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## Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman has asked the concerned authorities to take necessary measures for quick rehabilitation of the hawkers evicted from city streets. The Premier gave the instruction at a meeting held at the Prime Minister's Office in the capital's Tejgaon area yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said, the government is working to ensure proper recognition of the talents of innovators, researchers, entrepreneurs, and creative individuals by establishing a modern, easy and effective service system. The Prime Minister said this in a message yesterday issued on the occasion of 'World Intellectual Property Day' to be observed today in Bangladesh, in line with other countries across the globe.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman sought the government official's effective role in implementing electoral pledges saying that his government is committed to implement all the pledges made in his party's election manifesto. The Prime Minister made the remarks while addressing an event at the Bangladesh Institute of Administration and Management (BIAM) Foundation Auditorium after laying the foundation stone of a training centre-cum-dormitory building at BIAM Foundation in the capital yesterday.

BNP Secretary General and Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir urged everyone to remain vigilant, saying that a vested group is attempting to destabilize the country's political environment through misinformation and propaganda. The Minister made the remarks at a press conference at the party's central office in Naya Paltan yesterday. Earlier, the Minister chaired a joint meeting held ahead of the upcoming May Day. The meeting discussed various preparations to ensure the successful observance of the day.

Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury said, the government is working to move the country away from a patronage-based economic system. The Minister also said, the government is striving to ensure equal opportunities for all citizens. To this end, several initiatives, including family cards and farmer cards, have been introduced, the Minister added. The Finance Minister made these remarks at a pre-budget discussion with the leaders of Economic Reporters' Forum held at his office in Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Liberation War Affairs Minister Advocate Ahmad Azam Khan said that the Awami League government has left the country's economy in a dire condition through corruption. The Minister said this while addressing a distribution programme at Sakhipur upazila parishad hall in Tangail yesterday. The event was organized to distribute free fertilizers and seeds among the farmers to boost Aush paddy cultivation and production during the Kharif-1 season. Under the Livestock Dairy Development Project farming inputs were also distributed among local livestock farmers.

Cultural Affairs Minister Nitai Roy Chowdhury said, ensuring quality education is the main goal of the present government and implementation of promises made to the people has already begun within just two months. A monstrous force had systematically destroyed the country's education system and constitutional institutions, misleading students with distorted history and conspiring to undermine merit, which pushed the nation backward, the Minister added. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at the annual sports, cultural and prize distribution ceremony of Kazi Shalima Haque Mohila Degree College in Mohammadpur upazila of Magura yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon stressed the need for preparing a realistic roadmap to send skilled manpower to the Europe, saying remittance earners play a vital role in strengthening the national economy. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at a seminar titled 'Ten lakh skilled manpower in the European labour market: Presentation of the masterplan (2026-2031) and ensuring the state rights of expatriates' at Jatiya Press Club in Dhaka yesterday. Italy-Bangla Shamannay Unnayan Samity and Bangladesh Probashi Unnayan Samity jointly arranged the seminar.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon underscored the need for concerted efforts of all stakeholders in the ICT sector to build a technology-driven modern society and state. The Minister said this while addressing a policy dialogue titled 'Building Bangladesh's Digital Future: Telecom, Data and Cyber Security Bill 2026', organized by Bangladesh ICT Stakeholders Alliance at a city club in the capital yesterday.

Disaster Management and Relief Minister Asadul Habib Dulu said that considering its geographical location and potential, the proposed Fisheries Research Institute in Lalmonirhat will open a new horizon for the development of fisheries resources not only in the district but across the entire northern region of Bangladesh. The Minister made these remarks while visiting the proposed site for the construction of the Fisheries Research Institute in Lalmonirhat yesterday.

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Md. Asaduzzaman said that eliminating the culture of torture in the country cannot be achieved through legislation alone, stressing the need for broader social and institutional transformation. The Minister made the remarks while addressing the National Consultation on the Prevention of Torture and the Implementation of UNCAT and OPCAT held at Hotel Pan Pacific Sonargaon in Dhaka yesterday.

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Md. Asaduzzaman said, freedom of the press is essential for the protection and development of democracy. The Minister said this while visiting the office of The Daily Star at Karwan Bazar in the capital yesterday on the occasion of its 35th founding anniversary. The Minister also expressed deep concern after visiting the site of the attack, vandalism and arson that took place at the office on the night of December 18 last year.

Health and Family Welfare Minister Sardar Md. Sakhawat Hossain said, a significant number of children missed vaccination after regular measles-rubella campaigns were not conducted on time since 2020, leading to severe infections. With support from Gavi, UNICEF and the World Health Organization, the Minister said, the country has received 2 million vials, equivalent to 20 million doses of vaccines. The Minister said to the newsmen after visiting the 250-bed Munshiganj General Hospital yesterday to check the real situation of the hospital.

State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism M. Rashiduzzaman Millat said that the government is working to attract foreign investment to build international-standard tourism infrastructure in Bangladesh. The State Minister made the remarks while addressing the 'Beautiful Bangladesh Run 2026 (Season-2)' held at Hatirjheel in the capital yesterday with the participation of more than 1,000 runners to promote Bangladesh tourism domestically and internationally.

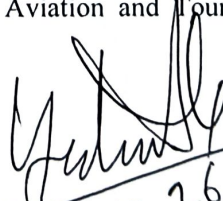
State Minister for Fisheries and Livestock Sultan Salahuddin Tuku said, the livestock sector is vital for strengthening the national economy and stressed the need for its further development. The Minister said this while addressing a discussion marking World Veterinary Day-2026 at the Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council auditorium in the capital yesterday.

State Minister for Land and Chattogram Hill Tracts Affairs Mir Mohammad Helal Uddin, has outlined the government's long-term plans to support coastal communities struggling with natural challenges such as erosion. The State Minister said this while speaking at a 'Coastal Dialogue' titled 'Sandwip's April Tragedy: Decisions Now to Save the Coast' at the Chattogram Press Club yesterday. The State Minister also stressed the urgency of tackling river and soil erosion, curbing illegal activities and improving transport systems in Sandwip.

Prime Minister's Adviser on Education and Primary and Mass Education Mahdi Amin said, the government plans to gradually bring all primary school students under a mid-day meal programme to ensure improved nutrition. The Adviser made the remarks while addressing a roundtable titled 'From Genome to Bioeconomy: Enhancing Bangladesh's Biotechnology Capabilities by 2030' at Business Standard auditorium in Eskaton Garden in the capital yesterday.

Prime Minister's Adviser on Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology Rehan Asif Asad said that connectivity is now the top priority of the government as it has aimed to connect 90 percent of the population with 5G. The Adviser made this remark while speaking at a seminar titled 'New Telecom Policy: Expectations of Entrepreneurs', organized by the Telecom and Technology Reporters' Network Bangladesh at a city hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

The government appointed Rume A Hossain as Chairman of Biman Bangladesh Airlines and reconstituted its board with inclusion of senior officials and private sector representatives. The Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism issued a notification in this regard yesterday.



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