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News Brief

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will lay the foundation stone of an underpass adjacent to Shaheed Ramiz Uddin Cantonment College on the Airport Road in Dhaka today. Earlier, the Premier made a commitment to construct the underpass following the tragic death of two students of the college.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will inaugurate the work on the Padma Bridge rail link on September 5 next. Railways Minister M Mazibul Hoque informed this while visiting the construction site of the Padma Bridge yesterday.

Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader visited the ongoing construction work of Elevated Expressway in the capital yesterday. During the visit, he informed the media that 25% of the construction work of the expressway has already been completed.

A high-profile Bangladesh delegation led by Foreign Minister A H Mahmood Ali has visited villages around Maungdaw in Myanmar yesterday, to see the progress of repatriation process for Rohingyas. During the visit, the Foreign Minister was briefed about the preparation so far taken by the Myanmar government for the repatriation of Rohingyas. The Bangladesh team visited a transit camp having thirty thousand capacity to receive the Rohingya returnees.

Information Minister Hasanul Haque Inu has said, the government has taken the responsibility of treatment of the journalists who were attacked during the recent student movement seeking safer roads. The Minister said this while speaking at a function at Bheramara in Kushtia yesterday.

Minister of Disaster Management and Relief Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya in Chandpur yesterday handed over deeds of newly built 470 homes under the Ashrayan Project. On the occasion he said, Ashrayan Project was a dream of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman to rehabilitate all poor families.

Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan Kamal while inaugurating a fire service station in Cumilla yesterday said, various measures including widening of roads will be taken to reduce the number of accidents.

The ongoing Traffic Week will be extended by three more days until Tuesday to reinforce discipline on roads and highways. DMP Commissioner Md Asaduzzaman Mia announced this yesterday. Rapid Action Battalion yesterday seized six buses of Jabal-e-Noor Paribahan in the capital for running without route permit.

State Minister for Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Nasrul Hamid has said, power trade through regional cooperation will contribute to the progress of the SAARC region. He said this at a seminar in Kathmandu yesterday.

BNP mayoral candidate Ariful Haque Chowdhury was unofficially declared re-elected in the Sylhet City Corporation election following holding polls in the suspended two voting centres yesterday.

A meeting of National Moon Sighting Committee will be held this evening at Islamic Foundation to fix the date of holy Eid-ul-Azha. Religious Affairs Minister Principal Matior Rahman will preside over the meeting.

DSEX, the key index of Dhaka Stock Exchange, added 0.13 per cent or 7.21 points over the week to finish at 5,407.01 points yesterday.

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