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Newsbrief

President Mohammed Shahabuddin said, 7th March is an unforgettable day in the history of Bangalee's Liberation Movement and Independence. In a message on the occasion of the historic 7th March, he remembered with profound respect the architect of Independence, the greatest Bangalee of all times Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The entire Bengali nation was mesmerized on that day by the eternal poem of the great Poet of Politics Bangabandhu.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina hoped that the 'Joy Bangla' slogan and Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's speech on 7 March will inspire the Bangalees to proceed with their heads high on the world stage, she said in a message, issued on the occasion of the historic March 7 speech of Bangabandhu

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina asked the government officials to reach the people and work for them saying, all activities of her government is for the welfare of the country's people. The Prime Minister said this while addressing a dinner, arranged on the occasion of the conference of Bangladesh Administrative Service Association (BASA) at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the capital yesterday. In the last 15 years, the country has witnessed changes because the Awami League government followed the manifesto while giving the national budget, the Prime Minister added.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina asked the RAB to further strengthen their drives against food hoarding and the circulation of counterfeit currencies ahead of Ramadan and Eid along with taking tougher legal action against militancy, terrorism, drug abuse and teenagers' gang culture. The Prime Minister said this while addressing a function marking the 20th founding anniversary of the Rapid Action Battalion (RAB) at its Headquarters in Dhaka yesterday. The Holy Artisan Attack, one of the big incidents of militancy in Bangladesh, was brought under control within a few hours, the Prime Minister added.

Foreign Minister Dr. Hasan Mahmud urged expatriate Bangladeshis, residing in Saudi Arabia to send remittance to Bangladesh through proper channels. The Minister told this at a reception, accorded to him by expatriate Bangladeshis in Jeddah yesterday. On the sideline of the Extraordinary CFM, the Minister paid a call on Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Faisal bin Farhan Al Saud at the OIC Secretariat in Jeddah.

Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Saber Hossain Chowdhury said tannery industries of Savar would not allow pollute environment considering the public health. The Minister said this while addressing a special meeting on controlling pollution of BSCIC Tannery Industrial Estate at its auditorium at Hemayetpur. The activities of cancelling environment clearance of illegal factories will begin after Eid-ul-Azha. The environment ministry and industries ministry have agreed to work on the issue to curb pollution, the Minister added.

Earlier, Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister said, the government has taken initiatives to use digital technology to ensure sustainable conservation of wildlife, coexistence of humans and wildlife, and prevent legal wildlife trade. The Environment Minister made the remarks while addressing at a discussion, organized at the Forest Department in Dhaka yesterday on the occasion of World Wildlife Day 2024. The tiger survey of the Sundarbans is continuing through camera trapping. At present, crime monitoring and management activities in Sundarbans are being conducted through drone technology and smart patrolling, the Minister added.

Fisheries and livestock Minister Abdur Rahman said, the government will observe Jatka Conservation Week-2024 from March 11 to 17 to discourage the fishermen to catch the hilsa fry to boost its production. The Minister said this while speaking at a press conference marking the Jatka conservation week at his Ministry in the Secretariat yesterday.

State Minister for Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Nasrul Hamid instructed the Karnaphuli Gas Distribution Company (KGDCL) authorities not to provide gas connections to any consumer located at designated areas without legal documents. The State Minister said this while discussing various issues of the KGDCL in Chattogram yesterday. All the gas consumers will be brought under prepaid meter system as KGDCL installed 60000 prepaid meters and installation of another one lakh prepaid meters is underway, the State Minister added.



Earlier, State Minister for Power, Energy, and Mineral Resources asked state run oil companies to make automation work faster aimed at ensuring better services and reducing wastage. Nasrul Hamid said this while visiting the 154-year old state owned petroleum industry at Patenga in Chattogram yesterday.

Prime Minister's Principal Secretary Md. Tofazzel Hossain Miah stressed the need for speeding up the works to ensure quick implementation of the foreign funded development schemes. The meeting was held to review the progress of the foreign funded development projects on quarterly basis at the NEC Conference centre at Planning Commission in the capital yesterday.

Diplomatic Correspondent Association, Bangladesh (DCAB) awarded Foreign Ministry's spokesperson Scheli Sabrin marking the International Women's Day. State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Romana Ali handed over the award to Sabrin while attending a discussion on the theme of this year's international women's day "Investing in women: Accelerate progress", organised by DCAB at the Jatiya Press Club yesterday. The State Minister also called for making more investment to increase financial capacity of women that will help them to gain decision making ability.

Korean Ambassador to Bangladesh Park Young-sik called for bilateral cooperation and collaboration with Dhaka in new trade areas for boosting existing ties between the two counties. The Envoy said this while speaking as the chief guest in the seminar on Investment Services by Using One Stop Service Portal, organized by Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA) and Korea Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KBCCI) at a hotel in the capital yesterday.

The Adaptation Initiative for Climate Vulnerable Offshore Small Islands and Riverine Charland in Bangladesh Project, a collaborative effort between the Department of Environment (DoE) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), was launched at an inception workshop at Charfashion Upazila Parishad in Bhola yesterday. This five-year project, initiated in January 2023 and funded by the Adaptation Fund through UNDP, aims to significantly enhance climate resilience at both the household and community levels.

DSEX, the prime index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange (DSE), went up by 35 points or 0.57 per cent to settle at 6,166.14 yesterday.

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