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### **News Brief**

The three day conference of Deputy Commissioners begins in Dhaka today. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is inaugurating the conference at her office this morning.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has urged the employees of the public administration to work with innovative ideas and sincerity for the welfare of the grassroots people. The Prime Minister was addressing a function marking National Public Service Day and Distribution of the Public Administration Medal-2018 at Osmani Memorial Hall in Dhaka yesterday. A total of 39 government officials and three organizations at the national and district levels received the Public Administration Award-2018.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has said, her government is making development across the country and the trend of development has already reached everywhere. The PM asked her party's senior leaders to prepare the election manifesto for the next election. The Premier was speaking at a meeting of Awami League's Central Working Committee at Ganabhaban yesterday.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has expressed her firm optimism that all political parties would join the next parliamentary elections. The Prime Minister's assertion came as British Prime Minister's Trade Envoy Rushanara Ali, MP meet her at Ganabhaban yesterday. The British MP highly praised the development of Bangladesh in different socio-economic indexes. She said, Brexit will not be any barrier to build strong trade relations with Bangladesh.

British humanitarian activist Julian Henry Francis received a Bangladeshi citizenship certificate from Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. The Premier at a function at Ganabhaban yesterday awarded him the citizenship certificate for his remarkable contribution to the independence of the country and rendering services to the humanity.

Bangladesh will send medicine for the people of Bhutan worth Taka 20 crore as per the commitment of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. As part of the programme, Health and Family Welfare Minister Mohammed Nasim at his ministry yesterday handed over some medicines to the Bhutanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Sonam Tobden Rabgye.

Education Minister Narul Islam Nahid has sought cooperation of the journalists for accelerating the pace of development in education sector. He made the request when a delegation of Education Reporters Association of Bangladesh called on the Education Minister at his office yesterday.

State Minister for Power and Energy Nasrul Hamid has said, the ministry will file criminal cases against the guilty persons after receiving report of a probe committee, formed to investigate causes of unusual shortage of coal supply from Barapukuria coalmine. The State Minister said this after attending a meeting on the issue at the Cabinet Division yesterday.

Police yesterday submitted the charge-sheet against eight militants in connection with the case of extremist attack on Gulshan's Holey Artisan Bakery in the capital on July 1 in 2016.

The government has declared July 30 as general holiday in Rajshahi, Barishal and Sylhet city corporation areas for holding the elections in the three city corporations.

The DSEX in the country's main bourse stood at 5,348 points yesterday.

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