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## Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman told the Jaitya Sangsad that the government will take all sorts of steps to bring the laundered money back to country. The Premier said this while replying to a supplementary question from treasury bench lawmaker from Cumilla-9 constituency Md. Abul Kalam in the House yesterday with Speaker Hafiz Uddin Ahmed, Bir Bikram, in the chair. Responding to another supplementary question from opposition lawmaker from Rajshahi-1 constituency Md. Mujibur Rahman on preparing the list of the money launderers, the Prime Minister said, the respective department is preparing the list of the accused people.

Pakistan High Commissioner to Bangladesh Imran Haider met Speaker of the Jatiya Sangsad Hafiz Uddin Ahmad, Bir Bikram, at the Parliament yesterday. During the meeting, the Pakistan High Commissioner expressed deep condolences and sympathy over the death of the Speaker's wife Dilara Hafiz. The Speaker and the High Commissioner also exchanged views on the ongoing global crisis and various important issues concerning their respective countries. Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal was present at the meeting.

Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives (LGRD) Minister Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir has called for a major shift in approach to ensure the effective, timely and sustainable implementation of development projects under the Annual Development Program (ADP). The Minister made the remarks while addressing a review meeting at his Ministry yesterday, on the progress of ADP projects for the fiscal year 2025-26, implemented by the Local Government Division up to February 2026. State Minister of the Ministry Mir Shahe Alam attended the meeting as a special guest. During the meeting, detailed presentations were made on organization-wise financial allocations, projects nearing completion, as well as the progress and challenges of ongoing key initiatives. Based on these discussions, the Minister provided directives aimed at accelerating project execution and enhancing efficiency, according to a Ministry press release.

Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir expressed hope that the World Bank will continue its cooperation in Bangladesh's overall development. The Minister made the remarks when a World Bank delegation, led by its World Bank Division Director for Bangladesh and Bhutan Jean Pesme, called on him at his office at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Social, Welfare and Women and Children Affairs Minister Abu Zafar Md. Zahid Hossain said, the friendship between Bangladesh and Japan is deeply rooted in mutual trust, common aspirations and progress. Terming Japan one of the Bangladesh's most trusted development partners the Minister said, the solid friendship between the two countries is built on mutual respect and trust and has grown steadily over the past few decades. The Minister said this while speaking at the Japan's National Day reception marking the birthday of the Emperor of Japan at Japan Embassy in Dhaka on Tuesday, according to a handout yesterday.

Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman has requested the United States to grant Bangladesh a special waiver to import refined diesel and other petroleum products from Russian sources to ease energy pressures. The request was made during a meeting with US Energy Secretary Chris Wright at the Department of Energy in Washington D.C. on Thursday, according to a message yesterday.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo held a meeting with Nepal's Ambassador to Bangladesh Ghanshyam Bhandari at the Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday focusing on enhancing bilateral cooperation in key sectors. During the meeting, they discussed strengthening collaboration in areas including environment, forest management, climate change, energy, education and tourism. The Minister said, both Bangladesh and Nepal are climate-vulnerable countries, underscoring the need to expand afforestation and increase the use of environment-friendly technologies in the energy sector.

Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia have discussed expanding manpower export and recognising Bangladeshi skills to strengthen bilateral labour cooperation during a meeting held in Geneva. Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Minister Ariful Haque Chowdhury held the talks with Saudi Vice-Minister for International Affairs Dr. Tariq bin Abdul Aziz on the sidelines of the 356th Governing Body session of the International Labour Organization, said an official handout yesterday.

Minister for Health and Family Welfare Sardar Md. Sakhawat Hossain announced that a nationwide measles vaccination campaign will begin on April 5. The Minister made these remarks while addressing a press conference at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday following a meeting with the UNICEF representatives. The Minister stated that all preparations for vaccine collection and distribution have been completed.

Chief Whip Nurul Islam said that a special Parliamentary committee will be formed soon to facilitate constitutional amendments. The Chief Whip also said, the exact number is yet to be finalised while the committee is expected to consist of 15, 18, or 20 members. The Chief Whip told this to reporters yesterday.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam urged the Maldives to recruit more skilled and semi-skilled workers from Bangladesh to strengthen labour cooperation between the two countries. The request was made during a meeting with Maldives High Commissioner Shiuneen Rasheed at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday. Both sides also emphasised the need to deepen cooperation in trade, health, education, connectivity and labour mobility, highlighting the untapped potential in bilateral relations.

State Minister for Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Nurul Haque Nur urged the Japan Foundation to set up a permanent office in Bangladesh to further strengthen bilateral cooperation. The State Minister made the call when the Managing Director of Japan Foundation Koike Wakao paid a courtesy call on him at his office in Dhaka yesterday.

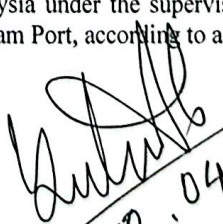
State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam lauded Malta for offering visa services for Bangladeshi students and workers from Dhaka, saying it saves time and costs while boosting people-to-people connectivity. The appreciation came during a meeting with Malta's High Commissioner to Bangladesh Reuben Gauci, who paid a courtesy call at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Dhaka yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman has written to Sultan of Oman Haitham bin Tarik, conveying Bangladesh's solidarity with the leadership, government and brotherly peoples of Oman in the context of the current regional situation. The Prime Minister also conveyed Bangladesh's readiness to extend any necessary support, should it be considered useful by the Omani government. Foreign Affairs Adviser to the Prime Minister, Humaiun Kobir called on the Foreign Minister of Oman Sayyid Badr bin Hamad bin Hamood Albusaidi in Oman yesterday and handed over a personal letter from the Prime Minister.

Iran has granted permission for six Bangladesh-flagged ships stranded in the Strait of Hormuz to pass. Iran's Ambassador to Bangladesh, Jalil Rahimi Jahanabadi disclosed the development at a press conference at the Iranian Embassy in Dhaka yesterday. The Ambassador added that Iran had requested the Bangladesh government to provide detailed specifications of the ships, which were received last week. The Ambassador also said that work on the matter is going on and there is no problem regarding the movement of Bangladeshi ships.

The Ship MV MP Ultra Max 2, carrying 61,000 metric tons of wheat from the United States (US) as part of Cash Purchase Agreement No. 3 between the US and Bangladesh, arrived at the outer Anchorage of Chattogram Port yesterday. This update was provided in a press release by the Ministry of Food yesterday. Earlier, 58,457 metric tons of wheat arrived in the country through the first shipment and 62,150 metric tons through the second shipment under the G2G agreement.

A ship named 'PVT Solana', carrying 27,300 tonnes of refined diesel from Malaysia under the supervision of the Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation (BPC), anchored at Dolphin Jetty-05 of Chattogram Port, according to a BPC press release yesterday.

  
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