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Newsbrief

President Mohammed Shahabuddin stressed on ensuring women's safety both at home and outside the home to fully realize the benefits of policies adopted for women's development and prosperity. The President said this while addressing the International Women's Day-2026 celebration and the Best Indomitable Women Award ceremony at Osmani Memorial Auditorium in the capital yesterday.

Former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia has been honored with the 'The Best Indomitable Woman in Advancing Democracy' award as part of this year's International Women's Day observances. President Mohammed Shahabuddin handed over the award to Barrister Zaima Rahman, the only daughter of the Prime Minister and ruling BNP Chairman Tarique Rahman. Zaima Rahman received this prestigious award on behalf of her family at a ceremony held at Osmani Smrity Auditorium yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman will inaugurate a government programme to provide monthly allowances to imams and muezzins of mosques across the country on March 14. Prime Minister's Adviser for Public Administration Md. Ismail Zabiullah disclosed the matter while talking to journalists at the Religious Affairs Minister's office in Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

BNP Secretary General and Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said, he would write to the Prime Minister seeking the introduction of government allowances for the families and children of disappeared persons. The Minister said this while addressing at the inaugural ceremony of the production of the documentary titled 'Mayer Dak', held at the Bangladesh Film Archive auditorium in the capital's Agargaon yesterday, marking International Women's Day.

Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Pranay Verma said, Bangladesh and India can really transform their geographical proximity into new economic opportunities through setting a forward-looking and people-centric agenda. The Indian High Commissioner made the remarks while talking to reporters at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday after meeting Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed said, they have taken extensive measures to ensure a safe and smooth Eid journey for home-goers and maintain strict security during Independence Day celebrations. The Minister said this after two separate meetings at the Home Ministry yesterday. The government has appointed an additional inspector general of police from the Industrial Police as a focal point to ensure the payment of salaries, bonuses and other benefits to ready-made garment workers ahead of Eid-ul-Fitr, the Minister added.

British High Commissioner to Bangladesh Sarah Cooke has reiterated that the United Kingdom will continue its support for Rohingya refugees displaced from Myanmar. The British High Commissioner said this during a courtesy call on Salahuddin Ahmed in latter's office at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Iqbal Hassan Mahmood said, the country has sufficient reserves of fuel and the government has introduced rationing of fuel due to the global situation. The Minister said this while addressing a meeting marking the 20th imprisonment day of Prime Minister and BNP Chairman Tarique Rahman organized by the Uttaranchal Students' Forum at Jatiya Press Club in Dhaka yesterday.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo said, there will be no leniency for drug dealers and extortionists, stressing that the government is maintaining a zero-tolerance policy against drugs, extortion and juvenile gangs. The Minister made the remarks while addressing a meeting of the district law and order committee held at the conference room of the Feni Deputy Commissioner's office yesterday.

Food, Fisheries and Livestock and Agriculture Minister Mohammad Amin Ur Rashid said that Bangladesh will enhance its capacity and take initiatives to export food items to the Japanese market. The Minister made the remarks when a delegation led by Chief Representative Ichiguchi Tomohide of JICA met him at the latter's office yesterday.

Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment and Labour and Employment Minister Ariful Haque Choudhury urged all to save energy and electricity. The Minister said this while addressing a meeting of District Law and Order Committee held at the conference room of the Sylhet Deputy Commissioner's office yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapan yesterday inquired about journalists injured in an attack by miscreants while covering news at the Pagla Mosque in Kishoreganj. The Minister spoke with local Member of Parliament Mazharul Islam over the phone regarding the incident. The Minister directed the Deputy Commissioner and Superintendent of Police of the district to ensure the culprits are appropriately punished and to provide security to the journalists injured in the attack.

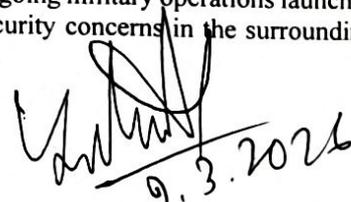
Road Transport and Bridges Minister Shaikh Rabiul Alam said, metro rail has already gained people's trust as a successful and commuter-friendly project. The tireless work and sincere efforts of the concerned officials and employees have played an important role behind this success, the Minister added. The Minister made the remarks while exchanging views with officials and employees after visiting the Diabari metro rail depot after traveling by metro rail from the capital's Bangladesh Secretariat Station yesterday.

Road Transport and Bridges, Railways and Shipping Minister Shaikh Rabiul Alam expressed hope for further strengthening bilateral relations between Bangladesh and Switzerland through enhanced cooperation in infrastructure, technology, port management and development sectors. The remarks came when Reto Renggli, Ambassador of Switzerland to Bangladesh, paid a courtesy call on the Minister at his office at the Ministry yesterday.

The Ambassadors of Bhutan and Nepal paid separate courtesy calls on State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam and discussed strengthening bilateral cooperation and regional collaboration. Ambassador of Bhutan to Bangladesh Dasho Karma Hamu Dorjee and Ambassador of Nepal Ghanshyam Bhandari met the State Minister at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the capital yesterday.

British High Commissioner to Bangladesh Sarah Cooke yesterday said, the United Kingdom stands alongside Bangladesh in advancing women's leadership, economic opportunity and safety to ensure greater participation of women and girls in shaping their futures. In a message posted by the British High Commission Dhaka marking International Women's Day, Cooke reaffirmed the UK's commitment to supporting women's empowerment and inclusive development in Bangladesh.

Bangladesh Embassy in Beirut has advised Bangladeshi nationals to leave several areas in Lebanon and move to safer locations following the outbreak of hostilities in parts of the country. The Embassy said this in a special advisory message yesterday. The Embassy also said, the advisory was issued in view of the ongoing military operations launched by Israeli forces in southern Beirut, which have heightened tensions and raised security concerns in the surrounding areas.



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