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### Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus pledged to build a just society imbued with the spirit of the historic War of Independence and the July uprising. The Chief Adviser said this in a message issued yesterday on the occasion of the Genocide Day. In the July uprising, he said, the nation was unshackled from the tyranny of dictatorship through the valour of the students and the masses. On this day in 1971, Prof. Yunus said, the Pakistani invading forces carried out the world's most barbaric crackdown across the country, including Dhaka.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus said, initiatives have been taken to declare Sandwip as a seaport and open Kumira-Guptachara ghat. The Chief Adviser told a public gathering arranged on the occasion of the launch of ferry service on Chattogram-Sandwip route. The Chief Adviser joined the function virtually from the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus yesterday inquired about the health condition of former national cricket captain Tamim Iqbal who suffered a massive heart attack while playing a game at BKSP. On behalf of the Chief Adviser, his deputy press secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder spoke to Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) chief executive Officer Nizam Uddin Chowdhury, who informed that Tamim was rushed to a nearby hospital after the heart attack and an angiogram was conducted immediately to know the cricket icon's health condition. He said BCB is in regular touch with Tamim's physicians and is ready to extend any support required for his treatment.

Planning Adviser Dr. Wahiduddin Mahmud said, the government is now making strides through significant reforms and enhanced regulatory measures towards fostering a positive outlook for economic stability and recovery. Dr Mahmud also underscored the urgent need for structural reforms. He said this at an Iftar event hosted by the Development Journalists Forum of Bangladesh (DJFB) at the NEC conference room at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar yesterday.

Home Adviser Lieutenant General Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury (Retd.) said, the signing of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) between Bangladesh and Australia marked as a milestone to prevent unlawful migration and human trafficking alongside strengthening bilateral relationship and partnership between the countries. The Adviser said this at the SOP signing ceremony at the Home Ministry in the capital yesterday. Inspector General of Police (IGP) Baharul Alam and Commander of the Australian Border Force, Mark Whitechurch signed the SOP on behalf of Bangladesh and Australia respectively.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Adviser Syeda Rizwana Hasan said, Bangladesh must urgently reform its waste management system to address environmental challenges and reduce methane emissions. The Adviser made the remarks while addressing an online workshop as the chief guest joining virtually from Chattogram yesterday. The online consultation workshop on 'Revisiting Bangladesh's NDC 2021: Integrating Decentralized Waste Management and Methane Mitigation Strategies' was organised by the Environment and Social Development Organization.

Shipping Adviser Brigadier General (retd) M Shakhawat Hossain said, the launch of this ferry service on the Chattogram-Sandwip route has fulfilled a long-cherished dream of Sandwip's residents, said the adviser. The Adviser said this while inaugurating the newly constructed ferry terminal and Bangladesh Road Transport Corporation (BRTC) bus station at Banshbaria in Sitakunda in Chattogram yesterday.

Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhtar said, development of integrated fisheries and livestock management is feasible in Sandwip. She also highlighted the significant potential for fish farming, as well as buffalo and sheep farming in the region, saying the government is actively working to enhance the fisheries and livestock sectors across the country. The Adviser made the remarks at a meeting with women members of various PG groups from the upazila at the Sandwip Upazila Parishad conference room yesterday.

Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport (HSIA) implemented special measures to enhance passenger services, ensuring a safe, smooth and comfortable travel experience ahead of Eid-ul-Fitr. HSIA Executive Director Group Captain M Kamrul Islam told BSS yesterday.

Local Government Reform Commission (LGRC) head Prof. Tofail Ahmed recently told BSS that they have made reform proposals for restoring and operating the local government institutions on a parliamentary model by bringing provision of indirect voting in mayoral or chairman posts to ensure accountability and maintain balance of power. Tofail Ahmed.

Eid holidaymakers, particularly those traveling by trains, have started leaving the capital for their village homes to celebrate Eid-ul-Fitr, the biggest religious festival of Muslims, with their near and dear ones. Talking to BSS yesterday, Director General of Bangladesh Railway Md. Afzal Hossain said this on the occasion of Eid, Bangladesh Rail way is committed to ensuring a smooth and comfortable Eid journey.

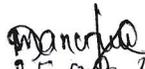
The prime index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE) increased by 13.53 points to settle at 5,197 Points yesterday.



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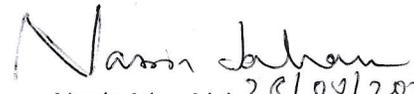
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