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Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman has arrived in China last night from Kuala Lumpur concluding his two-day official visit to Malaysia. Liaoning Province Vice Governor Bai Ying and Bangladesh's Ambassador to China Md. Nazmul Islam welcomed Bangladesh Premier and his spouse Dr. Zubaida Rahman at Dalian Zhoushuizi International Airport in China.

Earlier, Prime Minister Tarique Rahman called on Malaysia's King Sultan Ibrahim ibni Almarhum Sultan Iskandar at the Royal Palace Istana Negara in Malaysia yesterday. The King's consort Malaysia's Queen Raja Zarith Sofiah and Premier's spouse Dr. Zubaida Rahman were also present at that time. During the meeting, the Prime Minister and the King exchanged views on issues of mutual interest, including bilateral relations and ways to further strengthen cooperation between the two friendly countries.

Bangladesh and Malaysia have agreed to elevate their longstanding bilateral relations to a new level through enhanced cooperation in trade, investment, labour migration, defense, energy, digital economy and regional affairs, while Malaysia reiterated support for Bangladesh's Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) aspirations. The commitment came during Prime Minister Tarique Rahman's official visit to Malaysia at the invitation of Malaysian Prime Minister Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim, according to a joint statement issued following bilateral talks between the two leaders. During the visit, both leaders expressed strong determination to take bilateral relations to 'new heights' and witnessed the exchange of several bilateral documents aimed at expanding cooperation.

Bangladesh Prime Minister Tarique Rahman has joined a one-to-one meeting with his Malaysian counterpart Anwar Ibrahim at the Prime Minister's Office of Malaysia yesterday. After the one-to-one talks, a high-level meeting between the two countries held at the Malaysian Prime Minister's Office in Putrajaya yesterday. The Prime Ministers of the two countries led their respective delegations at the meeting.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman urged the Malaysian government to open the labour market as soon as possible and recruit more Bangladeshi workers. The Premier made the urges in a joint press conference with Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim. The press conference was held at the Malaysian Prime Minister's Office in Putrajaya following summit-level talks between Bangladesh and Malaysia on the second and concluding day of Prime Minister Tarique Rahman's two-day official visit. Expressing his sincere gratitude to the Malaysian Prime Minister, the Malaysian government and its people for their warm welcome and hospitality, the Premier said that Malaysia is a trusted and longstanding partner of Bangladesh.

Bangladesh and Malaysia signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cultural cooperation and exchanged two bilateral documents following high-level talks between the two countries, led by their respective Prime Ministers. An MoU on cultural cooperation was signed in the presence of Prime Minister Tarique Rahman and Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim after the bilateral meeting held at the Malaysian Prime Minister's Office at Putrajaya yesterday. Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman and Malaysian Foreign Minister Utama Haji Mohamad bin Haji Hasan exchanged the documents on behalf of their respective governments.

Datuk Sazali Hamzah, Executive Vice President and Chief Executive Officer of Petronas Group, Malaysia's state-owned oil and gas company, paid a courtesy call on Prime Minister Tarique Rahman at the Shangri-La Hotel in Malaysia yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed ways to enhance trade, investment and economic cooperation between Bangladesh and Malaysia, with particular emphasis on collaboration in the energy sector. Earlier, Nick Rizal Kamil Nik Ibrahim Kamil, Chief Executive Officer of Robi Axiata Group, paid a courtesy call on Prime Minister at the Shangri-

La Hotel in Kuala Lumpur. During the meeting, they discussed investment opportunities in Bangladesh's telecommunications sector, the development of digital infrastructure and particularly in the early rollout of 5G networks in Bangladesh. Besides, Bo Lingam, Group Chief Executive Officer of AirAsia, paid a courtesy call on the Prime Minister at the Shangri-La Hotel. During the meeting, they discussed potential investment opportunities in Bangladesh's aviation sector.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman called upon Bangladeshi expatriates to make united efforts to contribute to the country. The Prime Minister made the remarks at a views-exchange meeting with Bangladeshi expatriates at the Shangri-La Hotel in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. Referring to the country's condition during a decade-and-a-half of fascist rule, the Prime Minister said that individuals and groups had looted public money and property as the country was devastated.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed said, the army has been deployed under in-aid to civil power act in six districts of the country based on intelligence information to prevent possible untoward activities by the banned political party Awami League. The Minister made the remarks while talking to journalists at his Ministry in Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday, saying the government will take all necessary measures to deal with the situation.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed said that the present government firmly believes in communal harmony and universal rights. Criticizing incidents of minority persecution that occurred during the tenure of the former Awami League government in places such as Ramu, Nasirnagar and Cumilla, the Minister said that the rate of persecution against minority communities now declined at its lowest level. The Minister made the remarks during a courtesy meeting with the leaders of the 'Bangladesh Puja Udjapan Parishad' at his office at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.


The government has undertaken a series of initiatives to transform the country's information and broadcasting sector into a modern, technology-driven and internationally competitive industry, Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon told Parliament yesterday. The Minister said this while replying to a starred tabled question from BNP lawmaker Rafiqul Islam Hilali (Netrakona-3) in the National Parliament. The Minister said the government has increased the use of modern digital technologies in the broadcasting and information services of Bangladesh Television (BTV), Bangladesh Betar, Bangladesh Sangbad Sangstha and the Department of Films and Publications. The Minister also informed the House that initiatives have been taken to gradually introduce a Digital Terrestrial Television broadcasting system at BTV.

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Afroza Khanam stressed the need for increasing flight frequencies on the Dhaka-Rome route to better serve the growing Bangladeshi community in Italy and strengthen air connectivity between the two countries. The Minister made the comment when Italian Ambassador to Bangladesh Antonio Alessandro paid a courtesy call on her at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Md. Asaduzzaman said that alongside laws and policies, social awareness must be enhanced with special emphasis to ensure the protection, dignity and rights of senior citizens. The Minister said this while addressing a consultation meeting titled 'World Elder Abuse Awareness Day-2026' in the capital yesterday. Organized by Resource Integration Centre (RIC), the meeting was held at YWCA auditorium in the city's Mohammadpur area yesterday.

Dhaka underscored the need for the early repatriation of forcibly displaced Rohingyas of Myanmar to their homeland and sought support from Türkiye and the international community to ensure their safe, voluntary, dignified and sustainable return. State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam made the call in a meeting with President of the Turkish Red Crescent Dr. Fatma Meriç Yilmaz at her office in Dhaka yesterday.

State Minister for Planning Zonayed Abdur Rahim Saki said, the government is working to establish a transparent, reliable and modern data management system to support evidence-based policymaking and accelerate the country's development process. The State Minister said this while addressing an event on the Stakeholder Sensitization Workshop on Microdata Analysis Lab of Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) at the National Economic Council (NEC) Conference Room in the capital yesterday.


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