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### News Brief

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina accusing the anti-liberation elements of their involvement in the killings of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the four national leaders Tajuddin Ahmad, Syed Nazrul Islam, Captain Mansur Ali and AHM Quamruzzaman said, there will be no room for the killers and their cohorts in the country. The Premier said this at a discussion marking the Jail Killing Day at Krishibid Institute, Bangladesh at Farmgate in the capital yesterday. Central leaders of the party addressed the discussion moderated by AL Publicity Secretary and Information Minister Dr. Hasan Mahmud.

Prime Minister and AL President Sheikh Hasina placed wreaths at the portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Dhanmondi marking the Jail Killing Day yesterday. Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader talking to journalists on the occasion said, strong diplomatic efforts are underway to bring back the fugitive killers of Bangabandhu and four national leaders. The Minister also said, high-level discussions are going on with the heads of state and the government of those countries to find the way how the killers can be brought back.

Speaker Dr. Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury called upon the architects to utilize innovations in environment friendly creations for ensuring sustainable urbanization. The Speaker made the call while inaugurating the five-day long ArchAsia Forum-20, a conference of architects from Asian countries, began at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the capital yesterday. The government is working to reduce the gap between urban and rural lifestyle according to electoral manifesto and architects have significant role to promote the country's graduation to developing one ensuring inclusive growth, the Speaker added.

The government has taken an initiative to form two separate units-air unit and medical unit-under the Home Ministry to ease communication to the country's remote areas and ensuring adequate physicians in the hospitals under the Ministry and its subordinate bodies. At the same time, the Ministry has also formed a separate department- Border Security Bureau-under the Ministry to ensure security of the country's bordering areas. Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal gave the information while addressing a dialogue hosted by Bangladesh Secretariat Reporters' Forum (BSRF) at the media centre of the Secretariat yesterday.

The World Bank has reconfirmed its commitment to Bangladesh to help for achieving goals and dreams. The assurance came from when a delegation of the World Bank Executive Directors and WB Country Director for Bangladesh Mercy Tembon as they met Finance Minister A H M Mustafa Kamal in Dhaka yesterday. The Finance Minister while exchanging views said, Bangladesh is progressing at a growth rate of 8 percent plus and is expected to grow over 10pc plus from 2024 and onwards. The Minister thanked the World Bank Group as they have been supporting Bangladesh since its inception.

Director General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) Li Young has said, they will continue their technical supports for Bangladesh's Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs). The UNIDO Director General said this in a meeting with Bangladesh Industries Minister Nurul Majid Mahmud Humayun on Saturday in Abu Dhabi of the United Arab Emirate marking the 18th session of the General Conference of the UN agency. During the meeting the Industries Minister said, Bangladesh is moving towards green industrialization with the support of UNIDO.

Minister for Local Government Md Tajul Islam has said, apart from harmony, the relations between Bangladesh and India will further be strengthened on social, cultural, economical and communication fields. The Minister made this remark while addressing a conference of the India-Bangladesh Harmony Sangsad at National Museum Auditorium in Dhaka yesterday.

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has urged Myanmar State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi of Myanmar to take step for speedy, safe and sustainable repatriation of Rohingyas. He made the request at a meeting with Suu Kyi at ASEAN-India Summit yesterday. Modi said, repatriation of Rohingyas from Cox's Bazar to their homes in Rakhine is needed in the interests of the region, especially India, Bangladesh and Myanmar. Referring to completion of the first Indian project to build 250 prefabricated houses already handed over to the Myanmar government this July, Modi expressed India's readiness to carry out more socio-economic projects in the state to facilitate Rohingya repatriation. Meanwhile, Indian External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar has reiterated India's full support to Bangladesh's efforts in resolving the Rohingya crisis. In a recent letter written to Foreign Minister Dr A K Abdul Momen, Jaishankar mentioned that the safe, speedy, and sustainable return of displaced persons to Myanmar is in the best interests of all concerned, a Foreign Ministry's press release said in Dhaka yesterday.

The UN Chief Antonio Guterres has urged Myanmar to ensure the safe return of Rohingya refugees driven out by army operations. Speaking at a summit of Southeast Asian leaders in Bangkok - with also Myanmar State Counsellor Aung San Suu Kyi attending - the UN Chief said, he remains deeply concerned about the plight of the Rohingyas.

The Election Commission has announced dates to hold the elections of Dhaka North City Corporation and Dhaka South City Corporation in January next year. EC Secretary Md Alamgir made the announcement before journalists in the Election Commission Headquarters in Dhaka yesterday.

Bangladesh registered historic win over India by seven wickets in the first of three T20Is at Arun Jaitley Stadium in New Delhi yesterday. Wicketkeeper-batsman Mushfiqur Rahim, unbeaten at the other end on 60 off 43 balls, was adjudged man of the match. President Md. Abdul Hamid and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina congratulated Bangladesh cricket team over their victory.



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