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# Modi unveils coalition cabinet dominated by his party

AFP, New Delhi

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi vesterday coalition unveiled his government after a surprise election setback lost his Hindu-nationalist party an overall majority.

The 71 members of his government took the oath of office after Modi on Sunday, with 11 posts going to coalition allies who extracted them in exchange for their support - including five in the top 30 cabinet posts.

But Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) old guard dominate the list, with key posts unchanged signalling broad policy continuity.

includes BJP That loyalists Rajnath Singh, Amit Shah, Nitin Gadkari,



Nirmala Sitharaman and S.Jaishankar -- the defence, interior, transport, finance and foreign ministers respectively, staying on in their jobs.

Powerful BJP president Jagat Prakash Nadda was named as health minister.

Posts given to coalition include aviation, to Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu of the Telugu Desam Party (TDP), the BJP's biggest ally.

Other coalition posts include smaller ministries such as heavy industry, food processing and fisheries.

There are no Muslim lawmakers among his third-term lineup, unlike his past two governments, both formed after his rightwing BJP won a majority.

Modi's decade as premier has seen him cultivate an image as an aggressive champion of the country's majority Hindu faith, worrying minorities.



Israeli forces take a position in a street during a raid in the al-Faraa camp for Palestinian refugees near Tubas city in the occupied West Bank yesterday.

ISRAELI OFFENSIVE IN PALESTINIAN ENCLAVE

# Many in Gaza back to eating 'one meal per day'

**AGENCIES** 

Israel's relentless bombardment and obstruction of humanitarian efforts are making it nearly impossible for aid agencies to reach starving Palestinians in the Gaza

INTERNATIONAL

The flow of aid into Gaza has remained scarce, with many people now eating "only one meal per day", said Al Jazeera reporter Hind Khoudary.

"This is not only in the south, but also in the north" of Gaza, said Khoudary, adding that markets are largely empty and what food available is hard to afford for most people.

Khoudary has sent an update from Deir el-Balah's Al-Aqsa Hospital, where she said an extra emergency department has been opened to deal with the massive influx of injured patients.

The hospital, running on just one generator, remains flooded with sick and injured patients, and is performing surgeries on an "hourly basis", she said.

Israeli forces have withdrawn from the teams were able to bring the bodies of five told Al Jazeera.



people who were killed in the area.

There have been a couple of air strikes in the area after the Israeli forces withdrew, as well as intensive artillery shelling throughout

Al Jazeera's Hani Mahmoud has spoken to residents of the Nuseirat refugee camp who witnessed the Israeli military's operation there on Saturday that killed and injured hundreds of Palestinians.

Anaas Alayan, one resident of the camp, said Israeli special forces committed mass "executions" on the street. "I went down to eastern part of Deir el-Balah, but civil defence the street and found bodies everywhere," he

The military, which rescued four Israeli captives during the operation, killed at least 274 Palestinians, including at least 64 children during the day-time assault, according to Gaza's Health Ministry.

The camp is now left with a "trail of destruction", according to Mahmoud. With many of Gaza's water wells and

pipelines destroyed in the offensive, accessing water has become a daily struggle for Palestinians in the coastal enclave.

Anas al-Jamal, a pregnant woman in the enclave, tells Al Jazeera she has to leave her home every day to search for water to carry home. "The water scarcity is severely affecting me because I'm supposed to rest and avoid strenuous physical activity," al-Jamal told Al Jazeera. "We're really struggling."

Israel's military offensive has killed at least 37,124 people in Gaza, also mostly civilians, according to the territory's health ministry. The toll includes at least 40 deaths over the

past 24 hours, the ministry said yesterday.

The offensive has brought widespread devastation to Gaza and displaced most of its 2.4 million inhabitants, reports AFP.

# Far right surges in EU vote

Macron calls snap elections in France

AGENCIES

The snap election called by President Emmanuel Macron after Sunday's bruising loss to the farright in European Parliament elections will be France's most fateful legislative vote in decades, its finance minister said yesterday.

Macron's shock decision amounts to a roll of the dice on his political future and that of France. It immediately sent the euro down, also hitting French stocks and government bonds.

The June 30 and July 7 ballot could, for the first time, hand a great deal of power to Marine Le Pen's far-right National Rally (RN), if they can transform their rising popularity into a win at home too where the vote would also be about trust that it could run a major European government.

If the eurosceptic, anti-immigration RN did score a majority, Macron would remain president for three more years and continue to be in charge of defence and foreign policy, reports Reuters.

But he would lose the power to set the domestic agenda, ranging from economic policy to security and immigration, reports Reuters.

Germany will not hold a snap election despite calls for Olaf Scholz to step aside after his ruling coalition's dismal performance in the EU election, a spokesman for the chancellor said yesterday.

"The regular election date is next autumn (2025). And that's what we plan to do," Scholz's spokesman told a government press conference.

# Another AL leader

FROM PAGE 12 before the investigation the benefit. [has concluded]."

"We're still saying we're the body is confirmed, we will be able to reveal a lot to you. I've heard the statements of those who committed the murder. They said they dismembered the body. It's not known exactly where they kept it [the body parts]."

About Akhtaruzzaman, one of the masterminds who fled to the US, the home boss said, "You've seen that two cases have been filed. One was filed where the incident took [Kolkata]. lawmaker's daughter also filed a case in Dhaka. This incident involves both countries.

"Since it took place in their country [India], it's back and imprison their statements and are in jail. accused. As far as I know, India has an extradition Siam Hossain were arrested treaty with the United by West Bengal CID.

States. In that case, the think much should be said Indian government may get

"We need proof that recovered body closer to the truth. Once the parts belong to Azim. That's why a DNA test has been arranged. If the DNA matches that of his daughter, we can confirm it was Azim."

A law enforcement source said they already have evidence that the body parts, which were recovered on May 28 from the septic tank of the flat where the murder took place, belongs to a human.

Meanwhile, Amanullah and his nephew Tanvir Bhuiyan appealed for bail before a Dhaka court, which rejected the pleas.

Besides Babu, three arrestees other Bangladesh Celesty Amanullah, Rahman, and Tanvir Bhuiyan their responsibility to bring have made confessional

Jihad Howlader and

# Heartbreak for Tigers Compromise, hold dialogue

the next stage with wins games against Nepal and the Netherlands after their two-wicket win in their bug most Bangladesh fans opening fixture against Sri Lanka.

fans, the Tigers failed to get came to an end. Kagiso 11 off the final over, failing Rabada had him lbw in the to put away at least one very first ball of the 18th of three juicy full tosses offered by left-arm spinner with the ball hitting the Keshav Maharaj -- Jaker right-hander high on his the political crisis over Ali managed two runs, Mahmudullah Riyad was caught in the boundary line and Taskin Ahmed miscued the final full-toss delivery.

Bangladesh especially the pacers, were Richard on top of their game as they helped restrict a strong South Africa batting lineup to 113 for six on a tricky New York surface where the average first innings score this tournament has been of yet another heartbreak below 120.

In the low-scoring affair -- which has been Hasan Sakib and Taskin the norm at this venue as Ahmed spewed venom even Pakistan fell short of a soon after South Africa 120-run target just the day before -- Bangladesh saw somewhat of a top-order Taskin accounting for one meltdown with the Tigers to reduce the Proteas to left in a spot of bother at four for 23 in 4.2 overs. four for 50 in 9.5 overs.

Bangladesh's grasp.

demanded,

Maharaj for two maximums iust when Bangladesh in their final two group needed to up the tempo in a party would win should the middle overs. What probably would

and experts is how Hridoy's innings of 37 off 34 balls, To the dismay of the which also saw two fours, over only on umpire's call clipping the leg stump during a review -- a call commission..." that might as well have sided with Bangladesh had it not been for a shockingly bowlers, fast decision by England's following a meek appeal from the Proteas.

Bangladesh could not recover from there with the final over mishap seeing FROM PAGE 12 the Tigers at the wrong end MAG Medical in an ICC event.

elected to bat, with Sakib claiming three wickets and

David Miller and However, in a rescuing Heinrich Klaasen stitched act, Towhid Hridoy and together a 79-run fifth-Mahmudullah stitched a wicket stand to help South 44-run fifth-wicket stand Africa avert a further and took the game to a collapse but Bangladesh point where it looked like bowlers tightened their a win was almost within grip in the latter stage, conceding just 13 runs in Hridoy played the the last three overs with perfect aggressor role the Mustafizur Rahman giving slow pitch in New York away just four in the final smashing over.

elections. How many seats not be the fundamental question, it should rather be how the election system works...," he said.

Asked whether dialogue on the pollstime government is out a solution. He hoped needed to settle the sharp division among the two major political parties, Habibul said, "I have some observations [regarding thighs and shown as just elections]. I will leave some suggestions with the next

He said that large political parties like Awami League, BNP, and Jatiya Party will need to Illingworth understand the matter.

continue for another 100 years if they don't settle the issues? I think a solution is needed."

The CEC said the Bangladeshi politicians are well educated and they have the wisdom to find that the politicians will take steps to resolve the political crisis.

Habibul said there is still an ongoing debate over the nature of the election-time government and both the major parties have rigid stance on this. He said participation of political parties in the January 7 national polls fell short of the EC's expectations.

He said that some

"Should this impasse lawmakers and cabinet members had tried to influence the recently completed upazila polls, but they failed to do so due to the steps taken by the commission.

The CEC said he thought people's trust in the election system and EC increased slightly due to the steps taken the incumbent commission during the last parliamentary polls local government and

elections. Habibul said the average turnout in the five phases of upazila polls was 36.45 percent. He said he was satisfied with the elections as those were held by and

# Three of a family killed

College Hospital, said Indranil Bhattacharva, officer-in-Earlier, pacers Tanzim charge (investigation) of Shahporan Police Station.

Four others, including Karim's brother Aga Rahim Uddin, his wife Tahmina Begum, and their sixmonth-old baby, who got trapped in the adjacent house, managed to get out unharmed.

Following the disaster, locals sprang into action and began removing the fallen debris. Their efforts were soon joined by the city corporation, police, fire service, and finally the

relative of the victim who also lives in the area, told this newspaper, "It's not to the dangers of mudslides. just us; many people live at



the foot of the hill in this area.'

Abdul Karim Kim, general secretary Poribesh Bangladesh Andolon (BAPA), Sylhet, said, "Many low-income Abdul Jalil, a distant families in Sylhet live precariously at the foot of hills, exposing themselves Safer alternatives for

settlements are urgently needed to prevent future disasters."

Mudslides have claimed lives in almost every year in the recent past.

On June 6, 2022, four members of a family died in Jaintapur upazila. The year before, a child died in Sylhet Sadar upazila on October 7, 2023.

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