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Newsbrief

The Cabinet yesterday approved proposals to convert two ordinances related to the supplementary budget for FY 2024-25 and the main budget for FY 2025-26 into law. The decision was taken at the Cabinet's third meeting held at the Secretariat under the Chairmanship of Prime Minister Tarique Rahman, Cabinet Secretary Nasimul Gani told reporters.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman will inaugurate the much-anticipated 'Farmer Card' programme on the occasion of Pahela Baishakh from Tangail Sadar upazila on Pahela Baishakh, the first day of Bangla New Year (April 14). The decision was taken at a meeting of the Farmer Card preparing cell held at the Secretariat yesterday with the Prime Minister in the chair, according to Additional Press Secretary Atikur Rahman Ruman.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed held a high-level bilateral meeting with UK Home Office Minister Lord Hanson at the Vienna International Centre yesterday on the sidelines of the Global Fraud Summit 2026. The meeting, held on the second day of the summit, focused on strengthening bilateral cooperation in key areas of mutual security and strategic interest, according to a Home Ministry press release yesterday. Both sides reaffirmed their commitment to deepening collaboration in counter-terrorism, maritime security and defense.

Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman and UNCTAD Secretary-General Rebeca Grynspan have discussed global economic risks stemming from the ongoing Middle East conflict, warning of adverse impacts on trade, energy markets and developing economies. The discussion was taken place when the UNCTAD Secretary-General called on the Foreign Minister at the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations in New York on Monday, according to a message yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapan laid emphasis on the importance of creating an integrated master plan for industrialization in the country's southern region, centered around the vast natural gas reserves in Bhola. The Minister said this while speaking at an Iftar and Doa Mahfil organized by the Barishal Divisional Journalists' Association, Dhaka, at the Dhaka Reporters' Unity yesterday. The Minister also said, it is crucial to think about how the gas discovered in Bhola can be integrated into an industrial and factory-based plan for the southern region and how it can be distributed effectively.

Shipping, Road Transport and Bridges and Railways Minister Sheikh Robiul Alam said, no major traffic congestion has so far been reported as the people are traveling home for Eid, expressing hope that this year's Eid journey will be comfortable for holidaymakers. The Minister made the remarks while talking to the journalists after inaugurating the Goma Bridge under Bakerganj upazila in Barishal yesterday. State Minister for Railways and Road Transport Habibur Rashid was also present at the inauguration ceremony.

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Shaikh Rabiul Alam said that the development projects will be implemented based on actual needs considering the public interests. The Minister also stated that uninterrupted supply of fuel to public transport will be ensured for Eid journey in order to reduce passenger sufferings. The Minister made the remarks while responding to the questions from the journalists after laying the foundation stone of a bridge over the Ramnabad River at Galachipa Upazila of Patuakhali yesterday. The event was attended by State Minister for Road Transport Habibur Rashid and State Minister for Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Nurul Haque Nur.

Prime Minister's Adviser on Education, Primary and Mass Education, Expatriate Welfare and Overseas Employment and Labour and Employment Ministries Mahdi Amin described the '28-plan on 28-day' taken by Prime Minister Tarique Rahman as an 'unprecedented campaign'. The Prime Minister's Adviser highlighted the Prime Minister's 28-plan in a status on his verified Facebook page yesterday.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Aminul Haque has taken a unique initiative to encourage children to attend congregational prayers at mosques during the holy month of Ramadan. A total of 317 children from Mirpur area have been rewarded with new bicycles for offering five daily prayers in congregation throughout the month. The bicycles were handed over to the children at a program held at Mirpur Bangla School and College ground yesterday.

State Minister for Shipping and the Bridge Division Md. Rajib Ahsan visited Shimulia Tourist Ghat to review preparations aimed at ensuring passenger services on waterways during the upcoming holy Eid-ul-Fitr. During the visit, the State Minister inaugurated the operation of three passenger launches on the routes Shimulia-Demra-Narayanganj-Shatnol-Mohanpur-Ekhlashur-Chandpur and Shimulia-Demra-Narayanganj-Chandpur-Barishal from Shimulia Tourist Ghat. The State Minister instructed all concerned authorities to take necessary measures to ensure safe, comfortable and hassle-free journeys for homebound passengers during the Eid travel period.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman has sent Eid gifts to six-year-old tea seller Fatema and her grandmother in the Bangla College area in the capital. Leaders of 'Amra BNP Paribar' delivered the gifts at Taltola yesterday on behalf of the Prime Minister. Member Secretary Krishibid Moksedul Momin Mithun, along with members Masud Rana Liton and Mustakim Billah, were present during the distribution.

Fuel handling operations at Chattogram port are continuing smoothly, with two more fuel-laden vessels set to enhance the ongoing supply chain. The vessels, 'Chang Hang Hong Tu' and 'LPG Seven', are currently in the process of discharging cargo helping ensure a steady fuel supply across the country, according to a press release yesterday.

Inspector General of Police (IGP) Md. Ali Hossain Fakir said that all units of the police department will be deployed to ensure a smooth, safe and hassle-free journey for people traveling home during Eid. The Police Chief made the remarks yesterday after visiting the Gabtoli Bus Terminal.

Trucks, covered vans and lorries will not be allowed to operate on highways for three days before and three days after the holy Eid-ul-Fitr from March 17 to March 23. Bangladesh Road Transport Authority announced this in an urgent notice yesterday regarding public transport operations during the celebration of Eid-ul-Fitr.



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