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Polls likely by Dec this year
Says Yunus; EU pledges 68m euro for Rohingya

STAR REPORT

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus yesterday reaffirmed the interim government's commitment to holding a free and fair election.

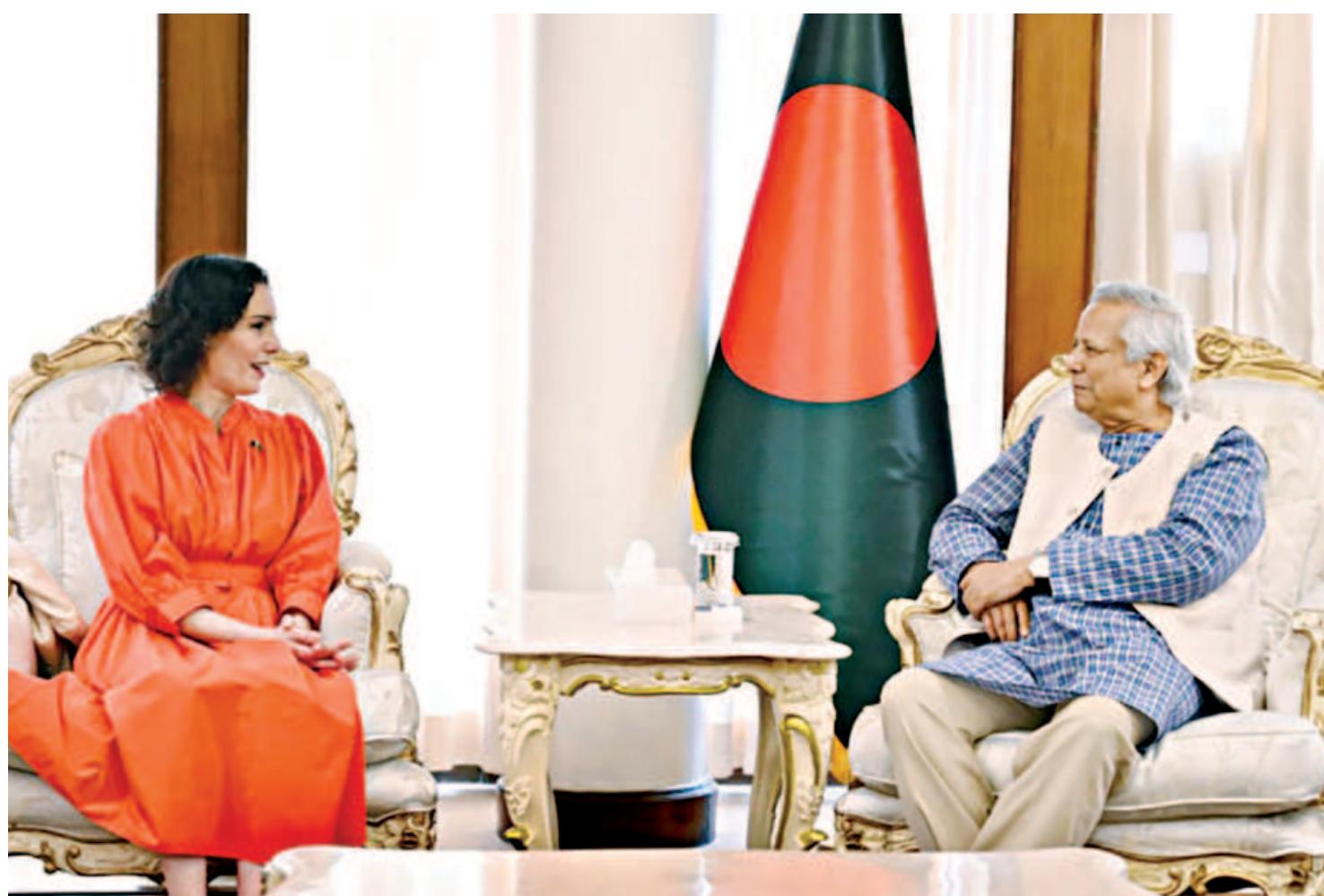
The vote is likely to take place by December this year, he said.

He said this at a meeting with Hadja Lahbib, the EU commissioner for Equality, Preparedness and Crisis Management, at the state guest house Jamuna in Dhaka.

At the meeting, Lahbib said the EU will provide 68 million euro this year for the Rohingya response, including support for host communities in Bangladesh and humanitarian aid for those affected by the ongoing conflict in Myanmar's Rakhine state.

Despite the increased funding compared to last year, Lahbib warned

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EU Commissioner Hadja Lahbib at a meeting with Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus at the state guest house Jamuna in Dhaka yesterday.

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Rights violations persists in Feb HRSS monthly report paints grim picture

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The human rights situation in February remains disheartening, with numerous violations reported across various sectors, according to the latest monthly report from the Human Rights Support Society, which was released yesterday.

Political violence, mob lynching, harassment of journalists, suppression of freedom of expression, extrajudicial killings, and abuse of women and children were reported throughout the month. Besides, extortion, theft, snatching, robbery, murder, and rape have increased in the month.

The situation worsened centring the controversial statement by former autocrat Sheikh Hasina, which was broadcasted during a virtual event by the banned student organisation Chhatra League. This led to widespread protests by students, resulting in attacks, vandalism, and arson on Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's residence in Dhanmondi, Sheikh Hasina's residence Sudha Sadan, and

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At least 10 people were killed and 13 injured in 17 incidents of mob violence, while 12 accused or convicts died in prison custody.

DIPAN NANDY

Since the fall of the Awami League government following last year's mass uprising, courts have ordered the seizure and freezing of assets worth Tk 10,310 crore belonging to AL leaders, activists, and beneficiary businessmen across the country.

Additionally, properties and assets worth over Tk 165 crore owned by AL figures abroad have been ordered to be confiscated or frozen, according to the Anti-Corruption Commission's Asset Management Division.

These court orders, issued between August 5 and February 20, followed petitions filed by the ACC.

The most significant action was taken against the S Alam Group, with a substantial amount of assets seized and frozen.

The court ordered the freezing of shares worth Tk 8,672 crore owned by Chairman Saiful Alam, his wife Farzana Parveen, his sons Ahsanul



The court has approved the ACC petitions, leading to the seizure and freezing of a massive amount of illicit wealth, surpassing Tk 10,000 crore.

ACC PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

Alam and Asharaful Alam, and his brothers Mohammad Abdullah Hasan, Osman Gani, Abdus Samad, Rashedul Alam, Sahidul Alam, and Morshedul Alam.

Additionally, immovable properties -- land, flats, and commercial buildings -- worth Tk 200 crore in Gulshan, Dhanmondi, Uttara, and Bashundhara, owned by Saiful Alam and his family, have been seized.

Ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina's former industry and investment adviser Salman F Rahman and his family have had 1,967 decimals of land confiscated.

Former Padma Bank chairman Chowdhury Nafeez Sarafat, his wife, and their son have lost 22 flats across Dhaka's Gulshan, Cantonment, Banani, Baridhara, Bashundhara, Nikunja, Panthapath, and Pallabi, as well as properties in Gazipur and Kaliakair.

Sarafat personally owned

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Army chief off to Central African Republic



UNB, Dhaka
Chief of Army Staff General Wazir Uz-Zaman left Dhaka yesterday for Central African Republic on a three-day official visit.

During the visit, he will inspect the activities of the Bangladeshi contingents stationed in the Central African Republic and the Bangladeshi peacekeepers present there, according to a press release from the ISPR.

Besides, the army chief is scheduled to inaugurate a community clinic built by the Bangladesh Army peacekeepers for the service of the local population, it said.

Currently five contingents of the Bangladesh Army are engaged in peacekeeping missions in the Central African Republic.

Bangabandhu Satellite-1 now Bangladesh-1

Sheikh Hasina Cricket Stadium renamed Nat'l Cricket Ground

STAR REPORT

Two major national structures have been renamed, which were previously named after Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and the ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina.

The name of Bangabandhu Satellite-1 has been changed to Bangladesh Satellite-1.

The Posts and Telecommunications Division issued a directive to Bangladesh Satellite Company Limited to take the necessary steps regarding this change.

Mohammad Rafiqul Islam, deputy secretary at the Posts and Telecommunications Division, confirmed the decision yesterday.

According to the directive, the decision to rename the satellite was made at the Advisory Council meeting, where the proposal was approved by the chief adviser.

Meanwhile, the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has announced the renaming of the Sheikh Hasina International Cricket Stadium in Purbachal to the National Cricket Ground (NCG).

The decision came during the BCB's 18th board meeting held yesterday. The "Boat" themed stadium project, financed entirely by the BCB, has faced numerous delays and setbacks since its inception several years ago.

BCB Media Committee Chairman Iftikhar Ahmed Mithu confirmed the name change at a press conference. However, the stadium's boat shaped design, the electoral symbol of the previous Sheikh Hasina government, will remain unchanged.



Firefighters inspect the charred remains inside a building in the capital's Shahjadpur area. A fire started on the first floor on the six-storey building around 12:31pm yesterday, killing four people. Two units of Baridhara Fire Station brought the blaze under control at 1:04pm. Officials said the fire originated from a beauty parlour.

'Ensure safety or step down'

Protesters burn effigy of home adviser

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Protesters burned an effigy of Home Affairs Adviser Jahangir Alam Chowdhury yesterday, demanding his removal from office over his failure to curb the worsening security situation.

They accused him of incompetence as incidents of murder, rape, repression, mob violence, and



Smoking in public is a civil offence at best. But physical assault is a criminal offence. How can a home adviser justify such a crime?

moral policing continue to rise across the country.

The demonstration, organised by Bangladesh Against Rape and Abuse, took place at Lalmatia, Asadgate, featuring women from various sectors.

It followed a recent mob attack on two women in Mohammadpur, which sparked widespread public outrage.

Protesters argued that despite repeated outcries, the law-and-order situation is deteriorating, with

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'Devil hunt' to continue in focused manner

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

"Operation Devil Hunt" will continue with a more focused approach based on ongoing assessments, Nasimul Ghani, senior secretary to the home ministry, said yesterday.

Speaking to reporters at the Secretariat, he said, "We have been working towards our set targets, reviewing results monthly. If patrolling is ineffective in certain areas, we withdraw and redeploy resources where necessary. Our current focus is on Dhaka city, particularly in tackling petty crimes."

Asked whether the operation was being scaled down, he denied any such move.

"We are rationalising it. Some areas do not require as many personnel, so we are assessing and adjusting patrols accordingly," he explained.

On Sunday, a core committee meeting on law and order was held. A senior ministry official told

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