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Newsbrief

Home Affairs Adviser Lt Gen (Retd.) Jahangir Alam Chowdhury said, unprecedented security measures have been taken across the country centering the 13th National Parliamentary Election and the referendum. The Adviser said this to the journalists after holding a meeting at the Rajshahi Jail Training Academy Auditorium in Rajshahi yesterday. The Adviser also assured that this year's election will be completely fear-free, neutral, and festive.

Meanwhile, Home Adviser Lt Gen (retd) Md. Jahangir Alam Chowdhury stressed ensuring public safety, administrative coordination and professionalism of law enforcement agencies to hold a free, fair and impartial election. The Adviser warned that strict action would be taken against any irregularity or negligence in performing duties. The Adviser made the remarks while talking to the journalists after a views-exchange meeting with administrative and law enforcement officials of the Khulna region in Khulna yesterday.

Housing and Public Works adviser Adilur Rahman Khan yesterday visited the graveyard of martyred Shahriar Shuvo, who embraced martyrdom during last year's student-people uprising. The Adviser offered prayers at the graveyard at Shankar Chandra village of Chuadanga Sadar Upazila in Chuadanga and sough salvation of the departed soul. The Adviser asked the DC of Chuadanga to take necessary measures to ensure quick disbursement of government assistance allocated for the martyr's family.

Commerce and Civil Aviation and Tourism Adviser Sheikh Bashir Uddin visited the tortured domestic help, 11-year-old Mohana, at the Gazipur Shaheed Tajuddin Ahmad Medical College Hospital yesterday. During the visit this evening, the Adviser inquired about the child's physical condition from the doctors and instructed the hospital authorities to ensure the highest level of medical care.

Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder yesterday said, the interim government will hand over power to the elected representatives as soon as possible following the general election scheduled for February 12. Rejecting claims that the interim government intends to remain in office for another 180 working days after the election, He also said, such assertions are driven by 'dishonest intentions'. He said the same groups had attempted to cast doubts on the election process a few days earlier.

The Election Commission (EC) has issued a directive to ensure that political parties and candidates strictly follow the established code of conduct for election campaigning via social media ahead of the 13th National Parliamentary Election and Referendum, scheduled for February 12. Md. Ruhul Amin Mollick, Director (Public Relations) and Information Officer of the EC Secretariat, yesterday informed that a formal letter has been sent to all Returning Officers to enforce these regulations. However, the guidelines mandate that candidates or parties must submit identifying information -- including the name of the social media platform, account IDs, and email addresses -- to the respective Returning Officers before commencing any digital campaign activities.

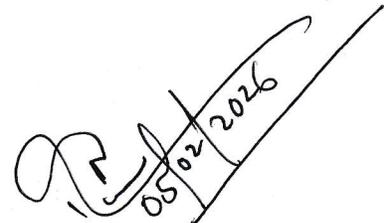
The Election Commission has postponed the elections in Sherpur-3 (Shribordi-Jhenaigati) constituency following the death of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami candidate Nuruzzaman Badol. Sherpur District Returning Officer Tarafdar Mahmudur Rahman confirmed the development yesterday. A new schedule will be announced for the constituency, he said, adding that new candidates can apply and nominations will be verified accordingly.

Election Commissioner Abdur Rahmani Masud said, if officials engaged in election duties or members of law enforcement agencies violate the code of conduct, the commission will take appropriate action through investigation. The Commissioner said this at a press briefing at Nirbachan Bhaban in Dhaka yesterday.

A special information service has been launched through a2i's National Helpline 333 to provide citizens with verified election-related information ahead of the 13th Jatiya Sangsad Election and Referendum-2026. A press release from the Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology confirmed the matter yesterday. The service has been introduced in collaboration with the Bangladesh Election Commission (EC) to ensure accurate and reliable information for voters in the run-up to the polls scheduled for February 12.

Bangladesh has called for renewed global solidarity and people-centred policies to advance social development and social justice, stressing the need for inclusive, compassionate societies with equal opportunities for all. Addressing the sixty-fourth session of the Commission for Social Development (CSocD64) at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on Tuesday, Bangladesh Permanent Representative Ambassador Salahuddin Noman Chowdhury underscored the importance of policies that place people at the core of development efforts, said a press release received in Dhaka yesterday.

The International Crimes Tribunal (ICT)-2 is scheduled to pronounce its judgment today in a crimes against humanity case filed over the killing of seven youths and the subsequent burning of six of their bodies in Ashulia on August 5, 2024. The second tribunal on February 1 had set today to pronounce the judgment in the case.



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