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**Newsbrief**

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Adviser Dr Asif Nazrul said, the reduction of the United State (US) tariff rate on goods from Bangladesh to 20 percent from the previous 35 percent, is another success of the interim government. The adviser said this in a post on his verified Facebook account yesterday. The US made the announcement after the final round of the talks in Washington DC between Bangladeshi officials and the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the main body responsible for overseeing US trade policy.

Commerce Adviser Sk Bashir Uddin said, Bangladesh's adjustment of its reciprocal tariff rate to 20 percent on products exported to the United States (US) has strengthened its competitiveness in global trade. The Adviser said this in his immediate response securing a landmark trade deal with the United States. Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam pointed out this reaction in a post on his verified Facebook ID yesterday.

Energy Adviser Muhammad Fouzul Kabir Khan said, commerce Adviser Sk Bashir Uddin has proved his competence in the tariff negotiations, as the United States reduced tariff. The Adviser made the remarks on his verified facebook page yesterday.

LGRD and Cooperatives Adviser Asif Mahmud Shojib Bhuyain yesterday inaugurated the 'July Art Work' graffiti painted on the Agargaon to Karwan Bazar metro rail pillars with the overall support of the Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC). These graffiti will play an important role in ensuring that no dictatorship can rise up again in this country in future, the Adviser said.

Shipping and Labour and Employment Adviser Brigadier General (Retd.) Shakhawat Hossain said, reactivation of the Sultanganj River Port in Godagari in Rajshahi require high-level talks. During a visit to the site yesterday the Adviser said, the port needs better infrastructure, road connections and clearance from the National Board of Revenue to begin operations. Since several government agencies are involved, he stressed the importance of coordination.

Shipping Adviser Brigadier General (retd) M Sakhawat Hussain said, initiatives will be taken for expansion of the Sonamasjid Land Port. The Adviser told journalists after a exchanging views with local administrative and customs officials and trade union bodies in Chapainawabganj yesterday. The Adviser also said that Sonamasjid Land Port is very old and important and port users have demanded for expansion of the port along with construction of a link road.

Cultural Affairs Adviser Mostofa Sarwar Farooki said, July is a strong explosion against discrimination and strong expression of protest. The Adviser said this while addressing as the chief guest the inauguration of the four-day July Revival Cultural Fest organized by the Saimum Shilpi Goshti at the Suhrawardy Udyan in the capital yesterday. The Adviser also said, during the July mass uprising, the youth pronounced in a bright voice that life is not the last word where betrayal is synonymous with death.

National Consensus Commission Vice-Chairman Professor Ali Riaz said, decisions were taken on a total of 19 issues based on discussions and consensus in the second phase of the meeting with the political parties. He told this at a press briefing after the second phase of the commission's discussions with political parties at the Foreign Service Academy the day before yesterday.

Bangladesh Ambassador to Mexico Mushfiqul Fazal Ansaree called for forging unity to resist all anti-democratic conspiracies, warning that the fugitives from justice are still weaving webs of subversion against Bangladesh's democratic journey.

The Ambassador made the remarks while addressing a discussion titled 'July Uprising and the March towards Democracy', organized by the Bangladesh Embassy in Mexico yesterday to mark the anniversary of the historic July-August popular uprising that restored democracy in the country.

Bangladesh Army has formed a court of inquiry to investigate into the allegation of political involvement of a military officer based on intelligence report received from a law-enforcing agency. The Inter-Services Public Relations Directorate said this in a statement yesterday.

The Indian Border Security Force (BSF) pushed at least nine individuals including three children into Bangladesh through different borders in Rangpur yesterday. Border Guard Bangladesh members on duty detained them inside Bangladesh territory. BGB-18 Commander Lieutenant Colonel Monirul Islam confirmed yesterday.



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