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## Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said that the government has taken necessary steps to formulate and implement action plans based on a 180-day programme to implement the commitments made in the election manifesto. The Premier said this in reply to a starred question from treasury bench member from Pabna-5 Md. Shamsur Rahman Simul Biswasin in the Jatiya Sangsad yesterday with Speaker Hafiz Uddin Ahmad, Bir Bikram, in the chair. The Prime Minister also said, his government has initiated the 'Family Card' programme, considering the family as the core unit of development.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman sought US\$ 2 billion fund from development partners to meet the Bangladesh's immediate energy needs and safeguard its economic stability. The Prime Minister told the Asia Zero Emission Community Plus Online Summit. Highlighting the ongoing global energy crisis, the Prime Minister said, the crisis is a stark reminder of their shared vulnerability and interdependence.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman told the Jatiya Sangsad that his government has specific plans to explore alternative labour market abroad in view of recent instability in the Middle East, including Iran. The Leader of the House said this while replying to a starred question from treasury bench member from Narsingdi-5 Md. Ashraf Uddin in the House yesterday. Replying to another starred question from treasury bench member ABM Mosharraf Hossain (Patuakhali-4), the Prime Minister informed the parliament that the present government has a specific commitment to develop Bangladesh's tourism sector in sustainable and planned manner.

A five-member high-level delegation from the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) paid a courtesy call on Social Welfare and Women and Children Affairs Minister Abu Zafar Md. Zahid Hossain discusses social protection in Bangladesh. The meeting was held at the Jatiya Sangsad (JS) Secretariat office of the Minister, according to a press release of the Ministry. During the meeting, both sides discussed opportunities for deeper collaboration, particularly in areas such as nutrition support for poor mothers, health and education for children, inclusive development for persons with disabilities and food assistance programs for those affected by climate change-related disasters. Both parties expressed optimism that the meeting would pave the way for enhanced future cooperation.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo informed the Jatiya Sangsad that the government has taken a series of comprehensive measures to protect the country from the adverse impacts of climate change. The Minister said this in replying to a starred question from independent lawmaker Rumeen Farhana (Brahmanbaria-2) during the day's question-answer session in the House yesterday with Speaker Hafiz Uddin Ahmad, Bir Bikram, in the chair.

Cultural Affairs Minister Nitai Roy Chowdhury said, a complete understanding of any nation can be derived from its cultural practices and hence culture is the soul of a nation. The Minister made the remarks while addressing a cultural program held at the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy in Dhaka yesterday marking the Bengali New Year celebrations.

Land Minister Md. Mizanur Rahman Minu informed the Jatiya Sangsad that the government has undertaken a series of measures to curb alleged unchecked corruption at upazila-level land offices. The Minister also said, the introduction of an online land development tax system has significantly reduced opportunities for cash-based irregularities by union land offices. The Minister said this while replying to a written question from NCP lawmaker Akhter Hossen (Rangpur-4) in Jatiya Sangsad yesterday.

The government has undertaken a series of measures to turn Biman Bangladesh Airlines Limited into a more profitable and internationally competitive airline, said Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Afroza Khanam. The Minister said this while responding to a starred question from ruling party lawmaker Sarwar Jamal Nizam (Chattogram-13) in the Jatiya Sangsad yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon characterized fascism as a 'mental illness' that primarily originates from the abuse of power and a lack of accountability. The Information Minister made these remarks at an exchange of views with photo journalists at the Bangladesh Photo Journalist Association auditorium in Dhaka yesterday. The Minister noted that the influence and prestige of power can infect individuals with a kind of disease if constant vigilance is not maintained.

Education Minister Dr. A N M Ehsanul Hoque Milon said, the government will establish a modern 'multipurpose examination centre' in every upazila to ensure that regular teaching activities are not disrupted during public examinations. The Minister made these remarks while addressing a view-exchange meeting with centre secretaries of the Sylhet region ahead of the SSC and equivalent examinations-2026, organized by the Board of Intermediate and Higher Secondary Education in Sylhet yesterday.

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Sheikh Rabiul Alam said, the government has a plan to construct a bridge on the Kocha river at Charkhali-Togra ferry ghat point in Pirojpur. The Minister said this while giving a statement on important notice of ruling party lawmaker M Ruhul Amin Dulal of Pirojpur-3 at Jatiya Sangsad yesterday.

State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Bobby Hajjaj said, the reintroduction of the primary scholarship examination has brought great joy to both students and their guardians. The State Minister also said that the government's primary objective is to encourage students to attend school and pursue education through initiatives such as scholarships. There are plans to expand these activities on a larger scale in the future, he added. The State Minister made the remarks while talking to journalists after visiting the Primary Scholarship Examination center at Motijheel Government Primary School in the capital yesterday.

Prime Minister's Adviser to Information and Broadcasting Ministry Dr. Zahed Ur Rahman said, marginal, small and medium farmers will get an incentive of Taka 2,000 per year. In addition, the agriculture cards will also be effective in obtaining agricultural loans, while the government has allocated Taka 1,150 crore in agriculture sector from the development budget. The Adviser revealed the information at a press briefing held at the conference room of the Press Information Department at the Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Prime Minister's Press Secretary AAM Saleh Shibly said, Prime Minister Tarique Rahman's position among TIME magazine's 100 most influential people of the world for 2026 is a matter of pride for the country and its democracy loving people. The Adviser told BSS yesterday. The Press Secretary said this in a reaction after Tarique Rahman secured a place in the list of 100 most influential people on the New York-based TIME magazine.



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