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Newsbrief

The Vice Minister for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy, Maria Tripodi, reaffirmed firm support of the Italian government for the Bangladesh Interim Government in its efforts to carry forward the ongoing reform initiatives. Tripodi announced her support when she met Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus at the State Guest House Jamuna to discuss issues of mutual interest.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus released a commemorative postage stamp, an opening envelope and a canceller on the occasion of the International Mother Language Day to be observed on February 21. The Chief Adviser released the commemorative postage stamp at the Chief Adviser's Office (CAO) at Tejgaon yesterday. Besides, The Chief Adviser released a commemorative postage stamp, an opening envelope and a canceller on the occasion of the 7th National Comdeca 2025 celebration.

Visiting Italian Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Maria Tripodi assured that long-pending visa applications of Bangladeshi workers would be processed expeditiously, reaffirming Rome's commitment to strengthening legal migration between the two nations. The Italian Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation made the assurance while holding a meeting with Foreign Affairs Adviser Md. Touhid Hossain at the Foreign Ministry in Dhaka yesterday. During the meeting, they prioritized the need for expanding legal migration pathways and affirming joint efforts to tackle irregular migration, human trafficking, and migrant exploitation.

The National Board of Revenue (NBR) is going to launch the long-awaited Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) on Sunday to streamline import and export processes by providing a seamless clearance system. Finance Adviser Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed will inaugurate the operation of AEO from a programme at the NBR Multipurpose Hall in the city, according to a press release yesterday. Under this system, AEO-certified businesses will be able to directly transport cargo from ports to their factories or warehouses through a green channel without undergoing physical inspections.

Posts, Telecommunications and ICT Adviser Md. Nahid Islam handed over a cheque of Taka 1,06,17,214 to the fund of Bangladesh Sramik Kallyan Foundation under Labour and Employment Ministry. The Adviser handed over the cheque to Labour and Employment Adviser Brigadier General (R.) Dr. M Sakhawat Hussain at the meeting room of the Shipping Ministry yesterday. This money was paid from the profits of Bangladesh Submarine Cables PLC for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

Earlier, Information and Broadcasting Adviser Md. Nahid Islam said those who can embrace the aspirations of the youth through the July August mass uprising will be the ones to achieve success in the coming days. Young generation emerged through a mass uprising, will highly influence the state, politics and the society for at least next two decades with their thoughts, ideas and activities, the Adviser said.

Local Government Adviser Asif Mahmud Sajib Bhuiyan stated that the Awami League should not only be banned but completely eradicated for carrying out a genocide. Speaking at a youth festival event at Adamjee Cantonment College, the Adviser told reporters that the party must be eliminated both ideologically and politically through judicial prohibition. The Adviser emphasized that this process should follow legal and social measures, including truth commissions or similar precedents set in other countries.

Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhter said the government is working to formulate a policy for controlling the production and cultivation of tobacco. The Adviser said this while speaking as the chief guest at a view exchange meeting with fisheries and livestock farmers at the Kushtia Deputy Commissioner's conference room, said a press release yesterday.

Religious Affairs Adviser Dr. AFM Khalid Hossain said that the country's Alem (Islamic scholar) community should take the initiative in driving social reform. The Advisor made this remark as the Chief while addressing a cheque-distribution ceremony of a financial grant and interest-free loan under the Imam Muazzin Welfare Trust yesterday. Islamic Foundation organised the event at the Baitul Mukarram National Mosque auditorium, said a press release.

A court in Dhaka acquitted BNP Chairperson and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia and seven others in the Niko graft case, as the state failed to prove all the charges against them. Judge of Dhaka Special Judge Court-4 Rabiul Alam pronounced the verdict, acquitting all of them, Khaleda Zia's lawyer Zia Uddin Zia confirmed yesterday.

State security forces and armed Awami League (AL) supporters had abused girls and women sexually during the July uprising to deter their participation in the movement, according to a recent report of the United Nations (UN) Rights office. The Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) fact-finding report said recently. The Office of the OHCHR released its Fact-Finding Report titled "Human Rights Violations and Abuses related to the Protests of July and August 2024 in Bangladesh" from its Geneva office on February 12.

The prime index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) decreased by 10.75 points to settle at 5,192.44 points yesterday.



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