

DAILY BANGLADESH WATCH

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Takeaways

Politics

- ◆ **India arranged Hasina's Delhi press conference to insult July martyrs:** Prime Minister's Political Adviser and BNP Senior Joint Secretary General Ruhul Kabir Rizvi alleged that Indian policymakers deliberately arranged ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina's media appearance in New Delhi on the anniversary of the July Uprising to "insult the martyrs of the movement". "August 5 was the day Sheikh Hasina fell from power. On that day, a mass awakening and a great revolution took place in this country for democracy, for our right to take part in politics freely, for the people of this country to speak, and with a promise to protect our independence and sovereignty. Yet, on that very day, this programme, the press conference, was held in Delhi," Rizvi said. "Sheikh Hasina was given the chance to speak in a highly planned and deliberate way. This was completely planned by Indian policymakers. In other words, Sheikh Hasina was allowed to speak to insult the martyrs of the great revolution. I strongly condemn and protest this hateful attempt," he added. Rizvi further said, "This insult comes from a neighbouring country that we call a friendly state. We should deal with each other on the basis of equal respect. But a fugitive accused was given the chance to present her political views, and this was done with the help of her son, Sajeeb Wazed Joy. This is very unfortunate" (*The Daily Star*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **'Why did India allow Hasina to engage in politics from its soil?' Salahuddin asks:** Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed has questioned India's decision to allow ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina to address a news conference in New Delhi. On Thursday, he told BBC Bangla the government also wants to know why India allowed Hasina, who has been sentenced to death in Bangladesh for crimes against humanity, to pursue political activities from its territory. Hasina has been in India since her ouster during the July Uprising in 2024. "India has given her shelter. But while staying there, she has been carrying out political activities involving Bangladesh; she was directly allowed to speak to the media," Salahuddin said. Hasina spoke by audio link at a news conference organised by the Foreign Correspondents' Club of South Asia in New Delhi on Wednesday, marking two years since the Awami League government fell. She also answered questions from journalists. Bangladesh's foreign ministry was dismayed by the move. Salahuddin said proceedings against the (Awami League) party over alleged crimes against humanity were under way and would be decided by the International Crimes Tribunal (ICT). "BNP does not want to ban any political party through executive order. But the matter concerning Awami League's activities is for the court to decide," he said. He added that the people would also "judge" the party over its alleged repression, enforced disappearances and killings during its long rule (*bdnews24.com*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **NCP demands Indian envoy be summoned over Hasina's Delhi press conference:** National Citizen Party (NCP) spokesperson Asif Mahmud Shojib Bhuyain accused India of using ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina as a "pawn" to undermine Bangladesh's sovereignty and demanded that the government summon the Indian high commissioner over her media appearance in New Delhi. Speaking at an emergency press conference, he said Hasina's media interaction was a threat to Bangladesh's sovereignty and alleged that India was using her to disrupt the country's democratic environment. He claimed the government had failed diplomatically to

prevent Hasina from making political remarks from Indian soil. He urged stronger diplomatic efforts to stop her political activities in India and secure her return to Bangladesh. Asif warned that the NCP could abandon its earlier position that reconciliation with the Awami League might be considered after justice for the July Uprising killings if such activities continued. "If this continues, perhaps in the future we too will have to demand that there be no reconciliation, and we may have to take an all-out organisational position," he said. He criticised former Bangladesh cricket captain Shakib Al Hasan for participating in the Delhi event, saying it had clarified his political position. Earlier, NCP Joint Member Secretary Alauddin Mohammad read out a statement calling on India to return Hasina under the extradition treaty and criticising the Bangladesh government for what the party described as insufficient efforts to bring her back and enforce court verdicts against her. Asif also criticised some Bangladeshi media outlets for airing Hasina's remarks, saying that a government order restricting the Awami League's activities prohibits registered media outlets from broadcasting the party's political statements and programmes. He blamed the information and broadcasting ministry for failing to enforce the restriction (*The Daily Star*, [06 August 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Nahid Islam says Govt has been betraying people since start of election process:** National Citizen Party (NCP) Convener and Opposition Chief Whip Nahid Islam on Thursday accused the government of repeatedly betraying the people since the beginning of the election process. **"The betrayal this government has committed since the beginning of the election will continue at every step unless the people resist it. The people of Bangladesh will not allow the government to behave this way," he said.** Nahid made the remarks while addressing an 11-party unity program at Muktangan in the capital, protesting fuel price hikes and rising commodity prices. Referring to the BNP's acting chairman Tarique Rahman, Nahid said: **"If the Tarique Rahman government cannot ensure people's basic rights, including uninterrupted gas and electricity supply, employment opportunities, and affordable commodity prices, then it should not dream of remaining in power."** He also alleged that activists of the ruling party's student wing, Chhatra Dal, were carrying out attacks on opposition student activists on university campuses. Expressing solidarity with protesters, Nahid said the people of Bangladesh were witnessing the suffering of ordinary citizens (*Dhaka Tribune*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Changes in four secretary posts, including Primary and Mass Education and Energy:** The government has appointed new secretaries to four ministries and divisions, including the Ministry of Primary and Mass Education and the Energy and Mineral Resources Division. These appointments have been made through transfers and promotions. While the process of new appointments to these posts is ongoing, several other important positions may fall vacant. Consequently, preparations have begun for fresh postings and redistribution of responsibilities at the top tier of the administration. In continuation of this, multiple reshuffles are likely to take place at the secretary and additional secretary levels, according to multiple sources related to the Ministry of Public Administration. **Regarding this, officials of the Ministry of Public Administration stated that secretary-level appointments are made by high-level decisions of the government. Therefore, they issue orders only when a decision arrives from there. It is difficult to predict in advance who will be appointed to what position** (*Prothom Alo*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **'UN withheld July uprising eyewitness identities over death penalty provision':** The United Nations did not share the identities of eyewitnesses cited in its fact-finding report on the July 2024 Mass Uprising because Bangladesh's International Crimes Tribunal (ICT) Act still retains the death penalty, a prosecutor told the tribunal on Thursday. Prosecutor Gazi

Monawar Hossain Tamim made the disclosure while presenting arguments before International Crimes Tribunal-2 in a crimes against humanity case against seven leaders of the now-banned Awami League and its affiliated organizations, including Awami League General Secretary Obaidul Quader. During the hearing, Monawar said armed activists of the Chhatra League and Awami League attacked protesters between July 14 and July 17, 2024, on the instructions of senior party leaders, adding that the incidents were documented in the UN's fact-finding report. He said the report contains references for all witnesses but the UN had informed the prosecution that it would disclose the identities of eyewitnesses only if the death penalty was removed from Bangladesh's ICT law. "As a result, we did not receive the UN's eyewitnesses," the prosecutor said, adding that the prosecution is instead producing its own eyewitnesses before the tribunal. Following the fall of the Awami League government during the Jul uprising, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) published a fact-finding report examining events between July 1 and August 15, 2024. The report held senior leaders of the then-ruling Awami League responsible for atrocities and crimes against humanity committed during the period (*Dhaka Tribune*, [06 August 2026](#)).

- ◆ **5pc quota for minorities in govt jobs demanded:** Rights organisations on Thursday demanded proper implementation of the quota system, including a five per cent quota for ethnic minorities and a three per cent quota for other disadvantaged communities in government jobs and educational institutions. The demand was raised at a seminar titled 'Ethnic Minority Peoples: Life, Land Rights and Cultural Dignity' at CIRDAP auditorium in Dhaka, organised jointly by 17 national rights organisations to mark International Indigenous Peoples' Day 2026 to be observed on August 9. **The speakers made eight demands at the event.** They called for Bangladesh's annual participation in the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and official state observance of the day. They also demanded replacing the terms 'tribes' and 'ethnic sects' in Article 23(A) of the constitution with terminology acceptable to ethnic minorities. The speakers urged proper implementation of Section 97 of the State Acquisition and Tenancy Act, 1950, to protect ethnic minorities' land rights and called for immediate activation of the land commission to resolve land disputes. Speaking at the seminar, Transparency International Bangladesh executive director Iftekharuzzaman called for constitutional reforms, alleging that divisions among ethnic minorities were being exploited to weaken their position (*New Age*, [07 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Presidential election: BNP yet to finalise candidate, Jamaat meeting Saturday: The Election Commission (EC) has announced the schedule for the presidential election. According to the schedule announced on Thursday, voting will take place on 20 August.** Preparations for the election will proceed only if both the ruling party and the opposition nominate separate candidates. If the opposition does not field a candidate, voting may not be necessary at all. Under the announced schedule, nomination papers for the presidency may be submitted on 13 August between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. It will become clear that day whether voting will be required. Scrutiny of nomination papers will take place on 16 August. If there is only one candidate, the EC will declare that person elected president on the same day. Under the Constitution, only members of parliament are eligible to vote in the presidential election. The ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) holds an overwhelming majority in the current Jatiya Sangsad, making its nominee almost certain to become the country's next president. However, **the BNP has not yet finalised its candidate. Meanwhile, the main opposition in parliament, Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami, as well as the National Citizen Party (NCP) and other opposition parties, have the opportunity to nominate candidates.** However, opposition party sources said none of them, including Jamaat-e-Islami, has yet decided whether to field a presidential candidate. Several senior BNP leaders are being discussed as potential candidates. Among them is party Secretary

General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir. The names of Nazrul Islam Khan, Abdul Moyeen Khan and Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain have also been mentioned. Some within the BNP are also considering acting president Hafiz Uddin Ahmad as a possible candidate. According to BNP sources, the party is considering factors such as age, physical condition, and where each individual would be most needed within the party and the government. After weighing all these considerations, the list of potential candidates has become shorter than before. Meanwhile, party sources said Jamaat-e-Islami, the main opposition in parliament, has not yet taken a decision on the presidential election. The party's highest policymaking forum, the central executive council, is scheduled to meet tomorrow, Saturday. The party's position on the presidential election may be finalised there. **Jamaat leaders said the party is considering three options: boycotting the election, fielding its own candidate, or supporting a candidate from another party. One of these options may be chosen at Saturday's meeting** (*Prothom Alo*, [07 August 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Local govt. polls to be held within this fiscal year:** State Minister for Local Government, Rural Development (LGRD) and Cooperatives Mir Shahe Alam today said that the government aims to complete elections for all five tiers of local government within the current fiscal year. **"The government is committed to holding elections for all five tiers of local government within this fiscal year," he said.** He made the remarks while speaking to reporters after visiting the Secondary Transfer Station (STS) of Sylhet City Corporation's (SCC) waste management facility at Parairchak in South Surma. "The sequence of the elections would be determined after August through consultations involving the Local Government Division, the Finance Division, and the Election Commission," he said. **Commenting on national politics, Alam said there is no opportunity for former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to return directly to the country without facing legal proceedings. He added that any action against her would be carried out in accordance with court rulings and the country's legal process** (*BSS News*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **11-party goes for long marches, Dhaka rally:** The Jamaat-e-Islami-led 11-party alliance yesterday announced a series of divisional long marches and a grand rally in Dhaka, demanding the implementation of the July National Charter and the referendum verdict, as well as cuts in fuel, gas and electricity prices. **The programmes were announced by opposition leader and alliance chief Shafiqur Rahman, ameer of Jamaat-e-Islami, during a sit-in at Mukhtangan in Paltan, organised over what the alliance described as a fuel and gas crisis, "ghost bills" for electricity, deteriorating law and order and spiralling prices of essential commodities.** The movement would also seek the immediate trial of those responsible for mass killings, improvements in public security and an end to what he termed narrow partisan control of state institutions, Shafiqur said. According to the announcement, the alliance will organise road marches from Dhaka to Chattogram on September 5, to Rangpur on September 19, and to Khulna on October 10. A rail march from Dhaka to Sylhet is scheduled for October 24, followed by a grand rally in the capital on November 14. The movement would continue until their demands are met, Shafiqur said (*The Daily Star*, [07 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BNP lifts expulsion of six Narail leaders:** The BNP has withdrawn the expulsion orders of six leaders in Narail who were removed from the party around seven months ago for violating party discipline, restoring their primary memberships with immediate effect. The party's central office announced the decision in six separate letters issued on 6 August and signed by BNP Senior Joint Secretary General Advocate Ruhul Kabir Rizvi. Narail BNP President and Narail-1 lawmaker Biswas Jahangir Alam confirmed the development. The six leaders are Md Telayet Hossain, former president of Narail Municipal BNP; Md Moshir Rahman Santu, former general secretary of Lohagara Municipal BNP; Md Mujahidul Islam Palash, former general secretary of Sadar BNP; Md Ahaduzzaman Batu, former president of Lohagara BNP; Milu Sharif, former

president of Lohagara Municipal BNP; and Kazi Sultanuzzaman Selim, general secretary of Lohagara BNP (*Daily Times of Bangladesh*, [07 August 2026](#)).

Economy

- ◆ **LNG terminal resumes operation, gas crisis eases in Ctg:** A boiler at the floating LNG terminal (FSRU) operated by US company Excelerate Energy in Maheshkhali, Cox's Bazar, has resumed operation after being damaged by a fire, bringing relief to the gas crisis in Chattogram. Deputy General Manager of Rupantarita Prakritik Gas Company Limited (RPGCL) Nasir Uddin confirmed the development to BSS. He said the terminal's boiler resumed operation at 3:10 am on Wednesday and supplied 115 million cubic feet of gas to the national grid by 9:30 am on Thursday. The supply increased to 250 million cubic feet by the afternoon. **Chattogram had been facing a gas shortage for nearly two weeks following the fire at the LNG terminal on July 21. Officials hope the resumption of operations will gradually restore normal gas supply** (*BSS News*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **PM's finance adviser seeks Bangladesh to turn into trillion dollar economy:** Prime Minister's Finance and Planning Adviser Dr. Rashed Al Mahmud Titumir today said Bangladesh's existing fragile economy must be transformed into a trillion dollar one, converging the nation's development trajectory and its five-year strategic plan with global frameworks. He stressed the need for synchronization with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework and the Paris Agreement. Titumir called for private-capital mobilisation and the need for global climate funds to match national ambition with speed and concessionality as well as reflected on the philosophy of the premier as set out in BNP's election manifesto. The adviser made the suggestions while addressing the closing session of an Economic Relations Division (ERD)-sponsored event in the capital (*BSS News*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Cabinet body recommends policy approval for procurement of 8 LNG cargoes, LPG, e-buses:** The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs today recommended in principle a number of proposals, including the emergency procurement of eight liquefied natural gas (LNG) cargoes from four international suppliers through the direct procurement method (DPM), aiming to ensure uninterrupted gas supply amid geopolitical instability. The recommendations came at the 24th meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs this year, held today at the Cabinet Division Conference Room of the Bangladesh Secretariat with Finance Minister Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury in the chair. The committee recommended policy approval for purchasing two LNG cargoes each from Blackcube International Ltd, UK; Global Fuel Supplies Pte Ltd, Australia; Plentitude Energy Sdn Bhd, Malaysia; and Maxwell International SPC, Oman, through international direct procurement to meet the country's urgent gas demand. The emergency purchases were proposed in view of the unstable geopolitical situation following the conflict involving Iran, Israel and the United States, according to the meeting outcomes. The committee also recommended policy approval for procuring 5,000 metric tons (5%) of LPG from Speed Marketing Corporation (Speed Group) through direct international procurement at Saudi Aramco CP plus US\$97 per metric ton (CFR basis). The LPG will contain 35-40 percent propane and 60-65 percent butane and is intended to meet emergency domestic demand, increase the government's share in the LPG market and help stabilize prices (*BSS News*, [06 August 2026](#)).

Foreign Policy

- ◆ **India must decide its stance:** State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam said that when a convicted individual makes remarks from Indian soil claiming that militancy is spreading in Bangladesh, and the Indian government allows such statements, it raises concerns among the people of Bangladesh about the future direction of bilateral relations. **She added that it is ultimately up to India to decide what kind of relationship it wants with Bangladesh. She, moreover, dismissed the Awami League's statements on democracy and human rights as 'ridiculous,' citing enforced disappearances and alleged human rights abuses during the party's rule.** The state minister made the remarks while briefing journalists at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday afternoon, in response to a question about ousted former prime minister Sheikh Hasina speaking directly to the media in Delhi on Wednesday. A journalist asked the state minister for her reaction to attempts by convicted individuals based in India to portray Bangladesh as a "militant state." In response, Shama Obaed said the government had tried to convey, in diplomatic language, as much as possible through the statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs last night. **She said Bangladesh had repeatedly told India that it needed to make its position clear regarding what kind of relationship it wanted with Bangladesh.** "India is a democratic country. India itself has to decide what its foreign policy regarding Bangladesh will be. We want good relations, in the interest of the people of both countries. But the relationship has to be based on equality, with mutual respect and dignity. If India understands that, it will be good for everyone," she said. **She emphasized that Bangladesh's relationship with India extends far beyond the current dispute.** "This theory of militancy is an old, dirty political tactic of the Awami League. They are now trying to revive the same tactic while sitting on foreign soil. It is now up to the Indian government to decide whether it will allow this to continue," she said. **The state minister said both the governments and people of Bangladesh and India wanted bilateral relations to improve.** "But if authoritarian, fascist, convicted Awami League figures, including the head of the Awami League, continue such 'conspiratorial activities' while staying on Indian soil, and if the Indian government does not stop this immediately, it will become a matter of concern for the people of Bangladesh," she said. Noting that many bilateral issues between the two countries need to be resolved through discussions, dialogue and meetings, Shama Obaed said, "We want to sit down and talk. But India has to make the decision now." Within 24 hours of Bangladesh lodging a strong protest over India's role in the matter, the Indian high commissioner visited the Secretariat and met the power minister (*Dhaka Tribune*, [06 August 2026](#); *New Age*, [06 August 2026](#); *Prothom Alo*, [07 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **India warns Bangladesh applicants against fake visa officials:** The Indian High Commission in Dhaka has warned of scammers posing as mission officials to trick visa applicants. It issued the advisory in a Facebook post on Thursday, saying it had received complaints of fraudsters contacting individuals while claiming to represent the High Commission and falsely promising visas or other consular services in exchange for money. **"No official of the High Commission will ever contact you via phone, WhatsApp, social media or email offering to process a visa or demanding money. "All visa applications are processed strictly following the prescribed procedure."** Advising people on what to do if they receive such a call, message or offer, the mission said: "Do not make any payment. Do not share your personal or financial information" (*bdnews24.com*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh turns to India for additional diesel supply to tackle power shortages:** Power, energy and mineral resources minister Iqbal Hasan Mahmud said on Thursday that Bangladesh has requested additional diesel supplies from India via the existing cross-border pipeline to help manage ongoing power and gas shortages. **Speaking to reporters at the Secretariat following a routine meeting with Indian High Commissioner Dinesh Trivedi, Mahmud confirmed, 'We**

have a pipeline with India through which diesel is supplied. We have asked them to provide more.’ Addressing domestic gas disruptions, the minister stated that repairs to the Floating Storage and Regasification Unit were scheduled for completion by Thursday afternoon. As transmission resumes, gas pressure is expected to normalize across affected areas within two to three days. Mahmud acknowledged that the shortage directly impacted gas-fired power generation, triggering widespread load-shedding. He assured that power stations shut down during the shortage will be restarted as gas flow restores. Responding to public criticism over fuel and electricity disruptions, the minister noted that the mechanical failure was unexpected, adding, ‘What has happened—is it within anyone’s control?’ (*New Age*, [06 August 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Khalilur seeks UNDP support for smooth LDC graduation:** Foreign Minister Dr Khalilur Rahman today expressed hope that the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the wider UN system would support Bangladesh in addressing the challenges of its transition towards graduation from the Least Developed Country (LDC) category. The foreign minister made the call when newly appointed UNDP Resident Representative to Bangladesh Stephen Rodriques presented his credentials to him at the foreign ministry here, according to a press release. Welcoming Rodriques, Khalilur congratulated him on his appointment and reaffirmed Bangladesh's commitment to working closely with UNDP in advancing shared development priorities (*BSS News*, [06 August 2026](#)).
- ◆ **US Pacific Fleet Commander visits advanced maritime security cooperation:** Admiral Steve Koehler, commander, US Pacific Fleet, visited Dhaka 4-6 August, 2026. He met with Prime Minister Tarique Rahman, Defense Advisor AKM Shamsul Islam, and Bangladesh Navy Chief of Naval Staff Vice Admiral Khondkar Misbah ul Azim to discuss maritime security, reports a US Embassy press release. Citing US Embassy Dhaka Acting Spokesperson Mara Bird, the press release said, “Admiral Koehler also visited Shikha Anirban to honour the Bangladesh Armed Forces members who died in the 1971 Liberation War, and Lalbagh Fort, one of Bangladesh’s iconic cultural heritage sites. Admiral Koehler’s visit deepened the long-standing security cooperation between the United States and Bangladesh” (*Prothom Alo*, [06 August 2026](#)).

Security

- ◆ **Migration management now part of national security:** Prime Minister's Defence Adviser Brig Gen (retd) Dr AKM Shamsul Islam on Thursday said migration management has become an integral part of national security amid evolving global and geopolitical realities. Speaking as the keynote speaker at a program titled *Migration Governance as a National Security Instrument in Bangladesh* at the Bangladesh University of Professionals (BUP) in Mirpur Cantonment, he said migration is no longer solely an issue of the economy, employment or the labor market. **"It is directly linked to a country's internal stability, border management, humanitarian protection and overall national security,"** he said. Shamsul said the concept of national security has expanded beyond protecting territorial boundaries to include safe migration, legal employment opportunities, orderly cross-border movement, and safeguarding the rights and dignity of Bangladeshis living abroad. He warned that failure to ensure safe, orderly and well-managed migration could create multidimensional challenges for domestic stability, border security and regional peace. Highlighting the importance of remittances to the economy, he stressed the need to develop a skilled workforce, expand opportunities for safe and regular migration, and equip prospective migrants with adequate knowledge, training and protection. He also called for stronger coordination among relevant institutions to combat irregular migration, fraud, human trafficking and transnational criminal networks (*Dhaka Tribune*, [06 August 2026](#)).

- ◆ **RAB arrests two with rare Sterling submachine gun, foreign pistol in Rajbari raids:** Members of Rapid Action Battalion (RAB) arrested two alleged armed men and seized a rare foreign-made Sterling submachine gun, a foreign-made pistol and 34 rounds of live ammunition in separate raids in Rajbari's Sadar and Goalanda upazilas. **The arrested men were identified as Md Momin Molla and Hasan Ali Biswas.** RAB said they have links to the banned Sarbahara Party's Manju-Jahangir group. Members of Rapid Action Battalion (RAB) arrested two alleged armed men and seized a rare foreign-made Sterling submachine gun, a foreign-made pistol and 34 rounds of live ammunition in separate raids in Rajbari's Sadar and Goalanda upazilas. Asaduzzaman said Momin Molla is a Saudi Arabia expatriate who returned to Bangladesh about a month ago and was scheduled to fly back to Saudi Arabia on August 13. He added that the recovered Sterling submachine gun is an extremely rare type of firearm. In another operation around 10:15 pm the same day, RAB arrested Hasan Ali Biswas near Jalil Member Bridge in Chhoto Bhakla Union under Goalanda upazila. During the raid, RAB recovered a foreign-made pistol, one magazine, six rounds of live ammunition, several locally made weapons, four mobile phones and Tk 15,300 in cash from his possession. **The RAB-10 chief said preliminary interrogation revealed that both arrested men have links to the Sarbahara Party, while Hasan Ali Biswas is associated with the party's Manju-Jahangir group.** He said RAB's drive to arrest the group's leader, Manju-Jahangir, is continuing (*Dhaka Tribune*, [06 August 2026](#)).

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