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Newsbrief

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman asked the concerned authorities to restore waterways surrounding the capital to improve water-based transportation and ease urban mobility. The Prime Minister also directed the authorities concerned to take effective measures to prevent pollution of the rivers surrounding Dhaka, improve the capital's drainage system and ensure normal water flow by maintaining navigability. The directives came at a meeting on restoring waterways around Dhaka, chaired by the Prime Minister at the Cabinet Division's Conference Room at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

Prime Minister Tarique Rahman reaffirmed the government's commitment to supporting innovators, researchers and technology entrepreneurs, saying young innovators must lead Bangladesh's journey towards a technology-driven future. The Prime Minister made the remarks when members of the world champion Mavi Rov team, winners of the Mate Rov International Underwater Robot Competition 2026, met him at the Prime Minister's Office in the Cabinet Division at Bangladesh Secretariat yesterday.

BNP Secretary General and Local Government Minister Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said, Bangladesh could move forward only by ensuring the rule of law and justice as he joined a civic reception staged in his honor at his hometown in Thakurgaon. The Minister told the event organized by the Thakurgaon Bar Council yesterday. The Minister said, once the democracy was firmly established, development initiatives could be implemented in an easier way. There would always be challenges but state's institutions must be strengthened braving the challenges and strong institutions are the foundation of a stable and enduring democracy, the Minister added.

Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Minister Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said that the admission process for students at Thakurgaon Medical College will officially begin next year. The Minister confirmed that the main work of establishing the proposed medical college will begin within the next few months. The Minister made these remarks while speaking at the inauguration ceremony of an eye camp with Nepal's assistance at Thakurgaon Diabetic and Healthcare Hospital yesterday.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed said, Bangladesh Police must never function as a political instrument but instead emerge as the people's most trusted ally and a symbol of security, reaffirming the government's commitment to building a professional, accountable and service-oriented police force free from partisan influence. Addressing the passing-out parade of the 27th BCS (Police) Batch, Phase-I at the Bangladesh Police Academy in Sardah yesterday, the Home Minister said that the government has undertaken a series of reforms to restore the morale and professionalism of the police following years of excessive politicization under the previous administration.

Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed said, ensuring a sustainable improvement in the country's law and order situation remains the government's top priority. The Minister also said, the Police force is now being run in accordance with the Police Regulations of Bengal (PRB) and existing laws free from political influence. The Minister said this while addressing interaction with officers and personnel of all police units in Rajshahi yesterday. After the meeting, the Minister said to the reporters that the government has appointed an experienced law firm to pursue the return of former Inspector General of Police (IGP) Benazir Ahmed to Bangladesh through legal channels.

Bangladesh has proposed importing natural gas from neighboring Myanmar through a pipeline as it seeks to revive bilateral energy cooperation amid mounting pressure on domestic supplies. The proposal was made by Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Minister Iqbal Hassan Mahmood during a meeting with Myanmar Ambassador to Bangladesh U Kyaw Soe Moe at the Minister's Secretariat office yesterday. Bangladesh is also interested in reviving an earlier proposal to build a gas pipeline from Myanmar to Chattogram, according to a press release issued by the Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources.

Civil Aviation and Tourism Minister Afroza Khanam said, the government has set a target to raise the tourism sector's contribution to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to 6-7 percent as part of efforts to transform it into one of the key drivers of the national economy. The Minister also said, the government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Tarique Rahman, is working to build a sustainable, modern and world-class tourism sector, with an integrated Tourism Master Plan covering 1,498 tourist attractions currently under preparation to guide the industry's long-term development. The Minister made the remarks while addressing the oath-taking ceremony of the newly elected Executive Committee of the Tour Operators Association of Bangladesh at Gulshan Club in the capital yesterday.

Myanmar has expressed strong interest in increasing economic engagement with Bangladesh by expanding bilateral trade, resuming border commerce and strengthening connectivity between the two neighboring countries. The interest was conveyed by Myanmar Ambassador to Bangladesh Kyaw Soe Moe during a meeting with Commerce Minister Khandakar Abdul Muktadir at the Ministry of Commerce yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon said that while information scarcity was the primary challenge in the past, misinformation and disinformation have now emerged as the most formidable obstacles. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at a discussion organized on the occasion of Department Day of Mass Communication and Journalism Department of Dhaka University yesterday.

Agriculture Minister Mohammad Amin Ur Rashid said that green chili prices are expected to return to a tolerable level within the next two to five days as the government begins imports from today to boost market supply. The Minister made the remarks while speaking to reporters after inspecting the Shantinagar kitchen market in the capital yesterday.

Water Resources Minister Md. Shahiduddin Chowdhury Anee said that '36 July' symbolizes the outcome of a united movement and prolonged struggle against authoritarian rule. The Minister made the remarks while speaking at a discussion titled "The Sacrifice of the Martyrs, Our Responsibility, and a New Bangladesh" at the Central Kochi-Kachar Mela auditorium at Segunbagicha in Dhaka yesterday.

Disaster Management and Relief Minister Asadul Habib Dulu said, healthy cultural practice is essential for building a humane, creative and value-based generation. The Minister described culture as a powerful tool for developing morality, human values and national identity, adding that greater youth involvement in cultural activities would help build an enlightened, tolerant and non-communal Bangladesh. The Minister said this while speaking to the reporters after visiting the Jaltaranga Cultural Group in Borobari, Lalmonirhat yesterday.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam said, the government is maintaining close communication with the United Arab Emirates authorities and expressed optimism that former Inspector General of Police Benazir Ahmed would be brought back to Bangladesh soon. Speaking to reporters after attending a programme in the capital yesterday, the State Minister said that the two countries have exchanged the necessary documents as part of the ongoing process.

State Minister for Health and Family Welfare Dr. M A Muhit said, establishing internationally certified or accredited diagnostic laboratories in the country would reduce the suffering of patients seeking treatment abroad and help save a substantial amount of foreign exchange. The State Minister made the remarks at a policy seminar organized by the Bangladesh Accreditation Board at Bangladesh Institute of Management in the capital yesterday.

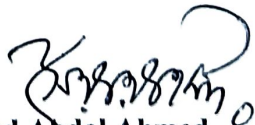
State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Bobby Hajjaj said, the 'School Meal' programme will be expanded in phases to all government primary schools across the country to ensure nutritious food for school students. The State Minister said this when World Food Programme Bangladesh Country Director and Representative Coco H. Ushiyama paid a courtesy call on him at his office at the Secretariat yesterday.

Prime Minister's Adviser on the Ministries of Finance and Planning Prof. Dr. Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir stressed the need a nationwide social movement for renewable energy, expanding local manufacturing of solar technologies and pursuing a balanced energy mix to accelerate Bangladesh's clean energy transition and strengthen long-term energy security. The Adviser said this while addressing a seminar titled "Distributed Renewable Energy: The Future Solar Solution for Bangladesh" at the Economic Reporters' Forum auditorium in the capital yesterday.

Prime Minister's Foreign Affairs Adviser Humaiun Kobir said, the United States holds Prime Minister Tarique Rahman in 'the highest regard', describing it as a reflection of the growing confidence and strength of bilateral ties as the two countries move towards a comprehensive partnership. The Adviser said this while describing the U.S. Special Envoy for South and Central Asia Ambassador Sergio Gor's visit to the reporters at the Foreign Ministry yesterday. The Adviser also said, the US envoy's remarks after the meeting with the Prime Minister the day before yesterday underscored Washington's confidence in the Bangladesh leader and its commitment to deepening engagement with Dhaka.

Prime Minister's Adviser and Spokesperson for the Prime Minister's Office Mahdi Amin said, the July Mass Uprising was not the movement of any particular group of party but it thrived through the spontaneous participation of country's common people. The Adviser made the remarks while addressing the 'First Conference on the July Revolution,' organized by the July Revolutionary Alliance held at the BIAM Foundation Auditorium in the capital yesterday.

Prime Minister's Press Secretary AAM Saleh Shibly said, the government will gradually provide state recognition and extend support to those who were killed or injured during decades of democratic movements and struggles in honour of their sacrifices. The Press Secretary told the closing ceremony of a special photo exhibition titled '15 Years of Fascism and the Mass Uprising of 2024' at the Jatiya Press Club in the capital yesterday. The exhibition was jointly organized by the Bangladesh Photo Journalists Association and Amra BNP Paribar.


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