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Newsbrief

The Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (ECNEC) approved a total of 10 projects involving a total estimated cost of Tk 9,333.58 crore, including a Tk 4,963.67 crore project for rehabilitating and strengthening rural roads across the country. Of the total project cost, Tk 8,488.71 crore will come from the government's own funds, while Tk 936.38 crore will be financed through project loans. The approval came from the 2nd meeting of the ECNEC in this fiscal year held at the NEC Conference Room at the Planning Commission yesterday with Prime Minister and ECNEC Chairman Tarique Rahman in the chair. State Minister for Planning Md. Zonayed Abdur Rahim Saki briefed reporters after the meeting.

President candidate of Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir made an emotional appeal to party lawmakers to vote for him in today's Presidential election. Recalling the party's late Chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia and its founder Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman, Fakhrul expressed gratitude to them for their contributions to the BNP and also thanked BNP Chairman and Prime Minister Tarique Rahman for his confidence in him and giving responsibilities on him over the years. The President candidate of BNP made this appeal while speaking at the BNP Parliamentary party meeting in National Parliament Bhaban yesterday.

The Cabinet Committee on Government Purchase (CCGP) approved proposals for importing 115,000 tonnes of fertiliser and procuring the country's 44th LNG cargo of 2026, aiming to ensure uninterrupted supplies of key agricultural inputs and natural gas. The decision was taken at the CCGP meeting held in the Finance Ministry yesterday with Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury in the chair. The fertiliser will be imported under an agreement between Canadian Commercial Corporation (CCC) and the Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation.

A delegation of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) met with Minister for Women and Children Affairs and Social Welfare Abu Zafar Md. Zahid Hossain at his Ministry office yesterday. The JICA Chief Representative in Bangladesh Takahashi Junko led the delegation. During the meeting, the two sides discussed a range of issues of mutual interest.

Qatar assured Bangladesh of all possible support in ensuring its energy security as the two countries discussed ways to deepen bilateral cooperation during a high-level meeting in Doha. The assurance came when Foreign Minister Dr. Khalilur Rahman called on Qatar's Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani at his office in Doha yesterday.

Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister Abdul Awal Mintoo said, children and younger generations must be given priority in climate action plans. The Minister also said, children and young people are the architects of a climate-resilient Bangladesh, both today and in the future. The Minister said this when the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Bangladesh Acting Representative Gillian Mellsop met him at his Secretariat office yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed protecting children and adolescents from the impacts of climate change and making essential social services, including education, health, nutrition, water, sanitation and hygiene, climate-resilient.

Liberation War Affairs Minister Ahmed Aazam Khan said, government is working to implement the core spirit of the July Mass Uprising, ensure appropriate rehabilitation of the families of the martyrs and provide proper medical treatment and economic support to injured July fighters. The Minister said this while chairing a meeting of the "Central Committee on Welfare and Rehabilitation of Families of Martyrs and July Fighters of the July Mass Uprising" at the conference room of his Ministry yesterday.

Land Minister Md. Mizanur Rahman Minu said, jalmohals are not private property but they belong to the people and protecting public interest is the government's priority. The Minister also stressed the need to ensure government revenue. Referring to the present government's election manifesto. The Minister said this while speaking at the 91st meeting of the committee for leasing out the government-owned Jalmohal (Fishery Estate) held at his Ministry yesterday. State Minister for Land Barrister Mir Mohammad Helal Uddin was present at that time.

Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) A.M.M. Nasir Uddin said, all preparations have been completed to conduct the historic presidential election in a very smooth and orderly manner. The CEC said this while briefing journalists at his office in Agargaon yesterday.

Voting to the country's Presidential election will be held today, while the newly elected President will take oath at Bangabhaban on Friday evening, Chief Whip of National Parliament Md. Nurul Islam Moni said. The Chief Whip disclosed this at a press conference at the National Parliament Bhaban yesterday following a meeting of Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Parliamentary Party. The Chief Whip also said, the Election Commission and the Parliament had decided to broadcast live the voting process five minutes before voting begins.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon said, halal food culture and values can become a great asset and strength not only for the Muslim world but also for the entire human civilization. The Minister made the remarks while addressing a seminar titled "Think Halal, Grow Global" organized by Malaysian High Commission in Dhaka, at a hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Minister Zahir Uddin Swapon said, the media is currently enjoying the highest level of freedom in independent Bangladesh. The Minister made the remarks while addressing an event marking the 5th founding anniversary of the Sangbadik Surokhha O Kallayan Foundation (Journalists' Protection and Welfare Foundation) at the Information Bhaban in the capital yesterday. The Minister also said, the Prime Minister believes in complete freedom of the media.

Fisheries, Livestock and Agriculture Minister Mohammed Aminur Rashid said, the government is working to reduce agro-products import in phases through improving production and infrastructural facilities. The Minister said this while talking to the journalists at his Ministry's conference room yesterday. The Minister also expressed his satisfaction over the success of the Ministry in the first 180 days of the present government.

Disaster Management and Relief Minister Asadul Habib Dulu said that ensuring equal facilities for all citizens is essential to building a nation based on the principle of 'Bangladesh First'. The Minister made the remarks at a programme organized by the 'Promoting Person with Disability Friendly Inclusive Climate Justice Resilience Practices' at the Department of Disaster Management in Agargaon of capital yesterday.

Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology Minister Faqir Mahbub Anam urged mobile operators to address public complaints about call drops and package-related issues while ensuring better telecom services for customers. The Minister made the remarks at the "Powering the Future: Robi Completes Dhaka Modernisation" event at Robi Corporate Office in Dhaka yesterday.

State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam sought Médecins Sans Frontières' (MSF) continued support in keeping the protracted Rohingya crisis high on the international humanitarian agenda. The State Minister made the call during a meeting with an MSF delegation, led by its International President Dr. Javid Abdelmoneim, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday. During the meeting, the delegation briefed the State Minister on MSF's ongoing humanitarian activities in the Rohingya camps in Cox's Bazar.

State Minister for Health and Family Welfare Dr. MA Muhith said, five full-fledged children's hospitals will begin operations in five divisions of the country by October. The State Minister made the remarks while addressing a workshop on "Measles Spread and Genetic Surveillance" and a research grant award ceremony at Bangladesh Shishu Hospital and Institute in Sher-e-Bangla Nagar yesterday.

Bangladesh and Malaysia have explored avenues for enhanced cooperation in tourism, focusing on connectivity, visa facilitation, skills development and cultural exchanges to create more enriching experiences for travellers from both countries. The issues were discussed at a meeting between State Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism M. Rashiduzzaman Millat and Malaysian Deputy Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture Chiew Choon Man in Putrajaya on Tuesday, according to a press release yesterday.

Prime Minister's Adviser for Policy and Strategy, Information and Broadcasting and Cultural Affairs Ministry Dr. Zahed Ur Rahman said that the life, thoughts and ideals of national poet Kazi Nazrul Islam should be spread among children. The Adviser said this while speaking as the chief guest at a view-exchange meeting on organizing a nationwide cultural competition with the participation of students of educational institutions on the occasion of 'Nazrul Barsho' at the Rangpur Divisional Commissioner's conference room on yesterday.


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