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Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said that his government is prioritizing restoring peace and security in public life by improving law and order and strictly controlling corruption. The Prime Minister said this while addressing the Independence Award-2026 distribution ceremony at the Osmani Memorial Auditorium in the capital yesterday. Earlier, the Prime Minister conferred the Independence Award on 15 distinguished persons, including former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia and five institutions in recognition of their outstanding contributions to respective fields at the national level. On behalf of late Begum Khaleda Zia, her granddaughter Barrister Zaima Rahman received the award from the Prime Minister at the ceremony.

The government has decided to observe National Revolution and Solidarity Day on November 7, marking the historical release of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman. A cabinet meeting, chaired by Prime Minister Tarique Rahman, took the decision at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. At the same time, it was decided to reinstate the public holiday by declaring the day as an 'A-category' national observance. Cabinet Secretary Nasimul Ghani disclosed the information at a press conference after the meeting at the Press Information Department at the Secretariat. The Cabinet Secretary also said, the government has set a target to generate 10,000 megawatts of solar electricity by 2030 to address the energy crisis.

Speaker Major (retd.) Hafiz Uddin Ahmad, Bir Bikram said, the constitution cannot be changed unilaterally by any individual or group as only elected representatives of the people have the authority to do so. The Speaker made the remarks yesterday while speaking to journalists in Bhola during a three-day official visit to his home district. The Speaker said, any constitutional amendment, including the implementation of the 'July Charter,' must follow due constitutional procedures. On the July Charter, the Speaker also urged all sides to work together for consensus and effective implementation of the charter.

World Bank (WB) President Ajay Banga has appreciated the detailed sector-wise election manifesto of the ruling BNP and affirmed all out support for Bangladesh. The WB President made the assurance at a meeting with Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury in the Washington DC yesterday on the sidelines of IMF-World Bank Spring Meetings. Prime Minister's Adviser Rehan Asad was also present at the meeting.

Law, Justice, and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Md. Asaduzzaman said, the government is not interfering to defer Bar Council election, rather extending support to hold the election properly. The Minister said this while National Citizens Party Member in the Parliament yesterday Akhter Hossen raised the issue after taking floor under point of order. Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal was in the chair.

Cultural Affairs Minister Nitai Roy Chowdhury stressed on further strengthening cultural ties between Bangladesh and Italy for mutual interest. In this connection, the Minister said, the historic cultural agreement signed between the two countries on October 13, 1991, had laid a strong foundation for long-standing cultural partnership between the two nations. The Minister made this observation when the Italian Ambassador to Bangladesh Antonio Alessandro called on him at his Secretariat office in the capital yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed issues relating to cultural exchange programme and ways to further strengthen bilateral cooperation in the preservation of archaeological heritage.

Fisheries and Livestock Minister Mohammad Amin Ur Rashid said, the government is working to make the livestock sector as an major area for employment. The Minister said this while replying to a scripted question from opposition member from Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami Quamrul Hassan (Mymensingh-6) in the House yesterday. The Minister also said, initiatives have focused on developing skilled human resources, creating employment opportunities and accelerating the growth of self-reliant communities and an entrepreneurial class.

Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh Yao Wen paid a courtesy call on Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon. The meeting was held at Minister's office at the Secretariat in Dhaka yesterday. The Ambassador expressed China's willingness to further strengthen relations with Dhaka in the fields of information and communication technology, diplomacy, training and mass communication, assuring continued cooperation with the present government. Prime Minister's Information Adviser Dr. Zahed Ur Rahman, State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Yeaser Khan Choudhury and Information Secretary Mahbuba Farjana were also present at that time.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon assured all kinds of support for the development and flourishing of women journalists as a delegation from the Bangladesh Women Journalists Forum (BWJF) called on him at his Ministry office yesterday. During the meeting, the Minister discussed the protection of professional dignity of women journalists, enhancement of their skills and improvement of standards. The Minister emphasized the importance of building networks for women journalists at regional, national and international levels.

Minister for Water Resources Md. Shahiduddin Chowdhury Anee said in Jatiya Sangsad that the proposed Padma Barrage Project is very important and it will be implemented to ensure water availability during the dry season in the vast agricultural areas of the Padma basin. The Minister said this in the Parliament yesterday in response to a starred tabled question from ruling party lawmaker Harun-Or-Rashid (Rajbari-2).

Parliament yesterday congratulated Prime Minister Tarique Rahman for being named among the world's 100 most influential people in TIME Magazine. Chief Whip Nurul Islam moved the congratulatory motion during a point of order before the House was adjourned, with Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal presiding over the sitting.

Malaysia's state Sarawak has agreed in principle to recruit more Bangladeshi workers, appreciating their contribution to the construction sector, while both sides explored expanding cooperation in key economic areas. The development came during a meeting between Bangladesh High Commissioner to Malaysia Monjurul Karim Khan Chowdhury and Sarawak Premier Abang Haji Abdul Rahman Zohari at the Premier's Office in Kuching, according to a message day. During the meeting, both sides emphasized enhancing cooperation in agriculture, renewable energy and labour migration.

Bangladesh has reiterated its strong commitment to United Nations peacekeeping, highlighting its readiness to further strengthen contributions in partnership with the UN and the international community at a high-level mission event. The Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the UN in New York hosted a luncheon in honour of Heads of Military Components and Force Commanders serving in UN peacekeeping missions at the Mission premises, according to a message yesterday. In his welcome remarks, Permanent Representative to the UN Salahuddin Noman Chowdhury expressed deep appreciation for the leadership of Force Commanders and Heads of Military Components serving in challenging missions.

High Commissioner of United Kingdom (UK) Sarah Cooke paid a courtesy call on Chief of Counter Terrorism and Transnational Crime unit of Dhaka Metropolitan Police Masud Karim in the capital yesterday. The meeting underscored the importance of strengthening bilateral cooperation in counter-terrorism, intelligence sharing, capacity building and joint initiatives, according to a press release. The UK Envoy expressed interest in supporting Bangladesh Police through training programmes aimed at enhancing operational capacity, particularly in tackling organized transnational crime and terrorism-related threats.



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