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Newsbrief

President Mohammed Shahabuddin paid tribute to army officers martyred in the 2009 BDR (now BGB) carnage at the Banani Military Graveyard. On the occasion of National Martyred Army Day, the President placed a wreath at the Banani Military Graveyard at the graves of the martyred officers yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman paid rich tribute to martyred army officers who were killed in the 2009 BDR (now BGB) carnage, at the Banani Military Graveyard in the capital yesterday. After paying homage, one minute silence was observed as a mark of profound respect to the memories of the martyrs.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said, his government will further modernise and consolidate the border force so that its members can carry out their duties with patriotism and professional excellence. The Premier made the remarks while speaking at a views exchange meeting at the Army Multipurpose Complex in the Army Headquarters in Dhaka yesterday on the occasion of the National Martyred Army Day commemorating the BDR (Now BGB) carnage on February 25 and 26 in 2009. At the onset of his speech, the Prime Minister recalled the valiant martyrs of the 1971 Liberation War, those who sacrificed their lives in the 1990 mass uprising and the 2024 mass uprising with due respect. The Prime Minister also paid deep tribute to the 74 brave martyrs, including 57 patriotic army officers, who embraced martyrdom in the brutal killings on February 25 and 26 in 2009 at Pilkhana in the capital.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman adorned newly appointed Inspector General of Police (IGP) Md. Ali Hossain Fakir with the rank badge. The Premier pinned the rank badge at a ceremony at his Cabinet Division office in Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Minister for Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir urged an impartial investigation into the 2009 BDR carnage. The Minister made the remarks after laying wreaths at the Banani Military Graveyard in the capital on the occasion of National Martyred Army Day, marking the anniversary of the 2009 Pilkhana carnage.

Finance Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury said that a new government has come to power and usually there would be some changes as it has some priorities, programmes, preferences, thoughts and planning. The Minister also said that there is no particular reason behind the decision to appoint a new governor. Commenting on the reshuffle at the Bangladesh Bank Governor's post, the Finance Minister said that changes are inevitable as a new government has come to power. The Minister was speaking to reporters at the Ministry of Finance at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed has called on Chinese investors to expand their investment footprint in Bangladesh, underscoring the long-standing friendship and strategic partnership between the two countries. The call came during a courtesy meeting between the Minister and Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh Yao Wen at Home Ministry office in the Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday, according to a press release of the Ministry.

Describing the 2009 Pilkhana killings as a deliberate attempt to weaken the Bangladesh Army and destabilize the country, Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed assured the nation that justice would be ensured for one of the most heinous incidents in the world. The Minister made the remarks after laying wreaths at the Banani Military Graveyard in the capital yesterday on the occasion of National Martyred Army Day, marking the anniversary of the 2009 Pilkhana carnage.

The government has formed a cabinet committee with Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed as its Convener to monitor, review and improve the overall law and order situation. In this regard, the Cabinet Division issued a gazette notification yesterday.

Japan has invited Prime Minister (PM) Tarique Rahman to visit Tokyo at a mutually convenient time, as Dhaka and Tokyo reaffirmed their commitment to further strengthening long-standing bilateral relations across diverse sectors. Japanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Shinichi Saida conveyed the invitation during a courtesy call on Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman at the Foreign Ministry on Tuesday, according to a Foreign Ministry's press release yesterday.

Bangladesh and Malaysia have agreed to strengthen cooperation in the field of religious affairs. Religious Affairs Minister Kazi Shah Mofazzal Hossain Kaikobad and Malaysian Religious Affairs Minister Dr. Zulkifli Hasan agreed to this issue in a virtual meeting held on Tuesday, a handout said yesterday. In his speech, Kaikobad emphasised the exchange of mutual experiences and the best practices in development of Hajj management, zakat administration and religious education system. During the meeting, they expressed the hope to further enhance cooperation in the field of religion affairs between the two countries in the future.

Ambassador of the European Union to Bangladesh, Michael Miller, who led a delegation of EU representatives, met with Commerce Minister Khandaker Abdul Muktadir at his office at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. During the meeting, the two sides discussed in details various aspects of trade, investment and economic cooperation between Bangladesh and the European Union. The Commerce Minister said, the European Union is an important trading partner for Bangladesh and the government will continue working to further strengthen bilateral trade relations in the coming years.

Commerce Minister Khandaker Abdul Muktadir said, the United States tariff issue remains as an 'evolving scenario,' stressing that Bangladesh has yet to receive any official written communication from Washington regarding the newly announced measures. Briefing reporters after a meeting with business leaders from various sectors at the Commerce Ministry at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday, the Minister said, the tariff situation has undergone significant changes following a ruling by the US Supreme Court.

Labour and Employment Minister Ariful Haque Choudhury emphasised the need to strengthen labour-management relations to effectively address the challenges facing the current government. The Minister said this while addressing a meeting with representatives of the Bangladesh Employers Federation at the conference room of the Ministry yesterday. State Minister for Labour and Employment Md. Nurul Haque was also present at the meeting.

Water Resources Minister Md. Shahiduddin Chowdhury Anee said, canals will be recovered from illegal occupants. The Minister said this during a visit to inspect the re-excavation of the Shubhadhya Canal and Ati Canal, as well as bank protection works on both sides of the canals in Keraniganj yesterday. State Minister for Water Resources Forhad Hossain Azad was also present on the occasion.

Health and Family Welfare Minister Sardar Md. Sakhawat Hossain said, the government has undertaken various plans to free the city dwellers from the mosquito menace. The Minister made the remarks while visiting Dholpur area of the capital yesterday to inspect the effectiveness, testing and ongoing activities of mosquito control insecticides used by the Dhaka South City Corporation.

The government has appointed Md. Mostaqur Rahman, FCMA, as the new governor of Bangladesh Bank for a term of four years. According to a notification issued yesterday by the Financial Institutions Division of the Ministry of Finance.

This year the minimum fitra rate has been fixed at Taka 110, while and maximum at Taka 2,805 per person. The decision was taken at the National Fitra Fixation Committee meeting held in the conference room of the Islamic Foundation at Baitul Mukarram National Mosque yesterday. President of National Fitra Fixing Committee and Khatib of Baitul Mukarram National Mosque Maulana Mufti Abdul Maleque presided over the meeting.



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