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Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus directed the officials concerned to take all necessary precautionary measures so that no sector of the country is affected after its LDC graduation. The Chief Adviser said this during meeting with the experts on the LDC graduation at his Office in Dhaka yesterday.

UNDP Representatives, Ambassadors and High Commissioners to the UK, Sweden and the European Union, who participated in various seminars expressed solidarity with the roadmap for judicial reform announced by Chief Justice Dr. Syed Refaat Ahmed. They assured of extending cooperation on this roadmap for reforms, said a press release of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Bangladesh yesterday.

Home Affairs Adviser Lieutenant General (Retd) Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury said, Bangladesh's support will be continued to the people of Palestine. The Adviser said this when Palestinian Ambassador to Bangladesh Yousuf S Y Ramadan paid a courtesy call on him at his office yesterday. The Adviser and the Envoy discussed various issues of mutual interest, including the recent 'March for Gaza', visit of the Palestine TV delegation to Dhaka, and the issuance of a commemorative passport in the name of Al-Aqsa Mosque by Bangladesh.

Commerce Adviser SK Bashir Uddin hoped that rice prices will become more affordable within the next two weeks. He also said that the weather conditions remained favourable this year, while the electricity supply was stable along with adequate fertiliser availability and all these have contributed positively to agricultural production. The Adviser told this to reporters after a meeting held to review the overall situation regarding the import and supply of edible oil and other issues at the Secretariat yesterday.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan said, a comprehensive master plan for modern waste management will be developed under Bangladesh Climate Development Partnership for all divisional cities and municipal areas of the country. She also said, special initiatives will be taken to make urban areas, particularly capital Dhaka, greenery to check the increase in temperature. The Adviser said this while speaking at a meeting with a delegation from the Asian Development Bank at the Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Women and Children Affairs and Social Welfare Adviser Sharmeen S Murshid urged all concerned to work sincerely to play an important role in building a healthy nation through integrated activities. She said this while addressing a seminar on the 'Integrated Community Based Center for Child Care, Protection and Swim-Safe Facilities' at a hotel in the capital yesterday.

Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said, Bangladesh wants to enhance relations with all the South Asian countries, including India and Pakistan, as its foreign policy is pro-Bangladesh. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary told a press briefing at the Foreign Service Academy yesterday while responding to a question about the visit of Pakistan's Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar later this month.

A meeting was held between the officials of the Election Commission (EC) and the directorate of printing and publication to assess the demand for materials required for the 13th National Parliament elections, as well as to determine the possible budget and stock. After the meeting, EC Secretary Akhter Ahmed told this to reporters at his office at Agargaon yesterday. The Election Commission made preparations to purchase necessary paper and carry out the printing work within four months before the elections, the EC Secretary added.

Namya

The interim government will constitute a dedicated powerful trade negotiating body to address trade related challenges as Bangladesh is set to graduate from the LDC status in November 2026, Chief Adviser's Special Assistant Dr. Anisuzzaman Chowdhury told a press briefing at the Foreign Service Academy in Dhaka yesterday.

National Board of Revenue (NBR) Chairman Md. Abdur Rahman Khan said that the main focus of the national budget for next fiscal year would be removing the non-tariff barriers to facilitate the business community. The NBR Chairman said this while speaking at a pre-budget meeting, held at the conference room of the Revenue Building at Agargaon area yesterday.

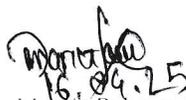
Commerce Adviser Sk Bashir Uddin has been given charge of the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism. The Cabinet Division issued a Gazette notification in this regard yesterday. Bashir Uddin is also in charge of the Adviser to the Textile and Jute Ministry.

Bangladesh's foreign exchange reserves stood at \$26.52 billion, according to a Bangladesh Bank press release yesterday.



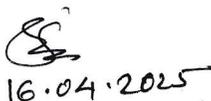
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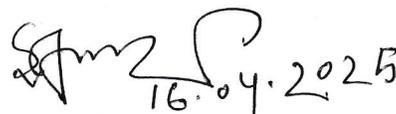
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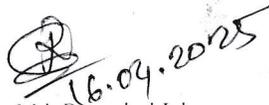
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