

# DAILY BANGLADESH WATCH

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## Takeaways

### Politics

- ◆ **Gonodhikar Parishas (People's Rights Council) marches against push-ins:** Ganodhikar Parishad, Dhaka Metropolitan North South has taken out a protest march against India's forcible intrusion and aggression on the Bangladesh border. Hasan Al Mamun, general secretary of the Gonodhikar Parishad, said, "The state of Bangladesh was not born in exchange for 3 million martyrs. Illegal infiltration and killing on the border by India on the Bangladesh-India border must be stopped. The people of this country do not support this attitude of the Indian government. The People's Rights Council called for the immediate return of Sheikh Hasina and Usman Hadi's killers to Bangladesh. India, Myanmar, Thailand and Laos together have spread yaba in Bangladesh. Myanmar has been used as a route for drug trafficking. India is smuggling drugs along the India-Bangladesh border to destroy the youth of Bangladesh in a planned manner. The People's Rights Council urged the people, government and the Border Guard forces to remain vigilant. The People's Rights Council along with the people of Bangladesh will resist any aggression by India. Party spokesperson Farooq Hassan said, "India should not think like before. Now their puppet government is not in power in Bangladesh. If India wants to send back illegal Bangladeshis, then Sheikh Hasina should be sent back first. We demand the government to restore the BGB's previous name as BGB to bring back its past legacy. According to the data, there are more than 8,000 illegal immigrants from India in Bangladesh, although in reality the number is much higher. They are not only working in Bangladesh, but they are also spying. They are a threat to Bangladesh, so they should be identified and taken action (*Jugantor*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Sarjis Alam praises the bravery of the BGB at the border:** Jatiya Nagorik Party (NCP) chief organiser Sargis Alam praised the bravery of the BGB on the border. In a Facebook post on Wednesday, he said, "Relationships should be on equality and dignity. The discussion will be face-to-face. There will be no compromise when it comes to questions of freedom, sovereignty, and honor. Hat's off to the vigilant border guards, BGB. Tension has arisen over an attempt to push a man at the Bakshiganj upazila border of Jamalpur. The BGB and the locals took position at the border as no solution was reached even after about 30 minutes of flag meeting. The incident took place on Wednesday morning at Ramrampur border in Bakshiganj upazila of Jamalpur. And a video of this tension has gone viral on social media. It was found that there was an altercation between the BGB and the BSF over the non-citizen person. At one stage, the BSF pushed the man towards Bangladesh, but the BGB pushed him back and sent him to the Indian border. At that time, when a BSF member said that they would open fire, the BGB members countered and said, "If you shoot, will I sit down? We also have bullets" (*Amar Desh*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Jamaat-NCP alliance announces a 2-day protest program:** The 11-party alliance led by Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami has announced a two-day program demanding a stop to 'push-ins' from India into Bangladesh one after another across the border. The program was announced at a press conference held on Wednesday (June 10) at Jamaat's central office in Dhaka. According to the announced schedule, human chains will be held in various border

areas of the country on June 12, and a protest program will be held in Dhaka on June 15. At the press conference, Hamidur Rahman Azad, coordinator of the alliance's liaison committee and assistant secretary general of Jamaat-e-Islami, said that the Bangladesh government has failed to take proper steps to stop the push-ins (*Jugantor*, [10 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Bangladesh Khilafat Movement's call to the 11-party alliance:** The Amir of the Bangladesh Khilafat Movement, Maulana Habibullah Miazi, has called for the name of the Bangladesh Khilafat Movement not to be used in the 11-party alliance. He said that the Bangladesh Khilafat Movement is not part of any alliance. In the last election, the Khilafat Movement participated independently. Before the election, the Khilafat Movement was simultaneously involved in movements regarding the rehabilitation of the July and Shapla martyrs' families and the trial of genocide, among a few other demands. Since there was no electoral agreement, the Khilafat Movement did not join any alliance. The party's Amir said this during his speech at the central Majlis-e-Amela meeting of the Bangladesh Khilafat Movement on Wednesday. **Urging everyone who believes in the Kalema to unite, Maulana Habibullah Miazi said that a deep conspiracy is underway against Islam, Muslims, and the country. On one side, Muslims' mosques are being demolished in India, Muslims are being persecuted, and Indians are being pushed into Bangladesh, while on the other side, there is a plot to create unrest in the country by installing a huge Shiva idol in Gaibandha, Bangladesh.** To protect the country and Islam, there is no alternative but for all Kalema believers to unite regardless of party affiliations (*Jugantor*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Meeting between the opposition leader and the British High Commissioner:** The Leader of the Opposition and Amir of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami, Dr. Shafiqur Rahman MP, had a courtesy meeting with the British High Commissioner to Dhaka, Sarah Cook. The courtesy meeting was held in a very cordial, friendly, and warm atmosphere. **During the meeting, they exchanged views on various matters of mutual interest, including the overall political and economic situation in Bangladesh after the national elections, the upcoming national budget, bilateral trade and investment potential, and various aspects of Bangladesh-UK relations.** They also discussed strengthening parliamentary democracy in Bangladesh, the UK's role in Bangladesh's development, appreciation of Jamaat's shadow cabinet and shadow budget, and the immigration process. Both sides expressed optimism that the friendly relationship, business, and mutual cooperation between the two countries will become even more dynamic in the future (*Amar Desh*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Parliamentary delegation to attend South Asia Cooperation Forum in Kunming :** A four-member parliamentary delegation led by Deputy Speaker of Jatiya Sangsad Barrister Kayser Kamal left Dhaka today for Kunming, the capital of China's Yunnan Province, to attend the 7th China-South Asian Cooperation Forum and other official engagements. The delegation departed on a China Eastern Airlines flight at 2:00 pm. **Other members of the delegation are NCP Member Secretary Akhter Hossen, MP, BNP lawmaker Engineer Khaled Hossain Mahbub Shyamal, MP, and reserved-seat lawmaker Jesmin Sultana, MP.** Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh Yao Wen and senior officials of the Chinese Embassy saw off the delegation at Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport. **During the visit, Deputy Speaker Barrister Kayser Kamal will deliver the keynote address as the chief guest at the opening ceremony of the 7th China-South Asian Cooperation Forum at the invitation of the Governor of Yunnan Province. The parliamentary delegation will also attend the 10th China-South Asia Exposition as invited guests.** Bangladesh has been designated as the Theme Country for this year's exposition and will participate with the highest number of trade pavilions. Bangladesh's Commerce Minister is expected to inaugurate the trade fair as the chief guest. As

part of the two-day visit to Kunming, the delegation will hold bilateral meetings with the Governor of Yunnan Province and the Secretary of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Yunnan Provincial Committee to discuss issues of mutual interest and avenues for enhanced cooperation (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Books linked to AL removed from mobile library in Rajshahi:** Books authored by ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina, country's founding president Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and other titles related to the previous Awami League regime were removed from a mobile library in Rajshahi on Wednesday. The mobile library, a joint initiative of the Department of Public Libraries and Bishwa Sahitya Kendra, was being operated in Rajshahi to promote reading habit among people at the grassroots. Witnesses said that a group of leaders and activists of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal, student wing of the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party, first raised objections about the books. Then, two magistrates checked the vehicle, separated the books, and ordered the vehicle in-charge to remove them immediately, they said. Rajshahi city Chhatra Dal member secretary Limon claimed that more than 320 books related to the Awami League, activities of which are now banned for atrocities during the July uprising, and its leaders were kept inside the mobile library (*New Age*, [10 June 2026](#)).

## Economy

- ◆ **PM says 35MW added to grid as Bangladesh moves towards 20pc renewable energy goal:** Prime minister Tarique Rahman on Wednesday told Jatiya Sangsad that the country had made progress towards its target of generating 20 per cent of electricity from renewable sources by 2030, with 35 megawatt added to the national grid. The 35MW electricity has been sourced from rooftop solar programme and net metering system. He said that the renewable energy expansion was part of a broader national effort to ensure sustainable power generation and strengthen long-term energy security. Replying to a question from Pabna-5 lawmaker Shamsur Rahman Shimul Biswas on the implementation of election pledges made by the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party, the prime minister outlined a wide range of social protection, digital health and development initiatives (*New Age*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Govt approves import of Gas Oil, Jet A-1 fuel, Furnace Oil, Octane:** The government has approved the import of various petroleum products to ensure an uninterrupted fuel supply across the country during the June-August 2026 period. The approvals were granted at the 26th meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Government Purchase (CCGP) held at the Bangladesh Secretariat today, with Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury in the chair. According to officials, the Energy and Mineral Resources Division placed four separate procurement proposals before the committee for the import of Gas Oil, Jet A-1 fuel, Furnace Oil and Octane through international open tenders. Under the approved proposals, Singapore-based Unipac Singapore Pte. Ltd. will supply Gas Oil 0.005 per cent sulphur and Jet A-1 fuel under the package-1 at an estimated cost of Tk 7,672.664 crore. Another package for the supply of the same categories of fuel, package-2, was awarded to Vitol Asia Pte Ltd. at an estimated cost of Tk 6,711.751 crore. The committee also approved the import of Furnace Oil under the package-3 from Trafigura Pte. Ltd. at a cost of Tk 1,900.047 crore. In addition, Vitol Asia Pte Ltd. was selected to supply Gasoline 95 (Octane) under the package-4 at an estimated cost of Tk 748.961 crore (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **DP World proposal stalls amid divisions over tariffs, control:** Negotiations between Bangladesh and Dubai-based DP World to operate Chattogram Port's New Mooring Container Terminal

(NCT) have stalled amid widening disagreements over tariffs, operational control and infrastructure access, according to official and port sources. **Despite months of discussions under a government-to-government (G2G) framework, key commercial and operational issues remain unresolved, raising questions over the viability and timeline of one of the country's most significant port concession proposals.** At the centre of the deadlock is a sharp gap in container handling charges. The Chattogram Port Authority (CPA) has proposed a tariff of USD 90 per TEU (Twenty-foot Equivalent Unit), while DP World has offered USD 62 per TEU. Although both sides have agreed on handling up to 1.4 million TEUs annually, the port authority has pushed for a higher rate of USD 125 per TEU beyond that threshold, a proposal yet to be accepted. **Beyond pricing, control over critical port infrastructure has become a major sticking point.** DP World has sought exclusive use of the overflow yard serving both NCT and the adjacent Chattogram Container Terminal (CCT), but port officials warn this could disrupt container flow across the wider port system. A similar dispute has emerged over access roads. While DP World has demanded exclusive control of a dedicated route for NCT operations, the CPA insists the corridor must remain shared, as it also serves multiple inland container depots (ICDs) linked to national logistics routes (*Times of Bangladesh*, [10 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **“Chittagong Port can reach Singapore, Colombo efficiency by 2029”:** Shipping Minister Shaikh Rabiul Alam told Parliament on Wednesday that Chittagong Port will be operated with the efficiency of Singapore and Colombo by 2029 once planned container terminals become fully functional. He said that if all container terminals are operational by 2030, the overall congestion at the port will be fully resolved. The government is pursuing multiple initiatives to expand container handling capacity and reduce ship turnaround time. The minister made the remarks in response to a question from Chittagong-15 lawmaker Shahjahan Chowdhury during the question-and-answer session on the fourth day of the second and first budget session of the 13th National Parliament (*Dhaka Tribune*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BNP govt set to unveil ambitious budget built around big targets:** The Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) government is placing strong emphasis on fulfilling its election manifesto commitments, boosting investment and employment, and reviving a troubled economy through its first national budget. The budget also sets highly ambitious revenue targets. As the budget expands in size, so too does the fiscal deficit, necessitating increased borrowing to bridge the gap. Finance and Planning Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury is set to present a Tk 9.3 trillion (938,000 crore) budget for the next fiscal year in Parliament today, Thursday. It will be the first budget of his career as finance minister and the first budget of the BNP government formed following the national election held in February. The finance minister has repeatedly said he wants the benefits of the budget to reach grassroots communities. **As part of that objective, allocations for social protection programmes could rise to nearly Tk 1.5 trillion (150,000 crore).** At least eight new schemes, including the Family Card programme, are expected to be introduced. The minister also aims to promote the creative economy and improve the ease of doing business. He has repeatedly spoken of the need for the “democratisation of the economy” and has pledged to reflect that vision in the budget. He has also indicated that he intends to pursue extensive deregulation, reducing government controls wherever possible. Despite fiscal pressures, the budget may include a partial implementation of a new pay scale for government employees in the coming fiscal year. For the first time, the finance minister may also publish a Citizens’ Budget booklet, designed to present budget information in a simplified format for the general public. The Ministry of Finance believes this



initiative will make the budget more accessible and easier to understand (*Prothom Alo*, [11 June 2026](#)).

## Foreign Policy

- ◆ **Bangladesh seeks stronger ASEAN role in Rohingya return:** Bangladesh has called for greater engagement by ASEAN to facilitate the safe and sustainable repatriation of forcibly displaced Rohingyas to Myanmar's Rakhine State, stressing the need for stronger regional cooperation to address shared challenges. Foreign Secretary Asad Alam Siam made the call while speaking at the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Senior Officials' Meeting held in Manila on Tuesday. Highlighting the protracted Rohingya crisis, Siam underscored the importance of sustained multilateral engagement to address common regional and global challenges. He also identified climate change, cyber security and supply chain sustainability among the growing challenges confronting the region and called for enhanced cooperation to effectively tackle these issues (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh, Russia eye expanded parliamentary cooperation, friendship groups:** Attaching importance of parliamentary diplomacy as a complementary mechanism to traditional diplomacy, Bangladesh and Russia have expressed interest for cooperation on international parliamentary forums to widen understanding, engagement, and multilateralism. Both the sides discussed about the formation of parliamentary friendship groups in their respective parliaments. Foreign Minister Dr Khalilur Rahman held an official meeting in Moscow with Deputy Speaker of the Senate of the Russian Federation Konstantin Kosachev on Tuesday and discussed the issues. **During the meeting, they discussed enhancing legislative cooperation, digital transformation, capacity building, and parliamentary diplomacy in parliamentary affairs, said the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Wednesday.** Khalilur highlighted Bangladesh's ongoing efforts toward digital transformation including e-Parliament initiatives, digital legislative services, and citizen engagement platforms. **Both sides agreed to explore opportunities for cooperation and knowledge sharing with Russian parliamentary institutions including cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and legislative research. They also discussed enhancing professional exchange programmes, exchange of parliamentary delegations, and capacity-building opportunities.** The foreign minister invited a parliamentary delegation from Russia to visit Bangladesh (*Dhaka Tribune*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Russia offers floating nuclear plant to Bangladesh:** Russia has indicated the possibility of offering a floating nuclear power plant unit to Bangladesh as the two countries explored future cooperation in advanced nuclear technologies and long-term energy security. The proposal came during a meeting between foreign minister Khalilur Rahman and Rosatom director general Alexey Likhachev in Moscow on Tuesday, held on the sidelines of the foreign minister's three-day official visit to Russia, said a foreign ministry's press release on Wednesday. The two sides discussed Bangladesh-Russia cooperation in the nuclear energy sector, with particular focus on the Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant and future energy collaboration. **Referring to discussions held earlier between prime minister Tarique Rahman and the Rosatom chief, Khalilur sought information on the technical and economic aspects of small modular reactors as part of Bangladesh's efforts to build a diversified and resilient energy mix. In response, Likhachev indicated that Russia could offer Bangladesh a floating nuclear power plant unit, opening a**

new avenue for cooperation in the country's future energy development (*New Age*, [11 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Moscow cites key gains from Khalilur's visit:** “Both sides noted that the current volume of bilateral trade remains below its potential and agreed that commercial cooperation could be significantly expanded,” the Russian Embassy said. It said that discussions covered the development of new payment channels and financial mechanisms aimed at facilitating trade and strengthening economic ties between the two countries. **During the talks, Dr Khalilur sought Russia's support for concluding a free trade agreement between Bangladesh and the Eurasian Economic Commission to further boost trade and investment. The two countries also discussed cooperation in multilateral platforms with Bangladesh expressing interest in becoming an official member of BRICS and the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO). Cooperation in advanced technologies featured prominently in the discussions. The two sides agreed to work together on the application of artificial intelligence in healthcare and agriculture, while Dr Khalilur proposed a visit by a Russian delegation to Bangladesh to explore potential collaboration in the sector. The proposal received a positive response from the Russian side, the embassy said.** In another key engagement, the foreign minister met Director General of Russia's state nuclear energy corporation Rosatom Alexey Likhachev. The meeting reviewed the progress of the Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant project and discussed prospects for further Bangladesh-Russia cooperation in the field of nuclear energy (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh, China urge deeper cultural ties amid global divides:** Bangladesh and China on Wednesday underscored the need for stronger civilizational dialogue, cultural cooperation, and people-to-people connectivity as scholars, policymakers, diplomats and cultural figures gathered in Dhaka to mark the inaugural UN International Day for Dialogue Among Civilizations. The event, titled “Dialogue Between Kindred Spirits,” was jointly organized by the Embassy of China in Bangladesh and the Association of Bangladesh-China Alumni (ABCA) at the National Library of Bangladesh. Speakers said Bangladesh-China relations are moving beyond traditional infrastructure and economic cooperation toward deeper intellectual, cultural, and social engagement. **Prof Dr Md Shahabul Haque said ABCA has been working since its establishment in 2020 to strengthen bilateral ties by connecting Bangladeshi graduates of Chinese universities through academic and social initiatives. While Mandarin education is expanding in Bangladesh, he stressed the importance of promoting Bangla in China to deepen mutual understanding. Representing the business community, Han Kun, president of the Chinese Enterprises Association in Bangladesh (CEAB), said that while Chinese firms contribute to infrastructure development in Bangladesh, the most meaningful connections are human. Han added that Chinese enterprises remain committed to fostering cultural reciprocity alongside economic cooperation** (*Dhaka Tribune*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Labour minister Ariful Haque meets ILO DG in Geneva:** Labour and Employment Minister Ariful Haque Choudhury held a courtesy meeting with Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO) Gilbert F. Houngbo in Geneva. During the meeting, the minister praised the ILO's leadership and contributions to promoting decent work, social justice and workers' rights. **He reaffirmed the Bangladesh government's commitment to democracy, human rights and labour rights. The minister welcomed the ILO's initiative to establish a Global Coalition for Social Justice and called for extended support in promoting entrepreneurship development and employment generation among marginalized communities. At the meeting, the minister said Bangladesh has so far ratified**

39 ILO conventions and has earned recognition as the first country in Asia to ratify all fundamental ILO conventions. He also highlighted the progress made in labour sector reforms and the formation of the National Tripartite Consultative Council. The minister invited the ILO Director General to visit Bangladesh and observe firsthand the ongoing labour sector reform initiatives undertaken for workers' welfare. Bangladesh chaired the ministerial meeting of the Asia-Pacific Group (ASPAG) at the International Labour Organization (ILO), reaffirming its commitment to strengthening regional cooperation, social justice and inclusive development through multilateral engagement. (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Bangladesh, EU reaffirm commitment to stronger partnership:** Bangladesh and the European Union (EU) reaffirmed their commitment to deepening cooperation across a wide range of areas, with particular emphasis on migration, trade, skills development and regional issues. The commitment was reiterated when Director for International Affairs, Returns and Visa of the European Commission Henrik Nielsen paid a courtesy call on State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam at the ministry here, said a foreign ministry's press release. EU Ambassador to Bangladesh Michael Miller was present during the meeting. The state minister reaffirmed Bangladesh's commitment to further strengthening its multifaceted partnership with the EU and appreciated the bloc's continued support for the country's development efforts. Recalling recent high-level exchanges between Bangladesh and the EU, she expressed satisfaction with the growing momentum in bilateral relations. Migration and mobility cooperation featured prominently in the discussions, said the release (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Germany keen to expand cooperation with Bangladesh in energy, infrastructure sectors:** Germany has expressed strong interest in expanding cooperation with Bangladesh in energy diversification, renewable energy development, infrastructure modernization and sustainable economic growth. The interest was reiterated today by Frank Hartmann, Director General for Asia and the Pacific at the German Federal Foreign Office, during a meeting with Commerce Minister Khandakar Abdul Muktadir at the latter's office in the city, said a press release. Hartmann praised Bangladesh's steady economic progress and ongoing reform initiatives, saying the country's efforts to diversify energy sources, expand renewable energy capacity and modernize infrastructure would lay a solid foundation for long-term sustainable growth. He said both the German government and private sector are keen to support Bangladesh's development agenda, particularly in energy transition, green technology and infrastructure development. The German official also highlighted the potential for further expanding economic cooperation between Bangladesh and the European Union (*BSS News*, [10 June 2026](#)).

## Security

- ◆ **BGB-BSF tensions flare over 'push-in attempt' at Jamalpur border:** Tension mounted in Jamalpur border as Indian Border Security Force threatened to open fire after the Border Guard Bangladesh foiled their attempt to push a man into Bangladesh, leaving the man stranded in the no man's land on Wednesday. A flag meeting held on Wednesday morning failed to resolve the situation, according to Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB). The incident took place around 5am at Ramrampur border in Bokshiganj Upazila when BSF members from the Nandirchar camp allegedly tried to push a man into Bangladesh territory, said BGB 35 Battalion Commander Lt Col Hasanur Rahman. BGB personnel and local residents said they detected the attempt early in the morning and moved to block it. Faced with their resistance, the 60-year-old man retreated to the zero line, where he has remained since. According to

locals, the BSF has repeatedly tried to push the man across, but he has turned back each time after encountering resistance. **The BSF left without taking the man back, leaving him at the zero line and reigniting tension at the border** (*bdnews24.com*, [10 June 2026](#); *New Age*, [11 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Bangladesh protests to India over violations at 68 border points:** Bangladesh has formally protested to India over the construction of barbed-wire fencing and other infrastructure projects along the Bangladesh-India border, alleging violations of existing bilateral procedures. Dhaka has informed New Delhi that various irregularities or deviations have been identified in fencing projects at 68 locations along the border. It has stated that work on barbed-wire fencing at another 86 locations cannot commence until those irregularities are rectified. In a communication sent this week to the Indian High Commission in Dhaka, Bangladesh's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said that Indian authorities had carried out various activities within 150 yards of the border without obtaining Bangladesh's consent. These activities include attempts to construct barbed-wire fencing, construction or repair of roads, establishment of border posts or other structures, and construction of bridges, culverts, embankments, or similar defensive infrastructure. Bangladesh maintains that these activities are inconsistent with the 1975 Joint Guidelines of the Bangladesh-India Border Authorities and existing bilateral understandings and procedures governing activities in border areas. Dhaka therefore expects India to take the necessary steps to address these irregularities. Wednesday marked the third day of the talks, during which both sides discussed finalising the draft of the agreed minutes of the meeting. The four-day meeting concludes today, Thursday. However, diplomatic sources said that, unlike previous occasions, the two sides will not hold a joint press conference after the meeting and will instead issue a press release (*Prothom Alo*, [11 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh to join UN's new Haiti force:** Chief of Army Staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman has said that members of the Bangladesh Army, Navy, and Police will participate in the newly formed "Gang Suppression Force" in Haiti, an initiative under the United Nations peacekeeping operations. He disclosed the information on Wednesday while speaking at a discussion organized at Senakunja in Dhaka to mark the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers. The army chief said: "Bangladesh's commitment to maintaining international peace and security is becoming stronger. At present, a total of 4,212 Bangladeshi peacekeepers is serving in nine missions in different countries around the world. They include members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Police." He said: "Bangladesh is also playing an important role in increasing women's participation in peacekeeping. So far, a total of 3,905 female peacekeepers has successfully served, and currently 294 women are deployed in various missions" (*Dhaka Tribune*, [10 June 2026](#)).



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