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## Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus gave necessary directives to Chief of Army Staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral M Nazmul Hassan and Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal Hasan Mahmood Khan to take all out preparations to ensure foolproof security for peaceful holding of the upcoming 13th national parliamentary election to be held in the first half of February next year. The Chief Adviser gave the directives to Chiefs of the three services when they met him at the State Guest House Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus congratulated the members of the National Consensus Commission for successfully completion of their task of holding continuous dialogues with all active political parties and reaching a consensus leading to formulation of the July National Charter and its implementation roadmap. The Chief Adviser extended the appreciation in a statement issued by his Press Wing yesterday.

Liberation War Affairs Adviser Farooq-e-Azam, Bir Pratik, has underscored the need for the state to give greater priority to the welfare of elderly people across the country. The Adviser expressed concern that the state has not adequately addressed the needs of the elderly, leading to their neglect and marginalization in society. The Adviser also stressed that ensuring care for senior citizens is a shared social and moral responsibility, as they are an integral part of the nation's fabric. The Adviser made the remarks as the chief guest at a discussion marking the 8th anniversary of 'The Senior Citizens Society' held at the Seniors Club in the capital the day before yesterday.

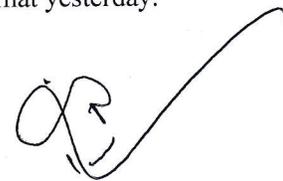
Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhter said, loss of open water bodies in the country causes depleting sweet water fishes. The Adviser said this while speaking as the chief guest at the closing session of the two-day 'CAB Youth Parliament 2025,' organized by the Consumers Association of Bangladesh (CAB) at the Mozaffar Ahmad Chowdhury Auditorium at Dhaka University yesterday.

Earlier, Fisheries and Livestock Adviser Farida Akhter said, environmental assessments must go beyond ecological considerations to include the fishermen's livelihoods and cultural identity as well as institutional recognition of their labor. She also noted Bangladesh possesses rich aquatic biodiversity, making it all the more essential to conserve natural fisheries resources and ensure social protection for the fishing communities. The Adviser made the remarks while speaking at the inaugural session of the 7th Center for Sustainable Development Conference 2025, held at Six Seasons Hotel in Dhaka yesterday. The conference was jointly organized by the Center for Sustainable Development and the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh.

Social Welfare and Women and Children Affairs Adviser Sharmin S Murshid said, it is very urgent to forge unity between younger generation and elderly people to make Bangladesh a welfare country. Both young and old people can contribute to building an economically advanced country through giving their combined efforts, the Adviser added. The Adviser said these while addressing a program organized by the Nabin-Prabin Anto:Projonmo Milan Mela-2025 at Pallima Sangsad Conference Hall in Khilgaon, in the capital yesterday.

Religious Affairs Adviser Dr AFM Khalid Hossain said that Bangladesh has long been a land of communal harmony, urging all citizens to work together for national development by rising above divisions. The Adviser made these remarks while addressing a discussion meeting titled 'Communal Harmony and a Peaceful Bangladesh' held at the Lalmonirhat District Council Auditorium, organized by the district administration in Lalmonirhat yesterday.

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Election Commissioner Md. Anwarul Islam Sarker said, the government has taken all-out preparations and is committed to hold a free, fair and credible national election slated for February 2026. The Election Commissioner made the remarks at a daylong workshop titled 'Identifying the Challenges and Ways to Overcome Them in Performing Duties of Polling Officials in the Electoral Process', held at the CODEC Training Centre in Kuakata of Patuakhali district yesterday. The workshop was organized by the Patuakhali District Election Office.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs said, it has taken note of India's concern regarding the possible visit of religious preacher Zakir Naik to Bangladesh. Spokesperson of the Foreign Ministry S M Mahbubul Alam said this while speaking to reporters yesterday.



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