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### Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus will hold 'bilateral talks' with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi today in Bangkok on the sidelines of BIMSTEC Summit. CA's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam confirmed it to BSS yesterday. The Chief Adviser is also scheduled to hold a number of meetings with BIMSTEC leaders on the sidelines of the summit.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus joined the official dinner of BIMSTEC Summit at a hotel in Bangkok, Thailand, last night. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other leaders of BIMSTEC member states joined the dinner hosted by Thailand Prime Minister Paetongtarn Shinawatra.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus called on the youths to build themselves 'three-zero persons' to protect the planet from destruction. The Chief Adviser made the urges while delivering keynote speech at BIMSTEC Young Gen Forum on the sidelines of BIMSTEC Summit in Bangkok yesterday. Mentioning that human being is not born to work under anybody else but they were born to be entrepreneurs, the Chief Adviser asked the young generation to keep entrepreneurship in mind.

Varawut Silpa-archa, Thailand's Minister for Social Development and Human Security (MSDHS) called on Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus in Thailand yesterday on the sidelines of BIMSTEC Summit. Jiraporn Sindhuprai, Thailand's Minister attached to the Prime Minister's Office, also met the Chief Adviser on the sidelines of BIMSTEC Summit.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus expressed strong hope that there would be a positive progress in resolving the tariff issue through talks with the US government. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said quoting Prof. Yunus as saying. Talking to BSS in Bangkok about a 37 percent tariff of the US on Bangladeshi products, Shafiqul Alam said this yesterday.

Foreign Affairs Adviser Md. Touhid Hossain stressed on the tangible and result-oriented cooperation among BIMSTEC member states specially through effective implementation of the BIMSTEC Free Trade Area enhancing intra-regional trade. He made the remark while leading the Bangladesh delegation in the 20th BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting held in Bangkok, Thailand yesterday. Earlier, the Foreign Ministers of all BIMSTEC seven member countries signed the Agreement on BIMSTEC Maritime Transport Cooperation marking a significant step towards enhancing regional connectivity.

Home Adviser Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury stated that the government would take tougher actions to curb extortion and terrorist activities in the hilly areas. The Home Adviser made the remarks while briefing newsmen yesterday after inspecting various BGB camps and the overall law and order situation in Sajek of Rangamati.

Bangladeshi rescue and medical teams are continuing their efforts to assist earthquake victims in Myanmar. Search and rescue teams began rescue operations in several buildings in Jubu Thiri Township and Naypyido areas of Myanmar's capital, Naypyidaw, according to an ISPR press release in Dhaka yesterday.

Renowned Economist and former lead Economist of the World Bank Dhaka office Dr. Zahid Hussain said, Bangladesh must leverage the goodwill generated by the reform commitments to finalize and implement changes that could reduce the combined tariff rate, ensuring a more favorable trade relationship moving forward. Dr. Zahid made the comment as US President Donald Trump introduced sweeping reciprocal tariffs, effectively reversing nearly all U.S. tariff liberalization since the Great Depression of the 1930s. Dr. Zahid Hussain told this to BSS yesterday.



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