



Tarique to call on Shafiqur, Nahid today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

BNP Chairman Tarique Rahman is scheduled to call on Jamaat-e-Islami Ameer Shafiqur Rahman and National Citizen Party (NCP) Convener Nahid Islam at their homes today.

BNP Media Cell sources said that Tarique will first visit the Jamaat ameer's residence, followed by Nahid's home.

Jamaat Ameer Shafiqur Rahman resides in the capital's Bashundhara Residential Area, while Nahid Islam lives on Bailey Road.

The time for the visit was fixed following discussions with Jamaat and NCP, sources at the BNP Media Cell said.

According to the source, Tarique will visit them to exchange post-election courtesies.

Earlier yesterday, the BNP chief
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COLOURS OF FALGUN ... People from all walks of life welcomed spring with colours and flowers during the Bashanta Utshob at Aambagan Shaheed Wasim Park in Chattogram city yesterday.
PHOTO: RAJIB RAIHAN

Yunus thanks top leaders for ensuring peaceful polls

Urges all to work together to meet people's expectations

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus yesterday called the heads of BNP, Jamaat-e-Islami, and National Citizen Party – Tarique Rahman, Shafiqur Rahman and Nahid Islam – to thank them for their significant roles and responsible conduct in ensuring a festive and peaceful election.

He conveyed his thanks through separate telephone conversations with the leaders.

Congratulating them, Yunus said the restraint, moderation and responsible behaviour shown by political parties had made it possible to maintain a joyous and

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Cabinet secy resigns

Siraz Uddin takes charge

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Cabinet secretary Sheikh Abdur Rashid, who was serving on a contractual basis, has resigned.

Speaking to The Daily Star last night, he said, "I had informed the government of my wish to resign before the elections, and it has been implemented today."

However, he declined to comment on the specific reason for his resignation.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Public
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Abdur Rashid

US readies for weeks-long Iran ops

Say officials; Trump says regime change could be 'best thing' as second carrier heads to Middle East

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The US military is preparing for the possibility of sustained, weeks-long operations against Iran if President Donald Trump orders an attack, two US officials told Reuters, in what could become a far more serious conflict than previously seen between the countries.

The disclosure by the officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity due to the sensitive nature of the planning, raises the stakes for the diplomacy underway between the United States and Iran.

US and Iranian diplomats held talks in Oman last week in an effort to revive diplomacy over Tehran's
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POST-POLLS VIOLENCE 1 killed, 5 hurt in 5 districts

STAR REPORT

One person was killed and five others injured in separate incidents of post-election violence from Friday evening to last night in five districts.

The deceased, Osman Sardar, 29, was a supporter of an independent (BNP's rebel) candidate for Bagerhat-2 and a resident of Paronowapara village in Bagerhat Sadar upazila.

The victim's elder brother Enamul Kabir Sardar said a clash broke out between the supporters of the BNP-nominated candidate Barrister Sheikh Mohammad
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People issued direct mandate for reforms

Says Ali Riaz

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Political considerations are more important than legal ones when it comes to implementing the July Charter, said Ali Riaz, special assistant to the chief adviser.

In politics, the first and most important consideration has to be political, even more than legal, he said at a press briefing yesterday.

"We are reminding everyone that the people have given their verdict and support for political parties has also been seen. So, there must be coordination
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