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Newsbrief

President Mohammed Shahabuddin extended heartiest congratulations to Bangladesh national cricket team for winning the three-match ODI series against visiting Sri Lanka. Bangladesh beat Sri Lanka by 4 wickets in the third One-Day International (ODI) at the Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium in Chattogram yesterday.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina called upon the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to pursue an effort to mobilise a larger international fund in support of the Rohingyas. The Premier made the appeal in a meeting with visiting UNDP goodwill ambassador and Crown Princess of Sweden Victoria at a city hotel in Dhaka yesterday.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina sought Ireland's support to extend the transition period of GSP for Bangladesh in the European Union (EU) market till 2032 instead of 2029 to consolidate its economic growth momentum during the LDC post-graduation period. The Premier sought this support when a high-level Irish delegation, led by Ireland's Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Simon Coveney, paid a courtesy call on her at the latter's official residence Ganabhaban in the capital yesterday.

Later, Prime Minister and Awami League (AL) President Sheikh Hasina said, it was not possible to topple her government and push the country to darkness again as the people are in favour of them. The Premier was presiding over a discussion marking the 104th birth anniversary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the National Children's Day-2024, organised by the AL at its Dhaka district unit office in the city's Tejgaon area yesterday.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina congratulated the Bangladesh national cricket team for winning a three-match ODI series against Sri Lanka by 2-1. In a message of felicitation, the cricket-lover Prime Minister greeted all the players, coaches and officials of the national cricket team as well as Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) officials concerned for beating Sri Lanka yesterday.

Awami League (AL) General Secretary and Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader said, nobody dares to erase the name of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The Minister said this while addressing a discussion, organized to mark the 104th birth anniversary of Bangabandhu and National Children's Day in Dhaka's Tejgaon area yesterday.

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Anisul Huq said, all have to wait till tomorrow to learn about the decision on plea for BNP chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia's jail term suspension. The Minister said this while talking to newsmen at his office in Dhaka yesterday.

Foreign Minister and Awami League joint general secretary Dr. Hasan Mahmud said, his party will refrain from enjoying complacency even after being elected by people's vote for five consecutive times including the fourth consecutive term. The Minister made the remarks at a party discussion, presided over by Prime Minister and Awami League President Sheikh Hasina on the occasion of the 104th birth anniversary of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and National Children's Day-2024 at the Dhaka district office of Awami League at Tejgaon in the capital yesterday.

Meanwhile, Foreign Minister Dr. Hasan Mahmud thanked Ireland for opening the Honorary Consulate in Dhaka and requested to increase the employment of Bangladeshis in Ireland. The Minister especially requested to ease the student visa process by allowing students to submit their visa applications to the Honorary Consulate in Dhaka. The issues were discussed when the Irish Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Simon Coveney met the Foreign Minister at his office in the capital yesterday.

State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Mohammad Ali Arafat said, the government would secure protection of journalists so that they don't face any harassment anywhere while seeking information. The State Minister was addressing a function on the occasion of cheque distribution of Bangladesh Journalist Welfare Trust at Tathya Bhaban in the capital yesterday.

Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) Dr. Abdul Malek has apprised State Minister for Information and Broadcasting Mohammad Ali Arafat of investigation activity into the incident of handing down imprisonment for Dainik Desh Rupantar's Nakla Upazila correspondent Shafiuzzaman Rana of Sherpur district by a mobile court. The CIC informed the State Minister at a meeting at his office at Bangladesh Secretariat in the capital yesterday.

Crown Princess Victoria of Sweden, during her visit to Bangladesh as a Goodwill Ambassador for the UNDP, observed the significant strides made by the country in achieving digital transformation in an event titled 'Innovate Together for #ZeroDigitalDivide'. Organized by the ICT Division and Aspire to Innovate-a2i with the support of UNDP, the event was held at the Foreign Service Academy in Dhaka, a UNDP press release said yesterday.

Visiting Irish Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment Simon Coveney officially opened Ireland's first Honorary Consulate in Dhaka yesterday. Ambassador of Ireland to India, Kevin Kelly and Masud Jamil Khan, were present during the opening ceremony.

The Information Commission Bangladesh (ICB) heard eight complaints under the Right to Information RTI Act and all the complaints were disposed of. Chief Information Commissioner Abdul Malek PhD, Information Commissioners Shahidul Alam Jhinuk and Masuda Bhatti held the hearing in line with the Right to Information Act, according to a press release yesterday.

Bangladesh reported no more COVID-19 related deaths while there are 33 fresh cases in the past 24 hours till Monday morning. Directorate General of Health Services said this in a press release yesterday.

Bangladesh reported no more Dengue related deaths and 20 fresh cases in the past 24 hours till Monday morning. Directorate General of Health Services said this in a press release yesterday.

DSEX, the prime index of the Dhaka Stock Exchange, went down further by nearly 70 points or 1.17 per cent, to settle at a three-year low of 5898 yesterday.


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