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Newsbrief

President Mohammed Shahabuddin and Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus greeted Bangladesh Under-19 cricket team over winning the Under-19 Asia Cup for the second consecutive time. In separate congratulatory messages yesterday, the Head of the State and the Chief Adviser congratulated the players, coach, staff, officials and other concerned for this victory. The President and the Chief Adviser expressed hope that this winning spree would continue in the days to come.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus asked Meta, the parent company of Facebook, to address the disinformation campaign against Bangladesh being carried out from certain countries to undermine the July-August mass uprising. The Chief Adviser told Meta's Director for Human Rights Policy Miranda Sissons when she called on him at the State Guest House Jamuna yesterday.

Chief Adviser (CA) Professor Muhammad Yunus yesterday paid rich tributes to the memory of Begum Rokeya, a pioneer of Bengali women's education and a social reformer for ensuring equal rights for women and men, marking the Begum Rokeya Day to be observed today. The CA said this in a message on the eve of Begum Rokeya Day and the ceremony of the 'Begum Rokeya Padak'.

Lord Mark Malloch-Brown, an Adviser of the IMF and World Bank and a former Head of UNDP, called on Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus at the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka. The Adviser of the IMF and World Bank thanked Prof. Yunus for assuming the leadership of the Interim Government at a very crucial time in Bangladesh's history, especially at a time when expectations were high. The former British minister also said he would be happy to extend his help for the cause of the Bangladeshi people.

Finance Adviser Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed urged industrialists to invest in education and research to bridge the gap in skilled manpower and knowledge in the industrial sector. The Adviser made these remarks while speaking at the celebration ceremony of the Graduate Diploma in Leather, Leather Goods and Footwear Management program of East West University (EWU) held on the EWU campus in the capital yesterday.

Home Adviser Lt. Gen. Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury (Retd.) said, no foreigners will be allowed to stay in Bangladesh illegally. The Adviser said this while talking to journalists after coming out from a meeting on arrangement of security for peaceful celebration of the Christmas Day and 31st night at the Secretariat yesterday.

Commerce Adviser Sk Bashir Uddin urged all to supplement the government's efforts to ensure justice for all in the country. The Commerce Adviser said this while addressing a closing session of the Advanced Technology Solution (ATS) Expo-2024 organized by Walton at the Bashundhara International Convention Center in Dhaka yesterday.

Primary and Mass Education Adviser Prof. Dr. Bidhan Ranjon Roy Poddar said, primary level students will receive text books by January but there will be no celebration like before. The Adviser made these remarks in replying questions at a press briefing after holding a view exchange meeting with Khulna Divisional Education officers yesterday.

Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shfiqul Alam said, Bangladesh is interested to enhance relations with India. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary told a press briefing at Foreign Service Academy in Dhaka yesterday. Bangladesh-India relations should be based on equity, fairness and dignity. India is a big neighbour of Bangladesh while it shares many rivers with India, the Chief Adviser's Press Secretary added. The government will formally ask India to extradite ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina after completing legal procedures.

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As part of the ongoing cooperation and partnership in enhancing counter-terrorism capacity, Mitchell LEE, chargé d'affaires of Singapore High Commission in Dhaka, paid a courtesy call on Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP) Additional Commissioner (CTTC) Md. Masud Karim yesterday. The meeting was held at the Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime (CTTC) office in the capital city. During the courtesy call, Mitchell LEE expressed his interest in continuing to enhance the capacity of both countries in combating terrorism and international crime

Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Acting Chairman Tarique Rahman called upon the party men to make their all-out efforts to keep people's trust and confidence in the party. The BNP Acting Chairman told a workshop on virtual platform organized by BNP's Training Affairs Committee the workshop on "31-point outline for repairing state structure and public engagement" for party men of Barishal and Rangpur divisions at Shilpakal Academy in Barishal and Rangpur yesterday.

BNP announced the 31-point outline to present how BNP wants to rebuild the country, the BNP Acting Chairman added.

Seven dengue patients died while 596 were admitted to different hospitals in the country during the past 24 hours, according to the Directorate General of Health Services yesterday.

DSEX, the broad index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange, declined by 15 points and settled at 5,182 points as against 5,197 points yesterday.

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