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### Newsbrief

President Md. Abdul Hamid urged all to work together to make the world a safe haven for children and help their inner potentialities flourish, irrespective of religion, caste and financial condition. He said this while addressing the award distribution ceremony of "National Children Award Competition 2020 and 2021" at Osmani Smrity Auditorium in the capital yesterday.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said, her party never flees, rather it works with the people for their betterment, calling upon the countrymen to vote the party to build a developed, prosperous and "Smart Bangladesh" by 2041. She said this while addressing a grand rally, organised by Rajshahi city and district units of the Awami League at the historic Madrasha ground in Rajshahi yesterday. In the same programme, Road Transport and Bridge Minister Obaidul Quader said, the party leader will never run away from the country in any hostile situation. In the same programme, Information and Broadcasting Minister Dr. Hasan Mahmud also said, BNP will create 10 more 'Bangla Bhai', if they get the chance again and turn the Rajshahi region into a sanctuary for militancy.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina inaugurated 26 development projects including seven of the Rajshahi City Corporation (RCC) worth over TK 1,333 crore during her daylong visit in Rajshahi yesterday.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina asked to reach the police services to people's doorsteps to make them feel confident getting law enforcers by their side in any danger. The Prime Minister said this while addressing the passing-out parade-2023 of Assistant Superintendents of Police of 38th BCS batch at the Bangladesh Police Academy in Rajshahi's Sardah yesterday.

Foreign Minister Dr. AK Abdul Momen said, Bangladesh will continue to maintain a balanced foreign policy – noting the importance of the country's geostrategic location. The Minister said this while speaking at a citizens' dialogue on Bangladesh's achievements, opportunities and challenges at the national Press Club in Dhaka yesterday.

The Bangladesh High Commission in London took a special initiative to increase the flow of remittances from the UK and Ireland through official channels. A views-exchange meeting "Opportunities for Greater Remittance Flows from the UK and Ireland" was organised by the High Commission with representatives of money exchange houses of the UK to this end on Friday, said a press release yesterday.

Health and Family Welfare Minister Zahid Maleque said, eight people were infected with Nipah virus this year. Of them, five people died. The Health Minister revealed this information at his Ministry over the outbreak of Nipah virus yesterday.

Mentioning that Bangladesh expects more large-scale investment from Japan, Commerce Minister Tipu Munshi said, Bangladesh is very much eager to boost trade, commerce and investment with Japan following the country's graduation from the LDCs. The Minister said this when the newly appointed Japanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Iwama Kiminori met him at his Secretariat office yesterday.

Fourteen dengue patients were hospitalised in different parts of the country and Bangladesh has recorded 16 new cases of Covid-19 in 24 hours till Sunday morning.

  
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