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### Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus directed authorities concerned to take initiatives from now on regarding police's preparations and works for holding peaceful elections. The Chief Adviser came up with the directives at a meeting with Home Adviser Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury and officials concerned at the State Guest House Jamuna yesterday. The Chief Adviser joined a meeting with field level police officers on March 17. On that day, the officers informed him of their advantages and disadvantages.

Army Chief General Waker-Uz-Zaman paid a courtesy call on Chief Adviser Prof. Muhammad Yunus at the State Guest House Jamuna yesterday. During the meeting, the Chief Adviser was apprised by the Army Chief of the country's overall security situation and the ongoing activities of the army. The Army Chief also informed the Chief Adviser about his recent visit to the Central African Republic. This visit would strengthen bilateral relations and military cooperation between the two countries, The Army Chief expected.

Finance Adviser Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed said that the national budget for the upcoming fiscal year 2025-26 will focus on practicality, without unnecessary large size. While addressing editors and senior media officials during a meeting at his ministry's conference room yesterday, Salehuddin emphasised that the budget speech would be brief, limited to 50-60 pages, in contrast to the lengthy speeches of previous years, which often exceeded 200-300 pages. The Adviser highlighted key priorities for the budget, including efforts to reduce inflation, boost private sector employment, and address critical social issues such as children's education and social safety nets.

Education Adviser Prof. Dr. Chowdhury Rafiqul Abrar called for developing a science-based and modern technology-based education system in the country. The Advisor made the call while speaking at a seminar titled 'Past, Present and Future of Madrasah Education in Bangladesh' at the International Mother Language Institute in the capital yesterday. Remembering the July-August mass uprising, the Advisor said people have got a new opportunity to build the country with responsibilities and compassion through this student movement.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan said, legal framework and complaint resolution mechanism of the Department of Environment will be strengthened to ensure more effective handling of environmental complaints. Strict measures will be taken to prevent pollution so that offenders do hold accountable, ensuring environmental justice, the Advisor said. The meeting included detailed discussions on the legal challenges and necessary actions concerning environmental cases.

Iranian Ambassador to Bangladesh Mansour Chavoshi paid a courtesy call on Foreign Secretary Md. Jashim Uddin at the Foreign Ministry yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed issues relating to bilateral and multilateral ties focusing on economic and cultural cooperation, according to a Foreign Ministry's press release yesterday. The Bangladesh Foreign Secretary recalled the deep historic and cultural ties between Bangladesh and Iran reaffirming the potential for enhancing collaboration in various sectors. Ambassador Chavoshi conveyed his gratitude for Bangladesh's longstanding support on international platforms and expressed the hope for continued collaboration in multilateral fora.

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The government expressed its strongest condemnation and deep concern over the resumption of Israeli military aggression on the Gaza Strip. This renewed violence led to extensive loss of innocent civilian lives, including children and women and further worsened the already dire humanitarian situation in the region, The government said in a press statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday.

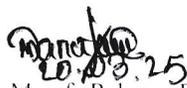
Dhaka reiterated its concerned and urged the Italian Embassy to take due measures to dispose of the visa applications of the intending Bangladeshi workers as well as resolve the existing visa gridlock at the earliest. The urge was made while Italian Ambassador to Bangladesh Antonio Alessandro paid a courtesy call on Foreign Secretary Md. Jashim Uddin at the latter's office yesterday. During the discussion, the Foreign Secretary raised the issue of the backlog of the visa applications, particularly of aspirant migrant workers.

The prime index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) decreased by 4.86 points to settle at 5,210 points yesterday.



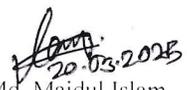
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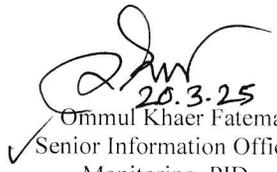
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