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Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman directed the authorities concerned to ensure improved and easier access to healthcare services for marginalized people and asked doctors to be sincerer in providing treatment to patients. The Prime Minister also directed stricter action against negligence in duty and instructed the authorities to expand dialysis services and strengthen healthcare infrastructure across the country. The Prime Minister made the directives at a meeting with officials of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. Besides, the Prime Minister emphasized the importance of adopting a realistic plan to expand the 'Family Card' programme nationwide in phases, ensuring the best use of modern technology and strengthening effective coordination among all relevant ministries and agencies.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman stressed maintaining unity among the political parties that took part in the joint anti-fascist movement along with BNP in the last 17 years to fulfil the aspirations of the country's people. The Prime Minister made the call before exchanging greetings and hosting a dinner for the leaders of the parties that joined the movement leading to the fall of Sheikh Hasina's fascist regime, at the State Guest House Jamuna in the capital yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman said that his government is attaching the highest importance in protecting workers' rights, ensuring a safe working environment and implementing international labour standards. The Prime Minister said this when International Labour Organization (ILO) Director-General Gilbert F. Houngbo paid a courtesy call on him at his office in Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday. The ILO Director General said that the ILO is interested in further strengthening its long-standing partnership with Bangladesh and will continue to work closely with the government for the development of the labour sector.

LGRD and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said, the existing mosquito control technologies have not been very effective, but the technology developed using domestic chemicals may be promising. A joint programme between the city corporations and innovators would be successful in mosquito control if the newly developed technology could be used on a trial basis, the Minister added. The Minister made the remarks after joining a programme virtually on mosquito control technology organized by Youth to World at the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh in the capital's Ramna yesterday.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed has directed members of the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) to maintain the highest level of vigilance along the borders to check illegal infiltrations, push-ins, human trafficking and other cross-border crimes. The Home Minister issued the directives while addressing BGB personnel during a visit to the BGB Headquarters at Pilkhana in Dhaka yesterday.

Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Iqbal Hassan Mahmood has called upon non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to invest in the renewable energy sector. The Minister added that the government has already introduced policies to promote solar energy. The Minister was speaking as the chief guest at the national workshop titled 'Voice of Development' organized by the National Development Programme at the Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre in the capital yesterday.

Religious Affairs Minister Kazi Shah Mofazzal Houssain Kaikobad requested the Saudi government to retain the backup accommodation quota for Bangladesh at one percent for the 2027 Hajj, instead of increasing it. The Minister made the request while paying a courtesy call to Saudi Arabian Ambassador to Bangladesh Dr. Abdullah Jafar H. Bin Abiyah at the Saudi Embassy in Gulshan area yesterday. The Saudi Ministry of Hajj and Umrah has fixed the backup accommodation quota at 2 percent for the 2027 Hajj.

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Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo said, all ongoing projects will be reviewed and revised, where necessary to ensure they are aligned with the government's manifesto. The Minister made the remarks while chairing an inter-ministerial meeting between the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and the Ministry of Planning at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

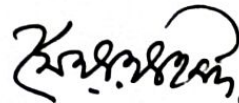
Prime Minister's Defence Adviser Brig Gen (retd) Dr. AKM Shamsul Islam underscored the need for strengthening cyber capabilities and accelerating indigenous technological innovation to enhance the country's overall security and development. The Adviser made the remarks while visiting the Military Institute of Science and Technology at Mirpur Cantonment yesterday.

Prime Minister's Adviser on Public Administration Md. Ismail Zabihullah called for making optimal use of every working hour of the state and every penny collected from taxpayers. The Adviser also said that one of the administration's primary objectives should be to improve the quality of public services through the efficient use of time, financial resources, and manpower in government operations. The Adviser made these remarks at a workshop organized to mark 'National Public Service Day 2026' at the Bangladesh Civil Service Administration Academy in the capital yesterday.

Bangladesh urged Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) member states to play a more active role in intensifying international pressure on Myanmar to help find a sustainable solution to the protracted Rohingya crisis. State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam made the call while addressing a seminar titled "Three Decades of BIMSTEC: Advancing Regional Cooperation for Shared Prosperity" at the Bangladesh Institute of International and Strategic Studies auditorium in the capital yesterday. The State Minister also said that Bangladesh has formally requested India to return former Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal, who was sentenced to death for crimes against humanity committed during the July Mass Uprising.

Md. Rashed Khan has been appointed as political assistant to the Prime Minister on a contractual basis with the rank of Secretary. Ministry of public administration issued a notification in this regard on Sunday.

The government has appointed senior journalist Md. Saidur Rahman as Minister (Press) at the Press Wing of the Bangladesh High Commission in New Delhi, India. Ministry of public administration issued a notification in this regard yesterday.


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