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Newsbrief

President Mohammed Shahabuddin and Prime Minister Tarique Rahman paid rich tributes to the Liberation War martyrs by placing wreaths at the National Memorial in Savar today, marking the 56th Independence and National Day. After laying the wreaths, the President and the Premier stood in solemn silence for some time as a mark of profound respect to the memories of the martyrs of the Great War of Liberation in 1971. The Head of the State and the Head of the Government also signed the visitors' book kept on the memorial premises. On the occasion, special prayer was offered seeking forgiveness for the martyrs of the 1971 Liberation War, 1990 Anti-autocracy Movement and 2024 July Uprising. Jatiya Sangsad Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal, Chief Justice Zubayer Rahman Chowdhury, were present there. Later, on behalf of Jatiya Sangsad Speaker Hafiz Uddin Ahmed, Bir Bikrom, Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal and Chief Justice Zubayer Rahman Chowdhury also paid homage to the martyrs by placing wreaths at the mausoleum.

President Mohammed Shahabuddin said that the objectives of independence were to ensure political and economic freedom, establish a society free from exploitation, uphold the dignity of every citizen and strengthen the empowerment of people at all levels. The President said these in a message yesterday on the Great Independence and National Day to be observed today. The President extended his heartfelt greetings and warm felicitations to the fellow countrymen living at home and abroad.

Indian President Droupadi Murmu has extended warm greetings to Bangladesh on its Independence and National Day, reaffirming commitment to strengthening bilateral ties and advancing regional peace, stability and prosperity. The Indian President said this in a letter to Bangladesh President Mohammed Shahabuddin yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman paid rich tributes to his parents Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia at their graves at Zia Udyan in the capital's Sher-e-Bangla Nagar area yesterday on the occasion of the 56th Independence and National Day. Later, flanked by Cabinet Members and senior BNP leaders, Tarique Rahman, also the Chairman of the ruling BNP, placed two other wreaths at the graves of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia on behalf of the Cabinet and his party. After placing the wreaths, 'Fateha' and special prayer were offered to the Almighty Allah for eternal peace for the departed souls of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman, the proclaimer of the country's independence, Begum Khaleda Zia and Arafat Rahman Koko. Prayer was also offered seeking forgiveness for the martyrs of the 1971 Liberation War, all democratic movement and 2024 July Uprising.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said that the fundamental goal of independence was to establish a Bangladesh that is free from discriminations and to be democratic, peaceful and prosperous. The Prime Minister said these in a message yesterday on the Great Independence and National Day to be observed today. The Prime Minister said, on the occasion of the great Independence and National Day, 26 March, he extends his heartfelt greetings and congratulations to the people of Bangladesh at all levels, as well as to all Bangladeshis living abroad.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman held a special meeting on 'measures to address the fuel situation' in the country. The Premier chaired the meeting at his Cabinet Division office in the Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. Cabinet Secretary Nasimul Ghani briefed the journalists after the Cabinet meeting. The Cabinet Secretary said, government has adequate reserves of fuel oil so that the Prime Minister has instructed the concerned authorities to ensure a stable supply of fuel.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman unveiled a commemorative postage stamp on the occasion of Independence and National Day 2026. The Premier unveiled the stamp of Taka 10, along with an opening day cover of Taka 10 and a data card of Taka 5, at a ceremony at his Cabinet Division office at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister and BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said the proclamation of independence by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman inspired the masses to join the Liberation War of 1971. The Minister said this in an exclusive interview with BSS at his Secretariat office yesterday.

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir expressed deep shock and sorrow over the tragic incident in which a passenger bus carrying around 50 people plunged into the river while boarding a ferry at Daulatdia Ghat in Rajbari district. In a statement yesterday the Minister said, the accident has triggered widespread concern and anxiety across the country, with fears of heavy casualties.

Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku said that Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman's declaration of independence was essentially the call that formally initiated the Liberation War across the country. The Minister told this in an exclusive interview with BSS at his office at the Secretariat yesterday.

Liberation War Affairs Minister Ahmed Azam Khan said, the historic proclamation of independence by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman in 1971 provided direction to a bewildered Bengali nation. The Minister said this in an exclusive interview with BSS yesterday.

Cultural Affairs Minister Advocate Nitai Roy Chowdhury said, the traditional Mahashtami holy bath at Langanbandh is not merely a religious ritual, but a unique expression of the nation's pluralistic culture, coexistence and shared humanitarian values. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at a religious discussion and cultural programme held in Narayanganj yesterday on the occasion of the Mahashtami Holy Bath (Punno Snan) 2026.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapan said, there is no fuel crisis in the country and urged people not to be misled by rumors circulating on social media. The Minister made the remarks at a press briefing held at the Secretariat yesterday. State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Yeaser Khan Choudhury and Adviser on the Ministry Dr. Zahed Ur Rahman were present there.

Russian Ambassador to Bangladesh Alexander Grigoryevich Khozin paid a courtesy call on Food, Fisheries and Livestock and Agriculture Minister Mohammad Amin Ur Rashid at the Agriculture Ministry conference room in the Secretariat yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed various issues of mutual interest, including agriculture, food security, and import-export trade between the two countries.

Minister for Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs Dipen Dewan called upon all communities both in hill and plain areas to remain united to protect the country's independence and sovereignty and building a corruption-free modern Bangladesh. The Minister made the call while taking part at a discussion organized on the occasion of a post-Eid reunion at the conference room of the Ministry of Chittagong Hill Tracts Affairs at the Secretariate yesterday.

Education Minister Dr. ANM Ehsanul Hoque Milon said, the government is planning to complete the SSC and HSC examinations by December 31 each year to save valuable academic time for students. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at a meeting held at the Education Ministry on the smooth organization of the 2026 HSC and equivalent examinations.

A three-member delegation of the International Foundation for Electoral Systems paid a courtesy call on Deputy Speaker of the Jatiya Sangsad Barrister Kayser Kamal at his office in the Parliament building yesterday. The delegation comprised John Joseph Lis (USA), Nenad Marinkovic and Maria Chowdhury. During the meeting, they discussed in detail various issues, including parliamentary activities.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam urged Singapore to expand employment opportunities for both skilled and semi-skilled Bangladeshi workers, highlighting the government's priority on job creation and vocational training. The issues were discussed when Singapore's Chargé d'Affaires Mitchel Lee paid a courtesy call on her at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday.

Russian Ambassador to Bangladesh Alexander Khozin has congratulated Bangladesh on its 55th Independence Day, praising its development achievements and reaffirming commitment to strengthening bilateral cooperation. In a congratulatory message yesterday, the Envoy extended heartfelt greetings to the people of Bangladesh, marking the historic declaration of independence on March 26, 1971, which initiated the country's journey towards sovereignty.



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