capital's Mirpur-13 area yesterday. Warning of the increasing fragility of natural ecosystems, the Adviser also urged all to abide by state laws and religious guidance on environmental preservation.

Nawaz Khan

Religious affairs Adviser Dr A F M Khalid Hossain said that the Alems must come forward to take the responsibilities of the state. The Adviser said this while addressing the annual gathering and dastarbandi ceremony at Al-Jamiahtul Ahlia Darul Uloom Muinul Islam Madrasa at Hathajari upazila in Chattogram district yesterday.

The United Nations (UN) and the United States (U.S) expressed deep sympathy and solidarity with those affected by Friday's earthquake in Dhaka, as both conveyed support while authorities continue assessing the tremor's impact. The UN and U.S. Embassy in Dhaka said this in separate messages yesterday.

Bangladesh has requested the Saudi Arabia government to take measures to reduce expired-Iqama cases of its migrant workers as the number of expired-iqama workers is increasing their due to employers' financial/legal inability to renew. The request was made when Dr Neyamat Ullah Bhuiyan, Senior Secretary, Ministry of Expatriates Welfare and Overseas Employment, held a meeting with Nasser Abdulaziz Al-Jarid, Chairman of Saudi National Committee of Workers Committees, during his recent official visit to Riyadh, KSA.



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