

# DAILY BANGLADESH WATCH

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## Takeaways

### Politics

- ◆ **Jamaat chief seeks clarification of Indian envoy's remarks:** Shafiqur Rahman, Jamaat-e-Islami ameer and Leader of the Opposition, has sought clarification of a statement by India's newly appointed High Commissioner to Bangladesh, Dinesh Trivedi, regarding "India and Bangladesh becoming one." He said the remark, if left unexplained, could cause public confusion. **In a verified Facebook post at 12:06pm on Saturday, Shafiqur wrote, "On Friday, after Mr. Dinesh Trivedi arrived in Bangladesh as the new Indian High Commissioner, one of his remarks came to our attention. Our government should ask him what he meant by 'India and Bangladesh becoming one.'" He added, "India is an independent country, and Bangladesh is also an independent country. If his statement is not clarified, it will certainly create confusion among the public."** The Jamaat chief further said, "We want our government to resolve this matter. If he literally meant something of this nature, it is certainly condemnable. The issue needs to be made clear." Earlier on Friday morning, India's new High Commissioner Dinesh Trivedi entered Bangladesh via the Petrapole-Benapole international land checkpoint. During his interaction with journalists, one of his remarks on India-Bangladesh relations sparked discussion. In response, the Jamaat ameer has formally sought clarification from the government (*Times of Bangladesh*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Jamaat-led 11-party alliance protests at push-ins, border killings:** Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami-led 11-party alliance on Friday held a rally in Panchagarh protesting against push-in incidents and border killings by the Indian BSF. Leaders and activists of 11-party alliance took part in the programme, which began with a protest procession from the Court Square area in the afternoon. The procession paraded through the main roads of the Panchagar town and ended at Chourangi Mor, where a brief rally was held. **Speakers alleged that push-in incidents and border killings reflect weakness of government and demanded an immediate halt to such occurrences. They warned that if the situation continues, they would form a 'human shield' at the border with public support.** Jamaat district Amir Iqbal Hossain, Nayeb-e-Ameer Mofiz Uddin, Secretary Delwar Hossain, National Citizen Party district organising secretary Shishir Asad, JAGPA general secretary Shahriar Alam Bipul, spoke among others at the rally (*New Age*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Jamaat MP criticises deferral of JS debate on push-ins, border killings:** A decision to defer a scheduled parliamentary discussion on push-ins and border killings by the Indian Border Security Force has drawn criticism from Jamaat-e-Islami lawmaker Mir Ahmad Bin Kasem Arman. Raising the issue in the Jatiya Sangsad on Sunday, the Dhaka-14 lawmaker questioned the postponement of a matter of national sovereignty, public safety and human rights. Deputy speaker Kayser Kamal, however, said that the discussion had been temporarily suspended due to time constraints during the ongoing budget session and assured lawmakers that it would be rescheduled soon. **The discussion was due to take place in the JS on Sunday under Rule 147 of the Rules of Procedure, following a general proposal submitted by the Dhaka-14 lawmaker.** The issue had been included in the parliamentary agenda circulated following Thursday's sitting. **However, it was omitted from a revised agenda issued on Sunday morning.**

Questioning the move, the lawmaker asked what issue could be more important than the loss of citizens' lives and sought clarification on when the debate would be rescheduled. Deputy speaker responded that the postponement was only temporary (*New Age*, [14 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Uproar over BNP MP's remarks on Opposition women MPs' attire:** A heated exchange and widespread uproar erupted in Parliament following remarks by Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) Member of Parliament (MP) Monirul Haque Chowdhury, which alluded to the attire of women MPs from the opposition bench. The contentious remarks were subsequently expunged from the parliamentary record following objections from the opposition. The incident occurred today, Sunday, during a discussion on the supplementary budget for the 2025–26 fiscal year in Parliament. In the course of his speech, Monirul Haque Chowdhury commented directly on the female members of the House. "I have listened to the speeches of two members; they have a future, they can achieve something in the days ahead, and they are well-educated. But I failed to recognise who you actually are," he stated. Gesticulating towards both the female MPs of the BNP and those of the opposition, the MP remarked, "You may look towards this side, but if we look towards that side, we will not even decipher what is there—this is not right." These remarks prompted opposition MPs to stand up and shout in protest. Intervening at this point, Deputy Speaker Kayser Kamal cautioned, "Honourable Member, comments should not be made regarding personal liberty" (*Prothom Alo*, [14 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Constitutional recognition of nat'l minorities demanded:** National minority leaders on Saturday once again raised their demand for constitutional recognition as indigenous peoples, while also pressed for a separate land commission for the plainsland national minority communities. Stronger legal safeguard to protect their ancestral land from encroachment was also demanded at an exchange-of-view meeting organised by Jatiya Adivasi Parishad at a hotel in Rajshahi city. Land minister Mizanur Rahman Minu addressed the meeting as chief guest with Parishad president Ganesh Mardi in chair. At the meeting, leaders of the different national minority communities underscored long-standing grievances over land disputes, land grabbing, insecurity of tenure and the lack of institutional mechanisms to resolve such problems (*New Age*, [14 June 2026](#)).

## Economy

- ◆ **e-loan up to Tk 50,000 proposed:** The government has proposed the introduction of a fully digital e-loan that will allow individuals to obtain up to Tk 50,000 through an online process, aiming to improve access to finance and expand financial inclusion. Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury unveiled the proposal while presenting the national budget for fiscal year 2026-27 in parliament on Thursday (*Financial Express*, [12 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Over 99% energy sector allocation earmarked for development spending:** Over 99 percent of the allocation for energy and power sector is meant for the development spending as Finance Minister Amir Khasru Mahmud Chowdhury laid out the proposed budget for the coming fiscal amid global energy crisis caused by the Iran war. According to the budgetary documents provided on Saturday the sector's stake in the 17,345 crore budget is roughly 1.85 percent with the allocation of over Tk 17,193 crore for energy and power divisions, keeping only Tk 152 crore or 0.88 percent for their operating expenditures. Proposing the sanction for the sector in his budget speech Chowdhury said the government intended to make a critical shift away from high import dependency and costly, inefficient infrastructure by leading the sector toward self-reliance alongside promoting green energy and ensuring fiscal accountability. "To meet the growing

demand for electricity and ensure quality supply, the government is working to increase electricity generation capacity to 35,000 MW by 2030 and expand transmission lines to 25,000 circuit kilometres,” he said (*BSS News*, [13 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Govt eyes inflation relief, lower debt through sweeping reforms:** The government has placed the restoration of macroeconomic stability at the centre of its economic recovery, restoration and reconstruction agenda, pledging a series of fiscal, monetary and institutional reforms aimed at curbing inflation, strengthening public finances and reducing debt dependence. **As per the budget document, the government acknowledged that persistently high inflation over the past several years has significantly eroded household purchasing power and weakened the country’s overall economic foundations. Inflationary pressures have been driven not only by global factors but also by domestic challenges, including supply chain inefficiencies, market distortions, inadequate competition and various structural bottlenecks, it said.** To shield citizens from the impact of rising prices, the government said, it will focus on strengthening foreign exchange reserves, enhancing external sector resilience and ensuring greater stability in the foreign exchange market. The document noted that Bangladesh’s import-dependent economy remains vulnerable to exchange rate fluctuations, with the depreciation of the Taka against major foreign currencies contributing significantly to domestic inflation (*Financial Express*, [14 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Govt to establish new EPZs in 2 districts, Economic Zones in 3 districts:** The government has decided to establish Export Processing Zones (EPZs) in Barishal and Lalmonirhat to attract foreign investment, increase exports, and create employment opportunities. The Cabinet Division has already sent letters to the Secretary of the Prime Minister’s Office and other relevant authorities to begin implementing the EPZ projects. During the DC Conference held in May, several DCs highlighted the need for new EPZs and economic zones. The concerned DCs have been instructed to submit progress reports on the implementation of these plans to the Cabinet Division. These directives were outlined in a letter sent by the Cabinet Division to the Prime Minister’s Office and relevant authorities (*Financial Express*, [14 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BB provides TK 2,500cr liquidity support to Islami Bank:** Bangladesh Bank (BB) provided TK 2,500 crore in special liquidity support to Islami Bank Bangladesh PLC to help the country’s largest Shariah-based lender overcome an acute cash shortage caused by heavy deposit withdrawals. Bangladesh Bank Executive Director and spokesperson Arief Hussain Khan confirmed the development to BSS. **According to central bank and bank officials, Islami Bank sought TK 10,000 crore in liquidity assistance from Bangladesh Bank last week. Officials said that TK 2,500 crore released is the first tranche of the requested support package.** Bangladesh Bank Governor Md Mostaqur Rahman had earlier indicated that the central bank was prepared to extend liquidity assistance to the bank if necessary (*BSS News*, [14 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Entire board of Islami Bank dissolved; administrator takes charge:** In a dramatic regulatory move, Bangladesh Bank on Sunday dissolved the entire Board of Directors of Islami Bank Bangladesh PLC, including its newly appointed chairman, in what it said was a move to protect the interests of depositors and safeguard public money. **The central bank removed all directors of the country’s largest Shariah-based commercial lender with immediate effect under the powers vested in it by the Bank Company Act, 1991, UNB reports.** Bangladesh Bank Assistant Spokesperson Shahriar Siddiqui confirmed the development, noting that the unprecedented step was taken in the public interest to ensure good governance and maintain stability across the banking sector (*Financial Express*, [14 June 2026](#)).

## Foreign Policy

- ◆ **Bangladesh seeks stronger trade, investment ties with China at Kunming expo:** Commerce, Industries, Textiles and Jute Minister Khandakar Abdul Muktadir reaffirmed Bangladesh's commitment to further strengthening bilateral relations with China, emphasizing a partnership founded on mutual respect, sovereignty, equality and shared prosperity. "The government is sincere in building sustainable relations that deliver tangible benefits to the people of both countries," he said. The minister made the remarks while addressing the inauguration ceremony of "Bangladesh Day" at the 10th China-South Asia Expo and the 30th China Kunming Import & Export Fair 2026, at Kunming, China, said a press release. The minister called upon the business community of China's Yunnan Province to expand imports from Bangladesh and explore investment opportunities in key sectors of the country's economy (*BSS News*, [12 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **"Bangladesh wants respectful relations with India":** Prime Minister's Foreign Affairs Adviser Humaiun Kobir said Bangladesh wants cooperation and a constructive working relationship with India based on mutual respect despite the challenges currently affecting bilateral ties. **"We want cooperation with India, but it must be based on mutual respect. We should have a good working relationship with India,"** he said while speaking at a panel discussion during the **"Roadmap for Trade, Growth & Economic Diplomacy 2026"** conference in Dhaka. State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam and Prime Minister's Adviser on Education Mahdi Amin also spoke at the session, moderated by Foreign Secretary Asad Alam Siam. Humaiun Kobir said maintaining and regularising working relationships with neighbouring countries is a fundamental principle of diplomacy and the government remains committed to strengthening engagement with India. **Referring to recent diplomatic exchanges, he said Bangladesh expects high-level visits to continue between the two countries and remains interested in building a visible and effective working relationship. "We intend to do that. But the environment must be conducive to accommodating this approach,"** he said (*BSS News*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh promotes friendship in Nepal through mangoes diplomacy:** Bangladesh has gifted more than 1,750 kilograms of premium-quality mangoes to distinguished personalities in Nepal as part of its annual "Season's Best Compliments" initiative aimed at strengthening goodwill and people-to-people ties between the two neighbouring countries. **The Bangladesh Embassy in Kathmandu distributed the mangoes among Nepali dignitaries, senior government officials, diplomats, business leaders, civil society representatives and friends of Bangladesh in a unique display of what has become known as "Mango Diplomacy",** according to a message received here today. The embassy team delivered mango packs to over 360 recipients, including the President of Nepal, the Speaker and members of the Council of Ministers. It noted that the gesture symbolised the warmth, goodwill and spirit of diplomacy that continue to strengthen bilateral relations between the two friendly nations. The consignment consisted of the renowned Khirshapat variety, a Geographical Indication (GI)-certified mango widely recognised as one of the most flavourful varieties in the Indian subcontinent (*BSS News*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Nepal to start exporting electricity to Bangladesh with symbolic 40MW from Monday:** Bangladesh is set to receive 40 megawatts of electricity from Nepal via India for five months, starting from Monday to November, under a tripartite agreement signed between Bangladesh, Nepal and India on October 3, 2024. Though it is symbolic given the demands that Bangladesh has now, both sides see potential to increase in the future, officials told UNB.

Nepal's hydropower potential and the increasing energy needs of Bangladesh provide ample opportunities to enhance energy cooperation between the countries. In the first ten months of the current fiscal, Nepal exported electricity worth almost Rs21 billion (about Tk25.6 billion) to India and Bangladesh. Last year, the number stood at above Rs13 billion (*Dhaka Tribune*, [14 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Dhaka-Beijing ties poised for greater opportunities in next 50 years:** Noting that the story of Bangladesh-China relations extends far beyond the fifty years of formal diplomatic ties, scholars from both countries at a book launching-cum-seminar have said the next fifty years promise even greater opportunities for both nations and for the wider region with vision, patience, and continued cooperation. **Ahead of prime minister Tarique Rahman's scheduled visit to China later this month, the experts highlighted that understanding history is essential for shaping the future and that the friendship between Bangladesh and China, nurtured over generations, remains a bridge connecting civilisations, economies, and people.** The event marking the formal launching of a book titled 50 Years of Bangladesh-China Relations: Achievements, Challenges and Prospects was held in city's Baridhara on Friday evening as part of the Cosmos Dialogue hosted by Cosmos Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the Cosmos Group. **The speakers discussed the upcoming official visit of prime minister Tarique Rahman to China, as the two countries eye new investment agreements, infrastructure projects, and economic initiatives that are expected to strengthen cooperation further. Plans for the modernisation of Mongla Port, the Teesta River Comprehensive Management and Restoration Project, and discussions on a future Free Trade Agreement were seen as important steps toward shared prosperity** (*New Age*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Prime Minister's information adviser denied entry into Delhi:** Despite being notified in advance through a diplomatic note, Indian immigration authorities on Sunday evening barred Prime Minister's Policy and Strategy Adviser Zahed Ur Rahman from entering Delhi for what officials described as "mysterious reasons." Although permission was later granted following instructions from higher authorities, the adviser chose not to enter India and instead departed for Dhaka via Colombo. **He is choosing to fly back in protest against the "disrespectful" behaviour of the Indian immigration authorities.** Diplomatic sources in Dhaka and Delhi confirmed the development to Prothom Alo. According to the sources, the Prime Minister's adviser on information and broadcasting, as well as cultural affairs, arrived at Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport on Sunday evening to attend a two-day meeting of senior officials of the Indian Ocean Rim Association, scheduled to begin on Monday. He was expected to lead the Bangladesh delegation at the meeting. It has been learned that the Bangladesh High Commission in New Delhi had formally informed India's Ministry of External Affairs on Friday that the adviser would participate in the meeting as head of the Bangladesh delegation. However, after landing in Delhi on Sunday evening, he was reportedly held by Indian immigration authorities for two and a half hours for unexplained reasons. **Officials did not clarify whether he would ultimately be allowed to enter the country.** Faced with this uncertainty, Zahed Ur Rahman decided to return home. He departed Delhi for Colombo later that night and is expected to arrive in Bangladesh before Monday afternoon. The government is seeking details about an incident in which Zahed Ur Rahman, the prime minister's adviser on policy and strategy, was denied entry into Delhi by Indian immigration authorities. A decision on any further action will be made after the circumstances of the incident are fully established. Government sources confirmed the matter on Monday morning (*Prothom Alo*, [15 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **BGB blocks BSF 'push-in' of 12 at Kushtia border:** The Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) has thwarted an attempt by Indian Border Security Force (BSF) to push 12 people, including women and children, into the country through the Kushtia frontier. The victims are currently stranded along the zero line of the international border. The incident occurred early on Friday at the Charbilgathua border in Pragpur Union, said Daulatpur Police chief Arifur Rahman. The BGB personnel and local residents said the group was pushed through Charmeghna border under Hoglabaria Police Station in Nadia district of India's West Bengal. After spotting them, locals intervened and, with BGB assistance, sent them back towards the area adjacent to border pillar 148. The BGB troopers and local citizens have taken up positions along the frontier to consistently block any fresh push-in attempts by the Indian border guards. **The fate of 12 people, including children, who have been stranded near the zero line at the Pragpur border in Daulatpur upazila of Kushtia remains unresolved more than 56 hours after they were allegedly pushed towards Bangladesh from India.** (*bdnews24.com*, [12 June 2026](#)).
  
- ◆ **Border deadlock leaves 12 stranded at Kushtia zero line after failed talks:** A group of 12 people stranded at the Kushtia border zero line have spent the night at the frontier after becoming embroiled in an alleged cross-border "push-in" attempt. Talks between Bangladesh and India's border guards ended without a resolution more than 30 hours later. **On Saturday, the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) said India's Border Security Force (BSF) has informed it that a decision will be made only after verifying whether the 12 individuals are Indian citizens. Until then, they will remain at the zero line.** The incident comes despite the BSF's recent pledge to give the "highest priority" to preventing push-ins through bilateral mechanisms during the 57th BGB-BSF director general-level border conference held in New Delhi from Monday to Thursday (*bdnews24.com*, [13 June 2026](#)).
  
- ◆ **Bangladesh, India to coordinate patrols on border, share intelligence amid migrant tensions:** Bangladesh and India have agreed to deepen cooperation along their shared border with improved intelligence sharing and coordinated patrols, according to a joint statement released on Friday, amid strained relations over alleged undocumented migration. **Dhaka has accused Indian authorities of attempting to force migrants across the border without due process, complicating efforts to stabilise ties following the 2024 ousting of Sheikh Hasina and India's broader effort to identify and deport undocumented migrants.** Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) and India's Border Security Force (BSF) described the discussions as "cordial, positive and forward-looking", according to the statement released at the end of a four-day meeting of top border officials in New Delhi. The regular talks also covered "illegal, inadvertent and forcible crossing at border areas," an increasingly contentious issue in recent months (*bdnews24.com*, [12 June 2026](#)).
  
- ◆ **BSF shoots and kills Bangladeshi national at Moulvibazar border:** A 20-year-old Bangladeshi national has been shot dead by India's Border Security Force (BSF) in Moulvibazar's Kaulaura Upazila. The incident occurred around 7:45pm in the Duttagram area near the Sharifpur border in the Upazila, according to Lt Col Sarkar Asif Mahmud, commander of the 46 BGB Sreemangal Battalion. The deceased has been identified as Md Mujib Ali, a local resident. The BGB said a group of six to seven Bangladeshi "smugglers" entered Lakhairchar in India, approximately 500 yards from the border pillar 1852/5-S, with the help of Indian traffickers. Members of the 199th Battalion BSF Lathiapura camp stopped the "smugglers" at the time. **Angered by this, the Bangladeshi smugglers tried to attack the BSF personnel with**

makeshift weapons. The BSF members fired two or three shots at the smugglers in self-defence. Mujib Ali was shot and died on the spot. The BGB said the other “smugglers” escaped and went into hiding. **The body of the Bangladeshi youth, was returned on Saturday night, more than 24 hours after his killing.** The BGB official said that he sent a strong protest letter to his BSF counterpart over the killing of Mujib Ali, 20, son of late Wazib Ullah of Dattagram village at Sharif union of the upazila. He said that they protested against the killing again at a company-level flag meeting held on Saturday afternoon and took initiatives to bring back the victim’s body (*bdnews24.com*, [12 June 2026](#); *New Age*, [15 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **‘Push-in’: BGB returns from BSF meeting with more ‘assurances’:** A director-general-level “Border Meeting” has been held between Bangladesh’s Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) and India’s Border Security Force (BSF) in New Delhi amid heightened tensions over “push-ins”, in which people are forced across the border into a neighbouring country. In response to the BGB’s call at the conference to stop “push-in” attempts, the BSF said it will give “top priority based on bilateral arrangements”. **In a press release on Friday, the BGB said that Director General Maj Gen Mohammad Ashrafuzzaman Siddiqui expressed “deep concern” at the conference over the “push-in” of Indians, including Rohingya or Myanmar nationals, by the BSF. The BGB described these incidents and attempts as a violation of the joint guidelines on border matters, integrated border management plans, mutual decisions at previous director general-level meetings, and existing bilateral policies and protocols.** Then BSF director general Daljit Singh Chowdhury had assured that Bangladeshi nationals illegally staying in India would be sent back per a “mutually agreed process” (*bdnews24.com*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BGB foils attempt to push in 15 people through Chapainawabganj border:** Members of the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) thwarted an attempt to push 15 individuals into Bangladesh through Gomastapur border in Chapainawabganj early Saturday. **According to BGB sources, personnel from the Rokonpur Border Outpost (BOP) under Naogaon Battalion (16 BGB) detected an attempt by members of the Border Security Force (BSF)’s Kotalpur Camp under the 88 Battalion to push 15 people into Bangladesh through a river route near Border Pillar 220/MP. The group consisted of two men, eight women, and five children.** BGB immediately took effective measures to prevent the entry, maintaining a firm position along the border. During the incident, the individuals remained on the Indian side of the zero line and were not allowed to enter Bangladesh. Following several hours of heightened vigilance and coordination, BSF personnel reportedly escorted the group back into Indian territory through the Bhabanipur area adjacent to Border Pillar 220/MP (*Dhaka Tribune*, [13 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BGB prevents BSF’s ‘push-in’ attempt involving 11 people at Chuadanga border:** India’s Border Security Force (BSF) has attempted to push 11 people into Bangladesh through the Darshana border in Chuadanga district, but the move has been thwarted by Bangladesh’s Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB), officials said on Sunday. The incident took place at dawn near the Joynagar border area, according to Lieutenant Colonel Nazmul Hasan, commanding officer of the Chuadanga-6 BGB Battalion. **BGB officials and local residents said the BSF had gathered 11 individuals on the Indian side near Main Pillar 77, adjacent to the Darshana international checkpoint, and attempted to send them across the border into Bangladesh. When informed, BGB personnel quickly took up positions along the border. Local villagers also joined them.** Facing resistance, the BSF eventually backed down and removed the group from the zero line, they said. “The BSF attempted a push-in operation, but BGB prevented it,” Lieutenant Colonel Nazmul Hasan said. “The individuals concerned were later taken away from the border area.”

Meanwhile, BGB has received information that a further 125 people have been assembled on the Indian side of the border. Officials assume there may be attempts to push them into Bangladesh (*bdnews24.com*, [14 June 2026](#), *Prothom Alo*, [14 June 2026](#)).

- ◆ **BSF abducts Bangladeshi youth:** The Border Guard Bangladesh foiled three more alleged push-in attempts by the Indian Border Security Force at separate border points in Chuadanga and Kurigram on Sunday. With these incidents, BGB personnel and local residents have foiled at least 46 alleged push-in attempts by the BSF since early May, following the Indian Bharatiya Janata Party's assumption in power in the West Bengal state, according to the BGB. On Saturday evening, the Indian BSF allegedly detained a Bangladeshi youth and took him into Indian territory after assaulting him along the Darshana border under Damurhuda upazila in Chuadanga. In the same evening in Moulvibazar, an Indian national was injured in BGB firing at Borolekha border as two Indian smuggling suspects attacked BGB members with sharp weapons after entering Bangladesh territory. **On Sunday morning, the BGB foiled BSF's two attempts to push in six people through the Goatapara border point and three people through the Ijlamari border point, both areas under Rahumari upazila in Kurigram** (*New Age*, [14 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BGB blocks BSF 'push-in' of 9 people at Kurigram border:** India's Border Security Force (BSF) has tried to push nine people through two border points in Kurigram's Roumari Upazila. However, they have remained on the zero line in India due to the efforts of the Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB). The incident took place on the Goyatapara and Bhandhurchar border areas on Sunday morning, said Lieutenant Colonel Hasanur Rahman, commander of the Jamalpur 35 BGB Battalion. *Those stalled on the zero line are six men, one woman and two children. Local Upazila council Member Sona Mia said that there are concerns about recent attempts to push people illegally into Bangladesh through the border. As such, locals are also on alert along with the BGB in the Goyatapara border area. The six people who BSF tried to push in are currently remaining about 50 yards inside Indian territory, he said* (*bdnews24.com*, [14 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BSF removes over 100 people gathered for 'push-in' along Chuadanga border:** India's Border Security Force (BSF) has moved more than 100 people who had been gathered near the Darshana-Jaynagar border in Chuadanga, allegedly for the purpose of pushing them into Bangladesh. However, no confirmed information is available about their current whereabouts. Concerns spread across the border area after reports emerged early on Sunday of an attempt to push in 11 people, followed by information that another 125 people had been assembled on the Indian side of the border. Local residents organised themselves and began assisting Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) in preventing any push-in attempts. Additional personnel have been deployed, surveillance increased and patrols intensified to manage the situation (*Prothom Alo*, [15 June 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Man stranded at zero line on Kushtia border pleads, "Save our lives":** "We are requesting you. Please make some arrangements for us. Please save our lives." A 50-year-old man who was reportedly subjected to an attempted push-in at the Daulatpur border in Kushtia made this emotional appeal to a local resident on Sunday afternoon. **A 55-second video clip shows the man making repeated pleas for assistance.** A local resident, Md Gaziur Rahman, discreetly delivered food and clothing to the group on Sunday afternoon and recorded the video on his mobile phone. Prothom Alo has obtained a copy of the footage. **In the footage, the 50-year-old man says, "At present, we are in a desperate situation. Our children are almost unwell. We cannot endure these conditions with our children in this intense heat. Please make some**

arrangements for us. We can no longer bear this hardship. We are living in extreme distress with our children. We have no clothes. We are in a very miserable condition.” Continuing his appeal, he says, “Please make some arrangements for us. Please help save our lives. We do not want anything else. We have all the necessary documents. Please examine them and determine who we are. Are we citizens of this country, or are we Rohingya? Please investigate and find out. All our papers and documents are in order. We have relatives here. Please make some arrangements for us.” No resolution has emerged for the 12 women, men and children, including several children, who remain near the zero line after an alleged attempted push-in. More than 63 hours have passed, yet the border guards of both countries remain on alert (*Prothom Alo*, [15 June 2026](#)).

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