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**Newsbrief**

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman yesterday congratulated the Bangladesh U-20 football team for their victory over India in the SAFF U-20 Championship. Prime Minister's Press Secretary Saleh Shibly said the premier extended his heartfelt congratulations to all players, coaches and officials of the Bangladesh U-20 football team over the historic victory in the SAFF U-20 Championship.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman will formally inaugurate distribution of Krishak Card from Tangail on April 14 next. The card distribution programme will be held at Shaheed Maruf Stadium on that day. Fisheries and Livestock State Minister Sultan Salahuddin Tuku said this to reporters yesterday after inspecting the venue.

BNP Secretary General and Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives Minister Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir expressed deep grief and sorrow over the death of Arshad Hossain, father of ATN Bangla Chief Reporter Moinul Ahsan. In a condolence message yesterday, the Minister prayed for the eternal peace of the departed soul and extended heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family, relatives, admirers and well-wishers.

Finance Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury called for strict adherence to government-declared fuel austerity measures in response to the global energy crisis triggered by the ongoing Middle East war. The Minister made the remarks while briefing journalists after attending the certificate awarding ceremony of the 'Youngone-CIU Academic Excellence Scholarship-Spring-2026' at the conference room of Korean Export Processing Zone in Anowara, Chattogram yesterday.

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Afroza Khanam Rita said, the government prefers to assign operational responsibility of the Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport 3rd terminal to the Japanese consortium through negotiations while safeguarding national interests. The Minister told this to reporters after emerging from the second round of talks with the Japanese side yesterday. Bangladesh and Japan held the second round of high-level meeting to advance negotiations on the operation and maintenance of the third terminal, signalling renewed momentum toward finalizing the long-delayed deal. The meeting, held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was attended by Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman, Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Afroza Khanam Rita, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam, Prime Minister's Foreign Affairs Adviser Humayun Kabir and State Minister M Rashiduzzaman Millat, among others.

Industries, Jute and Commerce Minister Khandakar Abdul Muktadir said, the government has taken emergency measures to conserve electricity amid the ongoing global situation. The Minister told journalists in Sylhet yesterday while urging the shop owners to keep their establishments closed during the 6:00 pm peak electricity demand period to help reduce pressure on the power grid.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon said, freedom of press is very crucial to ensure flow of information, however it's also equally important to protect the people from misinformation. The Minister also said, cyber space and digital media have brought enormous change in the concept information, but necessary laws were not updated accordingly to cope with the challenges. The Minister said this while talking to journalists after inaugurating a tree plantation programme organized by the Young Journalist Forum at the Pabna Zila School premises yesterday.

Water Resources Minister Md. Shahid Uddin Chowdhury Anee said, the unfinished canal excavation works initiated by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman will be completed under the leadership of Prime Minister Tarique Rahman. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at the inauguration of the canal re-excavation in the Kafilatoli area of Uttar Hamsdi Union in Lakshmipur Sadar Upazila yesterday.

Disaster Management and Relief Minister Asadul Habib Dulu said, a total of 23 multi-purpose flood shelters will be constructed in Lalmonirhat. The Minister said these while laying the foundation stone for the construction of a flood shelter at Itapota Government Primary School in Lalmonirhat Sadar yesterday. The project is being implemented by the Local Government Engineering Department, Lalmonirhat. The Minister added that the building under construction will serve as a shelter centre during disasters and function as a school during normal times. Such initiatives will play a significant role in disaster management.

Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal stressed the need to engage children in healthy cultural practices from an early age to keep them away from drugs and other social vices. The Deputy Speaker made the remarks while speaking at a certificate and prize distribution ceremony of Janata Cultural Academy at Kalmakanda upazila parishad hall room in Netrokona yesterday. The Deputy Speaker also announced that a modern Shilpakala Academy would be established in Kalmakanda.

State Minister for Textiles and Jute Md. Shariful Alam called for keeping the government's incentive programmes for farmers, free from any kind of political influence. The State Minister instructed the concerned officials to ensure that genuine farmers receive the benefits. The State Minister said this while inaugurating the free distribution of seeds and fertilizers to farmers in Kuliarchar, Kishoreganj yesterday.

State Minister for Public Administration and Food Md. Abdul Bari said, inadequate drainage caused severe losses to potato farmers in Joypurhat following recent sudden rainfall. The State Minister made the remarks while inaugurating excavation work of the Kanamona-Harabati canal, a branch of the river Harabati, at Matrai union under Kalai upazila of Joypurhat yesterday.

State Minister for Youth and Sports Aminul Haque said, the government has a plan to develop Cox's Bazar as a modern sports hub to facilitate its tourism. The State Minister said this while talking to reporters after visiting the dilapidated condition of the proposed cricket stadium in Cox's Bazar yesterday.

The government has refuted a report published by the Amar Desh on April 3, 2026, with headline '21 officials to visit three countries to learn BTV Digital Broadcasting,' terming it as false, fabricated and baseless. A press release of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting yesterday said, in reality the project cited in the report involves installing advanced broadcasting equipment at 16 Bangladesh Television centres and sub-centres nationwide to bring all centres under digital operations.

MT Yuan Jing He, a vessel from Singapore has docked at Chattogram port with 27,300 tons of diesel. This is the ninth ship arrived at Chattogram port since the conflict in the Middle East began. Farzin Hasan Moumita, Assistant Manager of BPC said this to reporters yesterday.



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