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Newsbrief

Acting President Hafiz Uddin Ahmad, Bir Bikram paid homage to the martyrs of the Great Liberation War by placing a wreath at the National Memorial in Savar yesterday. The Acting President laid the wreath and observed a minute of solemn silence in memory of the martyrs who laid down their lives for the country's independence. The Acting President later signed the visitors' book, paying deep tribute to the Liberation War martyrs.

Acting President Hafiz Uddin Ahmad, Bir Bikram paid homage at the graves of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia at Zia Uddyan yesterday. Later, the Acting President offered Fateha and Munajat seeking eternal peace of the departed souls of Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman and former Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said, his government is committed to building a modern and technology-driven Bangladesh Army capable of meeting the demands of the time. The Prime Minister also said, Bangladesh is currently facing complex and multidimensional security challenges, including maritime and border security, transnational and cross-border threats, cyber and information security, disaster response and humanitarian assistance. The Prime Minister made the remarks while addressing the inaugural ceremony of the 'Army Headquarters Selection Board-2026' at the Dhaka Cantonment yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman stressed the need for merit-based promotion in the Bangladesh Army, rising above personal preferences or political considerations to build a modern and professional force. The Prime Minister put the emphasis at the inaugural ceremony of the Army Headquarters Selection Board-2026 at the Dhaka Cantonment yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman assured all necessary support for the development of Bangladesh's tea industry, increasing its production capacity and addressing its long-standing challenges. The Prime Minister also directed the relevant authorities to form a committee to achieve these objectives. The Prime Minister made the assurance and the instruction at a meeting on the development of the country's tea industry held at the Prime Minister's Office at the Cabinet Division in Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said, ensuring food security for the country's people remains a major challenge and stressed the need for more investment in agricultural research to achieve that goal. The Minister made the remarks while addressing an orientation program of the freshers at Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University in the capital yesterday.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed reaffirmed the government's commitment to enforcing a strict reward and punishment policy to transform the country's law enforcement agencies into people-friendly and service-oriented institutions in line with the aspirations of the people following the July Mass Uprising. The Minister made the remarks while addressing a ceremony at the Home Ministry's conference room yesterday, where certificates of recognition and financial rewards were presented to police personnel for acts of bravery and outstanding service.

Social Welfare and Women and Children Affairs Minister Dr. Abu Zafar Md. Zahid Hossain said, children are like flowers and their hidden talents should be nurtured. Many renowned artists in the country have emerged through Channel i's cultural programmes, the Minister added. The Minister made the remarks at an event marking the launch of the children's reality competition 'Shaplakuri 2026' on Channel i in Dhaka yesterday.

Bangladesh and the Maldives discussed establishing a direct shipping link between the two countries to boost bilateral trade and connectivity as part of efforts to deepen their longstanding friendly relations. The issue was discussed during a bilateral meeting between Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman and his Maldivian counterpart Iruthisham Adam in Malé, capital of Maldives, yesterday.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo called upon the leaders and activists of the BNP to stay united in the upcoming local government elections. The Minister told a tree-plantation programme organized by Feni District Krishak Dal at Sonagazi Municipal auditorium in Feni yesterday.

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Afroza Khanam described Japan as a longstanding and trusted friend of Bangladesh, acknowledging its steadfast support during difficult times and significant contribution to the country's development. The Minister said this while addressing the "Japan-Bangladesh Business Women Conference" at a city hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon said, the FIFA World Cup 2026 was successfully broadcast without spending any money from the government revenue. The Minister made the remarks at the 'FIFA World Cup 2026 Broadcast and Thanksgiving' event, held at the Press Information Department (PID) conference room yesterday. During the event, State Minister for Youth and Sports Md. Aminul Haque presented formal floral greetings and letters of thanks to Information Minister Swapon and State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Yasser Khan Choudhury on behalf of his Ministry. Acting Secretary of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting Md. Shah Alam and Principal Information Officer Syed Abdal Ahmed were also present.

Water Resources Minister Shahid Uddin Chowdhury Anne said, the party will also lose public trust if it adopts culture of politicization and abuse of power that developed during the fallen Awami League's 17-year authoritarian rule. Speaking at a reception for newly enrolled lawyers organized by the District Jatiyatabadi Ainjibi Forum in Lakshmipur yesterday, the Minister said that the BNP must avoid repeating the mistakes of the previous government.

Emphasizing the government's firm position on corruption, Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Advocate Md. Asaduzzaman said that the judiciary, legal professionals and state institutions must collaborate to uphold the rule of law and create a system of accountability. The Minister said this while speaking at the opening of a training workshop for newly admitted lawyers at the Chattogram District Bar Association auditorium yesterday.

Science and Technology Minister Faqir Mahbub Anam said, the government is working to transform Bangladesh from a labour-driven economy into a knowledge and innovation-driven economy. The Minister made the remarks while addressing a discussion titled 'Bangladesh Deep-Tech Future' on the second day of the two-day National Semiconductor Symposium and BEAR Summit 2026 at the Novo Theatre in Tejgaon area yesterday.

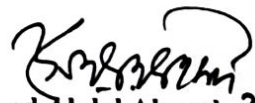
Prime Minister's Economic Adviser Dr. Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir said, the government is pursuing an inclusive foreign policy, engaging constructively with all neighbouring countries while keeping Bangladesh's national interests at its core. The Adviser said this while addressing a discussion titled "Bangladesh-China Relations: Enhanced Trust and New Direction" at North South University (NSU) in the capital yesterday. The South Asian Institute of Policy and Governance of NSU organized the seminar, bringing together policymakers, diplomats, scholars, China experts, media representatives, faculty members and students.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam stressed enhanced collaboration between the Foreign Ministry and International Federation of Red Cross (IFRC) to advance climate resilience initiatives, with particular attention to women and children. The State Minister made the urge when Head of Delegation of the IFRC to Bangladesh, Alberto Bocanegra, paid a farewell call on her at Foreign Ministry yesterday.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam expressed concern over challenges facing Bangladeshi expatriates in the UAE and sought its support in addressing their difficulties. The State Minister raised the issue when the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Ambassador to Bangladesh Abdulla Ali Abdulla Alhmoudi called on her office at Foreign Ministry yesterday.

State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Bobby Hajjaj said, the government is preparing a new policy to improve the quality of primary education and strengthen administrative efficiency as the first draft is expected to be completed by August 17. The State Minister said these while talking to reporters after conducting a session at a training workshop titled "Management of Primary Education Classroom Activities in Bangladesh, Monitoring, Accountability and Changing Expectations of Local Administration" at Primary Training Institute auditorium in Sylhet yesterday.

Prime Minister's Adviser and Prime Minister's Office Spokesperson Mahdi Amin said that the government is giving the highest priority to agri-based entrepreneurship, product diversification, and research and innovation. The Spokesperson said this while speaking at an event titled "Agriculture is Culture, Agriculture is Prosperity", held during the orientation programme for newly admitted students of Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University in Dhaka yesterday.


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